



Disciples Care Newsletter

February 2022



Rev. Dr. Colleen Carroll, Senior Minister
Rev. Kathryn Wilson, Minister of Mission and Outreach

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.

Pastor Kathryn's Retirement

What began as a one-year commitment stretched into almost ten glorious years of ministry here at South Joplin Christian Church for Pastor Kathryn Wilson. Last November she announced her intent to retire this April with her final Sunday being April 3. Retirement will provide her with the opportunity to return to her family in Ohio and pursue personal interests. Rumor has it she's going to pick up the guitar!

In the remaining days and weeks Kathryn's Pastoral Relations Committee will be organizing appropriate measures to honor and celebrate the closure of her ministry, and a separate group of persons will be named to help the church configure our outreach ministries as we move forward. Dates have yet to be added to the calendar, but please keep an eye on your email for forthcoming announcements. Members of her PRC are Judy Akeman, Raymond Reaves, Alicia Ratliff, and Sandy Meadows.

NEW CLASSROOM FOR KIDS

Thanks to many helpers, the children's Sunday School classroom was successfully moved from the third floor to room A-12 in the church basement last Saturday morning. The move enables us to save on energy costs and reduce our carbon footprint as well as improve convenience for families. Stop by and take a look at the inviting new space!

Special thanks to Judy Schneider for painting prior to moving day, and to the following volunteers who came to help: Fred, Alice, James, and Jessica Fletcher-Fierro, Matt, Angie, Colvin, Cooper, and Kennedy Paige, Xavier, Banner and Jessica Faucett, Tom Hamm and Colleen Carroll, Darryl and Darlene Coit, Anita Frieze, Daniell Sanders, Ellen and Peter Broglio, Judy Schneider, Karen Kemp, and Tyler Normand.



“Where It's At” Sunday

School for children

4yrs — 5th grade;

9:30-10:20 AM Sundays



What's Up on the Elevator?

The Building Task Force has sought information from 8 elevator companies; just 2 responded, and only 1 so far has offered a bid: Roughly \$265,000 to remove and replace the elevator and the associated general contractor costs that the work will require. Work at the earliest couldn't start until sometime in the fall if we have the funding.

In a January meeting, it was recommended that the task force conduct some "town hall meetings" with the congregation to provide an update on all the task force has learned, followed by a congregational survey to get feedback on best options.

We've also started the process to receive bids on demolition of the quonset hut.

Stay tuned for further information!

Building Task Force

New Office Hours

Since Kimberly Ocampo, the administrative assistant, has started her spring semester in college the office hours have changed. The new office hours are as follows:

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday: 9AM - 10:40AM,
12:15PM - 4PM

Tuesday & Thursday: 9AM - 10:40AM, 2:30PM - 4PM

If you have an questions feel free to contact the office!

Scriptures

February 6 Numbers 12:1-16 “The First Sit-in”

February 13 Souper Bowl Sunday II Kings 22:14-20
“Unusual Prophet”

February 20 Esther 4:1-14 “For Such a Time as This”

February 27 Week of Compassion Sunday

1 Corinthians 13:13 “Love Remains”



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

*"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love."
1 Corinthians 13:13*



IT'S SOUPER BOWL TIME!!



Yes it is time for us to gear up for the big game and to move toward the goal line. ARE YOU READY TEAM SJCC? **Souper Bowl Sunday 2022 will be celebrated on February 13**, We need you to be part of our team and we have mapped our strategy. For the next few weeks we will be collecting can goods and other non-perishable food items. In keeping with the spirit of souper (s-o-u-p-e-r) bowl, how about donating your favorite soups. There will be a designated spot in the Narthex as well as in the Fellowship Hall to drop off your donations. If you prefer you can make a financial donation. Just make sure you indicate "Souper Bowl" on your check or envelope. Checks can be mailed to the church or placed in the offering plate. Donations can also be made online through Givelify on our website and identified as Souper Bowl. Or if you want to bring all of your loose change as well to drop in the soup pot, that would be great. You can drop those noisy coins in our soup pot the next two Sundays. All donations received will go to Crosslines Ministries who is cheering us on to go the extra mile to help fill their shelves. Because of the on-going pandemic and the current state of our economy the community needs us even more as the percentage of families facing food insecurity continues to rise.

Week of Compassion Offering

During the month of February we celebrate annually the work of our Week of Compassion ministry. In support of the critical work of this ministry to meet the needs of those impacted by the broad spectrum of disasters, food insecurity, etc. domestically and globally, we will be receiving the WOC offering on **Sunday February 20 and 27**. Many in our congregation and the Joplin community know firsthand the valuable work and presence of WOC. This year's theme is "Love Remains." Your gifts to Week of Compassion resurrect dreams and reconstruct spaces for new dreams to happen. When you give, you show that love is more than just a word.



Volunteers Needed!



The Interfaith Snack Pack Team of which SJCC is a partner is in need of substitute volunteers during the months of March, April and May. The team assembles snack packs at the Joplin R-8 Food Distribution Center the first Thursday of the month. It only takes about an hour to get the job done. If you are interested and can help please contact Pastor Kathryn and she will submit your name to the team captain. There is no heavy lifting involved.

CROSSLINES



SJCC's Volunteer Team serves the 4th Thursday of each month.
SJCC's next work day is Thursday, February 24, 2022.



Many thanks to the members of our Volunteer Team who serve faithfully each month and also to the congregation for all 2021 financial donations and other tangible donations made throughout the year.

Looking for a volunteer opportunity in 2022? Consider joining the SJCC Team or 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)
Friday - CLOSED to the public.

"SUPPORT THE 2022 SOUPER BOWL OF CARING"

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.southjoplinidisciples.org) and donate through Givelify. Choose **Mission and Outreach** or **Other**, then type **CROSSLINES** in the memo section.

Prayer Requests

Medical: Reese Prater; Margie Fitterling; Carolyn Theil; Judy Akeman; Rev. Dr. Paul Koch; Greg Faucett; Sara Metts (Randall); Terry and JJ (Arnall)

Sympathy: Roger Jones (Millard); Amy (Stiles) Duell; Earl Lash; Will Wilkerson

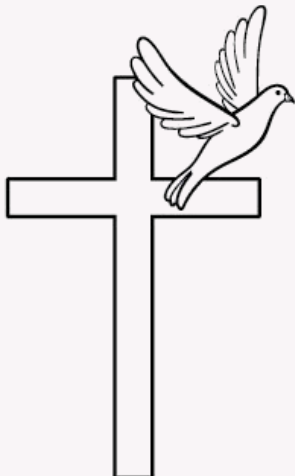
Military: Michael Crofford; Corey Irwin; Josh Robb; Dylan Theil; Gary Wald

Other: FCC Mayfield, KY

Ongoing: John Asher; Judy Ballard; Beth Bethards; Dani Bowen (Meadows); Janet Burns; Veronica Carnahan; Nic Castlebury; Samantha Catey; Betty Coan; Dayton and Daislee Cohen; Lois Demaree; Rebecca Doerflinger (Hall); 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; Arlene Nash; Larry Nauser; Bethany Newman; (Fitterling); Jim Owen; Matthew Paulda; Josh Petty; Alexis Prater; Reese Prater; Todd Prater; Cameron Ransom; Sharon Reeve; Raquel Sapien; Brady, Baylee and Calvin Shafer; 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:

Feb 6 - Erinn Miller, United Kingdom
Feb 13 - RJ Howard, Fiji
Feb 20 - Angelica Santiago-Gonzales, Chile
Feb 27 - Abigail Reed, Korea



Groups

Youth SS

Youth in grades 6-12 will meet in the library on February 13 at 9:30 am to watch and discuss the next NOOMA video.

Green Tips

Nothing says "you're my Valentine" like a flower bouquet. Consider going to a farmers' market (Empire Market or Webb City Farmers Market) to get in-season flowers from a local grower.



Adult Faith Formation

We will finish exploring the Lord's Prayer through Neil Douglas-Klotz' book, *Prayers of the Cosmos* on Sunday mornings at 9:30AM the remaining weeks of February. Please join us in room A-11.

Children's Bells:

A reminder that children are invited to play the colored bells on the second Sunday of each month. Meet in the sanctuary at 10:15 am for a quick rehearsal immediately before worship. We look forward to their next gift of music on February 13!

Singers and Ringers:

We have some special anthems planned to honor Pastor Kathryn before her retirement, and we've also purchased a new anthem for Easter Sunday that will include both handbells and vocals. This is the perfect time to join the music train, either as a singer or a ringer! Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 6PM in the sanctuary. Enter through the office door on 19th street.

Sympathy

We extend love and sympathy to Jeanie Morrison on the death of her husband, Will Wilkerson on February 1.



EVENTS/OTHER

Tea- Time Connection!

Hello Ladies of South Joplin, do you miss the "girl talk" time that has been limited over the past several months? Well, I suggest we have a "Tea-time Connection" in Fellowship Hall on Saturday morning, February 19, 2022, at 10:00 am. We can just visit and re-connect on levels we have not been doing in a while. No hidden agenda, no time constraints (within reason), come and go as you please. I'm going to have hot tea on hand, mid-morning type snacks, juice, and coffee. Feel free to bring any Tea-Time favorite, flavored tea, flavored coffee, cookies or sweet breads, etc. I look forward to seeing all who may have time to come. Questions, please contact Leanna Carrol @ 417-529-2787.

Volunteers Needed! Jasper County CASA Program (Court Appointed Special Advocate)

This is the year for you to impact the life of a child in foster care. Children who have been the victims of abuse and neglect need a caring, consistent adult in their lives. According to Missouri Children's Division, there were 494 children in care in Jasper County as of December 31, 2021, and each of these children deserves to have a caring, consistent adult on their side. There is a great need for volunteers to support children in foster care in Jasper County. The program goal is 50 new volunteers in 2022! These children need somebody to speak up for them to ensure that they find their forever home. You can Change a Child's Story. CASA is gearing up for training classes and want you to be a part of them! If you are interested in becoming a CASA volunteer, visit their website at jascocasa.org for more information and to complete the application.



Support SJCC Outreach

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FEBRUARY 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 9AM Prayer Partners 6PM Choir/Bells	3 6:30PM Book Club	4	5 9AM-12PM Elders Retreat
6 9:30AM Faith Form. 10:45AM Worship	7 6:30PM NA Meeting	8 6:30PM Board Meeting	9 9AM Prayer Partners 6PM Choir/Bells	10 6:30PM Book Club	11	12
13 8AM Elders 9:30AM Faith Form. 10:15AM Kids Bells 10:45AM Worship/ CW&W/ Souper Bowl Sunday	14 6:30PM NA Meeting Valentines Day	15	16 9AM Prayer Partners 6PM Choir/Bells 6PM Eman. Comm. Mtg.	17 6:30PM Book Club	18	19 10AM Tea Time Connection
20 8AM Elders 9:30AM Faith Form. 10:45AM Worship/ CW&W	21 6:30PM NA Meeting	22 7PM Facilities Task Force Mtg.	23 9AM Prayer Partners 6PM Choir/Bells	24 9:45AM-2PM Crosslines 6:30PM Book Club	25	26
27 8AM Elders 9:30AM Faith Form. 10:45AM Worship/ CW&W/ Week of Compassion	28 6:30PM NA Meeting					

RESPONSIBILITIES

Elders

Feb 6: Betsy Wheeler

Feb 13: Jeanie Morrison

Feb 20: Darlene Coit

Feb 27: Mike Fitterling

Camera & Sound

Feb 6: Judy Schneider & Darryl Coit

Feb 13: Sandy Meadows & Don Smith

Feb: 20: Jenn Reaves & Ken Moser

Feb 27: Judy Schneider & Ray Reaves

Diaconate

Feb 6: Communion - Kathy Nicodemus & Sean Nicodemus

Homebound - Tom Wheeler

Feb 13: Communion - Megan Bever & Amanda Hall

Homebound - Susan Wolfenbarger

Feb 20: Communion - Sherry Crumbliss & Charlotte Quarles

Homebound - Don Smith

Feb 27: Communion - Connie Abraham & Sue Sterrett

Homebound - Joe Prater

Children's Worship & Wonder

Feb 13: Storyteller - Karen Fitterling, Greeter - Jessica Fletcher-Fierro

Feb 20: Storyteller - Karen Kemp Greeter - Judy Schneider

Fed 27: Storyteller - Laney Reaves, Greeter - Leanna Carrol

Sunday School (K thru 5)

Feb 6: Teacher - Karen Kemp, Helper - Darlene Coit

Feb 13: Teacher - Jessica Faucett, Helper - Karen Kemp

Feb 20: Teacher - Daniell Sanders, Helper - Karen Kemp

Feb 27: Teacher - Leanna Carrol, Helper - Anita Frieze

February Birthdays



4 Carolyn Theil

6 Aldric Arnall

6 Karen Fitterling

7 Lexi Prater

9 Julia Foster

9 Kami Gollhofer

10 Kimberly Ocampo

18 Emma Eckhardt

19 Sherry Crumbliss

19 Kenton Foster

20 Phoenix Castlebury

24 Kairyk Curry

24 Kathryn Wilson

26 Darryl Coit

February Anniversaries

14 Mark & Liz Millard

28 Chad & Dennis Peter-Sloan