



The Messenger



October 6th, congregations around the globe will celebrate World Communion Sunday. Each year I have mentioned the importance of World communion Sunday, but you may not know much about where the concept originated. According to the website of the National Council of Church, World Communion Sunday began in 1936 in the Presbyterian Church and was adopted by the Federal Council of Church in 1940. Since then, this celebration has grown as an international ecumenical celebration of Christian unity.

The key word for World Communion Sunday is communion, or unity. This is the day we acknowledge the nearly universal Christian practice of breaking bread with one another and remembering both the night of Jesus' betrayal and Jesus' sacrifice. While communion is a large part of this story, there are also flavors of Pentecost to this as well. A time when people from around the Mediterranean world came together in mutual understanding and inspiration, by the power of the Holy Spirit. World Communion gives us a chance to remember that around the globe, in many different languages, with a wide variety of traditions and customs, and various forms of liturgy – the Lord's Supper is celebrated. At its best, World Communion Sunday serves multiple purposes: both a joyous and meaningful partaking in Jesus' sacred meal with his friends and a mind-opening explore to different Christian traditions from around the world.

~Pastor Stacey



Doorstep

Fall is here... it's the beginning of the holiday season!

Doorstep's Fall Fundraiser, 2nd Annual Neighbor Helping Neighbor Walk/5K Run is Saturday, October 5th at Lake Shawnee. Registration is at Shelter Houses 1 and 2 from 8:30-9:15am. The Walk/Run starts at 9:30am with Chris Fisher from WIBW as our celebrity starter. To get everybody warmed up, the Mater Dei Drum Line will play prior to the start! Please plan to join us on October 5th. If you haven't already signed up, you can register at www.DoorstepTopeka.org or at the Walk/Run on October 5th. \$30 per person, children 10 and under can walk for Free with a paid adult!

Doorstep's basement was flooded on August 30th by a City sewer back-up. This was blamed on the heavy rainfall that morning. And, insurance did not cover the expense of the clean-up and repair (roughly \$18,000), and the loss of at least one-third of our Christmas Store donations we had collected. It has been a frustrating and sickening process to see what we lost. We had wonderful volunteers willing to go through donations for keep and toss. We know we lost a lot of blankets, backpacks, school supplies and toys. We should have a better idea what items we need most by November as we move items around, and get organized. Backpacks and school supplies will be on clearance, and all school aged children receive new school supplies at the Christmas Store. We always need toys for all ages at the Christmas Store, if you can help out we would appreciate it!

Doorstep is open for donations Monday – Friday from 8am – 3pm.
We are located at 1119 SW 10th Avenue (10th & Buchanan).

Aggie O'Neill's 83rd



We had a fun day after worship on September 8th celebrating Aggie's 83rd birthday, which was on the 7th. Friends and family joined to make it a great occasion. We wish you many more Happy Birthdays, Aggie.

Richard and Aggie O'Neill's 65 Anniversary



What a joyous celebration we had on September 29th for Richard and Aggie's 65th Wedding Anniversary. Six children, 12 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren were present for the occasion as well as a host of friends and long-time acquaintances. A catered Mexican meal and cake, cookies and ice cream was provided. There were more babies and children than this church has seen in years filling the Fellowship Hall. It was a great day. We wish Richard and Aggie many more Happy Anniversaries!

From Richard and Aggie's 65ht Anniversary



Church Garage Sale

We will be having a church sale including some baked goods on Thursday, October 3rd through Saturday, October 5th. Hours are 8am to 5:30pm on Thursday and 8am to 3pm on Friday and Saturday. If you would like to help with the sale, we would definitely welcome the assistance! Help is especially needed on Thursday and Friday as Jan is not available due to work on those days.



Baked goods can be delivered to the church beginning Sunday (place them on the round table downstairs next to the office) and continuing through Wednesday. If you will need access to the building during the week, call or text Steph at 785-640-7325.

Proceeds from our sale will go 10% to mission and the rest to help us pay our Per Capita.

Thank you!

Stephanie Reynolds and Jan Rice

Pick up cinnamon rolls and tamales



For those who ordered cinnamon rolls and/or tamales, I will have them at the church on Sunday, October 13.

Charles Franks



Men's and Ladies' Groups



Women's Fellowship

The Men's and Ladies' Groups will meet on October 18th at 11:30 at Banjos to share a meal and fellowship. Invite your friends to join us. All are welcome,



October 2019 LECTIONARY READINGS

October 6, 17th Sunday after Pentecost-Lamentations 1:1-6;
Lamentations 3:19-26 or Psalm 137; 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10

October 13, 18th Sunday after Pentecost-Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7; Psalm
66:1-12; 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

October 20, 19th Sunday after Pentecost-Jeremiah 31:27-34; Psalm 119:97-104; 2
Timothy 3:14—4:5; Luke 18:1-8

October 27, 20th Sunday after Pentecost-Joel 2:23-32; Psalm 65; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18;
Luke 18:9-14



World Communion will be on October 6th. The
Peacemaking offering will be received on this day.

October Birthdays



Gail Estes, October 2nd
Dana McDaniels, October 3rd
Rita Kelly, October 12th
Kathy Mitchell, October 15th
Kathy Parks, October 17th
Tad Estes, October 19th
Rod Elder, October 25th
Lexie French, October 27th
Charles Franks, October 28th
Claudia Hamer, October 29th

Don and Suzie Marker October 17, 1959
Wayne and Sheri French October 28, 2006
Norman and Jan Schiesser October 28, 1961



Caring for our Members and Friends



Keep these folks in your prayers:

Mary Jane and Junior Elder. Janet Schiesser, Dick O'Neill, Mary Ottiwell. Rita Kelly, Cheryl Kelly, Karl Wilmers Dolores Wilmers, Jerry Barton, Marlene Watson, Charlene McCready, Millie Blodgett, Ezra Krumalis, Eric Howard, Harmon family, Ivan Schrock, Wilma Manning, Steven Cornelius, Tammy Calkins, Duane Custer, Maggie Putnam, Joy for two that Dianne mentors at Topeka Rescue Mission graduating from their programs, a joy that Kyle (good friend of Matthew Reynolds) passed the bar exam

Remember our active duty and veteran personnel, firefighters, EMTs, and police officers, the victims of violence in our country. Pray for peace for those countries suffering from war and conflict; the ongoing conflicts and violence in our own community, all our government officials, the hungry and the homeless.



[V] '21 Vacant [P] '20 Kathy Fuller [P] '19 Claudia Hamer
[P] '21 Sharon McDaniels [A] '20 Betty DeShazer [P] '19 Jan Rice
[P] '21 Jo Ann Miller [P] '20 Charles Franks [P] '19 Matthew Reynolds
[P] '21 Janet Schiesser [P] '20 Bill DeShazer [P] '19 Stephanie Reynolds

[P] Session Moderator- Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones
[P] Clerk of Session-Bill DeShazer
[P] Treasurer-Stephanie Reynolds

Balance in checking as of August 31- \$2,887.17; memorial fund-\$51.00.

August Income: General fund pledges: \$3,725.00; General fund non pledge-\$650.00:

Loose offering: \$286. Current income for August - \$4,661.00; Current expenses –
\$5,468.03

Year to date: Current Income has exceeded current expenses by \$4,683.07

Utilities \$400.00 less that for the same period last year.

Received drat budget of \$73,056.00 with a deficit amount of \$5,896.00 for 2020.

Will send card to Mark Camacho signed by members of the congregation thanking him
for his years of service as Music Director.

Waiting for Presbytery to approve our request to change our term for elder from twelve to
minimum of nine, as per Congregational vote.

Doorstep looking to hire assistant director due to resignation of current one.

Prayergrams still being sent out.

Next communion will be October 6th, which is worldwide communion.

~ October 2019 ~						
◀ September						November ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Gail Estes B'day	3 6:30 Choir Rehearsal Dana McDaniels B'day	4	5
6 World Communion	7	8	9	10 6:30 Choir Rehearsal	11	12 Rita Kelly B'day
13 Stewardship Sunday	14 6:00 - Session	15 Presbytery Kathy Mitchell B'day	16	17 6:30 Choir Rehearsal Kathy Parks B'day Don & Suzier Marker-Anniv	18 11:30 Men's Ladies Lunch	19 Tad Estes B'day
20	21	22	23	24 6:30 Choir Rehearsal	25 Rod Elder B'day	26
27 Lexi French' B'day	28 Charles Franks-B'day Wayne & Sheri French-Anniv Norm & Janet Schiesser Anniv.	29 Claudia Hamer B'day	30	31 6:30 Choir Rehearsal	Notes:	

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SAINT ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Worship 11:00 a.m.

World Communion, October 6th

