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MINISTER'S MOMENT

Over the next few weeks, we will have several opportunities to come together as community of faith. One is an opportunity for fun, and the other two are much more serious. The fun event will be on Halloween evening at 6:00 PM, where I will be hosting a *movie night*, once again. I have selected a very *family-friendly film* that will be revealed in a couple of weeks, so keep your eyes peeled for updates. Folks can wear costumes if they like (nothing too scary or gory!), and we ask that you bring snacks or refreshments to share if you are able. This is a great event for inviting family and friends as guests.

On a more serious note, Sunday, October 6, is *World Communion Sunday*. We will be observing this during our morning worship service. Even though we celebrate the Lord's Supper each Sunday, it is important to remind ourselves that we do so as part of a much bigger *communion of the saints*. As Christians, we are participants in the universal church which transcends all places, peoples, and times. In essence, we are part of God's big, extended family of faith.

The second and even more serious worship event is set for Sunday, November 3, when we will be commemorating *All Saints Day* during our morning service. This is a time for us to remember and pay respect to all those faithful loved ones, friends, and fellow believers who have gone on to be with God. For the past two years, we have marked All Saints Day by giving everyone an opportunity to write the names of those we wish to remember on paper leaves which are then used in a Family Tree Ritual during the service. This has proved to be one of the more moving and emotional services of the year.

Please plan to participate in these events (both fun and serious!) as they unfold in the life of our congregation in the coming weeks. Together, we will continue to move forward in faith as a followers of Christ Jesus. See you in church! ~Russell



Erika Hull	10/1	Lynne Maguire	10/16
Mark Eastman	10/2	Ruth Kost	10/19
Gina Trimble	10/7	Gaye Pate	10/20
Jeff Flowers	10/8	Maggie Poteet	10/21
Katy Williams	10/10		



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Jeff & Susan Flowers	10/2	1993
Jim & Stephanie Everitt	10/26	1969

Please contact the church office and give us your birthday and anniversary dates. We don't want to miss anyone!

Serving in Oct.
Elders
 *Jim Everitt
 Bill Harding
Deacons
 *Sharon Hacker
 Charles Venable
 Norma Venable
 Stephanie Everitt
Communion Stewards
 Shawn Hull
 Suzanne Hull

Serving in Nov.
Elders
 Denise Winans
 Allen Trimble
Deacons
 *Shelly McIntyre
 Tom Tiegreen
 Art Koller
 Judy Koller
Communion Stewards
 Art Koller
 Judy Koller

Pastor's Bible Study
 Tuesday, October 1st
 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
 This is the last session of the IMAGES OF CHURCH IN THE NEW TESTAMENT. We will have refreshments and lively discussion, so bring a friend to join us.


WORLD COMMUNION
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6th
 "Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we partake of the one bread." ~1 Corinthians 10:17

BOARD MEETING
 Tuesday, October 15th at 6:00p.m.
 in Fellowship Hall

Women's Section Meetings
 Section V- Wed., Oct. 9th at 1:00 p.m.
 Section IV- Tues., Oct. 22nd at 6:00 p.m.



Men's Breakfast
 Sat., October 19th at 9:00 a.m.
 in Fellowship Hall
 All the men of FCC are invited
 Bring a guest!






All-Church POTLUCK
 Sun., October 27th at 11:00 a.m.
 Fellowship Hall
 Members and guests are welcome and encouraged to attend.
 Section IV will be hosting
 *Please bring a dish or dessert to share.



Thursday, October 31st at 6:00 p.m.
 in Fellowship Hall
 Family-friendly film
 You can wear costumes (nothing too scary or gory!)
 Please bring snacks or refreshments to share, if able. And don't forget to invite your friends & family!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Bible Study 10:00 a.m.	2 Bell Choir 5:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m.	3	4	5
6  World Communion Sunday Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:00 a.m.	7 Joplin Area Piano Teachers Association Recitals Sunday 1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. ←	8	9 Section V 1:00 p.m. Bell Choir 5:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m.	10	11	12
13 Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:00 a.m.	14	15 Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.	16 Bell Choir 5:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m.	17	18	19  MEN'S BREAKFAST 9:00 a.m.
20 Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Fiber Folks 2 pm	21	22 Section IV 6:00 p.m.	23 Bell Choir 5:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m.	24	25	26
27 Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Family Dinner 11:00 a.m.	28	29	30	31  HAPPY HALLOWEEN Movie Night 6:00 p.m.		