

November 2020



From Pastor John...

Trick or treat, smell my feet, give me something good to eat!

Have you ever looked at how we go from threatening people to give us candy straight into a season of giving thanks? I have to admit, I'm not completely sure what that means yet, but it is something interesting to think about.

The progression that we take from October to November to December is fascinating. In one month we celebrate taking things from others. I know that's not what we really mean when we're doing that, but the basic premise of Halloween is that if someone doesn't give you candy, then you can play a trick on them. Even worse, if they dare to give you something healthy like raisins or an apple, then you can play really big trick on them.

Not that I would know anything about that. I really wouldn't, if only because I'm not particularly good at thinking up tricks to play.

But then in November we come into a time when we give thanks for the things that we have received. Often, we give thanks for family, sometimes for other blessings that have come our way. Traditionally, this is a time when we give thanks for a good harvest that has come in. This is what we have received from what we view as the very first Thanksgiving all those many years ago, when one group of people had very little, but another shared what they had in a celebration with them.

Finally, in December we make another transition. We go from giving thanks for what we have received to giving things to others. I know that there is also a big tradition of receiving gifts from people, but how much time do you spend on figuring out what you are giving to someone else? There is a lot of intentionality going towards giving to someone else.

This is a wonderful movement that we see take place, from selfishness to altruism, from self-centered to other-centered, in the last part of the year.

This year, perhaps more so than many others, this is something that we need to focus on. In a world and a nation that is fraught with as much anxious and divisive energy as ours is, how

can we make this transition? How do we make these steps? We can't go directly from October to December because that's a really large jump, but we can go to November.

Ask yourself, as we go through this month, and as we look to December, how can I make that transition? First, how can I give thanks for what I have received, and how can I help someone else do the same? When you think you have a good answer for that question, then begin to look at how you can begin to give to someone else.

The example that we see coming in Jesus' birth shows us how God wants us to live, not focused on what we get, but focused on what we can give. Go out this month and live in this time of transition, and know that God has already shown us the way through.

Remember you can forward newsletter on to folks that might be interested and they can [subscribe](#) to our email list to stay up-to-date on things.

Monthly Calendar

Mondays

7am-7:30am Scripture Reading on KDWD 99.1

Tuesdays

4pm Centering Prayer Live on our [Facebook Page](#)

Fridays

7am-7:30am Scripture Reading on KDWD 99.1

Sundays

Online Worship on [our website](#) (click on the link for Sunday's date)

9am Worship in the Sanctuary

10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary

Other Church Events

11/1 4pm: Charge Conference by Zoom

11/2 3pm-5pm: The Food Pantry is open in the Fellowship Hall

11/11 1:30pm: Orpha Circle in the Fellowship Hall

11/15: Rescheduled All Saints Remembrance and Communion

11/16 3pm-5pm: The Food Pantry is open in the Fellowship Hall

11/22: Bishop Bob Farr will be in worship and preachign!

11/26: Thanksgiving Day

11/29: First Sunday of Advent

Community Calendars

Marceline [School Calendar](#)

My Country 99.1 [Community Calendar](#)

Office Hours

Beth: Wed-Fri, 8am-2pm. Beth will be working from home until Pastor John returns from quarantine

Pastor John: Monday all day, others by appointment (or stop in)



Join us for worship on Sunday November 22nd as Bishop Bob Farr joins us, and will be preaching!

Bishop Farr will be preaching at both in person services at 9am & 10:30am, and will hopefully be online as well.

Bishop Farr serves as the Bishop for the Missouri Annual Conference, and has been a part of the MO Conference through all of his ministry.



Please Donate



**Hats, Gloves and
Sweatpants** (Children's sizes 5-10)

To Walt Disney Elementary Kids!

Nurse Kelly will distribute everything to children who need them.

Sponsored by C.A.K.E (Christmas **A**cts of **K**indness **E**xperiment)

Youth at Marceline UMC until Nov. 13. Thank you!

Do you have donations that you can make?
Bring them to the church and we'll help get them to folks who need them.

Birthdays

1 - Jeremy Martin
3 - Hunter Wellman
9 - Max Sibley
11 - Jessie Moffit
11 - Dominic Sevier
17 - Henry Coe
17 - Chris Newman
18 - Liam Whittington
18 - Dalton Fisher
19 - Patricia Hildebrand
20 - Hanna Cain
20 - Nick Cain
20 - Raven Goodpaster

22 - Samuel Lowrey
24 - Leon Sibley
27 - Nolle Bond
30 - John Helton

Anniversaries

4 - Gary & Margaret Carlson
12 - David & Linda Munson
17 - Jim & Zoe Tolliver
18 - Kyle & Carol Lake
26 - Glenn & Faye Lindbloom
26 - Paul & Kathy Stark
26 - Don & Audrey Walsworth



2 HUMIDIFIERS 2 LARGE CORK BOARDS

THESE ITEMS HAVE BEEN REPLACED
AND NEED TO GO TO NEW HOMES.
THE HUMIDIFIERS ARE IN THE
CLOSET IN THE BACK OF THE
FELLOWSHIP HALL
THE CORK BOARDS ARE BEHIND THE
COATRACK IN THE DOWNSTAIRS
SUNDAY SCHOOL HALLWAY

Prayer List

Ongoing Concerns

Covid-19 Emergency, Youth, Young Adults, newcomers, Victims of Violence, Donna Moore, Bill & Judy Toops, Angie Builder, Dean Enyeart Family, Dean Pollard Family, Kyle Lake, Pearl Miller, Zoe Tolliver, Amber Carmichael, Nathan Cook, Lynn Bishop, Sarah Cavanah (married to Brad), Bobby & Rita Peterson, Joan Sportsman, Shane Cavanah, Dan Brooks, Sandy Hoskins, Wayne Heins, Ruth Farris, Linda Korte, Mary Sayler, Tom Hoover, Lynn Fellmann, Mark & Linda Ewigman, C.A. Lain, Steve Yates, Thomas Wellman
Economy, Families, Nation Leaders

Pioneer

Mabel Worley, John Haynes, Jim Payden

Bristol Manor

Annie George, Shirley Coram

Lenior Woods

Ed McLachlan

Military Service

Patric Munson, Nick Cain, LTC John Casey Welch, Tyler Nanneman, Jeffrey Tucker, Kelly Tucker, Brett Wellman, Brandon Wellman, Heath Floray, Steve Graves, Michael Pyrtle, William Leukenotte, Kerry Lowrey

Parting Shots

Below are pictures of what's been happening in the last month

There's pictures from Maya Moore's baptism, a baby shower (with mom to be), youth cooking hot dogs, and our kids getting ready for Christmas.

