



**All Saints Sunday  
1 Nov 2009**

**Sunday Morning Worship**

The great hymn "For All the Saints" will bring our voices into acclamation and praise as we begin worship this week. As is the custom on All Saints Sunday, the names and memory of members and friends who have died in the last 12 months will be lifted up in our prayers of great thanksgiving. The morning message by Dr. Yonker will focus our meditation upon the texts of the day as we recall again God's faithfulness.

Music of the day will include soloists Linda Chandler, at the 8:30 worship service, singing "My All in All" and Harlan Hackett, in the 10:30 service, along with the Chancel Choir singing "Here I Am, Lord" by Dan Schutle, arranged by Sherman. There will also be a flute solo by Becky Baumgartner on this day.

**9:30 Coffee Hour in Bethany Hall:  
Remembering Loved Ones**

The 9:30 a.m. hour this Sunday will include an informal gathering in Bethany Hall. Family and friends who have lost a loved one in this past year are invited to join Dr. Yonker for coffee and fellowship — a chance to connect and remember loved ones.

**Time Changes  
Sunday  
November 1st**



**Fall Back**

**Election Day Luncheon -  
November 3, 11:00-2:00**

Thanks so much for everyone who is volunteering to help! It is going to be a great day! If you haven't signed up to help, it's not too late. Just call Brenda Mosby at 442-7507. Don't forget both women and men are welcome!

We also have plenty of tickets. Come enjoy soup, sandwich and pie for just \$6. Let's make it a great day!



**Welcome New Member**

It is a joy to welcome **Virginia Ivey** into the membership of our congregation! **Ginny**, as she prefers to be called, responded to the invitation at the 10:30 service on Sunday, October 18 by transferring her membership from the Northside Christian Church in St. Louis. In her younger years she attended the Hamilton Avenue Christian Church in St. Louis and participated in youth activities with John Yonker and members of his family in that congregation. After working several years as a medical transcriptionist at University Hospital, she enjoys spending her time painting, playing the piano and volunteering at Second Chance. She is the mother of three grown children, **Lisa, Chris, and Brian**, and three grandchildren.

**Disciple Men's  
Breakfast  
Sat., Oct. 31st  
8:30-9:45 a.m.  
Fellowship Hall**



Bible Study by  
Rev. Jimmy Spear

Menu (prepared by Laura Estes):  
Scrambled Eggs  
Biscuits and Gravy  
Fresh Fruit  
Coffee & Juice  
\$6



**Food Drive**

**Sunday, Nov. 1**

Bring your canned goods  
to the Narthex

**Disciple History and  
Membership Class**

On November 1 Ken Watson will conclude the class with a discussion of the Disciples of Christ practices regarding baptism and the Lord's Supper, as well as a brief history of our congregation. Everyone is welcome to join us at 9:30 a.m. in the Back Room.

**Weekly Report**

Oct. 25, 2009

Received this week \$6,225  
Received to Date \$147,643  
Needed to Date \$142,430  
Attendance - 234  
(includes early worship - 63)

## Heerrree's Johnny!

About 40 people gathered in the Fellowship Hall last Sunday afternoon with members of the Master Planning Committee and representatives of Peckham & Wright Architects to talk about the future of the church! As I noted in last week's Visitor, this meeting was planned to give members of the congregation the opportunity to participate in the Master Planning process. Utilizing the architects drawings of the church building we looked at the current use of the church building, discussed the current use, condition and limitation of each space, and considered future possibilities for the ministry of the church. Many ideas and concerns were shared and expressed, and all of it will be taken into consideration by the Master Planning Committee as it continues to prepare a recommendation to the congregation.

Some preliminary conclusions have already been reached: First of all, it has been determined that the sanctuary is a "sacred" space which will continue to remain the central space for the worship life of the congregation. Not that renovation and repair will never be needed, but this means that our beautiful place of worship will remain unchanged.

Other issues which have been raised will need the attention of the congregation as we plan for the future: The security of church members and staff coming to the church for worship services and other activities; the accessibility and fire escape safety of various church rooms and spaces. The condition of the heating and air conditioning system of the building is an issue which has already been raised by many church members, and addressed in a professional study done by the J. Lewis Crum Engineering firm. Meeting and greeting space before and after worship services; the need for modern bathroom facilities, and the problem of adequate storage space have been raised and will be considered.

One final word: the Master Planning Committee will meet again soon to continue analyzing information in preparation of making a report to the congregation. Let me emphasize that a Master Plan is not a set of things we are going to do today or tomorrow, and not even a "blue print" of things we have decided to do next year. It is much more a road map to the future, a plan which will set us on a course which we have determined together will take us into the future.

I hope you will continue to pray for God's guidance and share together with us in this exciting process.

## Fair Trade Day

**Wednesday, November 4th** we will have the Fair Trade Store open from 10am – 8pm in addition to our regular hours. If you have friends who like to shop Fair Trade, but aren't able to come by on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings, invite them to swing by Bethany Hall during the day on the 4th!

Fair Trade benefits artisans and farmers all over the world who receive a fair price for their work. Fair Trade also benefits the consumer as there are, on average, only 1-3 middle steps from the producer to the consumer. Regular stores have, on average, 7-10 middle steps between the producer and consumer. It makes sense to buy fairly traded products whenever possible. Thanks be to God for the opportunity to do so.

## Book Club



At their October meeting, the Ladies' Book Club had fun discussing and reminiscing about the 1960s as described in the wonderful book, *The Help*. A big thank-you goes to **Erin Bower** for making us a delicious layered caramel cake. On Wednesday, Nov 11, the Ladies' Book Club will review the #1 book in the USA, Dan Brown's *The Lost Symbol*. We'll be meeting in Bethany Hall at noon. Please join us!



Birthdays  
This Week!

- Nov. 1-**Cherry Hinderberger, Jon Hinderberger, Richard Schomaker, Lillian McCormack, Max Weber
- Nov. 2-**Holly Gieseke
- Nov. 3-**Jessica Klockow Hettie, Thomas Rose, Morgann Doll
- Nov. 4-**Ryley Batterson
- Nov. 5-**Dabney Doty, Evan Dietzel, Alexandria Hofmann, Gene Taylor, Delaney Batterson
- Nov. 6-**Jay Creasy, Brent Hall, Jason Stanley, Judith Wildman
- Nov. 7-**Janice Dysart, Daryl Klotz

## News of the congregation

We extend our sympathy to **Ray and Beuna Lansford** on the death of Ray's sister, **Zaza Wolfe**, who died on Monday, October 19, at 91 years of age. Funeral services were held in rural Osage County not far from Linn, her home community, on Friday, October 23.

Congratulations to **Lori Tarwater** and **Tim Turner** who were united in marriage in a ceremony conducted by John Yonker on Saturday, October 10. They will make their home in Columbia.

Thanks to **Matthew Hoepfner** for his beautiful piano prelude presented at both worship services last Sunday morning. Like other young people who share their talents with us in worship, it was inspiring to receive his musical gift in church.

**Will Bower**, 7 year old son of **Shane and Erin Bower**, was admitted to University Hospital for the treatment of pneumonia on Sunday morning, October 25. He is already feeling better and hopes to return home soon. We are also keeping **Gavin Rose**, 10 year old son of **Thomas and Cindy Rose**, in our prayers as he continues to recuperate at home from the flu and pneumonia. **Dorothy Allen** is getting along well at home as she continues to recover from surgery on October 15 at Boone Hospital. Our prayers also continue to be with **Jim Carter** who is not hospitalized but is not feeling well.

Computer Thanks: Our thanks to **Eric Arnett** and **David Read** for their help with our office computer problems. Their help is a wonderful example of stewardship and we appreciate them greatly!

Thank you to **Larry Burnam** for using his time and talent to fix the controls on the radiators in various rooms of the church.



Thank You!

Thank you so much for your support and special prayers for Tom and our family during Tom's surgery. We feel like the Christian church members and staff have surrounded us with wonderful care and concern. The flowers that were brought to the hospital by Amy LaHue were so appreciated. We are proud to be part of the church family.

~Susan and Tom Gray

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JYF (3-5<sup>th</sup> grade)  
CHI-RHO (6-8<sup>th</sup> grade)  
CYF (9-12<sup>th</sup> grade)

Sunday, Nov. 8  
JYF: 4:30- 6:00 p.m.  
Chi-Rho: 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

## JYF and CHI-RHO in the Fall 2009

These are the dates for the fall season:  
Both groups will meet twice a month on  
**Nov. 8; And on Nov. 22:** Bring canned  
food item for scavenger hunt

CYF – Wednesday Nights  
6:30-8:00 p.m.  
(Dinner served at 5:30 p.m. \$5)



## Loaves & Fishes

Special thanks to the LIFE group for doing everything that it takes to serve a meal at Loaves and Fishes this last Monday evening. **Erin Boster** completed the shopping, **Amy LaHue** and **Jen Micek** completed the cooking, **Valerie Freed**, **Ruth Ann Martin**, **Brianna Shepard**, **Amy Kay Pavlovich** and friend of the group, **Chuck Scott** served the meal. Additional mega thanks to **Paula Hoenes** for organizing the entire Loaves and Fishes effort for our church.

## Children's Sunday School – The River of Life on Sunday mornings is on break November 1, 8, 15.

We will resume with Christmas pageant preparation on Nov. 22.

## Culver-Stockton College Reception

A gathering of alumni and friends of CSC. Come meet Culver-Stockton's new President, Dick Valentine while renewing connection to others in the area who love CSC!

**Thursday, November 12, 2009  
6:00-8:30 p.m.**

**Bethany Hall of First Christian Church  
Hors d'oeuvres & refreshments served**

Hosted by alumni and friends Mark & Pam Hunsaker, Sally Robinson, Tom Shrout, and Jimmy Spear.

## College Notes...

We have a special event this very Sunday, November 1st from 2:00 – 4:30pm. Emily Rienbott will host us at one of the Mizzou research farms outside of town for some good ol' fashioned frolicking. ;) We will enjoy a corn maze, bonfire and other farm-ish activities. Hope you can come!

## STARS Tour in Color

On the one non-rainy day last week (Wednesday, October 21, 2009) eleven STARS friends (55+) went on a fall foliage tour along highway 94. Our faithful guide and driver, John Yonker, took us through some beautiful streets of Columbia to begin our journey.

We spent the morning enjoying the colorful hills and valleys, then rolled into St. Charles just in time for a great meal at Lewis and Clark's restaurant. Following the meal we strolled down the historic street in St. Charles and drove along the Missouri River before we headed for home.

Upon arriving back to the church parking lot we all agreed Columbia has to be one of the most beautiful places for fall color imaginable.

Viewing pictures in our older church year-books kept the group entertained most of the way home and a fun time was had by all.

## Best Wishes to Kim

Our pre-schoolers have appreciated the care provided by Kim Bowden for over a year; however, Kim and her family will be moving to North Carolina at the end of November. Please stop by the nursery and extend your own word of thanks to Kim before the 22nd. We certainly wish Kim well in her journeys!

# CAFÉ

ChristianActionFellowshipEducation

Wednesday Evenings

*Great Hot Meals Served  
Classes, choirs, and new opportunities  
for you and your family to learn and grow  
in spirit and faith.*

5:30-6:15 – Dinner  
\$6 adults  
\$3 kids 5-12 years  
\$17 cap for a family  
Under 5 free

6:20 - Devotion  
6:30-7:30 - Adult Programming  
Child Care Available

## Nov. 4th CAFÉ

*Menu:* Pizza  
Salad  
Dessert

### \* Program Choices:

- Financial Peace University, 3rd Floor Cinema
- Bible Study, Keystone Class Room

\* **CYF** (grades 9-12) with  
Jimmy Spear

Place your reservation by marking the pew registration pad "activity box" on Sunday morning or call the church office (449-7265) for dinner reservations by **noon on Tuesday.**

# The Visitor

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### Ministerial Staff:

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Rev. Jimmy Spear, Associate Minister  
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**Campus Ministry Intern:** Charise Garrett

### Music Staff:

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**Mother's Day Out:** Tracy Westhoff, Director

### Support Staff:

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Fred Mottaz, Business Manager  
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Keith Picker, Custodian

## Serving Schedule - Sunday, Nov. 1

*Van Driver:* Carol Slusher  
*Office Receptionist:* Debbie Potthast  
*Church School Greeter:* Judy Hall  
*Bethany Hall Greeter:* Sally Robinson

*Flower Ministry:*  
*Arranged by -* Betty Moon  
*Delivered by -* Sally Robinson and Roger Backues

### **Servers for 8:30 Worship Service**

*Worship Assistants:* Charlie and Bettie Koelling, Tommy Gay  
Evans  
*Elder:* Don Mosby

### **Servers for 10:30 Worship Service**

*Communion Preparation:* David and Debbie Potthast, Sally  
Kessell  
*Liturgist:* Nancy Kirtley  
*Elders:* Anne Campbell, Judy Cunningham, Nancy Watson  
*Deacons:* The Campbell Team  
*Greeter North Door:* Tom and Laura Crane  
*Greeter South Door:* Roy Rogers  
*Ushers:* The Pavlovich Team  
*Banner Bearers:* Jadie Arnett and Anna Poole  
*Candlelighters:* Wyatt Rogers and Derrick Evers

## This Week (Nov. 1-7)

- Sun. - **Time Changes!**  
- All Saints Day  
- College Student Bonfire &  
Corn Maze, 2:00-4:30, Bradford Farm
- Mon. - Coffman-Watson group (set up for  
Election Day Luncheon), 7:00 p.m.,  
Fellowship Hall
- Tue. - Bible Study, 10:30 a.m., Morris Parlor  
- Election Day Luncheon, 11:00-2:00, Fellowship Hall
- Wed. - Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Senior Center  
- CAFÉ: dinner, 5:30 p.m.; Dave Ramsey class, 6:00 p.m.,  
Cinema; Bible Study, 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall  
- CYF, 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
- College Group, 8:45 pm, Bethany Hall
- Fri. - Church Dine Out, 5:30 p.m., Bob Evans Restaurant  
Everyone Welcome!
- Fri. & Sat. -NE Area Assembly, Fulton First Christian Church,  
registration begins at 4:30 on Friday,  
last session ending at 3:30 on Saturday

