

First Presbyterian Church

October 2023



Worship & Music News

With fall in the air, the Christian year is gradually coming to a close. Our liturgical year ends with Reign of Christ Sunday on November 26, and then begins anew with Advent on December 3. There are just a few more key dates in the current liturgical year:

- **October 29 is Reformation Sunday.** This is a day when we remember our predecessors who initiated a major change in the Church, and when we remember that the Church is always reforming.
- **November 1 is All Saints Day,** which we will observe in worship on November 5. This is a day to acknowledge all those who went before us into the Church Triumphant. We will particularly remember those members of our congregation who joined the heavenly choir in the past year. The worship committee will work with Katie and Susan to make sure we have a complete list.
- **November 11 is Veterans Day,** which we will observe on November 12.

Sometime between November 26 and December 3, the worship committee will decorate the church for Advent and Christmas. Items of note for December:

- **The Christmas Cantata is currently scheduled for December 17.** Singers are welcome to join the choir any time, but particularly for the cantata. Contact Jeff Sandquist if you would like to participate.
- **On Christmas Eve, December 24,** we plan to worship at 9:45 am as usual. Then we will have our Lessons & Carols Candlelight Service that evening at 6:00 pm.

Finally, please note that we are always looking for additional help for worship. If you would like to serve as a worship leader, please contact Linda Rose. If you would like to help in the sound booth, contact Jonathan Kimball. If you would like to join the choir, contact Jeff Sandquist. Or, if you are called to preach, contact Mary Kwantes.



Trustee Committee

The trustees have been working on several building maintenance and building safety during issues during the summer. We now have a security alarm system in place and all church officers with keys have received training.


One of the condensation pumps in the sanctuary became clogged and water leaked on the floor near the choir area. Trustees had to contact Hartley's who is our contractor when we were unable to reach the clog in the water line. They succeeded in unplugging the line and Steve Skelton was able to expertly replace the parquet tiles that had come unglued, saving us having to replace the tiles.

Since then we have had another minor leak and have asked to have all the lines blown out. Hopefully this is a task that we will be able to do on our own in the future.

There have been problems with the fellowship bathrooms which are in the process of being addressed. A leaking toilet had to be replaced and an electrician will be working on the bathroom lights which are malfunctioning.

The AC unit for the chapel had to be replaced. Fortunately Hartley's found a used unit which has been installed at considerably savings.

We would like to say thank you to the Rolla Duplicate Bridge Club, they rent out the fellowship hall on Wednesday evenings. The group noticed that restrooms in the fellowship hall were in need of some plumbing repairs as well as some updated lights needed outside the fellowship hall. On top of their normal quarterly donations they also made a \$500.00 donation to be used as needed to help with those updates.





PRESCHOOL
News 

Presbyterian Preschool has been busy enjoying fall activities. On August 17 the school celebrated the completion of the infant room and other updates by inviting the community to visit during an Open House. It was a lovely kick-off to the Back to School season. In September, Grandparents Day was a fun time to share with our families, and Apple Week provided a yummy way to explore all kinds of subjects.

There are two activities coming up that are opportunities for volunteers to join in the fall fun. Friday, October 27, we are excited to partner with Greentree Learning Center to host a Fall Festival at our school from 5:30 to 7:00 for families from both schools and the community.

Also, on Tuesday, October 31, classroom parties will be held. Volunteers are needed for both of these events to hand out treats, direct visitors or assist with activities. If you'd like to participate but cannot attend, donations would be appreciated. Candy is always popular but we would like to have non-candy treats as well, such as packaged pretzels or fruit snacks. Non-food treats like stickers, small toys and novelty items are especially welcome. Monetary donations are also appreciated, and will be used to purchase treats and prizes in bulk. Any contributions can be dropped off at the church office.

We hope you can join us in supporting these celebrations!



The Centers at
Presbyterian &
Greentree Invite
You To

FALL FAMILY FUN NIGHT

This event is all about creating cherished memories, enjoying outdoor activities such as games, hay ride, face paintings and celebrating the joys of fall together.



FRIDAY
OCTOBER 27TH
5:30 TO 7:00 pm

919 E 10th Street
Rolla, Mo. 65401



PRAYER REQUEST

Connie and Bob Dewitt - Continuing Healthcare needs after Brain and Heart Surgeries and strokes.

Liz and Danny Stollemeier - Liz continuing coronary challenges.

Ruby and Lee Malone - Residents of Silverstone. Ruby with memory issues and Lee with balance Issues.

Mary Jane Protrofka - Health and Memory care at Presbyterian Homelife.

Bob Yenzer - Continuing Health challenges.

Jean and Steve Day - Jean undergoing Cancer Treatment

Fredi and George Zobrist - Fredi with Health Issues.

JoAnn Crabtree, Sister-in-Law of Lorie Francis - Seriously ill with Cancer

Jonelle Crawford, whom her husband says is suffering from Alzheimer's disease.

Katherine Cook Russell, who is suffering from dementia

Please pray for those named and their families
as well
as their caregivers.

THE PRAYER REQUEST LIST WILL START OVER ABOUT
EVERY
TWO MONTHS.

IF YOU HAVE SOMEONE WHO NEEDS
PUT ON OR TAKEN OFF THE LIST,
PLEASE CONTACT KATIE IN THE OFFICE

Happy Birthday wishes go out to

JUDY FOX 6TH,
DWIGHT LOOK 25TH,
DAVID WALLEN 27TH,
EUGENE ZANDERS 31ST

