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Peace Like A River

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Mark Your Calendar

Remember October is Pastor Appreciation Month

Tuesday, October 23rd Young @
Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m. for coffee/
snack, prayer and fellowship

Wednesday, October 24th All ages
invited to attend W.O.W. Supper at
5:30 p.m. and worship/Bible study to
follow

Saturday, October 27th Men's Gath-
ering will meet @ 6:00 p.m. Wear
your favorite sports jersey

Wednesday, October 31st Treat Town
will be open from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00
p.m. Please bring candy donations
and put in the box in the foyer

Sunday, November 4th Salt, Pepper,
Spices, Cereal or your choice items
are due in Beebe Hall for Calvary
Baptist Food Pantry

Tuesday, November 6th Elders meet
@ 6:30 p.m.



Ponderings of the Preacher . . .

Sometimes, preachers say the dumbest things. In the early 1970's, David Bycroft came home from a church conference and announced to his church (averaging less than 100 in attendance) in Tyro, Kansas, that someday their congregation would increase to 500. Someone in the congregation laughed that day. That individual probably thought the preacher was out of his mind. Preachers can say the dumbest things. The church now averages close to 1000 in attendance.

Yesterday, Andrew Bloemker from Feed the Crave stated that he thought the world could be won to Christ in his life-time. Preachers can say the dumbest things. However, after explaining how that could actually be accomplished, it didn't sound so dumb after all. We can make a difference in the lives of our friends, family, and neighbors.

Next Sunday, we are asking each of you to consider what you might be able to give so that others in our community, our region, and the world might be able to hear about Jesus. You might be saying that the little bit of money you have available to give can't really make a difference. With God's blessings, it can and will make a difference. Even as a boy's lunch of five loaves of bread and two fish was used to feed a multitude, our small amount of money with God's blessings can be used to bring the message of salvation to many. Be praying this week, asking God to guide you in your decision.

Who can I personally influence for Christ? Invite someone to come with you to church. Your personal invitation is a powerful thing. You can make a difference!

I hope to see each of you this coming Lord's Day morning. Let's all do our very best to be present for our worship time!

C U N Church,
David

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Serving In October

Elder: Delaine Donaldson, Don Thoele & Dennis Bushue alternating
Deacons: Chris Hutcheson, Kelvin Williams, Jeff Akeman, Chris Denoyer
Deaconesses: Heather Wolke & Chelsey Beavers

<i>10/7/18 Attendance & Giving</i> <i>Total: \$4,508.82 includes Faith Promise Offering</i>	<i>10/14/18 Attendance & Giving</i> <i>Total: \$5,404.15 includes Faith Promise Offering</i>
Worship:92 Sunday School:16	Worship:104 Sunday School:28
<i>Faith Promise Missions: \$825.00</i> Cecil Richey Memorial: \$155.00	<i>Faith Promise Offering:\$161.00</i>
Building:\$40.00 Wedding Payment:\$450.00	Building:\$40.00
Sunday School:\$14.50	Sunday School:\$4.00

October 21st Greeters: Mark & Sharon Knaus ***October 21st Home Communion:*** Chris Hutcheson & Jeff Akeman
October 28th Greeters: George & Marcie Shouse ***October 28th Home Communion:*** Dennis Bushue & Kelvin Williams

Children's Event

Saturday, October 20th



We will meet at Evergreen Nursing Home at 10:00 a.m. to play Bingo with the residents. All children and parents are invited.



Faith Promise 2018/2019

Sunday, October 21st

Sunday, October 21st—Collect the Faith Promise Pledge Cards & a pot luck lunch after worship service with meat provided by the church
Speakers: Rick Champ, Vice President of St. Louis Christian College; Jim Miles of H.I.S. K.I.D.S., Inc. and possibly Salvation Army and Youth With A Mission



"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."
1 Peter 4:10



Prayer List



Homebound and Nursing Home: Marie Waddell, Bonnie Koester, Wanda Morgan, Holly Arney, Marie Fulk, Don VanDeveer, Elinor Wolford, Darlene Zimdars, Dorothy Locke, Bonnie Thomas, Shirley Barry

Cancer: Laura Knierim, Sharon Douglas, Shirley Strickland, Ron Anderson, Tatum, Ashley Judd, Barb Eaton, Patty Willis, Alayna Plank, Renae Metke, Andy, Mike Page, Gary Lewis, Brandy Harper, Tiffany Dunaway, Brad Arney's Great Grandson Parker Burns, Susie Mast, Nancy Koester, Patrice Runyon, John Arnold, Carley Tull, Robert Barkauska, Jessica Baker, Nikki Szynonik, Misty Ulmer, Lanny Grove, Joshua McConnell, Rosemary Niemerg, Ruth, Barb Gaddis, Elizabeth Weidner, Wyatt Smith, Dallas Parkhurst, Ray Bushue, Bill Dentln, Jane Ann's Friend, Joy Gamber, Gene Moeller, Arlene Mullen, Joe Stoops, Jill Fiddler, Scott Chalcant, Dallas Hurst, Caleb, Sandy Brockett, Travis Stine, Diane Slone, Ken Roley, Lois Bartels, Cindy Meitzner, Mat Reed, Adam Stoops, Allen Griffin, Joyce Jordon Griggs, Mitchell Coffin, Steve Sabens, Reenie's Cousin Teri, A.J.'s Grandmother, Hanna Henning, Marissa (Walton) Banovz, Ashley (friend to Mary Muntean), Bob Pike, Bill LeCrone, Janet (Dennis Young's Friend), Doris Percival, Malcolm Jollivay & Family, Sandra Helmink, Norma Buehler



Special Needs: Gary Elliott, Mary Muntean, LeAnn Spruell, Callista Denoyer, Sarah Gremo, Craig Latig, Phyllis Mitchell, Jody Scribner, Nadine Bair, Zoe Sanchez-Grubb, Diane Donaldson, Sandy Grimsley, Bobbie Raymond, Chris Hutcheson's nephew, Reenie's nephew A.J., Michele Vonderheide, Melissa Ross, Vicky Stout, Alistair Titsworth, Brad Arney, Danny Vasquez, Gary Elliott's Sister-Evelyn, Alline Lewis, Lucien Grey Valdez(6 week old), Sarah (Alex's friend), Debbie Apke, J.C. Packer, Reyes' house to sell, Roger Friese, Pat Clark, Lois Ooton, Mildred Rankin, Cathy Weiffenbach, Sharon Gallup, Morgan Turner, Dennis Reynolds, Gary Carr, Linda Shaw, John Donathan's uncle, Bill Fry, Phyllis (Bev Thoele's Sister), Ken & Velma Thomason, Bob Pike, Rhodes Gephart, Cleo McManaway, Dennis Stuckey, Terry & Ashley Ralston & Baby—Amzie, Gary Banks & family, Elfrieda Zerkel, Marsha Smith, Roberta Washer, Brad Hockman & family, NC; Peggy Phelan, Sharon Caylor, Bobby Spracklen, Roger Wyckoff, Emily Griffin, Nelda Birch, Cal Gremo, Rory Miller, Ken Wolke

(These names will remain on the prayer list for one month. Then, we need an update to put their names back on this Special Needs list.)

Missions: Operation Christmas Child, The Salvation Army, Steve Ernest-In Africa for a month



Military: Troops in Harms Way; Tyler Cross in the Air Force, Zach Apke

Grieving Families: Clara Jo McKinley Family, Taylor Charles Family, Cecil "Paul" Richey, Rod Raber Family, Dr. Eugene Dust Family, Ron Thomason Family, Larry Cline Family

Young @ Heart

Tuesday, October 23rd

Come @ 9:00 a.m. to share in coffee/tea, fellowship and prayer in Beebe Hall
All 50 and over are invited to come and be with us on Tuesday mornings



November 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.”</p> <p>Colossians 3:15</p>				1	2	3
<p>4 Food Pantry Items Salt, Pepper, spices, cereal or your choice are due</p>	5	<p>6 Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.</p> <p>Elder's meet @ 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>7 W.O.W. meets @ 5:30 p.m.</p>	8	9	10
11	12	<p>13 Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.</p> <p>Women's Ministry meets @ 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>14 W.O.W. meets @ 5:30 p.m.</p>	15	<p>16 Youth & Young Adults Thanksgiving dinner</p>	<p>17 Children's Event meets 10:00 a.m. to noon for Thanksgiving dinner</p> <p>Men's Ministry Thanksgiving Dinner begins @6:00p.m..</p>
<p>18 Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes are due</p>	19	<p>20 Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p>21 W.O.W. meets @ 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p>22 Church Office Closed</p> 	<p>23 Church Office Closed</p>	24
25	26	<p>27 Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p>28 W.O.W. meets @ 5:30 p.m.</p>	29	30	

November

1-David McConnell-BD
 2-Angela Denoyer-BD
 6-Jeff Christianson-BD
 6-Sheila Hutcheson-BD
 7-Sam & Paula McCammon-WA
 9-Kim Bushue-BD
 10-Moris Sowers-BD
 10-Tom & Jamie Shouse-WA
 11-Terry Harper-BD
 11-Tom Shouse-BD
 14-Barb Morrison-BD
 14-Stacy Brown-BD
 15-Cheryl Bloemker-BD
 17-Wanda McCoy-BD
 18-Bonnie & Dale Vonderheide-WA



Faith Promise

2017-2018 Faith Promise Giving

Promised
 \$30,220.00



Given
 \$30,057.00

October Book of the Month

Job

A **study guide** is available on the foyer table.

Pastor David will be preaching from **Job** during the month of October

Goals: Greater knowledge of the Bible &

Help one develop consistency in Bible reading.



Flowers & Funeral Dinner

Flowers were placed on the alter to honor the memory of Cecil P. Richey & Rodney Raber by their families. Thanks to their families for sharing the beautiful flowers

Funeral Dinner was held in Beebe Hall for the Richey Family and those helping were, June Ashley, Marcie Shouse, Linda Rush, Bev Thoele, Cleone Bloemker, Linda Packer, Judy Tapp, Claudine Rush, Rosie Parkhurst & Kay Wyckoff. Your help was so much appreciated.

The Funeral Committee



Worship On Wednesday

Wednesday, October 24th

All ages meet for Worship On Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. for supper then Worship & Bible study till 7:30 p.m. Menu: Italian Night



Treat Town October 31st

Candy Box In Foyer

If you would like to donate candy to be passed out at treat town on October 31st, please bring it and put the donation in the box in the foyer.



Decorate Room Or Pass Out Candy

If you would like to decorate a room for Treat Town and not give out candy; or if you would like to give out candy and not decorate a room let the office or either Pastor know. We can match people up who wish to do one but not the other.

Family Life Center Snacks



Sunday, October 28th

Women's Ministry is bringing snacks to be taken to the Family Life Center for their November meetings.

Please bring snacks to donate and leave in the kitchen. It is suggested to bring them by October 28th, but if you can continue to bring snacks through November 15th and leave in the kitchen to be taken to Family Life Center.

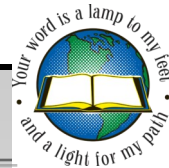


Calvary Baptist Food Pantry

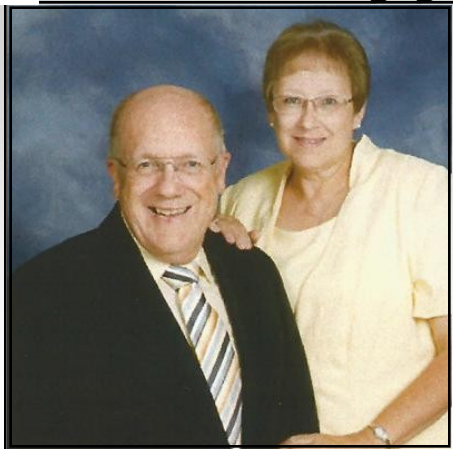
Sunday, November 4th

Salt, Pepper, Spices, Cereal or your choice are due in Beebe Hall





Pastor Appreciation Month



Pastor David & Irma McConnell

Pastor Martin & Justine Reyes

During the month of October make a call, send a card or letter to encourage the pastors and their families.

There is a box in the foyer for cards, letters or gifts to show appreciation and encourage our pastors and their families

Women's Ministry

Tuesday, November 13th

Meeting starts @ 6:30 p.m.

All ladies invited to join us

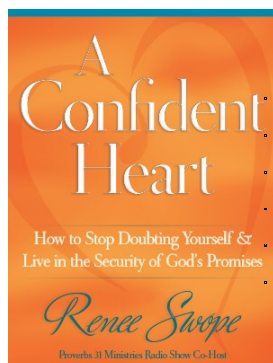
Come for fellowship, prayer and Bible study.

Second Session of "A Confident Heart" study.



Mission Statement:

"For we are to God the aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing."



SESSIONS

2. Letting God Fill My Empty ...
3. Discovering the Plans God Has ...
4. Turning In to God's Thoughts ...
5. The Woman God Created You to Be
6. Sometimes Worry Makes Me Wonder
7. Looking through the Lens of ...

FEATURING

TIME

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| Renee Swope | 7 MINS |
| Renee Swope | 6 MINS |
| Renee Swope | 5 MINS |
| Renee Swope | 6 MINS |
| Renee Swope | 4 MINS |
| Renee Swope | 6 MINS |



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SERVICE REQUESTED**

**Treat Town
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Effingham, IL**

Wednesday, October 31st

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Food In Fellowship Hall: Hot dogs, hot chocolate, apple cider and popcorn will be served in Fellowship hall at the end of treat town.

Sign Up: Pick a room on the map in the foyer, sign your name to the room and decorate it as a store in the hall leading up to Fellowship Hall.

Pass out treats from the room you decorate. Around 200 children are expected to pass through treat town between the hours of 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.