



# **OCTOBER 2024**





In honor of those who lost their lives in the 9/11 attacks, our church prayed over those who keep us safe every day - our local first responders and military veterans.





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## **RAIL OFFERING**

CMC has restarted the tradition of the "Rail Offering". What is a "Rail Offering," you ask? This is when we put collection baskets on the Communion rail on Communion Sundays, collecting for nonprofits in our service area to help them with their funding. The Rail Offering is separate from tithing, as this goes to the nonprofit directly to benefit them and their visions.

Our Rail Offering recipient for October is the Methodist Children's Home. If you have suggestions on nonprofit organizations that share our beliefs, please send those to the church office and they will add them to the list for the Board of Stewards to consider for future Rail Offerings.

We were so thrilled with the results of Blessing of the Animals! We blessed 12 animals and several families, and we raised a few bucks for Haven Animal Rescue of Texas (HART). Pastor Kevin even blessed and named a newborn kitten (now called 'Chris.'). Thank you to everyone who came out to show your support, and thank you for loving our animals!

## **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**



## **COMING UP THIS FALL SEASON**

#### **MONTHLY EVENTS**

- **10/13** W.I.N.G.S. ministry meeting (4 p.m.)
- **10/15** Women's Emmaus reunion (12 p.m.)
- **10/17** Men's Emmaus reunion (6 p.m.)
- 10/21 Board of Stewards meeting\* (6 p.m.)

\*Typically B.o.S meetings are the second Monday of the month, but due to the federal holiday, October's meeting is pushed to the 21st.

#### **WEEKLY EVENTS**

- **Sundays** Fireproof Bible study (last day is Oct. 13) (11:45 a.m.)
- Wednesdays Wednesday Night Life and men & women's small groups (6 p.m.); Prayer Time ministry meeting (5 p.m.)
- **Thursdays** Choir practice (6 p.m.); women's pickleball (6:30 p.m.)



## **SCARE ON THE SQUARE**

We will be participating once again in the city's Scare on the Square event! We are taking donations of candy now, so bring your favorite type of (fresh and unopened) Halloween candy to the fellowship hall, now through Oct. 25.

### **YOUTH BAKE AUCTION & CHILI LUNCH**

It's time to support our youth once again! It's the annual bake and chili lunch! This year's event will take place on **Sunday, November 10.** More information will be coming up. Please talk with youth director MaryAnn Baron if you'd like to participate.



### PHILLIP STAGGS IN CONCERT

Our exceptionally talented music minister will be center stage at **6 p.m. on**November 17, singing and performing the organ for the glory of the Lord in worship.

Mark your calendars! More details to come soon.



#### **SOLES4SOULS**

We're reaching the end of our collection days for Soles4Souls, in partnership with our local Lions Club. Faith Ward has collected boxes upon boxes upon bags upon bags of shoes from our generous congregation (162 pairs!), and we couldn't be more thrilled! There's still time to bring your lightly worn shoes to the fellowship hall. The last day to collect is Oct. 15, so don't miss your opportunity to bless someone!



#### **TITHING**

	BUDGET	RECEIVED	OVER/UNDER
JULY	\$39,887	\$39,055	-\$832
AUG.	\$39,887	\$32,454	-\$7,433

### **CHURCHWIDE STUDY**

Have you signed up for our six-week churchwide study? If you don't have a Sunday School class taking part in 'Living the Christian Life,' we are attempting to schedule study groups outside of Sunday mornings. Let us know when you're available! Follow the link to register using the QR code to the right.







FOLLOW THE LINK!

### **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

10/1 - Mike Knibbe

10/3 - Mary Goff

10/4 - Britney L. Garza

10/4 - Johnny Price

10/10 - Emily Jane Rockett

10/12 - Debbie Harper

10/19 - Deborah Hildebrand 10/29 - Kristel Leubner

10/19 - Paul Harper

10/20 - Ann Chapman

10/20 - Tonya King

10/24 - Clara Couch

10/24 - Carolyn Brinkmann

10/25 - Laverne Addison



10/31 - Nita Beavers