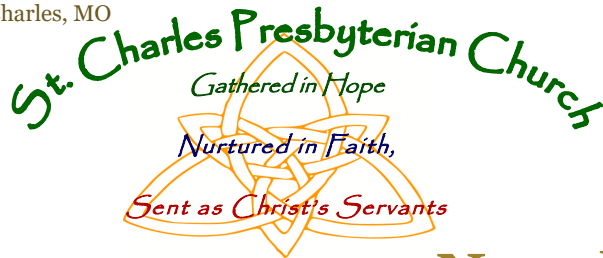


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October Newsletter

Peace and Global Witness Offering Sunday, October 1

Today, the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is actively engaged in peacemaking and reconciliation in more than 50 countries. Through our partner churches and organizations, our reach is extended to 100 countries. Your gift helps us do even more. In too many places around the world, peace is merely a hope. Conflicts between nations, peoples, and ideas put peace at risk everywhere. During the Season of Peace, we recognize that too many people live in situations that are both unsettled and unjust.

Your gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering works to address these deep-seated problems by supporting efforts to inspire, equip, and connect Presbyterians engaging in ministries of reconciliation and peace around the world. Through missions, work projects, and education, we witness to the peace of Christ for our sisters and brothers as they face some of the greatest challenges of our time. To learn more, visit presbyterianmission.org/peace-global.

25% of this Offering stays with our congregation to support peacemaking and reconciliation in our own community. The Deacons have chosen the Success Campus of St. Charles High School to receive these funds to help students as they seek peace in their lives.

25% goes to our mid-council to join with other congregations to support peacemaking work in our region; 50% of this Offering supports the work being done by Presbyterians across the globe.



PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE "GOD'S INTERVENTION

Father, even when things seem hopeless, we know that through You we are never without hope. We beg Your intervention for a world on the constant brink of war. Beat the swords into plowshares and cause the lion to lie down with the lamb. Intervene in this world that we might avoid the horrors of war and let peace rule in all lands. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

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2023		October					
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
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29	30	31					

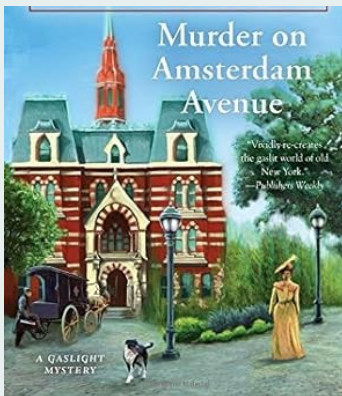
October 3: Book Club, 1:00 pm, Java with Jesus area
 October 4: Prime Time begins 5:30-7:30 pm FH
 October 7: Harmony Festival, 11:00 am -5:00 pm FH
 October 11: PEO, 12:30-3:00 pm, FH
 October 14: Wedding Shower for Kim McBride FH
 October 15: Youth Group, 5-7 pm, FH & Java with Jesus area
 October 18: Lunch Bunch, 11:30 am, Cracker Barrel
 September 21: Session & Deacon's Meetings, 7:00 pm, (AC & b)
WEEKLY:
 Spiritual Formation classes, 9:30 am
 Worship, 10:30 am
 Tinkers, Tuesdays at 8:00 am, meet at the church
 AA Groups: Tuesdays, 6:00 pm; Saturdays, 10:00 am; both groups meet in the parlor



"October is crisp days and cool nights, a time to curl up around the dancing flames and sink into a good book." – John Sinor



Book Club for October:
Murder on Amsterdam Avenue
 by Victoria Thompson



Join in the discussion on Oct. 3 at 1:00 in the Java with Jesus area.

Lunch Bunch for October



Oct. 18., 901 Veterans Memorial Pkwy 11:30 am. Don't miss out on good food, fun, and fellowship! RSVP to Sally Stumberg.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Connie Chism
3 Sandra King
4 Carolyn Buso
5 Kenda Carey
9 Angie Southard
10 Julie Miller
12 Julie Broyles
12 Peggy Jackson
13 Ken Farrell
14 Marlene Rowe
15 Dana Luley
17 Lew Tidd
20 Bob Fletcher
19 Mallory Eoff
26 Jess McMaken
27 Larry Babcock
31 Delores Reich

OCTOBER



Happy Birthday to all of our beloved members born this month! May the coming year bring you joy and peace knowing the Lord loves you and your church family does too!



NEW & NOTEWORTHY

Sunday, September 10th, Ellie Dawn Luley became the newest member of SCPC! The proud parents are Clayton and Melanie Luley. The only problem was that Ellie was too well behaved! Not one little sound during her baptism.



MORE NEW MEMBERS...



The Smith Family:
Marcus, Ruth, Jonah,
Samira & Aida

Welcome to our newest members the Smith family, Paul Wilson & Peggy Rehkop and the Njofor family!

We are honored to have you join us.



Peggy Rehkop & Paul Wilson

The Njofor Family:
Peter, Keziah & Loveline



The first Sunday in October is designated as World Communion Sunday, which celebrates our oneness in Christ with all of our brothers and sisters around the world. It is also the time when we receive the annual Peace & Global Witness Offering as a way of continuing the ancient Christian practice of sharing what we have with our brothers & sisters in need. World Communion Sunday is a gift of the Presbyterian Church to the larger ecumenical church. For more information and the history, visit presbyterianmission.org.

Lost & Found

There are several items in the church office that have been found in and around our church building.

They are located on the table outside of the main office. If you have lost something in the last few months, please come and take a look to claim your items. They will be donated or discarded soon.

Thank you!



As a reminder, FISH sends us a comprehensive list each month of their needs noting which items are most needed. Please give accordingly to your own means. Each donation is important, no matter the amount.



Prime Time begins Wednesdays, Oct. 4th-Nov. 8th, 5:30-7:30--meet in Fellowship Hall

Desserts Needed for Prime Time:

Oct. 4...Brownies
Oct. 18...Texas Sheet Cake
Nov. 1...Cupcakes
Nov. 8...Dump Cake

Signup sheet is on the kitchen door

FISH FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR OCTOBER

Applesauce	Conditioner*
Canned Potatoes*	Men's Deodorant*
Tomato soup	Toilet paper*
Canned Tomatoes*	Pull-Ups
Mashed Potatoes	Diapers-size L
Pancake Mix	Household items
Tuna Helper*	Winter shoes &
Hamburger Helper	boots in children's
Mustard*	sizes*
Ketchup*	
Mayo*	* urgently needed
Shampoo*	items

FORT ZUMWALT EAST SNACK SHACK



SUGGESTED SNACKS:

Ramen bowls	Pop Tarts
Mac 'n' cheese bowls	Peanut Butter crackers
Individual chip bags	Cheese crackers
Granola bars	Popcorn
Breakfast bars	Capri-Sun
	Kool-Aid
	Jammers



During the months of October and November, the Deacons will be collecting new and gently used clean coats for adults and children & youth, with an emphasis on coats for youth. There are hangars in the Narthex labeled "coats". Please hang them there. They will be collected and taken to FISH for distribution as they come in. Thank you. No one deserves to be cold! Thank you for your support!

Volunteers in Medicine (or VIM as we know it)

Deacons are supporting VIM this month as they celebrate 28 years of service. They continue to support adults in our county who are not covered by Medicaid, Medicare, or private insurance and who meet the federal poverty guidelines. Their care is provided regardless if they can pay or not. Many of them receive medication for chronic conditions and all staff are volunteers. Please prayerfully consider your donation to support their work. Thank you!

Prime Time Menu:

Oct. 4...National Taco Day: Tacos, Carrots with Ranch dip, brownies
Oct. 11...Sports Night-wear your favorite team's jersey-Pancakes, sausage patties, fruit, cinnamon rolls
Oct. 18...Day of Unity-bring a friend-spaghetti with meatballs, garlic bread, green beans, Texas Sheet cake

Oct. 25...Fall Cookout-wear your Halloween costume-hot dogs/ brats, chips, apple slices, S'mores
Nov. 1...All Saints Day-bring memorial picture of someone you love-Sloppy Joe's, tater tots, fruit salad, cupcakes
Nov. 8...Veteran's Night-invite a veteran-Chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, dump cake



Jed and Jenny Koball and son, Thiago

As we consider our gift for the Peace and Global Witness Offering, it is well to remember our relationship with the Koball's in Peru. They are on the front lines for bringing peace in Peru as they confront the people, companies and corrupt government that are robbing the Peruvian people of their natural resources and contaminating their families. Recent oil spills have contaminated beaches and wildlife which directly affects the health of the people living in communities close by. It also affects their livelihood since the fish are contaminated. Only a superficial clean-up followed the oil spill.

This is only one example of the "battles" that have been fought for the people of Peru by the Koballs and other Christian leaders. Mining has long been a source of contamination, especially to children. The lead levels surpass the approved levels by the World Health Organization.

We sometimes forget that even with all the things we consider to be wrong with our country, most places in the world have it much more difficult. "Freely we have received," so we must freely give.



Freely you have received, freely give.

Matthew 10:8

hope
grows
here



Presbyterian Children's
Homes and Services

A luncheon event benefiting
the children of PCHAS

October 26, 2023

12:00 pm

Location

Piazza Messina
5535 State Highway N
Cottleville, MO 63304

RSVP

Rev. Christi Tennyson
314.497.6296
christi.tennyson@pchas.org

Everyone is welcome at the 2023 Hope Grows Here Luncheon benefiting the children and families in PCHAS care. Our church has supported PCHAS through the years and their annual luncheon is an uplifting and informative event. For more information visit their website at pchas.org/news-and-events.



HEARTS AND HANDS TO OTHERS

**...in our Community,
nation, and world**

**"Not all of us can do
great things, but we can
do small things with
great love."**

Mother Teresa



**"Truly I tell you, just as
you did it to one of the
least of these, you did it
to me."**

Matt. 25:40



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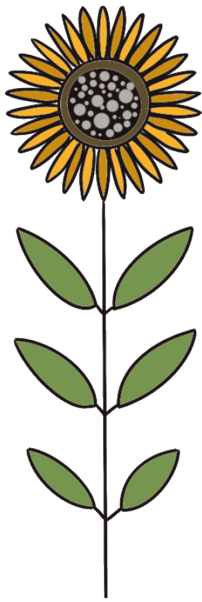
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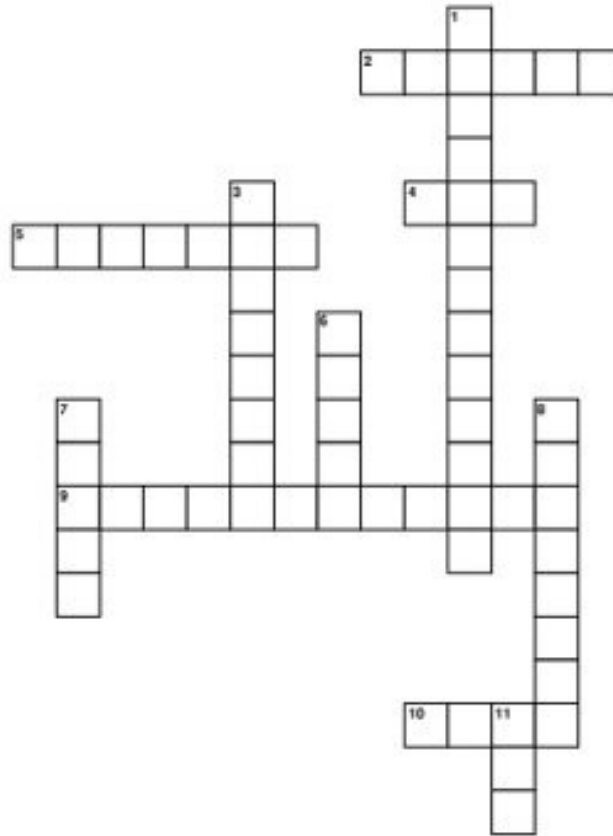


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SCRIP ORDERS DUE SUNDAY OCTOBER 8 or by NOON, in the church office MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, or you can go to [RaiseRight.com](#), set up an account linked to SCPC, and order cards that will be mailed directly to your home.



Ways to Show Gratitude



Across

- [2] Perform a _____ act of kindness
- [4] Give a _____
- [5] Pay it _____
- [9] Celebrate their _____
- [10] Mail a handwritten _____ to someone

Down

- [1] Give them some _____
- [3] Give others our full attention and _____
- [6] _____ at someone
- [7] Say "_____ you!"
- [8] Have a _____ attitude
- [11] _____ well for good service



Solution

Across:

- 2) Random
- 4) Hug
- 5) Forward
- 9) Achievements
- 10) Note

Down:

- 1) Encouragement
- 3) Presence
- 6) Smile
- 7) Thank
- 8) Positive
- 11) Tip

And whatever you do,
in word or deed,
do everything in the name
of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks
to God the Father
through him.

Colossians 3:17



It is good to give thanks to
the Lord,
to sing praises to your name,
O Most High;
to declare your steadfast love
in the morning,
and your faithfulness
by night,
to the music of the lute and
the harp,
to the melody of the lyre.
For you, O Lord, have made
me glad by your work;
at the works of your hands I
sing for joy.

Psalm 92:1-4, NRSVA

Dear St. Charles Presbyterian Church Family,
I knew from the first Sunday I attended worship
services at SCPC, that this Body of Christ was/is
loving and kind and thoughtful.



You certainly have proven that to be true many times in my years attending here. But no more than this most recent birthday! So many of you sent good wishes by cards, e-mails, texts and word of mouth. It certainly made my "special birthday" much easier to take! Thank you from the bottom of my heart!

Your grateful friend and sister in Christ,
Beverly Butler



"I would maintain that thanks are the highest form of thought; and that gratitude is happiness doubled by wonder."

G. K. Chesterton



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**MAY
MY PRAYERS
TO YOU, O GOD,
BEGIN FROM A PLACE
OF THANKSGIVING,
RECOGNIZING
YOUR COUNTLESS
GIFTS.**
~ ~