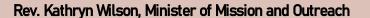


Disciples Care Newsletter November 2021

Rev. Dr. Collen Carroll, Senior Minister







WELCOMING AND ACCEPTING ALL PEOPLE ALONG A JOURNEY OF FAITH AND SERVICE.

"Welcoming and accepting all people" – is a reminder of our Welcome Statement and genuine hospitality, in the present tense so it is always relevant. "along" – is an invitation to join together side by side. "journey of faith" – implies that arrival is a myth; we are always growing "service" –is a natural outcome of faith and inseparable from our commitment to discipleship.

Newcomers' Chat & Chew

All who are new to SJCC or interested in learning more about our ministries are invited to meet with pastors and elders for an informal pizza meal on Sunday, November 14 at 5:30PM in Fellowship Hall. The purpose is to build relationships and answer questions regarding our practices, philosophy, or involvement, and to offer a tour of the facilities if there is interest. Please RSVP to Pastor Colleen to ensure adequate food preparation. Invite a friend to come with you! pastor@southjoplindisciples.org

Kids Faith Adventure: ADVENT

Children age three through sixth grade are invited to make preparations for the Advent season on Saturday, November 20 from 9AM to 12:30PM. We will learn about Chrismon trees, make ornaments, ride the shuttle bus to visit our church shut-ins, and more! A snack and lunch are provided. Space is limited, so register online at the church website (look for the Kids Faith Adventure link on the home page). www.southjoplindisciples.org

Please note: in addition to registration, an annual permission form is also required but if your child attended the Kids Faith Adventure last July, all we need is the registration.



FRIENDSGIVING

November 21 - 11:00 AM



The morning worship service on Sunday, November 21 will take place in Fellowship Hall around tables of food and fellowship! Turkey will be provided, and attendees are asked to bring a covered dish to share and canned goods for Crosslines. The morning will include time to reflect together about what has made our hearts truly grateful over the course of the year as well as prayer and singing and culminate in Communion. Every precaution will be made to maintain safe food handling, including providing plastic gloves and disposable dinnerware. A craft table for children will also be made available. Following the meal, all who are able are asked to go upstairs to decorate the sanctuary and narthex for Advent. Food suggestions: Members whose last name starts with A through N please

bring salads or vegetable sides and members whose last name starts with O through Z please bring a dessert. Roasted Turkey will be provided.

The service will <u>not be online</u>, but for those who remain at home, Pastor Colleen will provide a brief pre-recorded meditation and prayer on Facebook at 10:45.

ADVENT IS ALMOST HERE!

The Worship Ministry Team has been making plans for a meaningful Advent season (Nov 28-Dec 24) around the theme, "Incarnate Word." Our imagination and reflection will be guided by a different choral reading each Sunday morning as well as our tradition of lighting the weekly Advent candles. The readings will be performed by volunteers under the direction of Patt Hinds. To volunteer for one or more readings, please call her ASAP at 417-392-0307.





REACHING OUT TO OUR NEIGHBORS WITH REV. KATHRYN WILSON MINISTER OF MISSION & OUTREACH



We can best serve others when we serve with hearts of compassion and love and with an open mind and listening ears as we walk alongside and stand with them in their time of need.

CROP Walk 2021

South Joplin congregation and friends, the Outreach Ministry Team can't thank you enough for your support of the Ozark Area CROP Walk. Our congregation raised \$1,555.00. We had eight participants which included four walkers and four volunteers. To date, the Area Walk has raised \$5740 with additional donations expected. 25% of these funds will remain in our community to support Joplin Bright Futures Snack Pack Program and the MSSU Lion Co-Op Pantry. Without your support and commitment to mission and outreach we would not be able to impact the lives of others, "ending hunger one step at a time."

Joplin City Council Resolution 2021-014

At the City Council meeting on September 7, "Resolution 2021-014" was presented to the Council calling for the creation/ establishment of a commission for equity, diversity and inclusion. The purpose of the Commission "shall be to lead a strategic planning process aimed at identifying plans to enhance equity, diversity and inclusivity within the community." This action is one of many steps to help Joplin be more intentional in its desire and effort to be a city of welcome to all. The presentation of the Resolution met with opposition from a few citizens and a few council members and was subsequently tabled by the council. Areas to be reviewed by the resolution work group include clarification of the Commission's goals and selection steps for members. As a congregation that strives to be a place of welcome, we realize that the work must be intentional and ongoing and requires continuous self-examination. The creation of this Commission will help our city have a mechanism in place that enables it to do continuous self-examination to ensure that it truly is a place of welcome. What can we do? Each of us can be a voice of support, encouraging the Joplin City Council to move forward with the creation of the Joplin Commission for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion. Take time to write a letter, send an email, make a call or to be present or willing to make an oral statement when the Resolution is re-scheduled for its next review at City Council. Check your SJCC Care Mail sent October 4 that included a "Call to Action Packet" assembled by Pastor Kathryn. Time is of the essence. If you have additional questions or concerns you may contact Pastor Kathryn. We will be watching the Council agendas for the date when the Resolution will be re-presented.

Thanksgiving Offering

Each November we receive our Thanksgiving Offering to support our Disciples institutions of higher education. Disciples have a long history of post-secondary and theological education. This offering provides a direct connection to 15 colleges and universities, 7 seminaries and theological programs. On November 14 and 21, Disciples churches across the US and Canada will collect the Thanksgiving offering. Your generous donations will be greatly appreciated. The Outreach Ministry wishes to thank you for your contributions to our Reconciliation Offering in the amount of \$1030.00.



CROSSLINES



SJCC's Volunteer Team serves the <u>4th Thursday of each month</u>. There will be no SJCC work day in November due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Many thanks to the members of our Volunteer Team who serve faithfully each month.

Feel free to serve other days during the month when they are open. Ask for the volunteer coordinator when you arrive. Monday evenings are a great opportunity for families to serve together. You can access/submit the Volunteer Application online at https://crosslinesjoplin.org/volunteer or contact Crosslines Operations Manager, Carrie Pence, at (417–782–8384).

Hours of Operation

1st Monday (commodities only) 4pm - 6:30pm. Doors lock at 6:30pm.
All other Mondays 4pm - 6pm. Doors lock at 5:30pm.
Tues - Thurs 10am - 2pm. Doors lock at 1:30pm.
Wednesdays are commodity only. (Closed on all 5th Wednesdays)

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Friday - CLOSED to the public.

(If by chance you are in the vicinity of Crosslines Ministries and happen to see a grocery cart, chances are it has been removed from their premises and affects their services. Contact the organization and let them know so that staff can look into it.)

Your financial donations for Crosslines are very much appreciated. If you would like to make a contribution through the church, you can mail it directly to the church, 1901 S Pearl Ave, Joplin, MO 64804 or place in the offering plate. Please specify CROSSLINES or go to the South Joplin website (www.southjoplindisciples.org) and donate through Givelify. Choose Mission and Outreach or Other, then type CROSSLINES in the memo section.

Praye r Reque s ts

Medical: John Asher, Jason Towler **Sympathy:** Anne Ayers (Catey)

Military: Michael Crofford; Corey Irwin; Josh Robb; Dylan Theil; Gary Wald

Other: Donna Fuller and Shirley Martin

Ongoing: John Asher; Judy Ballard; Beth Bethards; Dani Bowen (Meadows); Janet Burns; Veronica Carnahan; Nic Castlebury; Samantha Catey; Betty Coan; Lois Demaree; Rebecca Doerflinger (Hall); Amy (Stiles) Duell; Kyle Ford (Wolfenbarger); Carolyn & Tom Fortson; Mary Gilmore; Alyxis Hefty; Sue Hess; Jim Holland; Darius Hughlett (Wilson); Daryl Hughlett; Roland Hughlett; Bethany James; Betty Kemp; Sam Knudtson; Lamley Family; Shirley Martin; Betty McKelvey; Tom Meadows; Sara Metts; Missionary families (Huff, Reaves, Wilson); Easton Murdock; Bethany Newman; Larry Nauser (Fitterling); Jim Owen; Matthew Paulda; Josh Petty; Alexis Prater; Reese Prater; Todd Prater; Cameron Ransom; Sharon Reeve; Raquel Sapien; Kimmy Smith; Sue Smith; Lou Starks; Mike Tesh; Michelle Vorhees; Tova Wallace-Lee; Karen Patchin Watson; Will Wilkerson; Sherry Willerton; Charles Wilson; Birdie Woods; Mary Lou York, and all unspoken requests.

Global Ministry Partners:

Nov. 7 – Rosalind Gnatt, Germany Nov. 14 – Kahala Cannon, eSwatini Nov. 21 – Leda Zakarison, Lebanon Nov. 28 – Anne Gregory, Thailand



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Board Meeting

The **November Board meeting** has been moved to Monday the 15th at 6:30PM to allow extra time to formulate the 2022 proposed budget and nomination of elected leadership. A quorum is essential, so please ensure that your ministry group is represented at the meeting with a voting representative. The congregational meeting to approve the budget and nominations is scheduled for Sunday, December 5 following morning worship.

Adult Faith Formation

October 31 through November 21
Pastor Colleen will be summarizing a book by John Temple Bristow entitled What Paul Really Said About Women: an Apostle's Liberating Views on Equality in Marriage, Leadership, and Love. Join us at 9:30AM on Sundays in Fellowship Hall for lively discussion! (On November 21 we will meet in Room A-11)

During the upcoming Advent
Season, Pastor Kathryn will lead a
study on Sunday mornings
entitled Simply Wait: Cultivating
Stillness in the Season of
Advent. This resource will help
participants focus on rest and renewing
spiritually through meditation and
reflection beginning November
28 through December 19. There will be
no Sunday School on December 26.

Bright Futures Volunteer Opportunity

Want to make a difference in the life of a student? Why not consider volunteering as a **Lunch PAL or TREK Tutor** at Irving Elementary or one of the other elementary schools. If interested please contact Sarah Coyne, Bright Futures Coordinator, (417-625-5200, extension 2031). Please note that a background check is a required.

CWF

The church women will be meeting at Lou Starks' home on November 3 for their monthly meeting and study at 9:30 AM. The address is 2602 S. Illinois. Carpooling is encouraged.

EVENTS/OTHER



Poinsettia Orders



If you would like to provide a poinsettia for the sanctuary for Christmas Sunday (Dec. 19), the cost this year will be \$10. Forms are available on the table in the church Narthex, or you may email the church office at

office@southjoplindisciples.org with the name of the person(s) you wish to honor.

Congratulations to

Jeanie Morrison and Will Wilkerson on the birth of their grandson, Waylon James on October 21. Proud parents are Justin and Elizabeth Wilkerson.



Wedding invitation:

Greetings church family. James and I will be having our wedding ceremony on November 6 at 4PM at SJCC. We would love to have you all come and join us in celebrating this very special day! You all and this church hold a very special place in our hearts and we wish to share this day with you!

Raquel Sapien and James Roof



Vacations

Pastor Colleen will be out of the office November 8-14. Please contact the church office or Pastor Kathryn if you have a pastoral concern or need.

Kimberly Ocampo (Administrative Office Assistant) will be out of the office November 19 through 26. The church offices will be closed November 25 and 26 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Daylight Savings

Time changes on November 7! Don't forget to set your clocks **back** one hour!

Support SJCC Outreach

When shopping on Amazon, please use the following link: http://smile. amazon.com/ch/44-0574395 and all of your eligible shopping will benefit SJCC. No matter how large or small your purchase, 0.5% of the amount spent can add up for us. Thank you in advance for your support!



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NOVEMBER 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:30PM NA Meeting 6:30PM Worship Committee	2	3 9AM Prayer Partners 9:30AM CWF 6PM Choir/Bells	4 12:30PM Ministries Cluster (FCC)	5	6 4PM Raquel Sapien & James Roof Wedding
7 All Saints Day 8AM Elders 9:30 Faith Form. 10:45AM Worship Daylight Savings	8 6:30PM NA Meeting	9 6:30PM Budget Committee Meeting	10 9AM Prayer Partners 6PM Choir/Bells	11 14th	12	13
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21 8AM Elders 9:30AM Faith Form.11AM Friendsgiving 12:30PM Advent Decorating	22 6:30PM NA Meeting	23 6:30PM Colleen's PRC Kimberly Oca	24 9AM Prayer Partners mpo Vacation 19t	25 TRANSCOVING THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY	26 Office Closed	27
28 First Advent	29 6:30PM NA	30				
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RESPONSIBILITIES

Elders Camera & Sound

Nov 7: Jim Cullumber Nov 7: Judy Schneider/Don Smith
Nov 14: Mark Millard Nov 14: Jenn Reaves/Ray Reaves
Nov 21: Margie Fitterling Nov 21: (No Camera) Darryl Coit Audio

Nov 28: Jeanie Morrison Nov 28: Judy Schneider/Ken Moser

Diaconate

Nov 7: Communion Prep — Connie Abraham & Carolyn Theil

Homebound — Susan Wolfenbarger

Nov 14: Communion Prep — Megan Bever & K C Brockman

Homebound — Donny Smith

Nov 21: Communion Prep — Patt Hinds & Alicia Ratliff

Homebound — Susan Wolfenbarger

Nov 28: Communion Prep — Sherry Crumbliss & Amanda Hall

Homebound — Tom Hamm

Children's Worship & Wonder

Nov 7: No CW&W

Nov 14: Storyteller - K C Brockman, Greeter - Jessica Fletcher -Fiero

Nov 21: No CW&W (Friendsgiving)

Nov 28: Storyteller - Karen Kemp, Greeter - Judy Schneider

Sunday School (K thru 5)

Nov 7: Teacher—Karen Kemp, Helper - K C Brockman Nov 14: Teacher - Darlene Coit, Helper - Carla Arnall Nov 21: Teacher - Jessica Faucett, Helper - Daniell Sanders Nov 28: Teacher - Leanna Carrol, Helper - Karen Kemp

November Birthdays

1 Laney Reaves 18 Tom Fortson

3 Adara Soderstorm 22 Karen Watson

13 Dano Lash 23 Xavier Faucett

17 Bailee Evans 25 Betty Coan

18 Lily Cullumber 27 Veronica Catey

18 Lucas Cullumber 28 Carey Prater

