



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.



From Our Pastor

The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step, and we are officially one step forward on a journey that will lead us to a new location as a congregation. Following the congregational vote taken on May 22, a Relocation Task Force has been approved to begin the process of selling our property and finding a suitable location elsewhere in the area.

There are still more questions than there are answers, but those I have heard from are all optimistic and hopeful that this will be an energizing fresh start for us all. Undoubtedly we have mixed emotions along the way, and we will always treasure the memories we have made here. There will be losses along with the gains.

Please join me in praying for those who are appointed to the Relocation Task Force: Jim Cullumber (chair), Jessica Fletcher-Fierro, Mike Fitterling, Sam Knudtson, and Daniell Sanders. Darlene Coit as board chair and I are ex-officio to the task force. Along the way others will be asked to assist with areas of expertise, and the congregation will be provided with opportunities for additional input and, of course, sweat equity! Jim Michel with Church Extension will again be providing resources and knowledge from other congregations who have gone through similar relocation processes.

I’m also praying for the future occupants of this place, and for those who hold potential as our new neighbors. God knows us all.

Meanwhile, we have exciting new opportunities for ministry even before we relocate! The Outreach Ministry Team and our Elders have given the green light to partner with Disciples of Christ congregation, “The Connecting Grounds” in Springfield to launch a ministry to parents and foster children called Family Connection here in Joplin, to be hosted by SJCC. Parents with children in foster care are recommended by Family Services for supervised visits with their children, and Family Connection provides the safe location and trained volunteers to supervise the visits. Sandy Meadows has agreed to be our FC coordinator in charge of scheduling volunteers and accommodations. We will be sharing more details in the very near future, and offering the opportunity for SJCC people as well as community volunteers to help with this ministry of reunification and reconciliation through a variety of avenues. There is no need to wait until we are relocated, so we will begin as soon as we are trained and staffed.

God is good, all the time!

Yours in mission and ministry, Pastor Colleen

Sundays in June

June 5 **PENTECOST (wear red!)**—Acts 2:1-5, Rachel Eckhardt flute solo, Reader’s Theater

June 12 — Hebrews 10:23-25 Daniell Sanders, preaching, Children’s Bell Choir

June 19 **FATHER’S DAY**—(Hebrews 12:1-2), Rev. James Lee, preaching

June 26 — Luke 9:57-61 “Facing Forward”

Welcome Jasmine and Bonnie!

We are pleased to welcome Jasmine Shipp as Custodian and Bonnie Powers as Administrative Office Assistant to our church staff. Both will be on the premises Monday through Friday. Jasmine’s hours are 9AM to noon, and Bonnie’s hours are 10AM to 3PM. They are already a great asset to our team. Please make them feel welcome and appreciated.

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!



Pentecost Offering June 5

Each year, half the Pentecost offering goes to our own region to support local new church development. The other half goes to New Church Ministry, which trains, equips, assists, and multiplies new church leaders across the United States and Canada through programs such as coaching, New Church Hacks, and Water the Plants.

CROSSLINES

SJCC's Volunteer Team serves the 4th Thursday of each month.
SJCC's next work day is Thursday, June 23, 2022.

Thank you, SJCC and the JHS Bass Fishing Team for meeting our May goal of 50 cans of sauce and pasta. We collected 75 cans of sauce and 76 boxes of pasta!

The June challenge is 75 cans of meat (tuna, chicken, etc.) and 75 cans of beans (not green beans).

Crosslines Ministries is also running low on the following items:

Canned beans (legumes), **Canned meats, Canned vegetables, Mac and cheese, Bottled juice, Cake mixes, Ketchup, mustard, mayo, Canned fruit, (especially needed) Queen size sheet sets.

For questions about volunteering or connecting with Crosslines, see our Team Leader, Karen Kemp.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Elders

June 5: Darlene Coit
June 12: Jim Cullumber
June 19: Leanna Carrol
June 26: Margie Fitterling

Camera & Sound

June 5: Judy Schneider & Darryl Coit
June 12: Jenn Reaves & Ken Moser
June 19: Sandy Meadow & Ray Reaves
June 26: Judy Schneider & Donny Smith

Sunday School (K thru 5)

June 5: Teacher-Karen Kemp; Helper-Anita Frieze
June 12: Teacher- Leanna Carrol; Helper-Karen Kemp
June 19: Teacher-Darlene Coit; Helper-Karen Kemp
June 26: Teacher-Daniell Sanders; Helper-Karen Kemp

Diaconate

June 5:
Communion Prep—Amanda Hall and Charlotte Quarles; Homebound—Joe Prater; Usher—Patt Hinds
June 12:
Communion Prep—Connie Abraham and Carolyn Theil; Homebound—Susan Wolfenbarger; Usher—Tom Wheeler
June 19:
Communion Prep—Don Smith and Carolyn Theil ; Homebound—Tom Hamm; Usher—Sue Sterrett
June 26:
Communion Prep—Connie Abraham and Patt Hinds ; Homebound—Susan Wolfenbarger ; Usher—Charlotte Quarles

Children's Worship & Wonder

June 5: #43 Pentecost—Karen Fitterling and Taylor Reaves
June 12: F-J 2 Follow Me—Laney Reaves and TBD
June 19: F-J 2 Follow Me—Karen Kemp and Jessica F. Fiero
June 26: (No CW&W)

Prayer Requests

Medical:

Ariel Aldrigetti (Morrison); Tabitha Carroll; Craig Gilman (Meadows); Betty Kemp; Reese Prater; Raquel Sapien; Roger Traver; Lavella Wheeler (Cogbill); KinLee Wright; Herb Raulins

Military:

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

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); Margie Fitterling; Kyle Ford (Wolfenbarger); Carolyn & Tom Fortson; Mary Gilmore; Alyxis Hefty; Sue Hess; Darius Hughlett (Wilson); Daryl Hughlett; Roland Hughlett; Bethany James; Betty Kemp; Sam Knudtson; Lamley Family; Shirley Martin; Betty McKelvey; 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; Nancy Righthouse (Cogbill); Raquel Sapien; Brady, Baylee and Kalvin Shafer; Kimmy Smith; Sue Smith; Lou Starks; Mike Tesh; Michelle Vorhees; Tova Wallace-Lee; Karen Patchin Watson; Sherry Willerton; Pat Wilkins (Carrol); Charles Wilson; Birdie Woods; Mary Lou York, and all unspoken requests.

Other:

SJCC Relocation Task Force and process

Global Ministry Partners:

June 5 – Phyllis Byrd, Kenya
June 12 – Bruce and Linda Hanson, Honduras
June 19 – Jeff Mensendiek, Japan

EVENTS/OTHER

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Board Reminder:

The board is not scheduled to meet in person in June. Written reports should be submitted to the office by June 13 for the June 14 packet. Email office@southjoplindisciples.org

Adult Faith Formation

We will be reading and discussing "The Gospel of Truth" on June 5 and 26 at 9:30am. No adult SS class on June 12 or 19 due to Pastor Colleen's vacation.

An Intimate Evening with Anthony

Wed, June 8; 6:30PM
901. S. Main, Joplin

Hear inspiring former popular preacher, bestselling author and LGBTQ ambassador, Anthony Venn-Brown, share about his Life of Unlearning. Anthony's journey from high profile, 'straight' Christian preacher, resolving the perceived conflict between his faith and sexuality, and now an ambassador for the LGBT community, has given him unique insights.

LIMITED SEATING - REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL https://joplin_anthony_venn_brown.eventbrite.com.au

For further information call or text (417) 850 3434 or email Steve Urie-Ross urieross-s@outlook.com

Church Camps this Summer

There are multiple offerings for church camp this summer, including traditional resident camps, Canoe Camp, "First Rites of Passage (a son/father retreat)" and "Our Bodies, Our Faith." Camps begin as early as June 6 and continue through July. Deadlines are fast approaching so check out the options at <http://www.mid-american-disciples.org/summer>
SJCC offers scholarship assistance for children from the congregation who register through the church. For information contact Pastor Colleen.

Hymn Sing June 12 and 19

Chris Greninger and the Chancel Choir invite you to an informal "Hymn Sing" at 9:30 AM on Sundays, June 12 and 19 in the sanctuary. You may request songs from the hymnal that you want to sing or listen to until time for worship to begin.

Memorial Celebrations

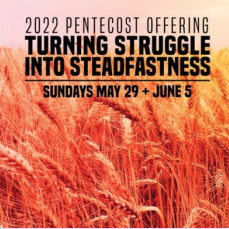
The family of Ruth Prater invite you to a celebration of her life on Saturday, June 4 at 1PM at SJCC.

The family of Jean Hailey invite you to a celebration of her life on Monday, June 6 at 10AM at SJCC.

Graduation Celebration

Please join us to celebrate Rachel Eckhardt's high school graduation! Sunday, June 5, noon to 1PM at SJCC parking lot (20th and Wall Ave.). Rachel will be playing her lute solo during the worship service that morning.

JUNE 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9:30am CWF @ Fortson's 6pm Choir/Bells	2 12:30pm Ministers Cluster 3:30pm RTF mtg. 7pm Book Club	3	4 1pm Ruth Prater Memorial
5 Pentecost 8am Elders Choir 9:30am S.S. 10:45am Worship/CW&W 12pm R Eckhardt Grad party & Faith Formation mtg.	6 Board Reports due 10am Jean Hailey Memorial 6:30pm NA Mtg.	7 6pm Worship Ministry Team 6:30pm NA Mtg.	8 6pm Choir/Bells	9 Pastor Colleen vacation thru 19th 7pm Book Club (on Zoom)	10	11
12 8am Elders 9:30am Hymn Sing/Kids' SS. 10:15am Kid's Bells 10:45am Worship/CW&W	13 6:30pm NA Mtg.	14 6:30pm NA Mtg.	15 6pm Eman. Mtg. 6pm Choir/Bells	16 7pm Book Club (on Zoom)	17	18 10am Baby Shower @ Friendship Park
19 Father's Day 8am Elders 9:30am Hymn Sing/Kid's SS 10:45am Worship/CW&W	20 6:30pm NA Mtg.	21 6:30pm NA Mtg.	22 6pm Choir/Bells	23 9:45am-2pm Crosslines 7pm Book Club (on Zoom)	24	25
26 8am Elders 9:30am S.S. 10:45am Worship	27 6:30pm NA Mtg.	28 6:30pm NA Mtg.	29 6pm Choir/Bells	30 7pm Book Club (on Zoom)		

Birthdays

3 Dennis Peterson-Sloan 24 Dawn Cullumber
 9 Raquel Sapien 25 Sue Sterrett
 14 Sam Knudtson 28 KC Brockman
 20 JoHelen Umphenour 21 Karen Kemp
 23 Taylor Reaves

Anniversaries

1 Megan Bever & Will Delehanty
 5 Tom & Carolyn Fortson
 8 Charles & Karen Kemp
 14 Justin & Sarah Coyne
 19 Carolyn Theil & JoHelen Umphenour
 27 Buddy & Leanna Carrol