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All Saints Day



All Saints Day is November 1st. We will be remembering those who have passed away since last All Saints Day during worship on Sunday, October 31st. Those being remembered will be Donna Sunderland-Robben, Karl Wilmers, Virginia Moore and JR McDaniels..

Thanksgiving Dinner

At the last session meeting, there was much discussion about re-instating our annual Thanksgiving dinner. After recent events, we feel confident that we can have our dinner safely and within Covid protocol.



So, our dinner will be held on Sunday, November 21st, following worship and the congregational meeting. We will place a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall and invite the congregation to bring in your favorites. The sign up sheet will help prevent duplicates.

God has blessed us, and we look forward to giving thanks together, If you have any questions, please ask a session member.

Fellowship committee

Sharon McDaniels

Congregational Meeting



There will be a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 21st, following worship. The meeting will be to elect officers for the class of 2024. Names being placed in nomination from the Nominating Committee are Sharon McDaniels, Linda Ozaki and Stephanie Reynolds.

Holiday Thrift Sale

Because we are on a roll, Jan and I have decided to try a "holiday sale" sometime in the first part of November!

If you have Christmas, Thanksgiving, or New Years

decorations that are no longer being used, bring them to church ASAP and place in the basement. If you need us to arrange a pickup from your home, let Jan or I know or call the church office. We are on a mission to help you start 2022 with clean closets and garages (and help the church in the process!). This could also include Christmas or holiday serving plates, towels, etc.



As of October 25th, our church thrift sale has a gross profit of \$4,122.22 so let's keep rolling! You will need to act quickly, we are hoping to have the sale at the end of either the first or second week of November so items would need to be at the church by Wednesday, November 3rd.

Steph and Jan R.

Bible Study to Begin



Mark you calendars. Adult Bible Study will begin on Sunday, November 14th, We will meet in fellowship at 10:15 prior to worship. Take this opportunity to further your knowledge of different aspects of the Bible.

Communion will be celebrated on November 14th



November 2nd is election day. Voting is a privilege. Exercise your right to vote. St. Andrews is a voting facility. The Fellowship Hall will be occupied from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Please be aware of this if you plan on being in the building that day.

The Lunch Bunch met on October 15th at Perkins. This get together was to celebrate Kathy Mitchell's birthday. The next meeting will be on November 17th at the Big Biscuit. Come and enjoy this time of food and fellowship.



Doorstep



Our focus the rest of this year is Doorstep's Christmas Project. Earlier in the year we thought we may be able to have the actual Christmas Store... until the Delta variant arrived! So, for the safety of everyone, and the fact that we might not have enough volunteers to pull off the full Christmas Store, we are doing something similar to last year.

Doorstep will adopt the 260 households and 800+ individuals from the Christmas Bureau like before. However, this year we are adding to what the families will receive. We will provide our regular Christmas food package, a \$20 gift card for each family member, a health kit, blanket or quilt, a household item such as coffee pot, crockpot, sheet set, school supplies, and a family pack of games, puzzles and toys.

What we need for Christmas at this time is:

Full/Queen and King Blankets (new)

Coffee pots, Crockpots, Toasters, Skillet Sets and Electric Skillets (new)

Board games and puzzles (new)

Monetary Donations

Proceeding with the Christmas Project this way does increase our costs overall with the gift cards (\$16,000) and the regular food order (\$12,000), but it is the safest way to proceed for 2021.

We need your monetary donations to purchase the gift cards, the food, and any of the above items not donated. You can mail your tax deductible donations to: Doorstep, Inc., 1119 SW 10th, Topeka, Ks 66604 or go to our website (www.doorsteptopeka.org) to donate by credit card.

Thank you in advance for helping your neighbors in need this holiday season!

November 2021 LECTONARY READINGS

All Saints' Day, November 1: Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 24:1-10;

Revelation 21:1-6a; John 11:32-44

Sunday, November 7 (Proper 27)-Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17; Psalm 127;

Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

Sunday, November 14 (Proper 28) – 1 Samuel 1:4-20; 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Hebrews

10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25; Mark 13:1-8

Reign of Christ / Christ the King—November 21- 2 Samuel 23:1-7; Psalm 132:1-12

(13-18); Revelation 1:4b-8; John 18:33-37

First Sunday of Advent—November 28- Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25:1-10; 1

Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36



November Birthdays



Kaylin McDaniels, November 3rd

Emily DeShazer, November 9th

Helen Jackson, November 9th

Dolores Wilmers, November 12th

Larry William, November 13th

Myron Wilson, November 18th

Tom Luedke, November 22nd

Katelyn Brown, November 28th

Junior and Mary Jane Elder, November 25, 1982



Veterans Day

Veterans Day is November 11th. Remember those men and women who have served this country with their military service.



Daylight Saving Time Ends



Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 a.m. on November 7th. Be sure to set your clocks back one hour.

In Memoriam – Virginia Moore

Virginia Moore passed away on October 19, 2021, at Lexington Park, at the age of 98. She was a charter member of St. Andrews, and was loyal in her attendance until experiencing recent health issues. She will be truly missed.



Caring for our Members and Friends



Please keep the following in your prayers:

Family of Virginia Moore, Richmond and Sharon McDaniels and Family, Dolores Wilmers , Kathy Fuller, Mary Jane and Junior Elder, Norm Schiesser), Rita Kelly, Cheryl Kelly, Ezra Krumalis, Ainsley Jones

Andy O'Neill, Rev. Mike Kuner. Elena, Evon, Socorro; El Shaddai Temple de Alabanza,, Shelia, Eric Lainson and Family

Remember all those who serve -our active duty and veteran personnel, firefighters, EMTs, police officers, and medical personnel who continue to serve, the hungry and the homeless.

Pray for peace and calm for our nation and our community. Keep in your prayers those who continue to suffer from the effects of natural disasters..

Pray for our government officials and world leaders that they may lead with wisdom and compassion.



Session Meeting

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS-October 17, 2021

Present: Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones, Betty DeShazer, Bill DeShazer, Charles Franks, Claudia Hamer, Linda Ozaki Jan Rice, Dianne Deuser, Sharon McDaniels
Absent: Stephanie Reynolds (medical issues), Matthew Reynolds (medical issues), JoAnn Miller, Janet Schiesser

For year to date through September 30, 2021, current income is \$56,911.66; current expenses - \$53,373.00. Net Income - \$3,538.66

We are doing good financially. Expenses have been higher than usual because of roof repair and toilet repair.

Approved moving communion to November 14th since Pastor Stacey will be gone on November 7th.

Lunch Bunch will meet at Big Biscuit Wednesday November 17th at 11:30.

Adult Bible Study will begin November 14th We will meet at 10:15 in the Fellowship Hall. Information out soon regarding poinsettia orders.

Roof repairs have been done. A couple of toilet repairs had to be done. Bushes have been trimmed. Fire extinguishers have been inspected.

We will have a pot-luck Thanksgiving dinner on November 21st following worship. See article in newsletter.

There will be a Congregational meeting on November 21st following worship to elect the officers for class of 2024.

Next session meeting will be November 15th at 6:00 p.m.

Next Communion will be on November 14th.

November 2021						
◀ October						December ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 General Election	3 Kaylin McDaniels B'day	4	5	6
7	8	9 Helen Jackson' B'day Emily DeShazer B'day	10	11 Veterans Day	12 Dolores Wilmers B'day	13 Larry William B'day
14 Communion 10:15 -Bible Study	15 6:00- Session	16	17 11:30 Lunch Bunch at Big Bixcuit	18 Myron Wilson B'day	19	20
21 10:15 – Bible Study Congregational Meeting Thanksgiving Dinner	22 Tom Luedke B'day	23	24	25 Thanksgiving Mary Jane & Junior Elder Anniv.	26	27
28 10:15-Bible Study Katelyn Brown B'day Mike Kuner B'day	29	30	November 28 is the first Sunday in Advent.			

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Bible Study Sunday, 10:15 AM
Worship 11:00 AM

