

September Celebrations

BIRTHDAYS

01– Lloyd Bentley
 03– Correy Jackson
 04– Jane Coleman
 Angela Mills
 05– Anna Gass
 06– Keri James
 08– Rennie Ballance
 Ryan Layton
 Doug Swigert
 09– Kim Behrends
 Torey Spitzig
 10– Gaines Branson
 Todd Marshall
 11– Jeremi Jackson
 12– Wilma Amary

12– Mindy Kissner
 13– Dan Bishop
 15– Ron Schupp
 16– Jack Uhrig
 17– Mike James
 Rob Ravenhill
 18– Ron Absher
 Makenna Parker
 19– Matt Green
 20– Nic Ess
 22– Elaine Edwards
 Lois Mencl
 23– Natalie Hoffelmeyer
 Cathy Swinger
 24– Jessica Green
 Kathy Monnig

25– Tyler Clemens
 Brad Pistel
 28– Rebecca Perkins
 Donna Smith
 29– Bo Goulet
 Melinda Swigert

Anniversaries

03– Justin & Heidi Jolliff
 13– Tim & Jennifer Marquess
 28– Lloyd & Rosie Bentley



OCTOBER FELLOWSHIP DINNER

SPOOKTACULAR COSTUME DINNER

JOIN US!

Sunday, October 25th | Right after the 10:30 Worship Service

ON THE MENU

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs,
 Potato Salad, Baked Beans,
 & Coleslaw.

POTLUCK REQUEST

Please bring a Salad or
 Dessert to share!
 (if you are able)

COSTUME FUN!

Kids of all ages are encouraged
 to wear their Halloween
 Costumes!

We cannot wait to have a
 "SPOOKTACULAR" time together!

Join us in the Fellowship Hall

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When Does Daylight Saving Time End in 2026?



November 1, 2026

At 2:00 AM, clocks move
 back 1 hour

**Fall Back & Gain an Extra
 Hour of Sleep!**

Reaching Out Article (cont'd)

can leave a puzzle you have enjoyed and are ready to pass along. Members will be welcome to borrow from the collection and return it to the collection when they are finished. Pastor Randal plans to choose appropriate-sized puzzles to offer our members who are home-bound or residing in nursing home when he visits them. If you would like to share puzzles with members you visit, you are welcome to borrow puzzles, too.

Other Outreach Committee Events

Watch for information on the mitten tree in November, gifts for adopted families in December, meals for The Bridge in January and April, ongoing food donations for the Little Food Pantry & the Community Food Pantry, April AED Training, Spare Change for Real Change in May, the summer blood drive, and possible breakfast and/or potato bar fundraisers.

We want to emphasize that all participation in these efforts to reach out to our community is entirely voluntary!! Please help when you want to and are able.

Special Offerings

Our congregation joins with other Disciples of Christ churches around the world to tackle issues that are much bigger than any single congregation could impact. These six special offerings are spread out through the year. Reconciliation Sunday is designed to support anti-racism programs. If you would like to contribute, there will be special envelopes available at the October 4 service, or you can note "Reconciliation" in the memo on your check. The next special offering is the Thanksgiving Offering, and the proceeds will support colleges, universities, seminaries, and divinity houses affiliated with DOC.

There are so many opportunities to reach out to help our community and to fulfill the command that Jesus gave his followers. Please watch the bulletin announcements, the newsletter, the FCC Facebook page, and our new digital sign for information as we put our faith in action. Thank you..



The CWF is meeting at Kay Wise's home on **October 20th at 10:00 AM.**
Anyone interested in carpooling can meet at the church by 9:30 AM!
Contact Roberta for more information at 660-202-0981.



New From the FCC Library!

NEW ADULT BOOK TITLES

The Orphan Keeper, The Girls with No Names, Bear-Tooth, The Spy Coast, The Lies They Told, Shadow Falls, The Silent Widow, Our Last Resort, The Proving Ground, Roald Dahl, The Only Women in the Room, The Unwedding, Vanished at Kolob Canyon,

NEW YOUNG READERS & CHILDREN TITLES

The Pout-Pout Fish, Roald Dahl, Tim Tingle, Fitz and Cleo, So Not Happening, The Princess Diaries, GN, I Survived, Sookie Stakehouse: The Complete Stories, displacement, Who?What?Where?, Children's Classic, A Night Divided, A to Z Mysteries, and Pumpkin Queen Series



Reaching Out Article

Big thank yous to those who provided a meal for The Bridge, MVU's Christian fellowship group and to those who prepared hygiene kits. To date, we have collected 30 kits!!

The Outreach Committee had its annual planning meeting to look at how our congregation can reach out to our neighbors to help meet some of the needs in our community. We want to give you a heads up on efforts that FCC will be involved in the over the next few months. We hope you will choose to support those efforts with your time, talents, and treasure.

Holiday Project – Cake Mix Collection

The Holiday Project seeks to provide a holiday dinner to families in need by offering a box of groceries needed to make a meal. Families must apply and meet the income guidelines, and the boxes are sized for each family. We were asked last year to provide 500 cake mixes. (What's a holiday meal without dessert, right?) That's a lot for a small congregation! But we did it thanks to your generous gifts of hundreds of cake and cookie mixes and a \$1 cake mix sale we discovered at Hy-Vee. We dispatched family and friends in cities that have Hy-Vees to grab as many cake mixes as possible at this low price while the sale lasted. So...please watch for ads and let the office know if you see a good deal so we can get the word out! We are going to start collecting right away, so please bring any cake or cookie mixes you would like to donate to the church. (Going forward, we are going to collect all year for the Holiday Project instead of waiting for the last quarter of the year when there are so many asks.)

Chili Supper & Eats, Sweets, & Treats Sale

This annual event provides most of the funds we use to help people with their utilities, housing, food, and health needs. Last year, we raised almost \$6,000, and every penny goes out to local organizations whose mission is to help people. Please put these dates on your calendars:

Meal Prep: On Sunday, October 18 at 1:00 pm, Tiffany Thornton will lead a group of volunteers to make a few hundred frozen meals and soups to sell at the Eats, Sweets, & Treats Sale and to keep on hand to offer people seeking help at the church. A request for donations of ingredients will be available soon, and we hope you will join us for a couple of hours for the meal prep. There are jobs for young and old, males and females, experienced cooks and novices! It's so fun to see two freezers fill with meals in just a short amount of time!!

Chili Supper Set-Up: On Wednesday, December 2 at 5:00 pm, we will gather to set up the tables and chairs, organize the kitchen and drive-thru areas, and enjoy pizza after. Strong, young backs are especially appreciated!

Chili Supper & E,S,T Sale: Saturday, December 5 will kick off with making chili in the morning under the direction of Virginia Bryant. Then, Sherry Shannon & Linda Crews captain a team to make the veggie soup. That evening, FCC members serve the chili & soup, prepare the hot dogs, plate the donated homemade desserts, sell the frozen meals and your donated bake sale items, and man the drive-thru. The Scout troops that meet at FCC are a big help, too!! Watch for sign-up sheets in the parlor in late October.

NEW! Puzzle Swap

We know there are lots of puzzle enthusiasts in our congregation. Soon, we will have an area where you



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**Our October
General Board
meeting will be
On the 9th at
6:00 PM.
Everyone is
invited to attend**



A Message from our Pastor...

I need a quick check. School has started– check. Pro-football has started– check. Chief's winning– check, check and check!). High school sports have started– check. College sports have started– check. Everything at home is going well– check. Everything at work is going well– Check. It still seems that I am missing something. Let's see, food in the pantry, gas in the car, and the TV is working. What am I missing? You already know where I am going with this. We are missing our Church in some way. The reader may be missing church or know of a loved one that is missing. As we got our lives in order, may the Church remain top in our priorities. We together ARE the Church.

Blessings,
Rev. Randal



If you or someone you know would like to receive homebound communion or a pastoral visit, please let us know. Contact the church office at firstccoffice@yahoo.com so we can care for those in need.



As **All Saints' Day** approaches, we prepare to look back with gratitude on the lives of those who have gone before us. It is a sacred time to honor their memory, celebrate their faith, and thank God for the impact they left on our lives and our church family.

During our upcoming service on November 1, we will be reading the names of our loved ones who have passed away. If you have a family member, friend, or brother or sister in Christ whom you would like remembered, we invite you to share their information with us.

How to Submit a Name

Please provide the full name of your loved one and your relationship to them by **Friday, October 23**. You can submit this information in two ways:

In Person: Drop off the details at the **Church Office**.

By Email: Send the information to firstccoffice@yahoo.com.

Thank you for helping us honor those we miss and cherish. If you have any questions, please reach out to Hope at the Church office.