

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."

40th Annual Harvest Festival **Sunday, September 22nd**

Schedule of Events

Church Services: 8:00 – 9:00
Country Store/Bake Sale: 10:30 – 2:00
Home-Cooked Dinner: 11:00 – 2:00
Free Kiddieland: 10:30 – 2:00
Silent Auction: 10:30 – 1:45

Members are asked for a \$25.00 donation to offset the cost of food, two pies and a donation to the Country Store. You may give your checks or cash to Julie Kueckelhan. Please price your Country Store item in increments of 50 cents. If you have any questions, please contact a council member.

Silent Auction Information

We would like donations of new/handmade items or certificates for services to be included in a silent auction. Bidders will record their bidder number and bid on a sheet and whoever has the highest bid at 1:45 when the auction ends wins the item! For example, we have 2 certificates for a 1-hour massage donated for the auction. If you plan to donate any items, please let Jared Kueckelhan (660-888-2377) know.

Help Needed

Many hands make light work! A sign-up sheet will be available during Morning Worship in September. If you won't be at church to sign up, but want to help at the Harvest Festival, you can sign up online by going to: <http://bit.ly/StJohnsHF>

We need to borrow several pop-up shade canopies for the Harvest Festival. If you have one we can use, please let Julie know.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, September 4:

Church Council Meeting at 6:00 pm

Sunday, September 22:

Morning Worship at 8 am

Sunday, September 22:

40th Annual Harvest Festival & Homecoming from 10:30-2:00

Sunday, October 6:

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Project Kickoff during Morning Worship

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In the Mail

We received a lovely thank you note from Joyce Salzman thanking the congregation for our prayers as she recovered from back surgery.

Our neighbor to the south, Janie Taylor, made a donation to the Window Repair fund to thank Nick Grathwohl for mowing her banks.

A graphic of a stained glass window with a gothic arch. The text is centered within the window frame.

Stained Glass Window Project

Total Collected
\$29,474.46

Balance in Fund
\$23,474.46

Recent Donations
Janie Taylor

Congratulations Corral

Congratulations to Jerred and Tricia Robinson on the birth of their son, Tysen Thomas Robinson, on August 8! Tysen weighed 8 lbs. 7 oz. and was 22 in. long. Proud grandparents are Nick and Laura Grathwohl.

NOTES FROM CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 7, 2019

Surveys will be distributed in worship bulletins to gain comments and choices for combining a pastoral search with the EUCC and possible worship service time changes.

The stained-glass window repair may begin by the end of August.

Harvest Festival planning is on-going. Any questions can be directed to the council members.

The next meeting will be September 4, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Meyer, Secretary

HEALTH FACTS PNEUMONIA VACCINES FOR SENIORS

Pneumococcal pneumonia, meningitis, and bloodstream infections kills tens of thousands annually in the United States. Of those deaths, 18,000 are adults ages 65 and older.

Pneumococcal disease is also responsible for serious illness such as heart problems, hearing loss, seizures, blindness and paralysis. The Advisory panel for the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend seniors get Prevnar 13 and Pnemovax 23 vaccines, 12 months apart. This is because they induce an immune response in different ways.

Both vaccines are paid for by insurance companies and Medicare.

The vaccines last a lifetime, unless your doctor directs otherwise.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:30 A.M.

Job, Chapter 6 vs14-30: Job's friends have been condemning Job. "You have done something wrong. Confess your faults." These are his "friends" who are accusing him of wrongdoing. Job sought emotional support from his friends. "You don't know what I've been through." Job sought God for comfort. Thought of the day: "What does it mean to be a friend?"

Bible Facts

By Pastor Jim Elliott

The Old Testament was written in Hebrew; however, original Hebrew was written only with consonants. The consonants were developed about 1100 B.C. The vowel symbols were added to the Hebrew documents after the resurrection of Jesus. Punctuation was introduced after the time of Jesus and was added slowly until it was finalized after 600 A.D. Dividing the Bible into "chapters" was introduced by Stephan Langton in 1205, who was a university professor in Paris. Designation of "verses" was accomplished later by Robert Stephanus, a printer. Theodor Beza applied this same method of chapters and verses to the Old Testament in 1571. "Vowel sounds" were gradually introduced to the printed Old Testament between 500 to 600 years after Jesus, but it wasn't finalized until the time of the Protestant Reformation.

The New Testament was written in "koine" Greek, the form of Greek used by less educated people, and also by traders wandering through Israel.

A note from the editor: If you'd like to see any features added to the newsletter (or if there are any corrections), please let me know. *Julie*

STATISTICS			
Aug	Offering	Benevolence	Attendance
04	\$2557	\$25	39
11	\$586	\$30 Penny Sun: \$38	42
18	\$1063	\$85	40
25	\$499	\$0	28

Thank You

Thank you to E. Kaye Brinkman for her generous donation to our Harvest Festival. Kaye and her late husband started attending our Harvest Festival many years ago, because they saw our highway sign and decided to stop and spend the day. Kaye has been so kind and generous to us for many years. We hope to see you again this year!

Thank you to Laura Grathwohl for her hard work as Newsletter Editor the past two years. Your new editor has big shoes to fill!

	Worship Leader	Greeters & Ushers		Sept. Scripture Readings
Sept 01	Laura Grathwohl	Kenneth Stegner	Janet Stegner	Luke 14:1, 7-14 Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
Sept 08	Jason Hundley	Rhea Helmreich	Nancy Meyer	Luke 14:25-33 Philemon 1-21
Sept 15	Ed Schler	Jason Hundley	Scott Grissum	Luke 15:1-10 1 Timothy 1:12-17
Sept 22	Don Scott	Kenneth Stegner	Janet Stegner	Luke 16:1-13 1 Timothy 2:1-7
Sept 29	Nancy Meyer	Jim Farris	Sonya Farris	Luke 16:19-31 1 Timothy 6:6-19

Julie is putting in an order for Cemetery Maps. They are on a poster-sized page and printed in color. The cost to print is \$10 (or \$15 laminated). Let her know if you'd like one at 660-888-2370 or jkueckel@gmail.com.

PRAYER CHAIN

Marcos @ ECH (SS Sponsor Child)
 Don Bail
 Jackson Brinkman (Diane Gerke's grandson)
 Angie Carmichael, cancer
 Pastor Jim Elliott
 Sharon Elliott, cancer
 Olivia (Sharon's niece), cancer
 Arlene Friedrich
 Jared Friedrich
 Rob Friedrich
 Bob & Linda Gander
 Grey, 6 yr. old friend of Holly's
 Lyndall Galloway (Laura's father)
 Mary Ann Henke (friend of Pat & Tracy)
 Shelley Jennings, bone cancer
 David Keltner (Jeanne's brother)
 Jenny Kirchner, cancer
 Dorothy Koestner, cancer
 Nancy Kueckelhan
 Ava LeCave
 Angie Nave
 Jill Pflantz (friend of Marg)
 Sawyer Quinlan, cancer
 Clifford Richey (friend of Charles Stegner)
 Marilyn Rethemeyer, brain cancer
 Erika Sanderson (Pat's niece)
 Charlotte Schanzmeyer
 Karen Schnetzler
 Kathryn Schupp (Nancy Meyer's mother)
 Laverne & Shirley Schmidt (Vicki's parents)
 Family of Sandy Shaffner
 Vicky Simmons
 Jane Sullivan (close friend of Rhea)
 Trevor Thurman (Linda Claas' grandson)
 Bernadine Wassmann

Serving in our military:

 Landon Bail	 Cliff Burgoyne
 Jeff Burgoyne	 Lakoda Davis
 Chris Hawley	 Colin Jones
 Natalie Meng	 Craig Randall
 Blayne Vickery	 James Walker

BIRTHDAYS

Shirley Johnston	02
Sam Million	04
Nancy Kueckelhan	09
Paul Carlson	10
Alex Cooper	10
Daniel Wassmann	10
Austin LeCave	12
Lisa Simmons	12
Lachlan Alvis	14
Robert Friedrich	15
Kent Kammerich	16
Julie Kueckelhan	16
Edison Baker	17
Jim Farris	20
Melissa Hundley	20
Jason Hundley	21
Dalton Grissum	22
Madilyn Carmichael	24
Karen Johnston	26
Mary Bail	30
David Muntzel	30

ANNIVERSARIES

Jody & Mariah Carmichael	09
Jerred & Tricia Robinson	22
Kevin & Heather Simmons	22
George & Tracy Pannell	25
Nick & Laura Grathwohl	28

Best Choice Labels & Box Tops for Education

We would really appreciate everyone saving your Best Choice UPC labels to benefit our Sunday School.

Psalm 67:6

The earth has yielded its produce; God, our God, blesses us.

Harvest Festival Word Search

Find and circle all of the Autumn words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell a secret message - an Albert Camus quotation.

L O N G E R N I G H T S N A A U C N
T O R U E S T U N Y R O K C I H R I
M S O A Y Q E N I S I A O T R W O K
R C Y H N E U V S T E R F H E O P P
C E A A C G K I A S N O A A B R S M
K N D N D S E R N E D S R N M C O U
S C Y L N R G L U O L P M K E E C P
Q R A K E I E R E T X G I S V R T S
U Y D T M A N T S A E F N G O A O E
A D Y D S I V G R T V S G I N C B P
S N R N G Y W E H O E E N V W S E T
H I E L P P A E S P H A S I V O R E
B W T Y L L I H C T E S P N R F L M
F T S E V R A H Y E L O I G C R E B
A A U H A L L O W E E N E F I O S E
A F L S E V A E L W O L L E Y S L R
L O B L W E C H E S T N U T S T R D

ACORN	EQUINOX	NOVEMBER	SEPTEMBER
APPLE	FALL	OCTOBER	SHORTER
BIRD	FARMING	ORANGE	DAYS
MIGRATION	FEAST	LEAVES	SQUASH
BLOWING	FROST	PIE	SWEET
LEAVES	HALLOWEEN	PUMPKIN	POTATOES
BLUSTERY	HARVEST	RAKE	THANKSGIVING
DAY	HAYSTACK	RED LEAVES	TURKEY
CANNING	HICKORY	SCARECROW	WINDY
CHESTNUTS	NUTS	SCHOOL	YELLOW
CHILLY	LONGER	SEASON	LEAVES
COLD	NIGHTS		
CROPS			

From the September-October 1980 issue of "The Voice of Billingsville":

"HARVEST FESTIVAL IS ENOURMOUS SUCCESS!"

God sent us a beautiful day and blessed all of the loving hands that worked together to pull all of the parts of the Harvest Festival together. It was simply incredible to see of all of the bazaar items that were made, the auction items that were donated, the food that was brought to make the Festival so successful. No one had expected so much! The Festival made over \$5,000.00!

We wish everyone could have been there to witness the hard work and love that were so evident on September 20th. It was a real testimony to the spirit that has moved this church forward for so many generations. We trust that the children who enjoyed all the events also absorbed this spirit so that it can continue to exist in them.

The response from our former members was astounding. Items for the bazaar and auction were donated and many cash gifts were received also.

The Festival Committee feels that the work was justified in light of the results. Certainly a lot was learned about how to handle these events – after all this was the first one and it was a "trial balloon".

Thanks to everyone for everything they did!

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Worship 10:30 a.m.