

A  
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**Our Mission**

Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world

**Our Vision**

To **Know** Christ personally, **Grow** with Christ intimately, and **Show** Christ passionately

Fall is here!

It's a season that makes me want to curl up with a good book and a cozy blanket in my favorite chair, with a cup of hot tea by my side. Somehow, autumn makes me want to look inward, and yet, it's a season that also calls me to take notice – of the brilliant colors of the trees, of the feelings I have as the days start to become shorter, of the ways in which cooler weather affects our neighbors who are experiencing homelessness. It is both a beautiful and brutal season. And yet, isn't that all of life?

Perhaps in this season, we can each pay special attention to what God is doing in our lives and in the world around us. Maybe what God is calling us to in this time is simply noticing. We can notice the beauty, even in the midst of difficulty. Begin this week by noticing the breath in your lungs, paying attention to the in and out rhythm, feeling the Spirit of God moving in and around you. When we notice the ordinary beauty of the mountains that surround us, the sound of a child's laugh, the taste of a crispy apple or delicious baked treat, it can remind us that God is present, is always with us, even when life and the condition of the world threaten to overwhelm us.

Scripture tells us that God is always working to put all things right, and I believe that, when we begin to pay attention, we will be called to join God in that work, in a specific way. What might God be calling you toward this fall? What might God be calling our church toward? If not knowing the answer feels scary and frustrating, just start with paying attention. Noticing is a form of prayer. As Lydia Laird sings, "Sometimes nothing left to give becomes the sweetest offering, and sometimes choosing just to sing is the thing that changes everything...in the middle of the in between, in the middle of the questioning, over every worry, every fear. Hallelujah, even here."

May we pay attention, and may we worship God through noticing – and then joining in the work God is already doing.

Blessings,  
Pastor Melissa



## *Finances*

Total Budget Income for 2022: **\$ 98,513.77**

Jan. Budget: \$ 9,414.77	July Budget: \$ 12,151.46
Feb. Budget: \$ 11,259.52	Aug. Budget: \$ 12,485.32
March Budget: \$ 11,793.02	Sept. Budget: \$ 8,857.03
April Budget: \$ 12,246.36	Oct. Budget: \$
May Budget: \$ 8,394.18	Nov. Budget: \$
June Budget: \$ 11,912.11	Dec. Budget: \$

## *October Birthdays*

Melissa Scott	October 3	Bob Conner	October 9
Christy Knott	October 4	Mary Valentine	October 23
Bill Felton	October 4	Darren Petty	October 25
Tim Thornhill	October 6	Donna Watters	October 27
Cathy Flory	October 7	Betsy Ogle	October 29
Isaiah Bush	October 7	Jordan Poff	October 31
Terry Allinder	October 8		



## *Prayer Concerns*

- Those who are homebound or in retirement and nursing homes: Madaline Brown, Lois Burge, Jane Byrum, Virginia Draper, Mary Durrer, Evelyn Hutcherson, Yvonne Metz, Nadine Minnix, Shirley Moore, Betty Obenchain, Louise Parris, Betty Payne, Evelyn Ragland, Alice Scogin, Katie Wood
- Those with cancer including Amy Brown (Pastor Melissa's friend), Alison Ziegelmeir (Ric Scott's cousin), Barbara Kern, Jack Cooper, Paula Bailey (Reatha Linkenhoker's daughter), Susan Wimmer (Ginny Smith's friend), Elizabeth Clary's father
- Doug Heptinstall                      • Buck Conner
- Margaret Jones' granddaughter, Amanda is in the hospital with a spinal infection & awaiting cardiac surgery
- Margaret Jones' husband, Ronnie, recovering from a stroke
- Carrol Hall, recovering from heart surgery
- Jack Cooper's friend, Gwynn, awaiting a liver transplant
- The family of Marilyn Morgan, who passed away this week (friend of Ginny Smith)
- The Kidd Family, friends of Steve & Mary Harris, whose 3-year-old son was badly burned
- Donna & Bob Kester's grandson, Jordan, recovering from car accident
- Julie Wood & Ray Wolfe, in the loss of Julie's mother, Sue Webster

## *Bible Studies*

- Young Adult Bible Study: Our Young Adult Dinner & Bible Study will resume on **Tuesday, October 11**. We meet at Pastor Melissa & Ric's house at **6:00 pm**.
- Brown Bag Bible Study: Join us for our Fall Brown Bag Bible Study on **Wednesdays at noon** as we study the book of James. Feel free to bring your lunch, if you wish. We will meet in the fellowship hall. If you are unable to attend in person, you can join us on Zoom using the link: <https://bit.ly/cabcbbiblestudy>.

## *PBJ Youth*

- Youth, join us for our dinner and discipleship time from **5-7 pm** in the fellowship hall. We are continuing our fall Bible study, "Through the Eyes of Jesus."

## *Mission Opportunity-Youth & Others*

- On **Friday, October 14, from 10 am-1:30 pm**, youth (and others who would like to join us) will be helping assemble Welcome Home kits at the Rescue Mission and then going out to lunch together. Bring money for lunch, and let Pastor Melissa know if you need a ride.

## *Church-wide, All Ages Fellowship*

- Join us for an intergenerational pizza and pumpkin party on **Sunday, October 23, from 11:30 am-2 pm**. Pizza, salad, and drinks will be provided (donations toward the cost are appreciated). Bring your favorite pumpkin treat to share. We'll have fellowship around the table, and activities for all ages, from toddlers all the way through our senior adults. You can even show off your pumpkin decorating skills, if you like!

## Help Feed Our Youth

- If you would like to provide dinner for our youth on a Sunday evening, please let Pastor Melissa know, or sign up at: <https://bit.ly/pbjyouthmeals>

## Women's Coffee

- All women of the church are invited to join us for coffee & fellowship on **Saturday, November, 5, at 10 am.**

## Missions

- Missions Collection: Our missions partner, Keystone Community Center, distributes 50 food boxes to our neighbors in the city. We are collecting food for those boxes. Please bring your donations of the following items and place them on the table in the foyer by **November 6.**

Large box instant potatoes	Canned corn	Small bottle of laundry detergent
Canned green beans	Evaporated milk	Packet of chicken gravy mix
Saltine crackers	Toilet paper	Bar of soap
Boxed stuffing	Cereal	Hand soap
Large sugar-free Jell-O	Just add Water pancake syrup	Shampoo
1 lb. box of granulated sugar	Plastic bottled syrup	Deodorant
1 25 ft. box of foil	Small bottle of dish soap	Washcloth
Small bottle of cooking oil	Canned soup	
boxed macaroni and cheese	Canned yams	
Small plastic jar of jelly	Small bag of dried brown beans	

## All Saints Day Service of Remembrance

- **On Sunday, October 30**, during worship, we will have our annual All Saints' Service of Remembrance, giving thanks for the lives of church members who have entered heaven in the past year. There will be an opportunity for you to speak the name of the saints who have touched your own life, as well.



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