



BONHOMME
1816 WHERE FAITH GROWS 2016

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“TASTE OF BONHOMME” CELEBRATES 200 YEARS OF GROWING IN FAITH

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Bonhomme Presbyterian Church is celebrating its bicentennial in 2016. At 200 years old, it is the oldest Presbyterian church west of the Mississippi River. And, on May 15, 2016 the church hosted a community-wide “Taste of Bonhomme” fair at its Chesterfield campus.

The church offered complimentary lunch, food trucks and live music. Children’s activities ranging from crafts, games, pony rides and face painting, to the Balloon Man and Serengeti Steve Reptile Experience delighted guests of all ages.

During the event the church celebrated the rededication of its Watson Chapel, the original worship space of the current campus that was erected in 1959. The chapel, damaged by a water leak in 2014, received a complete restoration that was finished this past fall. The day concluded with the Bonhomme Chancel Choir, with chamber orchestra, presenting “The Glory of God’s Grace.”

“We had a beautiful day to celebrate our bicentennial with the West County community that has helped us grow in faith over the last 200 years. We welcomed many people from outside our church, and hope they consider coming back. Our members had a great day of fellowship,” explains AmyRuth Bartlett, Minister of Community.

Bonhomme Presbyterian Church was founded 200 years ago, in 1816, with a pioneering spirit and a strong foundation of faith. That spirit and faith, established by our missionary founder, Salmon Giddings, has led us to join a new pioneering denomination of Presbyterians called the Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians (ECO), and grow to nearly 1500 members. Our church is warm and welcoming, with an updated campus that includes state-of-the-art facilities (including the Bonhomme Preschool and Kids Day Out program) with comfortable commons, classrooms for all ages and technology to enhance worship. We are situated atop a hill covering approximately nine acres in West County, Saint Louis. Our people grow spiritually through worship in both traditional and contemporary styles, as well as Bible study, community groups, missional service and more. Bonhomme Presbyterian Church is led by a group of inspirational, highly educated and grounded-in-faith pastors. Dedicated to providing a spiritual life that is centered in Jesus, and multigenerational and missional in approach, our church welcomes people of all ages and circumstances. Bonhomme helps people grow in faith, hope and love by proclaiming Jesus as Lord and Savior. We want to meet you where you are in your journey of faith and help you grow. For more information, visit bonpres.org or call 636.532.3486.

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