

# 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.”

## HARVEST FESTIVAL UPDATE

The Church Council held a special meeting on Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 pm to discuss the upcoming Harvest Festival and whether changes should be made due to the rising number of COVID-19 cases in Cooper County.

After much discussion, the Council ultimately decided to cancel the Harvest Festival again this year. It was a difficult decision to make but the Council members unanimously agreed that it was better to be safe than sorry.

### News From the Women’s Guild

The Women’s Guild is overjoyed at everyone’s generous donations for the Health Kits for the Festival of Sharing. \$469 was collected. THANK YOU!

Nancy Meyer purchased the items needed for the kits. Then the Bible Study group had a Health Kit packing party and 50 kits were assembled. Thanks for Nancy Meyer, Mary Bail, Ginger Wenger, Rhea Helmreich, Linda Burnett, Bill Geiger, and Marg Scott who enjoyed getting all the kits ready-to-go! Thank you again for your donations to help those in need. May God richly bless you for serving others.

**Thank you!**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sunday, September 5:** Holy Communion during morning worship

**Wednesday, September 8:** Church Board meeting at 6:00 pm

**Sunday, September 12:** Penny Sunday and Benevolence Offering

**Thursday, September 23:** Newsletter articles due

**Sunday, September 26: NO Harvest Festival;** Worship Service at 10:30 am

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WOW! I can't believe it is September already! I love the autumn colors and bright decorations and I love to pack shoeboxes for children around the world! I hope you are excited about doing this too.

There are plenty of shoeboxes in the west hallway on the bench. Please take as many as you need. There are labels and rubber bands in each box. Please do not put candy, gum, or toothpaste in your box. If you include a bar of soap, leave it in the wrapper, please do not wrap the washcloth around it. Apparently, the soap can mold if left in a warm place.

We will have The Shoebox Kickoff on Sunday, October 10, and the collection of the boxes will be Sunday, November 7.

Here's a list of items that my friend has gotten for her boxes at the Dollar Tree Store and we have that store in Boonville so you might want to check out these ideas:

- children's toothbrushes (3 in pack)
- hammers for boys
- tape measures
- bungee cords and work gloves for boys 10-14
- flashlights and batteries
- small cars and trucks
- small plastic ponies
- baby dolls and small dolls
- little puzzles in tins
- soft balls
- sippy cups
- books
- cotton rope and clothes pins for girls 10-14
- for clothes lines
- hair brushes
- tote bags for carrying school supplies etc.
- eating utensils, small bowl and plate
- nail clippers for age 10-14
- bead necklaces
- stickers
- party toys like noise makers
- 2 pack playing cards
- jump ropes

Enjoy gathering items for your boxes and be sure to pray for the child who will receive your shoebox! God will bless you and that child.

Let me know if you have any questions. Many, many thanks for being a missionary and telling children about Jesus with your shoebox!

Marg Scott

I would like to thank everyone who attended my 90<sup>th</sup> birthday party, called me or sent cards! You sure made me feel special! Leola.

**THANK YOU**

To Rita Rapp and Emy Friedman for their donation to the Cemetery Fund.

## CONGRATULATIONS CORNER

Will Hackman showed his Charolais steer at the Cooper County Fair and placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in his class!



## AUGUST STATISTICS

	Offering	Benevolence	Attendance
01	\$2300	\$25	35
08	\$701	\$80 Penny Sunday: \$21	23
15	\$1410	\$50	27
22	\$807	\$75	33
29	\$1018	\$0	30

### **Notes from the Church Council Meeting August 4, 2021**

Present: Jared, Ed, Linda, Scott, Vicki, Pastor Jim and Special Guest Nancy Meyer.

Our Health Minister Nancy Meyer came and spoke about Covid and the Delta Variant. Several questions were asked of Nancy, and it was agreed upon that we are doing things OK, at least for now. Nancy stated if she feels we need to change our current Worship Service she will get back with the Council. Thank you, Nancy, for attending!

The Search Committee continues meeting.

Discussion was held regarding the Harvest Festival and Covid.

We are looking into if a Music License is needed for our Church should we decide to copy music.

Respectfully submitted, *Vicki Hilden*, Secretary

## **HEALTH FACTS**

### Health Benefits of Nature

We all can claim the “feel-good” emotion when we are exposed to nature. It can be walking along cow paths, hiking trails, or gravel roads. This can reduce blood pressure, heart rate, and muscle tension. We can find a calm and sense of well-being which can increase our attention span and problem-solving skills because our stress hormones are reduced. If we find a quiet outdoor “spot”, we can take slow deep breaths and use our senses to take in the sounds, smells, and sights of nature. Relax and let nature wash over you.

Ideas for this article came from Missouri Conservationist, July 2021.

Nancy Meyer, Health Minister

	Worship Leader	Greeters & Ushers	Scripture Readings
Sept 05	Ed Schler	Linda Simmons & Donna Kammerich	James 2:1-17 Mark 7:24-37
Sept 12	Birdie Kueckelhan	Rhea Helmreich & Volunteer	James 3:1-12 Mark 8:27-38
Sept 19	Rhea Helmreich	Volunteers	James 3:13 - 4:3, 7-8a Mark 9:30-37
Sept 26	Melissa Hundley	Volunteers	James 5:13-20 Mark 9:38-50

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Shirley Johnston	02
Fletcher Grissum	03
Nancy Kueckelhan	09
Paul Carlson	10
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

## SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Jody & Mariah Carmichael	09
Tyler & Brittany Stretz	21
Jerred & Tricia Robinson	22
Kevin & Heather Simmons	22
George, Jr. & Tracy Pannell	25
Nick & Laura Grathwohl	28

## ✠ BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES ✠

Mark Lee Dick	01
William Kelly Hackman	02
Mark Kenneth Cary	03
Megan Marie Kammerich	04
Alexander Dean Rapp	06
Max Joseph Rapp	06
Molly Jane Rapp	06
Cody Wayne Gerhardt	07
Jared Timothy Kueckelhan	20
Edison Joseph Baker	30

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

### **Arlene Friedrich**

*Katy Manor 205 Prospect Pilot Grove, MO 65276*

### **Rob & Louise Friedrich**

*Riverdell Care Center 1121 11th St. Boonville, MO 65233*

### **Louise Overstreet (Janet's mother)**

*Katy Manor 205 Prospect Pilot Grove, MO 65276*

### **Shirley Schmidt (Vicki's mother)**

*Nye Point 2700 Laverna St, Fremont, NE 68025*

### **Marjorie Vieth Meyer**

*Riverdell Care Center 1121 11th St. Boonville, MO 65233*

### **Dorothy Vieth**

*Lenoir 3710 Lenoir St, Columbia, MO 65201*

### **Bernadine Wassmann**

*Katy Manor 205 Prospect Pilot Grove, MO 65276*

## PRAYER CHAIN

Carolyn Bunton (friend of Laura), hospice  
 Angie Carmichael, cancer  
 Pastor Jim & Sharon Elliott  
 Carol (Pastor Jim's sister-in-law), lung cancer  
 John (Sharon's brother-in-law), heart issues  
 Ethan @ ECH (SS Sponsor Child)  
 Eula Brown Gowan  
 Joey Hoflander, recovering from stroke  
 Todi Hughes (Holly's mom)  
 Lyndall Galloway (Laura's father)  
 Iva Mae Johnson (Vicki's aunt)  
 Nancy Kueckelhan  
 Ava LeCave  
 Chris (Ann Muntzel's nephew), chemotherapy  
 Bobbie Perry (Pat Friedrich's sister)  
 Marilyn Rethmeyer, cancer  
 Karen Schnetzler  
 Carol Snyder

### **Serving in our military:**

Landon Bail	Cliff Burgoyne	Jeff Burgoyne
Lakoda Davis	Tony Davis	Chris Hawley
Natalie Meng	Blayne Vickery	James Walker

# Fall Word Search



ACORN  
APPLE  
AUTUMN  
CHESTNUTS  
CHILLY  
CIDER  
COBWEB  
FALL  
FOOTBALL  
GOURD

HALLOWEEN  
HARVEST  
HAY BALE  
HAYRIDE  
LEAVES  
MAIZE  
NOVEMBER  
NUTS  
OCTOBER  
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THANKSGIVING



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