

CLAIR CONNECTION

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LEAP 2021!

Youth from Clair, Ebenezer and the surrounding area attended a day-long learning event (LEAP) at Clair on Saturday, February 27, 2021. LEAP 2021 was held via live stream and sponsored by the Missouri United Methodist Conference. Six youth and five adult volunteers attended this fun event and service project! They were joined virtually by youth from all over the State of Missouri. The subject matter was Fruits of the Spirit.

Seven speakers from all over the nation presented different topics such as LOVE, JOY, PEACE, PATIENCE, GENEROSITY, FAITHFULNESS AND GENTLENESS. Youth attending included: Drake Hockaday, Hayley Klein, Sydney Gilliland, Grace Klein and friends Kate and Addison. Adult helpers: Pastor Cindy, Joe Buhman, Phillip Frank, Duane Kimble and Meredith Robbins. Food specialists: Sherry Weipert and Patty Hartenbower.

Drake Hockaday stated his favorite part of the day was making blankets as the service project. Hayley Klein also said making the blankets was fun because they were going to the Noyes Home – a good cause. And Hayley was one of the fastest at making them! Pastor Cindy delivered the 15 blankets to the Noyes Home the following week. Such a blessing for those children!

Drake said he enjoyed the perspectives of the varied speakers. Both Hayley and Drake agreed that the final speaker, Kim Montenegro Brown, from California, who spoke on Gentleness, was their favorite. Ms. Brown encouraged the youth to be gentle on themselves – as many times students today are too hard on themselves.

Meredith Robbins, an adult helper, stated she saw the event as a huge success. “I have been trying to get a foundation for a youth group started and this event helped to build a relationship between the students both at Clair and Ebenezer.”

Pastor Cindy said that the generosity of the congregation made this event possible. Several people donated money toward materials needed for the blankets and donated lunch items! “Thank you Clair congregation for your continued generosity and support as we move forward into the future.”



“This event helped build relationships between students”

-Meredith Robbins

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Message from the Pastor

I am really enjoying our Lenten worship series: Holy Vessels – A Lenten Season of Recovery. We have focused on the stories of Jesus healing those who needed his help to return to wholeness as the holy and precious people God had created them to be. The stories of healing so far have included Matthew 8:1-4 where Jesus chose to heal the man afflicted with leprosy; Luke 7:1-10 and the account of Jesus healing the centurion’s slave from a distance. Jesus was so impressed with the centurion’s faith and his humility. This past Sunday we focused on Mark 10:46-52 and the healing of Bartimaeus, the blind beggar Jesus encountered in Jericho. In his despair, Bartimaeus had the courage to speak up when Jesus passed by. When Jesus asked, “What do you want me to do for you?” Bartimaeus was quick to reply, “Lord, I want to see again!”



Through all of these stories (and those to come) we see the power of story. People opened their lives to Jesus. We, too, are drawn to the Healer – opening our hearts with honesty about our lives and finding the assurance there that offers peace. There is power in the biblical stories and power in OUR stories not only for ourselves, but also for those with whom we share.

Pastor Cindy

Clair's Calendar

- Sunday March 14 Pie Sunday at Clair
- Wed. March 24 Youth Meeting at Clair 6:30
- Monday March 29 Serve at Food Kitchen
- Thursday April 1 Holy Thursday (details to come)
- Friday April 2 Good Friday (details to come)
- Sunday April 4 Easter Sunday (details to come)
Parking Lot Sunrise Service– Ebenezer – 6:30 a.m. . Followed by breakfast
- Monday April 5 Board Meeting
- Monday April 12 Starlite/Bible Study
- Thursday April 29 Serve at Food Kitchen
- Monday May 3 Board Meeting
- Saturday May 8 **FLOWER SALE** at Clair



Save the Date!

**Vacation Bible School
Evenings June 27-July 1
Ages 2 thru 6th grade
Rocky Mtn. Railway
Jesus' Power Pulls Us
Through!**

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Five adults at Clair recently became Safe Gatherings certified. This is specialized training through the United Methodist Church which we require to ensure that youth and children in our church are always in a safe environment. It is extensive online work and teaches the adults policies and procedures which need to be followed to keep everyone safe. Congratulations to Phillip Frank, Kelsie Wynes, Joe Buhman, Duane Kimble and Sherry Weipert! Everyone has to be recertified every three years. Others at Clair remain certified from past training: Debbie Wells, Cindy Buhman, Patty Hartenbower, Scooter Hartenbower, Michelle Clark, Jan Dougherty, Ceresa Kent, Donnielle Klein and Meredith Robbins.



Celebrate Pie Day!



Join us* at Clair on **March 14** for
National Pie Day!

**Bring a pie to share and we'll all
take home a piece of pure bliss!**

Clair Church

WORSHIP 11:00 A.M.

The banner features a blue and yellow wavy background at the top with colorful pie slices. Below the title "Celebrate Pie Day!" is a detailed illustration of a lattice-top pie. The text is centered and uses a mix of bold and italicized fonts. At the bottom, the church name and worship time are displayed in a clean, sans-serif font.