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Fall Has Arrived!



Welcome to Fall! It finally seems to be cooling off, and maybe, just maybe, we can give our air conditioners a break. I am shocked and bewildered at just how fast this year is flying by! Before we know it, Advent will be upon us!

We are starting a new sermon series this month called "Creatures of Habit". Each week we will look at a bad habit and how it can be turned into a good one. The first week will be Stuff vs. Simplicity! I thought that was pretty appropriate with the rummage sale happening!

Please look at the new prayer group on Facebook. If you have any problems finding it or joining it, don't hesitate to call the office! This group has already made an impact on our prayer life! Messages are going out much faster, and it

has helped eliminate some of the work on Piper. Keep in mind this is a closed group, so only those approved by the office are able to see what you post.

We have had wonderful participation so far in the Rummage Sale! Please don't forget to invite your friends to come shop on October 13 & 14 8am to 2pm!!!

Blessings - Pastor Amber



October Birthdays



Sunday, October 1 Elders: Becky Tannery, John Adair Worship Leader: Kathy Cooper

Sunday, October 8

Elders: John Adair, Lori Anderson **Worship Leader**: Sheila Fountain

Sunday, October 15 Elders: JoJo Aubrey, David Aubrey Worship Leader: Becky Tannery

Sunday, October 22 Elders: David Aubrey, Lori Anderson Worship Leader: John Adair

Sunday, October 29

Elders: Becky Tannery, JoJo Aubrey **Worship Leader**: Rick Van Horn

Deacons for October

Tom and Jane Springli



10/5 Taylor Aubrey
10/7 Byron Phillips
10/10 Jason Davis
10/11 Bill Kindt
10/13 Beverly Honeycutt
10/16 Vicky Flores
10/19 Anna Marie Herbert
10/20 Teressa Briggs
10/20 Phyllis Henke
10/21 Ty Vaughan
10/27 Mary Denning

October Anniversaries



- 10/12 Jack and Kerrie Oates
- 10/18 Mel and Pat Cassady
- 10/19 Kevin and Glenda Brown

September by the Numbers

September Income to Date (General Fund)	\$ 31,852.23
September Expenses to Date (General Fund)	\$ 14,701.33
Difference	\$ 17,150.90
Balance Transfers for September from Special to General	\$ 1,000.00
September Average Sunday In-Person Worship Attendance	e was 43 .

Christian Women's Fellowship



CWF is hosting a white chicken chili dinner on Sunday, October 8th after the worship service. Please bring a side or dessert to share.

We will be announcing some ideas we have for our service project plans. We look forward to seeing everyone on the 8th.

Mark your calendars for these Advent activities sponsored by CWF:

- December 3 First Sunday of Advent; CWF Hosts Christmas Trivia Games 2:00 3:30 pm
- December 10 Second Sunday of Advent; CWF Hosts Potluck after Church
- December 17 Third Sunday of Advent; CWF Hosts Bingo Party 2:00 3:30 pm
- December 24 Fourth Sunday of Advent; CWF Hosts Light Breakfast in Parlor 9:30 am

Mark Your Calendars for our Rummage Sale - October 13 & 14



It's time to clean our your closets! It's time to get rid of great grandma's stuff that you inherited and don't use! Our church rummage sale is scheduled for Friday, October 13th and Saturday, October 14th from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm each day in the Fellowship Hall.

Please bring in your unused furniture, clothing (mens, womens, children), electronics, and household stuff. We are collecting it downstairs in the room next to the Boy Scout Room (Sage's old office).

We need lots of helpers! If you can help, please contact Ro Bielinski at 580-248-3690.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 10:30 am Worship	2 6 pm Boy Scouts	3 10 am CWF Business Mtg. Noon - Taco Tuesday at Julio's Mexican Restaurant	4 Noon - Book Study At Buffalo Grove 5 pm Clothes Closet Open 5:30 pm Agape Meal and Study 6 pm Choir	5 6 pm Board Mtg.	6 Noon - Games With Friends 5 pm Girl Scouts	7 9 am Weight Watchers
8 Pastor Appreciation Day 10:30 am Worship White Chicken Chili Fest After Worship	9 Columbus Day 6 pm Boy Scouts	10 Noon - Taco Tuesday at Julio's Mexican Restaurant	11 5 pm Clothes Closet Open 5:30 pm Agape Meal and Study 6 pm Choir	12 7 pm Anna Group at Joan Van Horn's Home	13 8 am Rummage Sale in Fellow- ship Hall 5 pm Girl Scouts	14 8 am Rummage Sale in Fel- Iowship Hall 9 am Weight Watchers
15 10:30 am Worship	16 1 pm Ruth Group at China Wok Express 6 pm Boy Scouts	17 Noon - Taco Tuesday at Julio's Mexican Restaurant	18 Noon - Book Study At Buffalo Grove 5 pm Clothes Closet Open 5:30 pm Agape Meal and Study 6 pm Choir	19 11:30 am Girls' Lunch Out at Burgess Grill	20 Girl Scouts use Fellowship Hall 5 pm Girl Scouts	21 9 am Weight Watchers
22 10:30 am Worship	23 6 pm Boy Scouts	24 Noon - Taco Tuesday at Julio's Mexican Restaurant	25 Noon - Book Study At Buffalo Grove 5 pm Clothes Closet Open 5:30 pm Agape Meal and Study 6 pm Choir	26 6:30 pm Board Meeting	27 5 pm Girl Scouts	28 9 am Weight Watchers
29 10:30 am Worship/	30 6 pm Boy Scouts	31 Halloween Noon - Taco Tuesday at Julio's Mexican Restaurant				

Agape/Outreach Ministry



Our Wednesday Agape Meal is served each week at 5:30 pm, and it is free and open to the public. John Adair leads a Bible Study following the meal.



Our Dannie and Rafie Clothes Closet is open each Wednesday from 5:00 pm to 5:25 pm prior to the meal. The closet is in need of **winter clothes**, **blankets**, **quilts**, **sweats**, **jeans**, **hats**, **gloves**, **t-shirts**, **men's casual shirts**, **and pillows**. Clothing donations can be dropped off at the church Monday through Friday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Please make sure all donations are clean and serviceable. For more information regarding the clothes closet, please call the church office or Denise Smith.

Join Our Facebook Prayer Group



If you have not joined our "FCC Prayer List" group on Facebook, please do! It is a private group in which we can all actively participate in FCC's prayer requests 24 hours a day. You can go to "FCC Prayer List" on Facebook, or go to this link

<u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/1017504882726003</u> and request to join. If you need help signing up for the prayer group, please send us your email. If you do not have Facebook, we still email the weekly prayer list.

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