

The Tidings

September 2023



UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Bible Words – Hope

“By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.”

The Greek word for hope is “elpis.” Hope for the Christian is the confidence that what God has done for us in the past guarantees our participation in what God will do in the future. This is based on what God has done in Christ for us as well as the gift of the indwelling Holy Spirit. Given the assurance of hope, Christians live in the present with confidence and face the future with courage. Peter calls this a living hope because of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Worldly hope is based on a feeling and some uncertainty. I hope the Reds win the World Series and the Cowboys win the Super Bowl this year. I’m not very confident in that hope, but with Christian hope, we are sure of the future because of Jesus. Hebrews 6:19 says this about our hope in Jesus, “We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure.” Reaffirm your hope today in Jesus. Remember his promises about heaven and eternity to help you through each day.

In September, we start our regular Wednesday night activities like ROK (Reaching Our Kids), Confirmation, and our weekly fellowship meal. Also, we will have a five week class for married couples called “One Thing(s) for Married People.” It will start on Wednesday, September 20th and will be led by the Ingram and Bieri families. It will take place during ROK from 6:30-7:30. Contact the office, myself, Holly Bieri or Dyan Ingram to reserve your spot. Don’t miss an opportunity to improve your marriage and get help with struggles all couples go through.

September 10th will be Youth Sunday where our youth will lead the whole service. Some of our high school students will bring the sermon which will be based on the Fruit of the Spirit from Galatians 5. It is always a wonderful Sunday of fellowship and worship. We’ll also start a new sermon series in September called “On Mission” that focuses on how our church can reach its full potential in welcoming guests, worship, faith development, service, and evangelism. The church consists of many parts, when working all together fulfills the great commission to teach about Christ, reach others for Christ, and give God glory through our living for Jesus.

With school starting and our schedules becoming more routine, I encourage you to join a Sunday School class this Fall, make Sunday worship a priority, enjoy some food and fellowship on Wednesdays, and find time to read your Bible regularly.

Serving Christ Together,
Russ



Historical Moment

How did we get started?

In 1848, German immigrants who had come to Moniteau County to find a new life got together and formed new congregations in the Salem community Southeast of California and in the Moniteau community North of California. Seventeen years later, as the area developed and California continued to grow and attract more immigrants from Germany, the pastors of the Salem and Moniteau congregations got together in 1865, and started the planning process for a German Evangelical Church in California. In May of 1866, a group of German citizens held a meeting at the home of H.C. Finke and decided to organize a congregation and erect a church building. Later that month, the new congregation met and selected a building committee and established a constitution and set of bylaws. On July 1, 1866, the church members voted to lay a foundation for a 30 x 50 foot church building. On July 8, Reverend F.A. Umbeck preached his first sermon in the old Baptist Church about a block east of our current building. On July 29, the cornerstone was laid in the new church building and our church history was well underway. F.A. Umbeck was our minister for the next 47 years – perhaps we'll hear more about him in upcoming historical moments!

From your UCC Historical Committee

California United Church of Christ
August 14, 2023 – Consistory Meeting Highlights

The August meeting of the Consistory was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Laura Burger. Reverend Cobb opened the meeting with prayer.

A quorum was established with all members present--Ellen Ash, Carole Barbour, Jay Bestgen, Laura Burger, Alan Chambers, Ronnie Kissick, VanDee Miller, and Larry Schoeneberg.

The following business was transacted: Minutes of the July meeting and the Congregational Meeting on August 6, Treasurer's Report, Financial Secretary's Report, and the Stewardship Snapshot were approved.

There was a Facility use request from St. Paul's Day Care for use of the Friendship Hall gym on hot and rainy days. It was decided that they would be allowed gym use for one hour due to summer time heat.

Committee Reports

Building and Grounds/Safe Church (Jay Bestgen and Ronnie Kissick)

--Landscape Committee Update: Judy Burger continues to nurture the new plants until they can be planted. Ted Bueker will help with the weed cover and rock, and bubble irrigation. Lighting is a possibility as there is power but it does not appear to work. Ronnie Kissick will deal with these issues.

--Weathercraft Bell Tower project is scheduled for Fall. They will be asked to look at the rubber roofing over the elevator at that time.

--After the recent wind storm, some of the VBS workers noticed that the Church chimney cap had blown part way off. Jay Bestgen, Building and Grounds Co Chair, was contacted. Jay checked with Shane Baker, who works for the City to see if the City would help him out with their equipment to get the top off. City equipment was used to take it down. Mr. Baker located a chimney cap that would fit. He and Jay installed the new cap August 17, 2023. (Don't you enjoy a happy ending!)

--The tankless hot water heater in the Friendship Hall kitchen needed to have a T-connection replaced. It was repaired by the Tom Ward Company for \$350.00.

--It is time for the elevator to be inspected again. Rhonda is calling to schedule that appointment. (We all want trouble free rides.)

--Two of the air conditioners required service by H and D. On one of the units the compressor went out two months before the warranty expired. There will only be a labor charge for that one.

--There was damp carpet in the desk area of the Church office. After checking all possible sources, the reason remains a mystery.

--The contract for replacement cover of the Oak Street church windows was revised to include two north windows. The Brady quote is the same as presented to the Congregation. Probably the new coverings can be installed before the end of the year. It takes ten weeks for the frames to be made (in New York) and with the Congregation's approval of the project, the order can be placed.

--The magnificent stain glass windows on the Oak Street side need to have some repairs made. Two things will happen. First, there will be quality pictures taken of the windows for the archives. Then the repairs need to be prioritized. Brady Glass does this sort of repair, Jay Bestgen will meet with them to see how to proceed.

--There is a light out over the steps. It will be replaced.

--There was good positive response to the SWC proposal at the Congregational meeting. In response to a question Jay said that all doors would be re-keyed but there would be no other changes to internal doors. Jay will meet with SWC again after the Congregational meeting.

--Putting dimmable LED lighting in the Friendship Hall (gym) will require changing 12-17 switches. This includes replacing stage lighting with fanless bulbs that last 12,000 to 15,000 hours compared to the ones with fans that are good for 50,000 hours

--On Wednesday, August 16, 2023, when Bryan is here cleaning chairs, Jay will get a quote from him for cleaning all carpet on the lower level.

Evangelism (Alan Chambers)

--Fair parade went well. Evangelism is responsible for parade/float publicity. The Evangelism committee bought candy for the event and have been approved to spend up to \$150.00 per event. (Sweet!)

--It is time to think about updating the church directory. What would you think of a digital directory as a possibility???

Historical Committee (Norman Rohrbach)

--The display in the cabinet will be changed soon. Check it out--as well as the Historical Moments in the Tidings.

Stewardship (Larry Schoeneberg) Meeting scheduled 8/22/2023.

Worship (VanDee Miller)

--Thanks to all who shared their talents for a successful summer program.

Sound and Video (Ronnie Kissick)

--Meeting with Cindy Hall for training. (Is this something you could do? More help would be welcome!)

Pastor-Parish (Larry Schoeneberg)

--Attendance down a bit during summer as usual.

Pastor Report (Reverend Cobb)

--Baby Dedication for daughter of Austin and Kaitlyn Mouse on September 3, 2023.

--Begin Wednesday night programming with a series on marriage.

--Youth Sunday will be the Sunday after Labor Day

--The 2023-2024 Confirmands Class will have a student, parent, and pastor meeting on September 6, 2023.

--Within 2 years Pastor Russ requested we consider an additional minister with a focus on Family Life, Youth and Counseling.

Old Business

*Applications for nursery attendant had not been coming in response to our newspaper ad because the newspaper had put the ad on hold for two (unexplained) weeks. It should be in the paper now.

*The final Active/Inactive Membership list for limited in-house use was approved with a reminder that it should be updated as information becomes available and annually reviewed.

*The next communion date is October 1, 2023, Worldwide Communion Sunday.

*Wednesday evening meals resume September 6, 2023. We still need volunteer(s) for every other week to help Letha Peck and Judy Burger in the kitchen before the meal is served and with clean-up.

Consistory Highlights continued on next page

New Business

Consistory Highlights continued

*The updated Worker's Compensation Policy has been received effective October 2, 2023. Appropriate action will be taken.

*Received the updated Church Insurance Policy. Jay says the industry is changing. Jay will meet with an agent and bring answers and information to the September meeting.

*Senior Choir Director, Stacy Friedrich's request was approved for \$600.00 to purchase new music and a Christmas Cantata.

*Pianos in tune are important. Toward that end Michael Butterworth will be at the Church at 11:30 on September 11, 2023 to tune four pianos at the rate of \$110.00 each for a total of \$440.00. The pianos will be tuned in September and in March and additional times when needed.

There were no Consistory announcements.

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 and closed with the Lord's Prayer prayed in unison.

Carole Barbour, Secretary

STEWARDSHIP SNAPSHOT

	<u>July 2023</u>	<u>July 2022</u>
General Fund		
Balance Brought Forward	\$ 89,465.80	\$ 73,286.32
Receipts	+ \$ 38,692.49	+ \$ 21,732.55
Disbursements	- \$ <u>34,122.38</u>	- \$ <u>22,751.33</u>
Balance – July 31, 2023	\$ 94,035.91	\$ 72,267.54
As of July 31, 2023		
Building Fund Balance	\$ 44,541.79	\$ 116,675.62
Local Benevolence Fund Balance	\$ 8,806.89	\$ 8,993.79
Memorial Fund Balance	\$ 4,433.82	\$ 8,276.03
Schnuck Endowment Fund Balance **	\$ 33,412.59	*\$ 28,355.73
Scholarship Fund Balance	\$ 9,526.40	\$ 9,658.05
Youth Fellowship	\$ 4,771.67	\$ 3,148.33
*Total OCWM Received	\$ 1,825.00	\$ 3,117.00
Other Benevolent Offerings	\$ 12,651.63	\$ 15,087.20

Note on 2023 Snapshot regarding Schnuck Endowment

***The C. Schnuck Endowment Checking Fund balance of \$33,412.59 includes \$166.49 that is part of the original restricted gift and is unable to be expended. \$33,246.10 of the fund balance may be expended.*

Note on 2022 Snapshot regarding Schnuck Endowment

**The C. Schnuck Endowment Checking Fund balance of \$28,355.73 includes \$1,166.49 that is part of the original restricted gift and is unable to be expended. \$27,189.24 of the fund balance may be expended.*

Special Benevolence— September

Church World Service Blanket Fund

The special benevolence offering for September is the Church World Service Blanket Program. For over 75 years, Church World Service has been helping people of faith bring God's hope and healing to people in the U.S. and around the world. When difficult times happen, a kind and loving response can make all the difference. That's why the CWS Blankets program was created—to give a kind, loving and tangible response to someone facing a difficult time, reminding them that they are not alone. Through the generosity of CWS partner organizations, congregations and individual supporters, our most vulnerable neighbors around the world can feel safe and keep warm with fresh linens and clean sleeping quarters. When our neighbors are in need, even \$10 for a single blanket goes a long way.

*Thank you for your support! Please make checks payable to:
United Church of Christ (note CWS on the memo).*



UCC Church Family,

Thank you for the kind words, prayers, thoughts and the lovely plant after Dad's passing. It is a great comfort to have such a caring Church family.

The Meisenheimers

Please join the Women's Guild in supporting the

Festival of Sharing

The Women's Guild invites you to put together one of the kits that are most needed in Missouri.

Please deliver your kit to the church no later than **October 1, 2023**. Monetary gifts are also appreciated as we will be purchasing a Dream Basket (\$120) which is filled with shares of a sheep, heifer, goat, rabbits, and a flock of chicks, along with the training and education in their care. Please indicate on check or envelope that your donation is for Festival of Sharing. All will be delivered to the Sharefest Location on **October 14, 2023**.

We thank you for prayerfully considering to help our group!





Missouri Paper Product Pack

4,659 requested versus 1,119 shared in 2022

Estimated Pack Value

\$18

Instructions: Place all items in a tall-sized kitchen trash bag. Label the trash bag "Missouri Paper Products Pack."

- 2 facial tissue (large rectangle boxes)
- 2 rolls paper towels (good quality)
- 12 double/mega rolls of toilet paper as 3 packages of 4 or 2 packages of 6 (unable to receive 12 rolls in one pack)



Missouri Personal Hygiene Pack

5,965 requested versus 1,984 shared in 2022

Estimated Pack Value

\$23

Instructions: Tighten lids and place all items in a large zipper storage bag (2-2.5-gallon). Place completed packs in boxes labeled with "Missouri Personal Hygiene Packs" and the quantity on the exterior.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 fluoride toothpaste (6 oz. or more) | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 hand towel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 toothbrush (in original package) | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 deodorant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 bar of moisturizing soap (in package) | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 razors (disposable) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 bottle shampoo (12-16 oz.) | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 comb (large) OR brush |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 washcloth | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 bottle skin lotion (10 - 16 oz) |



Missouri Family Food Box

5,723 requested versus 1,466 shared in 2022

Estimated Pack Value

\$23

Instructions: Place items in a sturdy box (i.e. Girl Scout cookie boxes), tape and label "Missouri Family Food Box." Please purchase low sodium/low sugar where possible and no more than 2 packs per box due to weight.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 pkgs. macaroni & cheese | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pound pasta |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 different cans of vegetables | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 cans tuna |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 jar peanut butter | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 cans chicken |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 can pasta sauce | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 different cans of fruit |





August 8, 2023 Sunday School Teachers & Officers

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Carla Clennin called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM. The meeting began with a prayer by Rev. Russell Cobb. Those attending were Cressida Gattermeir, David Gattermeir, Courtney Cassil, Steven Burger, Rev. Russell Cobb and Ronda Mortenson.

Ronda made a motion to approve the July meeting minutes. Courtney seconded. Motion carried. David made a motion to approve the July Treasurer's report. Steven seconded. Motion carried.

Our August benevolence is the California Ministerial Alliance, which is an organization that helps people in need.

VBS Wrap up- Five-year old's will be moved up to the older aged group. Possible Nursery age group. These changes will help with making groups smaller. Ronda is wanting to get a budget approved for 2024 VBS of \$3,000. Dates for VBS will be June 23-27, 2024. Courtney made a motion to set a \$3,000 budget for the 2024 VBS. This amount will not come out until 2024 VBS materials are available. Steven seconded. Motion carried.

Rally Sunday- There will be no Sunday School on Rally Sunday. After the classes are recognized during opening, then the rest of the time will be a social event with donuts, cookies, and juices. Carla will add a sign-up list to the bulletin board.

Discussed 3rd Superintendent position- A discussion was held in how to handle the 2nd Superintendent position along with a 3rd Superintendent position. Carla stated, she is fine with staying on another year due to Cressida and David are still in the learning curve. Steven suggested either Cressida or Dave move into the 2nd Superintendent position and the other will go into the 3rd position. More clarification needs to be discussed.

Cressida and David will coordinate this year's Fall Party on October 8. Steven will organize the Hayride. Ronda and Courtney will organize the games. It would be great to have a backdrop with hay bales mums and corn stalks for photo of families. Meal will be Chili, hotdogs, and chips.

Thank you notes for Summer Camp were passed around.

New/Other Business:

Teacher for Distinguished Adult Class- Carla has asked Peggy Liebi to teach this class; currently she is pondering the decision. Carmen Ferris and Judy Kilmer have volunteered to be back-ups when needed. Rev. Cobb suggested Larry Rohrbach might be a good leader.

RightNow Media- Rev. Cobb stated he received an email that our yearly subscription is due. Steven made a motion to approve \$1,539.89 for the yearly subscription with one (1) month free. Courtney seconded. Motion carried.

VeggieTale- Ronda is looking at Saturday, September 9 at 9:30-11AM Madam Blueberry. Watch for details in bulletin.

During VBS Ronda and Beth Chambers were going through the Craft Storage Closet-in purging/throwing out old or unusable item, they decided shelving is needed. Ronda requested 2 unit shelves and 1 rolling cart for a total of \$390.87. Steven made a motion to approve request. Cressida seconded. Motion carried.

September meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 5 at 7 PM due to Labor Day.

Rev. Cobb Updates:

College age class will be led by Kendra Hall. Kendra will be sending out letter to our college age students to see if there is a need for this class for the upcoming fall semester. Salem UCC will be having Christmas Eve service at 5:00 PM instead of their normal 11:00 PM service. This is being held as a traditional Christmas Eve service, not to interfere with our Sunday School Christmas Eve program at 7:00 PM

The meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM

Next meeting will be Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at 7 PM

Respectfully submitted, Cressida Gattermeir 3rd Superintendent



United Church of Christ,

Thank you for joining us in ending hunger with your recent **gift of \$907.00** toward the Buddy Pack Program in Moniteau County.

Your monetary donation goes a long way in the effort against childhood hunger. We know one out of every six kids in Missouri regularly struggles with food insecurity. The Buddy Pack Program ensures children have access to food at home and on weekends.

No child should have to go hungry, and as the school year marches on we will strive to make sure the needs of children in our communities are met by continuing to provide food to those who need it most.

Thank you for entrusting us with your donation. Your gift truly makes a difference in the lives of children in your community.

Gratefully,
Lindsay Young Lopez
President and CEO




United Church of Christ

Sunday




Monday

Tuesday



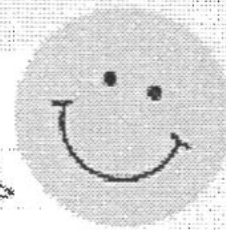
<p>3 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship</p>	<p>4 Labor Day Holiday-Church Office Closed</p>  <p>WE WILL BE CLOSED FOR <i>Labor Day</i></p>	<p>5 9:00 AM Prayer Cell 7:00 PM Sunday School Teacher and Officer Meeting</p>
<p>10 YOUTH SUNDAY 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship</p>	<p>11 6:00 PM Consistory</p>	<p>12 9:00 AM Prayer Cell</p>
<p>17 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 9:00 AM Prayer Cell</p>
<p>24 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship</p>	<p>25 7:00 PM Men's Brotherhood</p>	<p>26 9:00 AM Prayer Cell</p>

September 2023

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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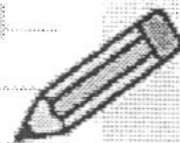


BACK TO SCHOOL



10 VERSES TO PRAY OVER YOUR KIDS AS THEY HEAD BACK TO SCHOOL

1. EPHESIANS 4:32 - ASK GOD TO HELP THEM BE KIND.



2. JOSHUA 1:9 - PRAISE GOD FOR ALWAYS BEING WITH THEM.

3. PROVERBS 10:9 - ASK GOD TO HELP THEM WALK IN INTEGRITY THIS YEAR.

4. PSALM 56:3 - ASK GOD TO HELP THEM PUT THEIR TRUST IN HIM.

5. PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7 - ASK GOD TO HELP THEM NOT WORRY.

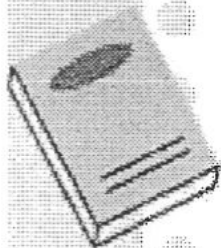
6. LUKE 2:52 - ASK GOD TO HELP THEM GROW THIS YEAR.

7. PROVERBS 17:17 - PRAY FOR THEIR FRIENDS.

8. COLOSSIANS 3:23 - ASK GOD TO HELP THEM WORK HARD.

9. JAMES 1:5 - ASK GOD TO GIVE THEM WISDOM.

10. PHILIPPIANS 4:12 - PRAY FOR THEIR CONTENTMENT IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES.



VeggieTales Matinee

Saturday, September 9th 9:30 to 11:00am

UCC Friendship Hall

Bring a Blankie & Come Join Us For

VeggieTales Opening Activity

Featured Presentation: Madame Blueberry A Lesson in Thankfulness

Snacks – Games – Crafts

Closing Prayer

VeggieTales Take Home Gift Bag of Goodies

Please sign up for the Matinee Event below so that we are sure to have enough snacks, and goodie bags made up for each child in attendance. You may return the form to church office, or contact Ronda Mortenson by email rkmort60@gmail.com or call 573-694-3933

Childs Name Attending: _____

Emergency Contact Name & Number: _____



R.O.K. & God's Singers

2023 – 2024 Season Begins September 6th

6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.

R.O.K. and God's Singers begin their 2023 – 2024 season
on Wednesday evening September 6th.

We invite you to join us as we learn about God,
make a craft and sing praises to God.

Kendra Hall, Amy Howard, Laura Burger, Kristen Everett, Connie Bestgen
and Ellen Ash look forward to seeing YOU!

If you have not participated in the past, give R.O.K. and God's Singers a try.

You will be surprised how much fun you have!

Bring a friend! All are welcome!

Meeting Place (6:25 p.m.) Pickup Place (7:20 p.m.): Friendship Hall (Gym)

Remember: No School at California R-1 then No R.O.K. and No God's Singers

The church offers a Wednesday evening meal beginning at 6 p.m. for all who wish to
participate. (Cost: Suggested donation) Please sign up through the church office weekly.

2023 – 2024 Schedule on the back side of sheet.

Looking forward to seeing you on September 6th!!!!



R.O.K. and God's Singers Schedule

2023-24

2023	
September 6th	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
September 13th	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
September 20th	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
September 24th	God's Singers Performs during 10:30 a.m. Worship
September 27th	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
October 4th	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
October 11th	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
October 18th	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
October 22nd	God's Singers Performs during 10:30 a.m. Worship
October 25th	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
November 1st	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
November 8th	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
November 15th	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
November 26th	God's Singers Performs during 10:30 a.m. Worship
November 29th	God's Singers Practice/Christmas Program Practice
December 6th	God's Singers Practice /Christmas Program Practice: 6:30 p.m.
December 10th	God's Singers Performs during 10:30 a.m. Worship
December 13th	Christmas Program Practice 6:30 p.m.
December 20th	Christmas Program Practice 6:30 p.m.
2024	
January 3rd	No R.O.K. - No God's Singers
January 10th	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
January 17th	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
January 24th	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
January 28th	God's Singers Performs during 10:30 a.m. Worship
January 31st	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
February 7th	R.O.K. & God's Singers 6:30 p.m. to 7:20 p.m.
February 14th	No R.O.K. - God's Singers Practice (Ash Wednesday) 6:30 p.m.
February 21st	No R.O.K. - God's Singers Practice 6:30 p.m.
February 25th	God's Singers Performs during 10:30 a.m. Worship
February 28th	No R.O.K. - God's Singers Practice 6:30 p.m.
March 6th	No R.O.K. - God's Singers Practice 6:30 p.m.
March 13th	No R.O.K. - God's Singers Practice 6:30 p.m.
March 20th	No R.O.K. - God's Singers Practice 6:30 p.m.
March 24th (Palm Sunday)	God's Singers Performs during 10:30 a.m. Worship
March 27th	No R.O.K. - God's Singers Practice 6:30 p.m.
April 3rd	No R.O.K. - God's Singers Practice 6:30 p.m.
April 10th	No R.O.K. - God's Singers Practice 6:30 p.m.
April 17th	No R.O.K. - God's Singers Practice 6:30 p.m.
April 24th	No R.O.K. - God's Singers Practice 6:30 p.m.
April 28th	God's Singers Performs during 10:30 a.m. Worship
May 1st	God's Singers Practice 6:30 p.m.
May 8th	God's Singers Practice 6:30 p.m.
May 12th	God's Singers Performs during 10:30 a.m. Worship
<i>Schools Out May 16th - Happy Summer!</i>	

Death

We express our Christian sympathy to the family and friends of
Abraham “Abe” Emmett Rohrbach
who passed away on August 4, 2023



May God Bless Those Who Mourn in These Days

Wednesday Evening Activities

Begin September 6, 2023

6:00 p.m.—Fellowship Meal

6:30 p.m.—Confirmation, Bell Choir
ROK & God’s Singers

7:30 p.m.—Sr. Choir



**Beginning Wednesday, September 20th—5 week
Marriage Class—”One Thing(s) for Married People”
Led by the Ingram and Bieri families**

6:30 to 7:30 pm

*Don’t miss an opportunity to improve your marriage and get help with
struggles all couples go through.*

A special *thank you* to everyone who participated
in providing Special Music during
the summer months.

We appreciate you!

~ The Worship Committee



September Choir Schedule

10 Senior Choir
17 Bells
24 God's Singers

October Choir Schedule

01 Senior Choir
08 Senior Choir
15 Bells
22 God's Singers
29 Senior Choir



September 3rd

Special Music— Youth Group

Nursery Volunteers

03 Julie Medlin
10 Callie Simmons
17 Courtney Cassil
24 Maggie Morris

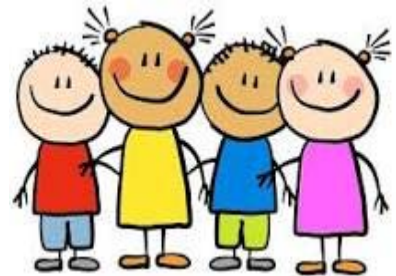


Children's Time

03 Carla Clennin
10 Ginnie Medlin
17 Kendra Hall
24 Puppets

Acolytes

03 Lena and Lee Bieri
10 Conner Brockes & Grayden Gatlin
17 Hazel & Meredith Wolford
24 Brenyn Robertson & Megan Carlock



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Lay Readers

03 Brad Friedrich
10 Allan Mortenson
17 Kathy Grant
24 Carla Clennin

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Text Registration Code – UCOC to 49775

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download this app for free.*



*There is an **Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)** meeting at the
Annunciation Catholic Church, 414 Patrick St., on Mondays at 8
p.m. Contact number: 660-621-2271.*

Giving Made Easy Online giving is available!

Follow the E-Giving link on our website:
calmo-ucc.org to give today or set recurring gifts

Note: Sunday School offering can now
be done through EasyTithe.

For your viewing and listening opportunities of the weekly worship services, there are two ways of being part of the weekly services. You may request a cd or dvd from the church office. Please let Rhonda know if you are interested in obtaining one of these versions of the worship service. (796-4885)

Notes & News

A Time of Hope
8:15 a.m. Sunday
KRLI Radio ~1420 AM

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*Please save your extra plastic shopping bags to use at the Food Bank.
Drop your bags off at the church. Thanks!*

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Scroll down and click on the
“Online Services” link. (The bulletin is also available)
Or: Go to youtube.com & search

September

September Birthdays



01 Keil Mouse
02 Travis Koestner
03 Aaron Spieler
04 Laura Burger
04 Christine Huffman
06 Peyton Peters
06 Hallie Thompson
07 Philip Burger
08 David Pearon
10 Jesse Schulte
10 Amanda Trimble
12 Rhonda Elliott
12 Adler Koestner
12 Carmen Ferris
12 Derek Schoeneberg
13 Jasmine Ash
14 Kathy Grant
15 Brian Scrivner
15 Caleb Weis
16 Carl Meisenheimer
16 Holly Bieri
17 Ted Bueker
18 Gage Bolinger
18 Jess Medlin
19 Lisa Motley
20 Lisa Milligan
20 Dawn Overbey
21 Maci Kueffer

22 Colin Kruger
22 B.J. Kruger
22 Collin Mouse
22 Tara Meisenheimer
23 Dylan Ash
23 Ella Burger
23 Emily Burger
23 Kolly Opie
24 Nelson Bochard
24 Chris Clifford
24 Craig Hall
25 Ellen Ash
25 Kitts Gillilan
26 McKenna Chambers
27 Quinten Wilson
28 Ginnie Medlin
30 William Kissick
30 Dorothy Sanders
30 AnJanette Volkart

Happy Birthday



September Baptisms

Michelle Ajtaji—Sept. 29, 2013
Carole Barbour—Sept. 3, 1944
Holly Bieri—September, 1985
Griffin Bolinger—Sept 9, 2001
Brandy Brockes-Sept. 11, 2022
Conner Brockes-Sept. 11, 2022
Christopher Cassil—Sept. 2, 2001
Ross Deeken—Sept. 15, 2002
Kimberly Hanauer—Sept. 23, 2018
Charley Medlin-Sept. 24, 2017
Jess Medlin-Sept. 24, 2017
Ava Motley-Sept. 8, 2021
Travis Koestner—Sept., 1972
Weston Peters—Sept. 5, 2004
Alison Peters—Sept., 1983
Caitlin Deeken Phoenix- Sept. 3, 1989
Ryan Vernon—Sept. 18, 1994

*Through the grace of our
Lord Jesus Christ,
we have been received into the
family of Jesus Christ
through the
sacrament of Baptism.*



The Tidings

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