



## 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.

### Ten Traits of Thriving Congregations

**#10 Thriving congregations know one another.** “Thriving faith communities live with a balance of power between clergy and laity. They recognize that each brings gifts and talents to the community that the other does not.

### Interfaith Cooking Circle

We are hosting the next Interfaith Cooking Circle for women at Sojourners on Sunday, November 10 at 2:15PM. We will offer demonstrations on crockpot uses and some comfort food. Please RSVP to June Neal at 913-775-1767.

### Sundays in November

**Nov. 3** (Daylight Savings Time Ends) All Saint’s Sunday, an observance of honoring the members from our congregation who have passed away this year (Ray Gall & Betty Coan) and celebrate the ongoing ministries we facilitate through memorial and permanent fund distributions.

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 25:6-9 and Revelation 21:1-6

**Nov. 10** we begin the fall stewardship emphasis by hearing from Ellen Broglio and Cyndi Cogbill as they present a challenge to live into a mentality of a gift economy, based on the writings of Robin Wall Kimmerer.

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 4:10

**Nov. 17** is a continuation of the stewardship emphasis, challenging us to go beyond funding budgets and envisioning radical generosity. We ask that all estimate of giving cards be returned by this date if at all possible.

Scripture Reading: James 1:17-18

**Nov. 24** will be Thanksgiving Sunday and the start of Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week.

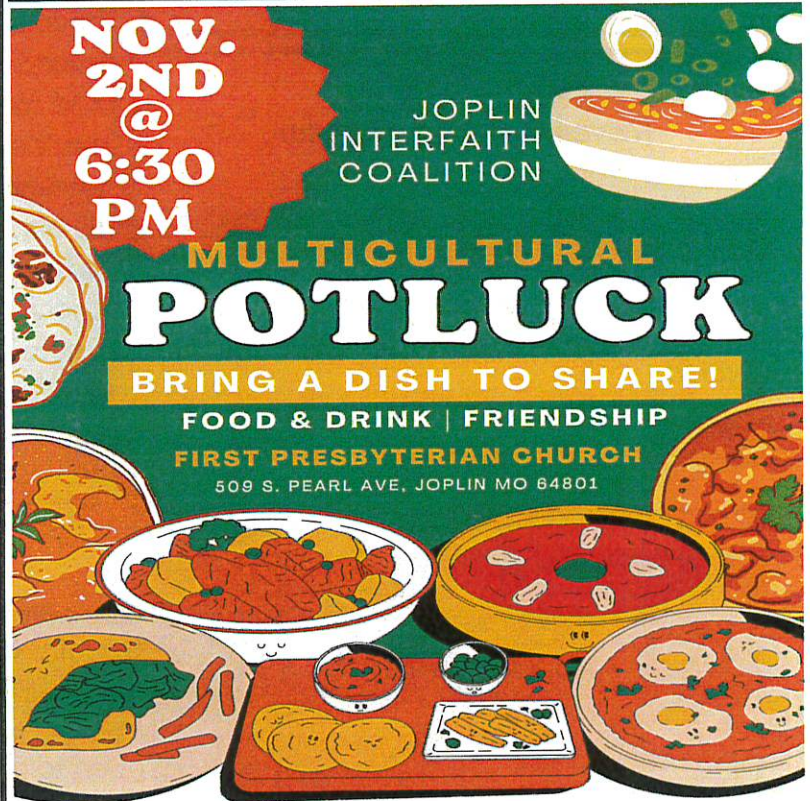
Scripture Reading: Psalm 33

We will collect the special offering November 17 & 24.



### Welcome Back!

We rejoiced to welcome Daryl Felkins back into membership by transfer on Sunday during our worship service. Daryl was previously a member here and had moved away but is now back in our community and committed to pursuing her faith journey at Sojourners once again. Please welcome Daryl the next time you see her. She resides at 202 E. Allen St. #3, Carl Junction 64834; (816) 525-3625; [1dogfrolic@gmail.com](mailto:1dogfrolic@gmail.com).



PLEASE BE PREPARED TO LABEL FOOD WITH INGREDIENTS TO BE SENSITIVE OF OTHER'S DIETARY RESTRICTIONS

**\*Note the Multicultural Potluck is at First Presbyterian Church**

### CROSSLINES MINISTRIES

November Challenge is:

**Baby Wipes**

No volunteer day due to holiday

We collected 57 boxes of cereal in Oct. along with miscellaneous items. Thank you for your faithful support of Crosslines!

## EVENTS/OTHER

### Budget Committee Meeting

The Budget Committee consists of the chair and vice-chair of the board, the church treasurer and financial secretary and each chairperson of an existing ministry, and the pastor. The first meeting to discuss a proposed budget for 2025 is on Tuesday, November 12 at 6:30PM at the church. Even if your ministry is not requesting changes to your budget area, please make every effort to attend the meeting for the sake of representation. The budget is scheduled to be presented to the board on December 10 and to the congregation on December 15 to the congregation.

### Adult Faith Formation

The "Scripture Lab" experiment has been a huge success! Those who have participated have expressed how much they appreciate the opportunity to practice reading and examining the scriptures with an inquisitive mind and listen to open dialogue and various perspectives. Join us at 9:30 AM Sundays in the room adjacent to the fellowship hall and catch the enthusiasm! Bring your favorite Bible if you like.

### Fellowship Meal November 17th @ Noon

October 20th, SCC Hospitality welcomed 47 diners who enjoyed a Fall Festival carry-in.

For November 17, all are invited to a Thanksgiving meal. Turkey and ham will be provided.

Desserts: C  
Side or Salad: All Others

**Hurricane assistance:** Please use this QR code to go directly to the Week of Compassion site to donate for relief efforts or use their website [www.weekofcompassion.org](http://www.weekofcompassion.org).



Mailing address for checks:  
Week of Compassion  
P.O. Box 1986  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46206

### Joplin Photo ID Project

We're delighted to report that the Joy Spiva Cragin Charitable Trust has awarded Joplin Photo ID a grant of \$500. Many thanks to the Joy Spiva Cragin Trust for all they do to enhance the quality of life in this region. This donation will be a big help in our efforts to help people needing IDs required for voting, employment, access to housing, and when you think about it, just about everything except breathing. YOUR DONATION OF JUST \$33 can make a big difference to the many people who seek our help. Some but not all of the people we help qualify for a free ID; others have to pay \$18. Securing an ID also requires a birth certificate, \$15 for those born in Missouri, usually more for other states. You can mail your check with "Photo ID" in the memo line made out to Joplin Photo ID to

Joplin Interfaith Coalition  
P.O. Box 4842  
Joplin, MO 64803

### Joplin Towne & Country Quilt Guild

One of the groups using our church is the Joplin Towne & Country Quilt Guild. They meet on the third Tuesday of the month to learn, work on projects, enjoy lunch and fellowship.

Formed in 1985 to further the art of quilting, membership is open to anyone.

Guild President Theresa DeTar says members work tirelessly on community projects to support various agencies in the four state area. At the October meeting, they gave away lap and baby quilts, along with carry bags for walkers, to the following local agencies:

Area Agency on Aging Region X, Care net Pregnancy Resource of Neosho, Children's Center of Southwest Missouri, Children's Haven, Crosslines Ministries, and Life Choices. The items were displayed in the church's welcome area. Representatives from those agencies attended and shared about their work before receiving the gifts from the Guild.

Members also work on projects at home at their leisure, and many do parts of the quilt, such as piecing or binding, that they prefer, returning the project so others may complete the next steps.

To learn more, you can reach Theresa at [tdetar1@gmail.com](mailto:tdetar1@gmail.com).



## Prayer Requests

**Medical:** Arlene Nash; Dave Gilmore (Ratliff); Debi Lorenz; Matt Paige

**Sympathy:** Allen Schellack; John Ballard (Foster); Tucker Berry

### **Military:**

Michael Crofford; Corey Irwin; Josh Robb; Gary Wald

### **Ongoing:**

Connie Abraham; John Asher; Carol Bach; Judy Ballard; Kittie Blankenship; Kellie Blanton (Davenport/Plossl); Gloria Brady (Abraham); Dayton and Daislee Cohen; Timicia Curtis; Lois Demaree; Bailee Evans; Margie Fitterling; Kyle Ford (Wolfenbarger); Alyxis Hefty; Darius Hughlett (Wilson); Daryl Hughlett; Roland Hughlett; Bethany James; James Knudtson; Lamley Family; Shirley Martin; Brett McCreary; 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; Nancy Righthouse; Jayne Sanders; Sue Smith; Lou Starks; Connie Sullivan; Mike Tesh; Roger Traver; Michelle Vorhees; Michael Wallace (Randall); Tova Wallace-Lee; Karen Patchin Watson; Birdie Woods; Mary Lou York, and all unspoken requests.

**Other:** Colby Kluthe; AOA search

### **Global Ministries Focus:**

November 3	Armenia/ Lebanon
November 10	East Timor
November 17	Eswatini
November 24	Korea



## RESPONSIBILITIES

### Elders

November 3	Betsy Wheeler
November 10	Margie Fitterling
November 17	Jim Cullumber
November 24	Leanna Carrol

### Diaconate

November 3	Communion Prep—Les Davenport & Terry Plossl Homebound—Tom Wheeler
November 10	Communion Prep—Sherry Crumbliss & Jessica Fletcher Fierro Homebound—Don Smith
November 17	Communion Prep—Megan Beaver and Susan Wolfenbarger Homebound—Tom Hamm
November 24	Communion Prep—Connie Abraham and Judy Akeman Homebound—Susan Wolfenbarger

### Camera & Sound

November 3	Terry Plossl & Darryl Coit
November 10	Judy Schneider & Don Smith
November 17	Sandy Meadows & Ray Reaves
November 24	Jennifer Reaves & Ken Moser

### Kid's Church Preschool thru 6th Grades

November 3	Children in Family Worship
November 10	Karen Kemp & Sandy Meadows
November 17	Children in Family Worship
November 24	Daniell Sanders & Anita Frieze

### Children Worship & Wonder

November 3	Karen Kemp & Judy Schneider
November 10	Karen Fitterling & Taylor Reaves
November 17	Children in Family Worship
November 24	Taylor Reaves & Leanna Carrol

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

### Birthdays

1 Laney Reaves  
4 Daryl Felkins  
5 Malik Taylor  
16 Lois Nickols  
18 Lilly Cullumber  
18 Lucas Cullumber  
18 Tom Fortson  
29 Agnes Jones



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			9:30 am CWF		1 <b>Pastor gone thru Nov. 7</b>	2 6:30 pm Inter- faith Coalition Multicultural Potluck @ First Presbyterian Church
3 <b>Daylight Savings Time Ends</b> <b>All Saints Sunday</b> 9:30 am Adult Faith Formation 10:20 am Fellowship 10:45 am Worship 4:00-6:00 pm Family Connection	4	5 <b>Election Day</b>  5:30 pm WW	6  6:00 pm Choir	7	8	9
10 8:00 am Elders 9:30 am Adult Faith Formation 10:20 am Fellowship 10:20 am PLC WGS Mtg. 10:45 am Worship/CW&W/Kid's Church 2:15 pm Interfaith Cooking Circle 4:00-6:00 pm Family Connection	11	12 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Quilters  5:30 pm WW 6:30 pm Budget Committee	13  6:00 pm Choir	14	15	16
17 <b>Thanksgiving Offering #1</b> 9:30 am Adult Faith Formation 10:20 am Fellowship 10:20 am PLC Council Mtg. 10:15 am Children' Bells 10:45 am Worship Noon Fellowship Dinner 4:00-6:00 pm Family Connection	18	19 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Quilters  5:30 pm WW	20  6:00 pm Choir	21	22	23
24 <b>Thanksgiving Offering #2</b> 8:00 am Elders 9:30 am Adult Faith Formation 10:20 am Fellowship 10:45 am Worship/CW&W/Kid's Church 4:00-6:00 pm Family Connection	25	26  5:30 pm WW	27	28 <b>Thanksgiv- ing—Office Closed</b>	29 <b>Office Closed</b>	30

**All activities at Sojourners Christian Church  
unless specified otherwise.**

Our new website address is: [www.sojournerschristianchurch.org](http://www.sojournerschristianchurch.org)