The Voice of Billingsville

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"No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here"



Thank you to all that came to our Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Kick-Off! We especially want to say thank you to Kamrynn, Garrett, Derrick, Abby and Jessica for participating in the active children's time. They had fun with horns and party blowers to celebrate the shoeboxes! Blessings to all of you!

We are all busy filling shoeboxes and thinking about the joy and excitement that each child will feel as he/she opens their own box to discover all the special and wonderful gifts inside. If you still need stuffed animals, crayons, pencils, etc. those are available on the front pew, so please help yourself.

PLEASE BRING YOUR SHOEBOX(ES) OF GIFTS ON SUNDAY, NOVEMEBER 6. The children will collect them during worship time.

If you are unable to fill a shoebox, but would like to participate, we would appreciate your donations for postage. It costs \$10 to send each box. That covers a variety of expenses as well as sending the boxes around the world. Please make your check to Samaritan's Purse (or you can give cash). You can give the check to Marg at church or mail it to Marg Scott, 13627 Santa Fe Rd. Boonville, MO 65233. Many thanks.

You have been so faithful to fill 1504 boxes and donate over \$12,000 for postage for the past 22 years. May God bless you for your generosity, caring and love to share Joy and Jesus with children who probably have never received a gift before. Many, Many Thanks!

Love in Christ, Marg Scott

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, November 2: Men's Breakfast at Main Street Diner at 8am

Sunday, November 6: Holy Communion; Collection of Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Wednesday, November 9: Church Board meeting at 6:00 pm

Sunday, November 13: Penny Sunday for ECH; Benevolence Offering

Thursday, November 24: Newsletter articles due

Friday, December 2: Tree and Sanctuary Decoration

Sunday, December 4: Hanging of the Greens Service at 10:30 am followed by Carry-in Dinner in Fellowship Hall

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HEALTH FACTS RSV

RSV (respiratory syncytial virus) is a bronchiolitis which is common in infants and young children, usually occurring from December to March. Statistics in 2022 are showing earlier infections and more severe symptoms. It is spread from a cough, sneeze or nose and mouth drainage.

The symptoms are fever, runny nose, congestion, and poor appetite. Coughing can occur which is from lower respiratory infection. Wheezing, crackles, grunting, chest retractions, and/or nasal flaring are signs of serious disease and a doctor needs to evaluate them immediately.

Treatment can include oxygen if the oxygen level is less that 90%, adequate hydration, and nutrition.

Antibiotics are not recommended since this is a viral disease.

RSV is highly contagious and spread by droplets from coughs and sneezes. The sick child or baby need to stay home. Parents and caregivers need to wash their hands frequently and clean surfaces and toys around the child. This includes disposing of tissues and wipes immediately after use.

Nancy Meyer, Health Minister

PERSEVERANCE PAYS OFF

We finally collected 1000 Best Choice Labels and received \$60 for the Sunday School. A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who saved and turned in the labels. We especially want to thank Chrysanne Casteel for giving me a large bag of labels. Keep turning them in for next year.

Marg



CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING NOTES October 5, 2022

Meeting was called to order by President Jared. Present: Ed, Linda and Vicki. Scott was unable to attend due to Harvest.

Opening Prayer was shared by Linda Burnett.

September Treasurer's report was reviewed, we have a few CD's that are coming due, we will roll them over. We are hoping rates will increase next year.

Discussion was held over various items regarding parsonage. We are planning, for now, to keep the parsonage open for the Supply Pastor to stay in as needed.

Abby Pannell asked if she may do a painting in the Sunday school room and the council said this would be a nice idea.

We have been working diligently on covering Sunday Services; a big thank you to all the lay people stepping up to help. We have a list of 3 ministers to do supply and we have started reaching out to them for help.

Rev Peter Luckey will be here on Nov 20th, doing a combined Healing Service at St Johns with lunch to follow.

Our Search Committee will be Tim Kueckelhan, Ginger Wenger, Abby Pannell and Rhea Helmreich.

Next meeting will be held 11-9-22 at 6pm.

Respectfully submitted, Vicki Hilden, Secretary

Congratulations

To Brandon Burnett and Nichole Cornine on their marriage October 21!

QUARTERLY CONGREGATIONAL MEETING NOTES October 16, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President Jared Kueckelhan and the opening prayer was shared by Laura Grathwohl.

The Search committee is Tim Kueckelhan, Abby Pannell, Ginger Wenger and Rhea Helmreich

We are working with 3 ministers and a few congregation members to fill the pulpit. If anyone would like to volunteer for a Sunday please contact the Council.

We will have a Healing/Uplifting service on Nov 20th at 10:30 am by Rev Peter Luckey. It will be a combined Worship Service with EUCC & St Johns at our Church with a potluck to follow.

There will be no Church service held on Sunday Dec 25th.

Respectfully submitted, Vicki Hilden, Secretary

Th<u>ank You</u>

To Venita Foos for her donation to the Cemetery Fund.

OCTOBER STATISTICS					
	Offering	Benevolence	Attendance		
02	\$2631	\$25 NIN: \$30	31		
09	\$995	\$25 NIN: \$5	27		
16	\$661	\$ NIN: \$60	26		
23	\$613	\$25	33		
30	\$1659	\$25	33		



Growing Hope Globally beans were harvested! The soybeans made 20

bu/acre and considering the drought we had this year, that isn't bad at all. Thank you to Eddie Wassmann and family, and Kenny Stegner for their labor and equipment.

Quotable Quotes

In order to evade Temptations is to Seek the Word of the lord and live it. It has been said, when you carry the Bible, Satan gets a headache.

When you open the Bible, he collapses. When he sees you reading the Bible, he faints.

When he sees you living what you read in the Bible, he flees.

Author Unknown

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS FOR NOVEMBER						
	Worship Leader	Greeters & Ushers	Scriptures			
06	Abigail Pannell	Lynnd Schler Rhea Helmreich Communion Prep: Linda Burnett	2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 Luke 20:27-38			
13	Rhea Helmreich	Melissa Hundley Garrett Hundley	2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Luke 21:5-19			
20	Cathy Bail	Rhea Helmreich Marilyn Geiger	Colossians 1:11-20 Luke 23:33-43			
27	Melissa Hundley	Donna Kammerich Vicki Hilden	Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:36-44			

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Shauna Bohlken	12
Don Scott	17
Tyler Stretz	20
D. J. Muse	21
Pastor Jim Ellliott	23
Andrew Inskeep	28

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

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Jason & Angie Hackman	
Frank & Marty Eastman	

✤ BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

Kamrynn Sue Hundley	02
Michael Ross Grissum	04
Morgan E. Kueckelhan Hawley	05
Justin Lee Kueckelhan	09
Gerald Wayne Dick	12
Donna Sue Schler Kammerich	18
Geraldine L. Snider Ferguson	23
Shirley Ann Johnston	26

<u>Corrections</u>

I have left two anniversaries off the newsletter anniversary list for the past three years. Happy Belated Anniversary to Tim & Karen Harvey and Andrew & Cayley Inskeep on October 19!



Please let these homebound and nursing home friends know you are thinking about them with a visit or a card.

Arlene Friedrich Katy Manor P.O. Box 8, Pilot Grove, MO 65276 Rob Friedrich Riverdell Care Center 1121 11th St, Boonville, MO 65233 Lyndall Galloway (Laura's father) MO Veterans Home 1 Veterans Way, Mexico, MO 65265 Shirley Schmidt (Vicki's mother) Nye Point 2700 Laverna St, Fremont, NE 68025 Ruth Searfoss Hartmann Village 615 Rankin Mill Ln, Boonville, MO 65233 Dorothy Vieth Lenoir 3710 Lenoir St, Columbia, MO 65201 Bernadine Wassmann Katy Manor P.O. Box 8, Pilot Grove, MO 65276

PRAYER CHAIN

Angie Carmichael, cancer **Jim & Sharon Elliott** John Ferguson, heart issues Joey Hoflander, recovering from stroke Todi Hughes (Holly's mom) Shelley Jennings Nancy Kueckelhan Ava LeCave Family of Brian Morales Chris (Ann Muntzel's nephew), cancer trial D.J. Muse. cancer **Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Project children** and their families Marilyn Rethemeyer, cancer Karen Schnetzler Hunter Simmons, Leukemia (in remission!) Vicki Simmons, cancer Carol Snyder, lung cancer Cora Louise Wisdom The people of Ukraine

> MARK 11:24 "Listen to Me! You can pray for anything, and if you believe, you will have it."

Serving in our military:

Landon Bail Cliff Burgoyne Tony Davis Chris Hawley Blayne Vickery James Walker

Jeff Burgoyne Natalie Meng

Fall Word Search



ACORN APPLE AUTUMN CHESTNUTS CHILLY CIDER COBWEB FALL FOOTBALL GOURD HALLOWEEN HARVEST HAY BALE HAYRIDE LEAVES MAIZE NOVEMBER NUTS OCTOBER PUMPKIN QUILT RAKE SCARECROW SEPTEMBER SLEET THANKSGIVING



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Mark your calendars! Our annual Hanging of the Greens and Tree Lighting Ceremony will be **Sunday, December 4th at 10:30** am followed by a carry-in dinner in Fellowship Hall.

The children will hang their picture ornaments on the tree during this service and a "special visitor" will arrive after lunch.

If you would like to share your musical talents with the congregation during the Hanging of the Greens service, please contact Tracy at 660-537-0185.

Dinner Committee #3 is in charge of the meal: Linda Burnett, Jessica Grathwohl, Laura Grathwohl, Nick Grathwohl, Thomas Grathwohl, Carol Fowler, Pat & Vicki Hilden, Jared Kueckelhan, Justin Kueckelhan, Tim & Julie Kueckelhan, Ed & Lynnd Schler, Linda Simmons, Charles Stegner & Holly Hughes



The Christmas Eve Service and Pageant will be Saturday, December 24 at 7 pm. (Anyone participating in the pageant should arrive at 6:30 pm.)

Practice for "A Christmas Story" pagent will be during Sunday School at 9:30 am on 12/4/22, 12/11/22, and 12/18/22. We will be fitting costumes on 12/18/22 at 9:30 am.

There will be a sign-up sheet for pageant participants on the front pew for all those who are interested in participating. The roles of Mary, Joseph and Baby Jesus have not been filled. Contact Tracy at 660-537-0185 if you are interested!



Julie will be making the Christmas ornaments for our Christmas tree, using children's pictures. You can email them to her at: <u>ikueckel@gmail.com</u> or put them on her desk in the office by Thursday, December 1st if possible.

Return Service Requested

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