

Hickory Switch



Upcoming Events

- * Feb. 28th-Youth Luncheon-Potato Bar-Proceeds to help with youth activities
- * March 1st-6:00 Youth Council Meeting
- * March 3rd-7:00 Women's Fellowship at the home of Judy Crowel.
- * March 7th-2:00 Love and Respect
- * March 10th-11:30 Golden Agers-USA Family Restaurant
- * March 10th-7:00 Bible Study
- * March 14th-5:00-7:00 Family Night-Bring a covered dish and join us for a night of fellowship
- * March 16th-7:00 Deacon's Meeting
- * March 17th-7:00 Bible Study
- * March 24th-7:00 Bible Study
- * March 26th & 27th-Youth Fusion Trip

"Did you know..."
that the Cemetery Association generally holds their annual cemetery clean-up the week before Easter.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU JESSIE O'FARRELL

I'm 24, and I live in the Monticello area. I have lived in the area all my life...

My parents are Brent and Julie O'Farrell. My grandparents are John and Marilyn Crowel, who I attend church with. I've been attending Hickory Grove regularly for about a year and a half.

I am on the Haiti team, and will be going when the time is right for us to go.

I work at Regions Bank in Lafayette. When I am not working I enjoy spending time with family and friends.

I grew up in a farm family, and enjoy being outdoors, and have a love for animals.

I consider the people of Hickory Grove to be family and love them all dearly. I feel very fortunate that the church, and people of the church have come into my life.



CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES

The sanctuary work is complete and the new upstairs restrooms are functioning. There is still a little finish work to do on them. The basement bathrooms are taking shape with tile work near completion. The trim is nearly done and the walls have been painted. The main stair case has been tiled and oak steps and a carpeted runner laid down the center of the steps. Each week brings us that much closer to completion...God is good!



‘Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to Fulfill.’ Matthew 5:17

PASTOR’S PEN

WHEN THE DUST ALL SETTLES

Our expansion project on the building will come to a close soon. The ladies will attack the kitchen with vigor and make sure every cabinet and dish is washed (At least I hope so). Men will take care of cleaning up the remains outside and sowing grass seed on the excavated area of the lawn. The project is drawing to a close.

Throughout this project, I have heard many concerns voiced. Let me list a few: Will we replace the park bench? What color will the carpet be and who will pick it out? Will the floors be tile or vinyl? When are the stained glass windows being replaced? Where will the bulletin board go? Where will the Heritage Nook go? What about the placements of the flags? Where is the pulpit? When will it be done? Why didn’t we replace the carpet in the Classrooms upstairs? Can we put this up? Can we take this down? I’m sure I have missed many questions. Quite frankly, I should have made recordings of my answers so I could just play them each time; my most common answer: I don’t know.

I noticed that most all of the things asked pertain to appearances; the final outward look. Most expressions of concern were over the way that things were going to look; the outward view. There is another area that I believe is of greater concern, the inward view. You see God is not impressed by outward appearances but by the inward. What has happened on the inside of us? Did we grow closer than we were before through the process or did we grow apart? Did people sacrifice and work together? Were people patient with each other? Were attitudes positive or negative? Was I the encourager or the complainer? You see, during the process is when we learn to get along or we learn the areas we need to work on.

I hope on the back of each one’s mind was the question: “Now that we have more room, what am I going to do to reach more people for Christ? Reality is, having a bigger building with no intention of filling it is kind of silly, not to mention expensive. Now a different kind of work begins. We have expanded for a reason; to be able to seat more people. To get them here, we must begin the task of reaching out to them. I heard many say: I can help paint, I can move pews, I can clean up, I can dust or I can vacuum. What we need now are people that will say: I will be involved in the harvest, I will invite people to church, I will tell people about Jesus and I invite people to my home. Jesus said: The harvest is great but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore, the Lord of the harvest that He will bring forth laborers.” It doesn’t take a lot of people to frame a building, but it takes an army to harvest a crop of souls. You may not have driven a nail during the construction, but you are needed now to reach people.

I’m not really concerned about filling the building, I am concerned about the people that are going to be coming to fill the building; people that need Jesus in their lives; people that want to be saved, but do not know how. There are people that live around us who have no church home or church background. Maybe they have been hurt in the past. I want to encourage you to “*be as concerned about reaching the lost as you were about whatever else you were concerned about*”. Let us continue to fulfill the commandment to love one another that our joy might be full.

Pastor Ken



March 2010

Hickory Grove Church

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28 Youth Luncheon -Immediately following church-Potato bar-Proceeds go to youth events	1 Ben Anderson Jamie Campbell 6:00 Youth Council Meeting	2 Julie Wise	3 Josh White 7:00 Women's Fellowship @ Judy Crowel's	4 Ron & Pam Simons	5 Mary Long	6 Linda Nape
7 2:00 Love and Respect Conference	8 Ron Long	9 Oakley Lewellen	10 Konetta Upton 11:30 Golden Ager's @ USA Family Restaurant 7:00 Bible Study	11 Sam Lashbrook Jacob Criswell	12 Gwen Conner	13
14 5:00 Family Night-Bring a covered dish and join for an evening of fellowship!	15	16 Noah Cain 6:00 Trustee's Meeting 7:00 Deacon's Meeting	17 Larry Kreighbaum 7:00 Bible Study St. Patrick's Day	18 Joe Clothier	19 Kenny Miller	20 Jesse & Shannon Kelly
21	22	23	24 Martin Lewellen Chuck McManus 7:00 Bible Study	25 Sherman Sheets	26 Youth Fusion Trip	27 Gary & Sharon Lantz Youth Fusion Trip
28 Roller Skating Party Palm Sunday	29 Marilyn Crowel Cindi Anderson Ashley White	30	31 7:00 Bible Study	1 7:00 Maundy Thursday Service	2	3

April

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WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP-FEBRUARY 2010

Women's Fellowship met at Home of Sara McManus on February 3, 2010

Jo White presided over the meeting as vice president in the absence of the president. Helen Hanna opened the meeting with prayer. Jo White provided devotional "His Love Endures Forever" from the book of Psalms. She also read from The Book of Love.

Marlita Joseph, our new song leader, told us of the author and story behind the song "Blessed be the Ties that Bind".

14 women answered roll call by bringing in a valentine to be shared. We decided that Marlita could take them to the Carroll Manor nursing home to share with the residents there.

Clara Hill passed cards to be signed for the sick and shut ins. Secretary and treasurer reports were read and approved with a February 1, 2010 balance in the treasury of \$950.49.

Committee reports were given. Sara McManus gave library report. Material Aid committee passed around a sheet to be completed by all in attendance regarding what we would like to see this committee do in the future.

There was no old or new business to discuss. Meeting was closed by all reading the collect. Sara provided wonderful snacks as we shared in fellowship.

Submitted by: Brenda Johns, Secretary

GOLDEN AGERS

Read by Sherry Hantschel at Golden Age Lunch

May God give you ...
 For every storm, a rainbow,
 For every tear, a smile,
 For every care, a promise,
 And a blessing in each trial.
 For every problem life sends,
 A faithful friend to share,
 For every sigh a sweet song,
 And an answer for each prayer.

HELP ME

~VERA PARKER

Help me to find someone today
 who needs what I have to share -
 A kindly word, a thoughtful deed, a bit of loving care.
 Help me to take the time to be
 An understanding friend
 To someone who needs a helping hand
 On which they can depend.
 Help me to love as Jesus loves -
 That same unselfish way.
 Help me to be like Jesus
 In all that I do and say



*To our friends,
 We really appreciate all your
 cards and prayers, the food and
 flowers, phone calls and visits.
 We anticipate Easter, better
 weather and returning to Hickory
 Grove soon.*

Don and Della Dill



Ugly Chicken

Combine the following in a crock-pot or large pan. Heat until thoroughly melted.

1 can **Ro-tel** (diced)
 1 medium **onion**, finely chopped
 1 can **cream of mushroom soup**
 1 lb. **Velveeta cheese**, cubed

Stir in:
 1 cup **sour cream**
 3 cups **cooked chicken**, cubed

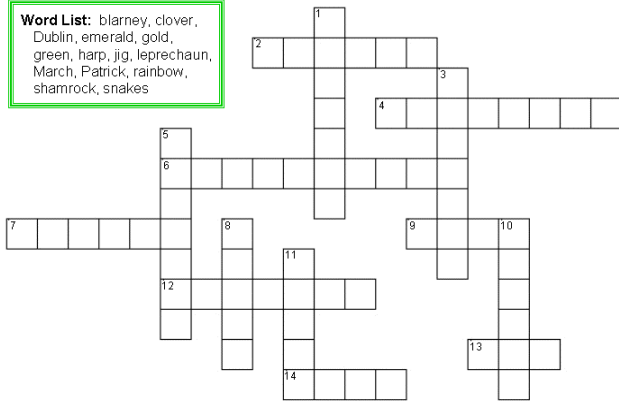
Add **chicken broth** to thin if desired. Keep warm.
 Serve over **Fritos Scoops**

From the kitchen of Paula Foster

FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

St. Patrick's Day Crossword

Word List: blarney, clover, Dublin, emerald, gold, green, harp, jig, leprechaun, March, Patrick, rainbow, shamrock, snakes



Across

- 2. Fable claims Saint Patrick drove these out of Ireland.
- 4. Three leaved clover and symbol of Ireland.
- 6. The Gaelic translation for this word is shoemaker.
- 7. Four leaved versions of these are considered lucky.
- 9. Contents of a leprechaun's pot.
- 12. A colour of green and also a gemstone.
- 13. Irish dance
- 14. Traditional Irish musical instrument.

Down

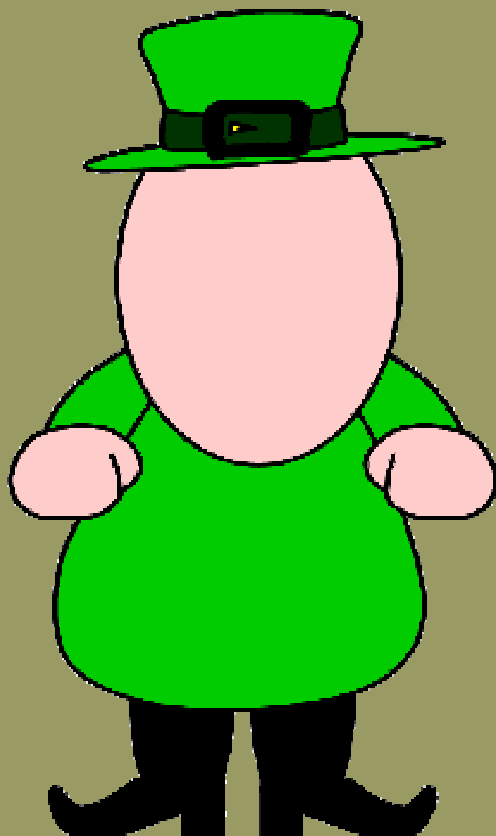
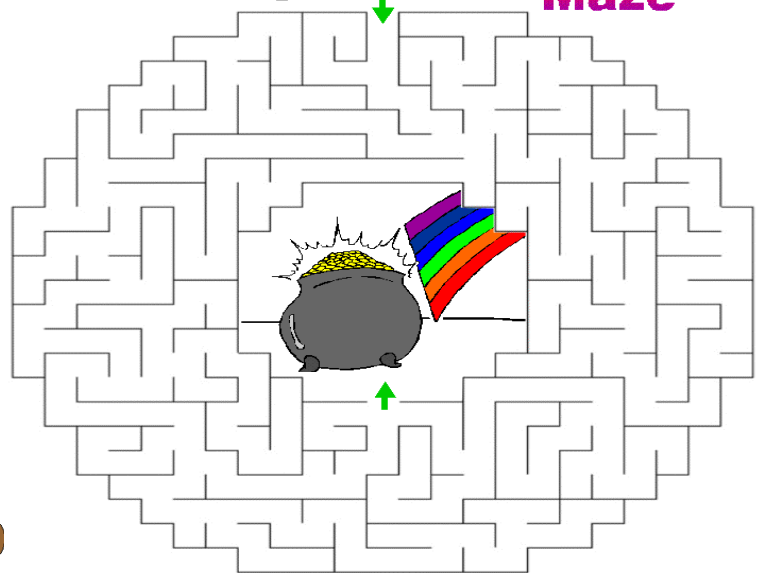
- 1. Patron saint of Ireland.
- 3. Colorful arch in the sky.
- 5. People kiss this stone for luck.
- 8. Saint Patrick's Day colour.
- 10. Capital city of Ireland.
- 11. Saint Patrick's Day month.



Help Sean find his pot of gold...



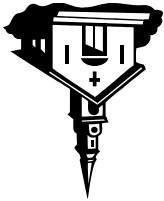
St. Patrick's Day Maze



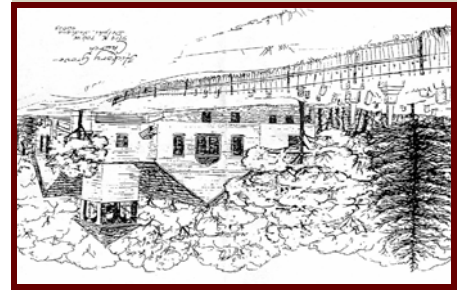
CELTIC	DUBLIN	GREEN
IRELAND	IRISH	LEGEND
LEPRECHAUN	LIMERICK	PATRICK
POTOFGOLD	RAINBOW	SAINT
SHAMROCK	SNAKES	



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Cards and Visits

People who may appreciate your cards, prayers and visits:

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Mary Rishel
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(Marlene Joseph's
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Tad Walkup
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3851 North River Road
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(Amy Spitzer and
Brenda Johns grandfather)

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In Your Moment of Need...



In your moment of
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call:

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Or one of our Deacons:
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Have something you want to share...

If you have any minutes to meetings, class party info or anything you think the rest of us might enjoy hearing about, please get it to Amy or Brenda. We can be reached at:

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Sundays in Review...

Did you miss a Sunday recently? No problem, you can now borrow a taped copy of the Sunday service! Copies are made every Sunday to be distributed to Shut-ins or those who were absent for whatever reason. Just contact anyone from the church, and they can get you a copy!

