

AUGUST 2025

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Maxwell Street Presbyterian Church



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Zach Murphy
Katie Whaley

2027 ELDERS

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2026 DEACONS

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REMINDER

Deadline for the September 2025 MIM is Thursday, August 14, 2025.

Please submit all items/articles to Marrianne Russell, our Communications Director. If you have articles ready before the deadline, send them in. You may submit a hard copy or send it via email to marrianne@maxpres.org

WORSHIP NEWS

AUGUST WORSHIP

AUGUST 3

Communion Sunday

Luke 12:13-21 "Rich Towards God"

AUGUST 10

"Blessing of the Backpacks"

Luke 12:32-40 "On Alert"

AUGUST 17

Luke 12:49-56 - "The Present Times"

AUGUST 24

Luke 13:10-17 - "A Daughter of Abraham"

AUGUST 31

Luke 14:1, 7-14 "You're Invited"

In worship this month, we'll focus on the lectionary gospel readings from Luke. In the 12th chapter, we're told that a crowd had gathered to hear him teaching. It makes sense, then, that his teachings and parables would become concise in order to be more easily conveyed to a large group, but that doesn't necessarily mean they will be easy to understand. He has challenging things to say about wealth, the urgency of faithfulness, and the inevitable division his words will create. In the last two weeks of this five-Sunday month, we'll focus on a healing story and a reminder about the expansiveness of God's hospitality. I hope to see you in worship!

SAVE THE DATE!

Rally Sunday

Sunday, September 7

Let's fill the sanctuary this Sunday! All our Fall Programs will be up and running. It's a great day to get back to Maxwell Street!

Maxwell Street Block Party

October 18, 2025

Come enjoy food, games, and live music at Maxwell Street! More details to follow!

All-Church Retreat

November 14-16

Get away for a weekend to enjoy the beauty of Burnamwood and good fellowship with your Maxwell Street friends.

Chancel Choir

The Chancel Choir sings an anthem in most worship services. In addition, the choir provides leadership in hymns and prepares for special services during Advent, Lent, and Easter. If you enjoy singing, please consider choir even if you have never sung in any choir before. We rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30, beginning on August 27.



In One A-Chord: Lexington Sacred Music Festival

In celebration of Lexington's 250th anniversary, there will be a Sacred Music Festival in downtown Lexington from September 21-27. MSPC will host a one-hour concert on Tuesday evening, September 23, at 6:30, featuring many of our own gifted church musicians including Cynthia Lawrence, Mark Calkins, Robin Morrill, Doug Kalika, Susan Cary, Loren Tice, Dorothy Tice, the Chancel Choir, etc. All 25 events during the week are free and open to the public.

Monday, September 22

-- Lexington All-City Chorus and the Central Kentucky Youth Orchestra will perform in the evening

Tuesday, September 23

-- Maxwell Street Presbyterian will have a concert

Wednesday, September 24

-- Grace Baptist Church will have a concert featuring Gregory Turay in the evening

Thursday, September 25

-- Central Christian will offer a morning organ concert and St. Andrew's Episcopal may have a contemporary organ / piano concert with viewing of antique Ethiopian crosses in the early evening.

Friday, September 26 -

- Calvary Baptist is planning a concert event in the evening and UK Symphony Orchestra will have a concert including sacred selections (ticketed event)

Saturday, September 27 -- (3pm - 4:30pm at a location to be determined). This will be the culminating concert of the week. Details forthcoming.

FELLOWSHIP & STUDY



3rd Space Sunday Sunday, August 17

3rd Space Sunday (aka Donut Sunday) happens on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 9:30 in the Fellowship Hall. I hope you'll join us for 3rd Space Sunday on August 17th!

Stitchmates

2nd and 4th Saturdays at noon

We meet twice a month on the second Saturday in the Church Library. Bring the projects you are working on and enjoy this time of fellowship! **Questions, contact Elise (elisekalika56@gmail.com).**

Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering

October 11 at Burnamwood

Transylvania PW Annual Fall Gathering is Saturday, October 11 at Camp Burnamwood. The speaker will be Richard Wilson of Buckhorn Children and Family Services. Second Presbyterian has a church bus that will be going. There are 14 seats on the bus. If you are interested in registering for transportation through Second, contact Sandra Harrison (slharr64@gmail.com) Reservations are necessary; a gift of \$5 per person is requested for the bus to cover the cost of gas and bus expenses. The cost of the Fall Gathering is \$15 for lunch. Questions, contact Karen May (karen@the2mays.net, or 859-277-8200).

Fall Kerygma Class

**Matt's Midweek Discipleship Class
- All Are Welcome!**

"Wisdom's Table: Exploring Faith with Women Theologians"

Explore the heart of Christian belief through the voices of women theologians—past and present. This 16-week class will explore key doctrines, including God, Jesus, salvation, and justice, through scripture, storytelling, and real-life application. Deepen your faith and discover new ways of seeing God at work in the world. Starts August 27th. Wednesdays at 10:30 in the Church Library, or join us on Zoom. Contact Matt (matt@maxpres.org) for the link to the class.



Words & Wine

Friday, August 1 at 6:30pm

Word & Wine meets Friday, August 1 at 6:30pm to discuss Lula Dean's Little Library of Banned Books by Kirsten Miller. If you are interested in this group, please contact Lauren Falco (laurenefalco@yahoo.com).

N.A.D.Y.A. Book Group

Hosted by Jason & Andrea Williams, N.A.D.Y.A. Book Group meets once a month to discuss interesting topics through literature. The group alternates between fiction and non-fiction. Our next book has been recommended by a few members and Nadia Bolz-Weber herself! It's This is Happiness by Niall Williams. If you are interested in participating, please contact Jason (jasonmckinleywilliams@gmail.com).



New Wineskins Update

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our New Wineskins Capital Campaign thus far. We have received \$179,215.78 out of the total pledged amount of \$610,440.87. If you have questions about your pledge, please contact Kate in the church office (kate@maxpres.org) or 859-255-1074.

FINANCIAL INFO

June 2025 Income/Expense Report

	Current Period	Year to Date	Year to Date Budget	YTD Budget Difference	Annual Budget
INCOME					
Pledges	\$34,070.63	\$310,457.43	\$296,720.00	\$13,737.43	\$535,000.00
Congregational Giving	2,679.87	14,555.10	16,740.00	(2,184.90)	35,000.00
Loose Offering	478.36	2,468.36	2,500.00	(31.64)	5,000.00
Other Designated Gifts	100.00	3,485.00	1,998.00	1,487.00	4,000.00
Per Capita Donation	540.00	5,133.26	4,080.00	1,053.26	5,500.00
Grant Income	0.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.00	9,000.00
Ky Campus Ministry Board	0.00	0.00	8,200.00	(8,200.00)	8,200.00
Interest Income	348.26	791.28	75.00	716.28	150.00
PNC CD interest	264.84	1,603.26	1,125.00	478.26	2,250.00
Subtotal Interest Income	613.10	2,394.54	1,200.00	1,194.54	2,400.00
Rentals	2,517.60	13,613.60	11,981.84	1,631.76	23,000.00
Workcamp Fees	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	(3,000.00)	6,000.00
Coupons for Missions	0.00	367.21	1,000.00	(632.79)	2,000.00
Spec Offering for Hunger	1,483.21	9,522.52	10,000.02	(477.50)	20,000.00
Spec Off for Assistance	38.86	660.11	0.00	660.11	2,500.00
Other Income	0.00	24.00	0.00	24.00	6.00
TOTAL INCOME	42,521.63	371,681.13	366,419.86	5,261.27	657,606.00
EXPENSES					
Mission & Benevolences	6,639.54	19,037.16	22,374.96	3,337.80	41,750.00
Payroll Expenses	31,257.12	203,856.75	212,676.36	8,819.61	424,384.00
Church Programs	1,938.02	5,821.08	12,125.04	6,303.96	22,250.00
Utilities & Maintenance	7,092.48	56,509.02	52,053.58	(4,455.44)	101,402.00
Operating Expenses	6,122.02	20,236.65	25,400.04	5,163.39	44,050.00
Worship And Fellowship	300.48	1,980.10	3,525.00	1,544.90	7,050.00
Presbytery Support/Per Capita	0.00	6,966.65	8,359.98	1,393.33	16,720.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	53,349.66	314,407.41	336,514.96	22,107.55	657,606.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$10,828.03)	\$57,273.72	\$29,904.90	\$27,368.82	\$0.00

June 2024 Special Offering Chart		
	June	YTD
Bus Passes		\$360
Campus Ministry		\$504.75
Community Assistance	\$39	\$1,460.11
CRCKY		\$200.00
E7 Kids' Café	\$333.57	\$3,489.19
Joy		\$681.23
KRM		\$212.39
Mission Co-worker Support		\$1,000.00
MSLC	24.35	\$303.05
OGHS		\$1,975.58
PDA	\$1,549	\$2,424.26
Souper Bowl Offering		\$539.13
Youth	\$10	\$548.44
Chris Rabel Memorial Youth Scholarship		\$2,500.00
	\$1,955	\$15,838.13

THANK YOU'S

Thanks to Elise Kalika for creating a robe and sandals for our beloved "Jesus" doll in the children's library. He had been underdressed for years until Elise came to the rescue.

Thanks to all those who went on the Guatemala Mission Trip: Gretchen Bishay, Jackie DeCroo, Lauren & Matt Falco, Julia and Anne-Claire Linscott, Ashlee Vogelsang and Kylee Lawson.

Thanks to those who prepared lunch for the youth group prior to their mission trip. (Bill & Suzanne Smith, Luke Morgan & Lou Anna Red Corn, Heidi Hawkins, Michelle Jones)

Thank you to all those who donated items for the Asheville Mission Trip: Sandy Senft, Meads family, Ann Morgan, Kerksmar family, Greg & Jean Harper, Pam & Joe Boldt, Valerie, Peter & Matthew Perry.

Thank you to those who donated clothing and other items to the clothing room. A special thank you to Jody Lambert and Leigh Buckley for volunteering with the program.

Thank you to all those who donated towards E7 Kids Café.

Thank you to Jason & Andrea Williams for hosting the N.A.D.Y.A. Book Group.

Thank you to Lauren Falco for coordinating the Words and Wine Book Group.

Thanks to those who helped with the garden project: Dan and Anne Farrer, Jim Gardner, Elizabeth Varney, Helen Richardson, Martin Hendrix, Marguerite Waddell, Cate Perkins.

Thank you to those who helped with Thursday Night Meals: Kristy, Jeff & Eddie Ehlert, Anne Chesnut, Leigh Buckley, Susan Mossman, Bonnie Eads, John Evans, Carolyn Sayre, Bob Rabel, Agnes Donohue, Bill Handley, Nancy Ricker, Kathy Riley, Debi & Larry MacQuown, Karen Williams, Laura Zolman, Matt Gomez, Rich Copley, Michelle Gardner, Kelsey Jerrod Croley, Clay Noonan.

Thank you to the Deacons for hosting the ice cream social: Debbie Acker, Katherine Bullock, Cynthia Bruno, Alicia Hart, Jeff Ehlert, Ann Farrer, Martin Hendrix, Sarag and Zane Kerksmar, Susan Liddle, Matt McMahan, Derrick Meads, Jim Olive, Heidi Robbins Hall, Tony Sidor, Sharron Townsend, Elizabeth Tremoulis.

Thank you to those who helped in the church office: Jean Harper, Cindi Kuper, Ann Farrer, Ruth Rowles, Michelle Gardner.

Thank you to the ushers: Katie Whaley, Debbie Acker, Elizabeth Tremoulis, Heidi Robbins Hall, Derrick Meads, Tracy & Cynthia Bruno, Susan Liddle, Jeff Ehlert, Martin Hendrix, Matt McMahan, Jim Olive, Ann Farrer, Katie Whaley.

Thank you to Jay Vessels, Jonah Falco, Bill Smith, Jim Lump, and Rich Copley for volunteering for sound and streaming of services.

Thank you to Laurel Bullock for acolyting.

Thank you to those who helped lead the worship services: Joe Kerksmar, Anne Claire Linscott, Doug Kalika, Janet Lump, Janet Kalika, Kathy Riley, Jim Gardner, Lauren Falco, Lucas Falco, Jonah Falco, Kailee Lawson, Ashlee Vogelsang, Ava Johnson, Kennedy Feltner-Happy, Gretchen Bishay, Kiersten Kerksmar.

Thank you to those who provided special music for the worship services: Robin Morrill, Lydia Rufin, Susan Carey, Dorothy & Loren Tice, Janet Kalika, Doug Kalika, Iris Dooling, Gretchen Bishay, Jackie DeCroo, Jim Olive, Cindi Kuper, Lauren Falco, Stan Brunn, Jayden Bowman, Will Jones, Jay McNamee, Susan Liddle, Jean Harper, Linda Ensminger, Victoria Sullivan, Nauval Fauzi, and members of the Solstice Strings Violin Quartet: Jennifer Day, Lauren Falco, Kara Hill, and Tarah Newsome.

Thank you to those who served punch: Susan Liddle & Mark Summers, Cynthia Bruno, Zane Kerksmar, Jim Olive, Alicia & Mason Hart, Debbie Acker.

Thank you to those who sponsored sanctuary flowers: Gretchen Bishay in celebration of her mom's birthday; Megan, Clara & Eli Cooper in celebration of Troy's birthday; Alicia, Mark and Mason Hart in celebration of Debbie Acker's birthday; Peter & Valerie Perry in celebration of their anniversary.

Thank you to Jay Vessels, Jonah Falco, Bill Smith, Jim Lump, and Rich Copley for volunteering for sound and streaming of services.

Thank you to the greeters: Ann Morgan, Sarah Kerksmar, Zane Kerksmar, Elizabeth and Scott Tremoulis, Denise and Ray Reynolds, Jane Andreatta, Becky Kemper, Katherine and Laurel Bullock, Toni and Tom Carter Janet Andreatta, Denise & Ray Reynolds.

Thank you to our trustees for supervising many projects at the church.

Thanks to Elise Kalika for creating a robe and sandals for our beloved "Jesus" doll in the children's library. He had been underdressed for years until Elise came to the rescue.

Pride Thank Yous

The Social Justice Committee would like to thank all our Pride volunteers and helpers: Thank you to Helen Richardson and Laura Zolman who co-chaired the PRIDE table for MSPC this year. Thank you to Madelyn Bullington for working with Laura and Helen to design our beautiful PRIDE shirts for the congregation. Thank you to Karen Williams, Susan Cole, Mark Cole, Sarah Kerksmar, Zayne Kerksmar, and Valerie Perry for helping us pack the cars and set up the PRIDE table at the festival. Thank you to Dan Farrer, Ann Farrer, Debbie Acker, Sarah Barnett, Debi MacQuown, Trisha Bernard, Joe Paul, Sharron Townsend, Rich Copley, Elizabeth Varney, Gretchen Bishay, Ann Morgan, Heidi Robbins Hall, and Kelsey Lockhart, John Waldrop for giving out seeds, smiles, emergency water, and stickers to folks at our PRIDE table. Additionally, thank you to Kelsey for face painting at our table. Every year, the PRIDE festival takes a village to pull off, and we are so grateful for all the ways you contributed this year.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

The Session met on Monday, June 2nd, for their regularly scheduled meeting. The meeting opened with prayer and boundary training, now required by the PC(USA). Boundary training for congregational leaders, including Clergy and Ruling Elders, focuses on establishing and maintaining healthy boundaries within the context of ministry. This training helps individuals navigate power dynamics, avoid misconduct, and promote healthy relationships with individuals and the congregation.

During the meeting, the Mission Committee proposed a special offering to benefit KRM, Maxwell Legal Clinic and CRCKY. After a brief conversation, this motion was passed. The Financial Report was reviewed.

A few new items were brought to the attention of the Session. The Trustees reported that the garage needs to be emptied, and asked that the Session ask groups and individuals to remove their items. Session approved the request and agreed upon a July 31st deadline.

A brief discussion was held about the status of the New Wineskins campaign. The Session decided that they would take no action at this time to make-up for the shortfall in the hopes that additional funds would come forth.

Related to this conversation, a discussion was held regarding the importance of the elevator update/repair, and how crucial this is for accessibility purposes. Matt will relay this to trustees and they will prioritize this on their agenda over the improvements to the building. Work on the new Campus Ministry room is set to begin.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00 pm with prayer for our congregation, the world, and one another.

UKIRK CAMPUS MINISTRY



UKIRK Campus Ministry

Wednesday Nights 7pm | Begins August 27

We will have weekly meetings on Wednesdays at 7PM starting on August 27. See you there!

New UKirk Space

I am very excited for this next year with the students, especially since we have a new room completely dedicated to the college students!

I hope this allows for all of the UKIRK members to feel welcome, at home, and accepted. We will continue to have our weekly meetings where we enjoy a meal together as well as have meaningful conversations that help grow our relationship with Christ.

- Megan James
Campus Ministry Director
megan@maxpres.org

MISSION

Restocking Toiletries

We're re-stocking our toiletries and cleaning supplies to help families in need. Donations can be dropped off during church office hours or on Sundays. These items help real people with real needs in our community.

Items needed most:

- Small/travel-size soaps
- Small/travel-size shampoos
- Lotions
- Deodorant (male and female)
- Any household cleaning supplies (disinfectant wipes, sprays, etc.)



CAN YOU HELP?

The past six months has been a very difficult time for refugees and migrants in the United States. Central Kentucky has had disturbing reductions in service for these immigrant communities, especially in the area of legal services. Many of the recently arrived Afghans, who were expecting family members to travel to join them, saw those travel plans terminated, leaving those families separated for the foreseeable future. Those in the Haitian community, who were granted parole to enter the country legally because of the conditions in Haiti, have seen their paroles terminated, making them subject to deportation. International students all across the country are having their student visas terminated. Fear permeates these communities, even among those individuals who continue to have legal status.

On Sunday, August 24, 2025, we will collect a special offering to be divided equally between two organizations serving the immigrant community. Both have had strong ties with us for many years. Please give generously to this congregational offering and go to the websites of these two organizations and become regular supporters.

Organization 1:

Kentucky Refugee Ministries (KRM)

Website: kyrm.org

As an affiliate of Church World Service, Kentucky Refugee Ministries (KRM) has been central Kentucky's refugee resettlement agency since 1990. In 1998 they opened an office in Lexington. And since then, MSPC has had strong supporting ties with KRM. At one time their office was in the Dana Jones Neighborhood Center across the street from the church. Our own Babs Klein and Lucy Raine led their operations. We have provided financial support, donated household goods and clothing, sponsored refugee families, set-up apartments for arriving refugees and volunteered in their office.

For 2025 the U.S. government has cancelled all refugee resettlement, except for the white Afrikaners from South Africa. KRM will not be serving that group. So, no refugees are arriving here. But KRM continues to serve those who have recently arrived and those who continue to need KRM's support services. And they do this despite reduction of government funding. They have lost 12 staff members since January. Because of staffing shortages, KRM's Legal Department is not currently taking any new cases.

Organization 2:

Community Response Coalition of Kentucky Inc. (CRCKY)

Website: crc4me.org

CRCKY, a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt local organization, has been serving immigrant families since 2018. During Covid, CRCKY provided rental and food assistance and continues to provide food, clothing, household items, shoes, coats, diapers and client referrals to other community agencies for legal, medical and personal help. And MSPC was involved from the beginning and its members continue to volunteer for CRCKY in various capacities.

Because there are not sufficient legal services for low-income immigrants, in 2025, CRCKY is establishing an in-house low-fee legal clinic focusing on asylum cases. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is providing seed money to hire an in-house immigration attorney, who will supervise three DOJ-accredited representatives in this work. Another new focus: assist in forming coalitions of individuals and organizations to prepare for the local impact of aggressive immigration enforcement. All of their work is funded through non-governmental grants and donations.

Footnote: We had originally planned to include Maxwell Street Legal Clinic in this offering, but, as you may know by now, they are closing the end of July.



Legal Clinic Update

The Kentucky Equal Justice Center, which oversees the Maxwell Street Legal Clinic, has announced it must cease operations in Lexington due to the loss of government funding. As the founding organization of the Clinic, this is a deeply sad moment for us at Maxwell Street Presbyterian. Since its creation in 1999 by members of our congregation, the Clinic has served thousands of immigrants seeking a new life in the U.S., offering hope, guidance, and justice.

From my window at church, I've often watched families arrive at the Clinic's door with documents in hand, full of hope. It's been a privilege to witness this work and to know some of the staff who made it possible. We grieve this loss but also give thanks for all the Clinic has accomplished. The faith that inspired its founding lives on in our congregation, and we will continue to support immigrants and partner with others who share this mission.

Please keep the staff of the Clinic, the Kentucky Equal Justice Center, and those seeking refuge in your prayers. As we discern next steps, we will keep you informed. Feel free to reach out with any questions.

Grace and Peace,
Matt

Westminster Village School Supply Donations

Items are needed by August 1 but will be appreciated whenever received.

Parents everywhere are getting out the supply lists and braving a trip to buy everything. For some folks, this is a real hurdle--- the needed supplies add up to significant money, and some families need personal supplies for their children. Each year, we try to help the families at Westminster Village by donating supplies. The Village has provided us with the following list. You can help by purchasing some of these items and bringing them to the church by the end of July. A box will be set up in the education building lobby for your donations.

See the list in the Friday mailer, bulletin or online www.maxpres.org/random-acts-of-kindness

Guatemala Mission Trip 2025

A team of eight Maxwell Streeters traveled to Panajachel, Guatemala, to work alongside the staff at Porch de Salomon and new friends from FL and Texas to build a house for Isabelle, Emmanuel, Ingrid, and Jose. We worked on just one of four homes that are being constructed by local Porch builders this summer. We also got a glimpse of their various other ministries, such as healthcare, micro-business development, and rehabilitation. It was also a beautiful place to play, have fun with new friends, and enjoy God's amazing creation. Thanks to everyone who supported this trip!



CHILDREN'S NEWS

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Roman Schwake (August 4)
Aubrey Osborne (August 8)
Clara Parker (August 11)
Laurel Bullock (August 13)
Flynn Kimball (August 13)
Wilder Kimball (August 13)
Leonardo LoNigro, Jr. (August 13)
Juniper Windon (August 22)

Children's Sunday School Begins Sunday, August 17, 2024

Sunday School is for all children Pre-K-5th grade. We welcome families to join us during worship and then after the Children's moment the Sunday School teachers will take you to your classrooms.

Sunday School Curriculum Grow, Proclaim, Serve!

We will explore families in the Bible, learn how today's faith families care for children as they grow, build loving relationships, and find out what it means to be part of God's family! Children gather in large groups for the Bible story, music, and movement, then break into age-level small groups to dig deeper and apply the story to their daily lives. We look forward to learning and gathering together!

GeNext

Our Next meeting - August 17

GeNext is a program designed for 4th and 5th graders to give them a place to connect and prepare for Youth Group. We will meet on August 17th after worship. We will have lunch, play games and plan our year together

Children's Choir

The Children's Choir meets immediately after Sunday morning worship in the Choir Room until noon. Robin Morrill supervises and accompanies the choir and works with our scholar singer directors. The children learn songs for occasional worship services. Children age 3 through 5th grade are welcome to our first rehearsal on September 7.

Thank you to our volunteers!

GeNext Volunteers: Ray Reynolds, Kate Copley, Doug Kalika, Mary Iwamoto and Carol Jordan.

Sunday School Volunteers: Sarah Kerckmar, Carol Jordan and Mary Iwamoto, Kiersten Kerckmar and Lily Bryant.

Photos from Children's Pajama Movie Day



YOUTH NEWS

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Logan DeYoung (August 5)

Kailee Lawson (August 6)

Tess Dougherty (August 16)

Liam O'Cara (August 18)

Zane Kerksmar (August 25)

Lilly Bryant (August 26)

Garrett Meads (August 30)

AUGUST YOUTH SCHEDULE

August 17

Youth vs Parents Kickball Kickoff Party

August 24

Downtown Youth Group Kickoff Party

August 31

No Youth Group Meeting (Labor Day)

Kick Off Party

We are kicking off the new Youth Group year with our annual Youth vs. Parents Kickball game on August 17th. This year we will be meeting at Southland Park Pavilion #1 from 3-6 PM. Bring a swimsuit and side dish or dessert to share! All middle and high school students are welcome. Contact Rob for more information at 859.457.2180 or Rob@MaxPres.org

Youth Group is Back!

Youth Group will start meeting again on Sundays after service until 1:30PM. We will meet in the Youth Room, on the top floor of the educational building. Lunch will be provided. For more information or to offer to sponsor a lunch, contact Rob at 859.457.2180 or Rob@MaxPres.org.

Ecumenical Youth Group

We have been invited to participate in an ecumenical collaborative youth group in downtown Lexington, alongside Central Christian, Christ Church Cathedral, Faith Lutheran, First Presbyterian, and Second Presbyterian. This will allow our youth to connect with others in the community that they may not otherwise have the opportunity to meet, as well as provide new insights. We will be using the fall semester as a trial period to ensure that our youth are engaged and it is something they are interested in continuing. DYG will meet one Sunday a month from 5-7PM with a different host each time.

I am excited for the opportunity to lead the youth group and the fun we have planned for this new year! Our youth are a group of amazingly intelligent and skilled individuals and I am looking forward to growth and learning more about each other, faith, and how to serve our community as we have been called to do. If you have any questions or would like more information, please reach out to me at either Rob@MaxPres.org or 859.457.2180.

Asheville Youth Mission Trip

This summer, ten youth and four adult leaders from the Maxwell Street Youth Group traveled to Asheville, NC to work with Asheville Youth Mission (AYM) as they helped awesome area organizations such as Black Mountain Home for Children, 12 Baskets, AHope, and more with their ministries. We learned about their creative approaches to homelessness and how they meet various other needs in their community. The effects of Hurricane Helene was still evident, and we helped out with some work in a church basement that had been completely submerged in the flooding. (As a group from KY, we know a lot about this!) They're an awesome group of Youth and it was wonderful to get to see them grow and learn what it means to live out their faith.





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