



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.



THANK YOU to the many hands and hearts who invested in our final worship at 1901 S. Pearl Avenue on January 19! God has been so faithful to us over the years and your gratitude and faith were visible and palpable. Thank you for staying positive and hopeful!

LENTEN SEASON

SUNDAYS IN MARCH



March 5 Look for the Helper – Psalm 121 and John 3:1-17

March 12 Look for the Thirst-Quencher – Exodus 17:1-7

March 19 Look for the Shepherd – Psalm 23 and John 9:1-41

March 26 Look for the Liberator – Psalm 130 and John 11:1-45

LENTEN STUDY GROUP

The numbers of persons interested in Lenten study groups on evenings and weekdays were not sufficient to form groups outside of Sunday morning, so plans have been adapted to allow for group discussion during the 9:30AM education hour. Pastor Colleen will facilitate discussion at tables around the scriptures for the day and provide worksheets for further personal study. Please join us as often as you can Sundays at 9:30 in the fellowship hall at PLC.

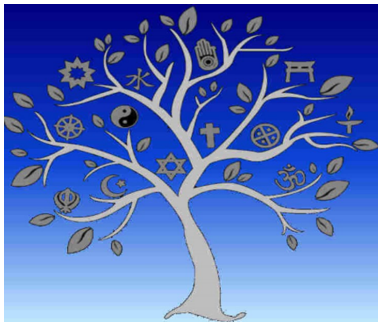
EVENTS/OTHER



WEEK OF COMPASSION OFFERING

Collection March 5 for humanitarian aid through the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

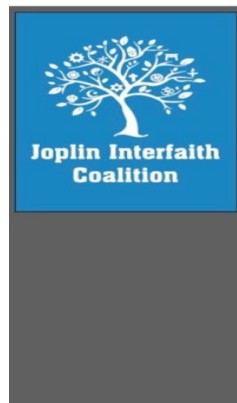
FUNDRAISING EVENT



The Joplin Interfaith Coalition Annual Bake Sale and Lunch is on Saturday, March 4 from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm at the Islamic Center, 1805 W. 32nd Street. The Tickets for the lunch are \$10.00 each.

Joplin Interfaith Coalition T-shirts are also available for \$15.00, sizes S through XL.

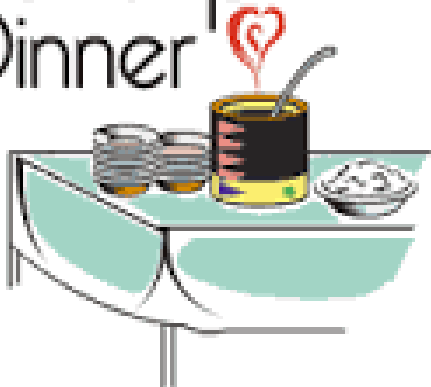
All proceeds to assist RAISE in purchasing a driving simulator.



Ramadan Iftar Invitation

The Islamic Society of Joplin will be hosting their annual Friendship Iftar on April 14th at 7:30 pm to celebrate Iftar traditions and help to inform non-Muslim friends about Ramadan, Muslim culture and traditions. Five people from our church are invited to the event which includes dinner. Please RSVP to Pastor Colleen no later than March 27.

Fellowship Dinner



March 19

A-B Main Dish.

C-G and Q-Y Salads or Sides

H-P Desserts

Hospitality is encouraging everyone to bring their own dinnerware setting in keeping with our Green Chalice designation for the congregation.

See you there!

Sign-Up



We still need volunteers to bring in some of the tasty little treats to share at PLC each Sunday morning. A sign-up sheet is available on the Welcome Center table along side the name tags. Thank you!

MOVING UPDATE

It is impossible for us to make definite plans, but we hope to move the church offices from 1901 S. Pearl to the rental house at 1910 S. Wall on Monday and Tuesday, March 6 and 7. This means the church office will be closed those days, and the office phone will not be answered. If you are available to help move furniture and boxes, your help will be most appreciated!

Additionally, it is possible that our internet or phone service will be interrupted and/or delayed in getting reconnected, so your patience is appreciated. In an emergency, please call pastor Colleen on her cell phone.

MOVING SALE

The final sale of our unneeded furniture and items is scheduled for Saturday, March 11 from 8AM to 1PM. As before, we need lots of helpers the week of the sale to move items from throughout the church and organize them for sale.

A presale for SJCC folk only is scheduled for Friday the 10th from 6-7:30PM to give you a chance to purchase items ahead of the general public.



Time to turn in keys!

If you have any keys to the SJCC property, especially if they are inside keys or masters, please turn them in to Bonnie at the church office.



Sunday, March 12—Spring
FORWARD one hour!

CROSSLINES CHALLENGE

For March our challenge will be basic condiments (ketchup, mayonnaise, mustard).

Our next scheduled workday is Thursday, March 23

9:45 am—2:00 pm.

New volunteers always welcome!

General Assembly 2023:

**KINDOM
OF GOD
WITHIN US
AMONG US**

GENESIS 11:1-9 • LUKE 17:20-21 • 2 PETER 1:3

July 29 - August 1, 2023 - Louisville

The theme for the General Assembly of the Christian Church for July 2023 is based on Luke 17:20-21, Genesis 11:1-9 and 2 Peter 1:3. The focus of the theme is “kindom of God within us, among us.” This theme is a call for Disciples to strengthen their relationship to God in both individual and communal ways through an expansive in person and digital gathering of the church in Louisville.

SJCC offers \$200 per person toward registration costs. Additionally, the Mid-America Region is offering a \$100 rebate after the assembly for those who attend. For information and to register, go to <https://ga.disciples.org>

Prayer Requests

Medical:
Timicia Curtis; Betty Kemp;
James & Stephanie Lee; Betty
McKelvey (Wheeler); Becky
Robertson (Carroll); Raquel
Sapien; JoHelen Umphenour

Sympathy:
Shiena Hadley (Peterson-
Sloan); Clara Whitehead
(Reaves/Moser)

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

Ongoing:
Connie Abraham; John Asher;
Carol Bach; Judy Ballard; Kittie
Blankenship; Dani Bowen
(Meadows); Gloria Brady
(Abraham); Ellen Broglio; Janet
Burns; Veronica Carnahan;
Betty Coan; Dayton and
Daislee Cohen; Wes
Davenport; Lois Demaree;
Bailee Evans; Margie Fitterling;
Kyle Ford (Wolfenbarger); Mary
Gilmore; Alyxis Hefty; Patt
Hinds; 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); Arlene Nash;
Nancy Nauser (Fitterling);
Bethany Newman; Jim Owen;
Matthew Paulda; Josh Petty;
Reese Prater; Todd Prater;
Cameron Ransom; Sharon
Reeve; Raquel Sapien; Brady,
Baylee and Calvin Shafer; Sue
Smith; Lou Starks; Richard
Stiles; Connie Sullivan; Mike
Tesh; Roger Traver; Michelle
Vorhees; Tova Wallace-Lee;
Karen Patchin Watson; Charles
Wilson; Birdie Woods; Mary Lou
York, and all unspoken
requests.

Other:
SJCC Relocation, Turkey

Global Ministries Focus:
March 5: Jordan
March 12: Japan
March 19: Sri Lanka
March 26: Angola

RESPONSIBILITIES

Elders

March 5: Leanna Carrol
March 12: Mike Fitterling
March 19: Jim Cullumber
March 26: Darlene Coit

Diaconate

March 5: Communion Prep—Sherry Crumbliss
and Kirk Seale;
Homebound—Susan Wolfenbarger
March 12: Communion Prep—Charlotte Quarles
and Carolyn Theil;
Homebound—Tom Wheeler
March 19: Communion Prep—Megan Bever and
Karen Kemp;
Homebound—Don Smith
March 26: Communion Prep—Connie Abraham
and Susan Wolfenbarger
Homebound—Tom Hamm

Camera & Sound

March 5: Sandy Meadows and Don Smith
March 12: Jenn Reaves and Ken Moser
March 19: Sandy Meadows and Darryl Coit
March 26: Judy Schneider and Ray Reaves

Sunday School (K thru 5)

March 5: Darlene Coit and Karen Kemp
March 12: Karen Kemp and Jessica Fletcher-
Fierro
March 19: Leanna Carrol and Anita Frieze
March 26: Daniell Sanders and Karen Kemp

Children Worship & Wonder

March 5: Karen Fitterling and Taylor Reaves
March 12: Karen Kemp and Judy Schneider
March 19: Laney Reaves and Leanna Carrol
March 26: Karen Fitterling and Leanna Carrol

Birthdays

2	Sandy Meadows	22	Kathy Nicodemus
7	Jessica Faucett	28	Lauren Coyne
13	Willa Randall	29	Don Powers
14	Les and Wes Davenport		
20	Joe Prater		

Anniversaries

16 Tom Hamm & Colleen Carroll
29 Kenton & Julia Foster

MARCH 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9:30 am— Noon CWF (PLC) 7:00 pm Choir (PLC)	2	3	4 10:00 am—1:00 pm Interfaith Co- alition Annual Bake Sale and Lunch
5 PLC Lent 2 8:00 am Elders 9:30 am SS 10:20 am Fellowship 10:45 Worship/ CW&W	6 Office Closed—Moving Days 6:30 pm Walk- Through Mtg (SJCC)	7 Office Closed—Moving Days 6:00 pm Wor- ship Team Mtg.	8 7:00 pm Choir (PLC)	9	10 6:00 –7:30 pm Congregation Only Pre-sale	11 8:00 am—1:00pm Moving Sale (SJCC)
12 PLC Daylight Savings Begins Lent 3 9:30 am SS 10:20 am Fellowship 10:45 Worship/ CW&W 4:00 pm Permanent Fund Mtg (SJCC)	13 Board Reports Due	14	15 7:00 pm Choir (PLC)	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18
19 PLC Lent 4 9:30 am SS 10:45 Worship/ CW&W Noon Fellowship Dinner	20	21	22 7:00 pm Choir (PLC)	23 9:45 am— 2:00 pm Crosslines	24	25
26 PLC Lent 5 8:00 am Elders 9:30 am SS 10:20 am Fellowship 10:45 Worship/ CW&W	27	28	29 7:00 pm Choir (PLC)	30	31 SJCC Clos- ing	

