

# The Voice of Billingsville

## November 2021

St. Johns United Church of Christ  
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“No matter who you are, or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here.”

## *Happy Anniversary Pastor Jim!*

2021 marks the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pastor James Elliott’s ordination. Pastor Elliott was ordained as a pastor of the United Church of Christ on November 8, 1961, at 1<sup>st</sup> Congregational UCC, Lee Center, IL, a small rural congregation resembling St. Johns UCC, Billingsville. He served that small congregation for two years while finishing his seminary studies.

Jim has served seven churches since then, including Union Congregational Church in Gridley, IL; Edgebrook Community Church in Chicago, IL; North Berwyn Congregational UCC in Berwyn, IL; St. Paul UCC in Hermann, MO from 1980-2008; Immanuel UCC in New Franklin, MO from 2010-2012; and St. Johns UCC from 2013-present. Pastor Jim and Sharon are members of the Columbia UCC, and they recognized his Ordination Anniversary with a special service on October 10.

A scholarship to Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary has been created in Pastor Jim’s honor. We will have a special offering on Sunday, November 7 to collect donations for this scholarship. If you aren’t

able to be in church on November 7, but would like to donate, you can send a check to the St. Johns. Make the check payable to St. Johns UCC and write “Scholarship” in the memo. You may also make the check payable to Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary. Julie will mail all donations at the end of the month.



### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sunday, November 7:** Holy Communion during morning worship; Collection of Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

**Wednesday, November 10:** Church Board meeting at 6:00 pm

**Sunday, November 14:** Penny Sunday for ECH and collection of Benevolence Offering

**Sunday, November 21:** Blanket Sunday

**Thursday, November 25:** Newsletter articles due

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# Happy Anniversary to the Women's Guild

The Guild is 120 years old this year! On June 3, 1951, a special service was held at St. Johns to recognize the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Guild. The program from this service is below.

## SERVICE PROGRAM

Organ Meditation •••••Mrs. Ben Stegner  
Processional  
Doxology  
Responsive Call to Worship:  
L. I will praise the Lord With my whole heart,  
in the assembly of the upright, and in the  
congregation.  
C. The works of the Lord are great, sought out  
of all them that have pleasure therein.  
L. His work is honorable and glorious; and his  
righteousness endureth forever.  
C. Unto Him be all praise and honor and glory.  
Hymn of Praise •••••No. 2  
Prayer •••••Rev. Abele  
Tre Scripture ••• Psalm 112 ••••• Rev. Kaiser  
Solo •••••Mrs. R. Stegner  
Introduction of guest speaker • Mrs. Ernest Torbeck  
Address •••••Mrs. Lehman  
Hymn •••••No. 247  
A word from the president  
Greetings from visitors  
A History of St. John's Guild • Mrs. Wm. Schwitzky  
Hymn of Reconsecration No. 252  
Benediction Rev. Schultz

## GUILD MEMBERS

President, Mrs. Ernest Torbeck  
Vice-President, Mrs. Herman Stegner  
Secretary, Miss Lizzie Gerhardt  
Treasurer, Mrs. Randolph Stegner

## REMAINING CHARTER MEMBERS

Mrs. Amelia Grathwohl - Mrs. H. Friedrich

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Mrs. Fred Deuschle  
Mrs. J. J. Dumolt  
Mrs. H. C. Friedrich  
Mrs. H. R. Friedrich  
Mrs. Oscar Friedrich  
Mrs. William Gerhardt  
Mrs. Flora Gerhardt  
Mrs. Clarence' Gehardt  
Miss Lizzie Gerhardt  
Mrs. George Geiger  
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Mrs. Herman Stegner  
Mrs. Randolph Stegner  
Mrs. William Schwitzky  
Miss Flora Schilb  
Mrs. E. W. Torbeck  
Mrs. Roger Verts  
Mrs. John Wassman  
Miss Fannie Schubert  
Miss Lizzie Fairchild



**Notes from the Church Council Meeting  
October 6, 2021**

Present Jared, Ed, Linda, Scott, Vicki, and Pastor Jim.

Council would like to thank Don Scott for donating a steel plate that was placed over the Septic opening.

Pastor Jim Thanked the Congregation for the Pastor Appreciation Gift.

Vicki reported that the combined search committee continues to be interviewing Pastors.

After Linda spoke with One License, LLC, they advised her that there might be another way to legally copy music that may work better for our Church; Linda will continue to investigate this matter.

November 7, barring an uptick in Covid cases within the Congregation, we will start signing entire Hymns.

Scott reported a new pressure tank was put in and plumbed.

Hanging of the Greens will be December 5<sup>th</sup> at morning worship with a potluck to follow.

Respectfully submitted, *Vicki Hilden*, Secretary

A little boy in church for the first time watched as the ushers passed around the offering plates. When they came near his pew, the boy said loudly, "Don't pay for me, Daddy, I'm under five."

<b>OCTOBER STATISTICS</b>			
	<b>Offering</b>	<b>Benevolence</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
03	\$2145	\$25 NIN: \$150	28
10	\$930	\$25 Penny Sunday: \$32.86	19
17	\$1130	\$25	35
24	\$530	\$25	30
31	\$660	\$25	26

We are all busy filling shoeboxes and thinking about the joy and excitement that each child will feel as he/she opens the box to discover all the special and wonderful gifts inside. If you still need stuffed animals, crayons, etc. those are available on the front pew, so help yourself. Please bring your box or boxes to church on Sunday, November 7. The children will collect them during worship.

If you are unable to fill a shoebox, but would like to participate, we would appreciate your donations for postage. It costs \$9 to send each box. Please make checks to Samaritan's Purse (or you can give cash) and send it to Marg Scott, 13627 Santa Fe Rd., Boonville, MO 65233. Thank you.

You have been so faithful to fill 1382 boxes over the past 21 years. May God bless you for your generosity, caring and love to share Jesus and Joy with children.

Many, Many Thanks,  
Marg Scott

	<b>Worship Leader</b>	<b>Greeters &amp; Ushers</b>	<b>Scripture Readings</b>
Nov 07	Donna Kammerich	Linda Simmons & Volunteer	Hebrews 9:24-28 Mark 12:38-44
Nov 14	Don Scott	Donna Kammerich & Volunteer	Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25 Mark 13:1-8
Nov 21	Janet Stegner	Volunteers	Revelation 1:4b-8 John 18:33-37
Nov 28	Melissa Hundley	Volunteers	1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 Luke 21:25-36

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS	
Shauna Bohlken	12
Don Scott	17
Tyler Stretz	20
D. J. Muse	21
Pastor Jim Elliott	23
Andrew Inskeep	28

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES	
Jason & Angie Hackman	01
Frank & Marty Eastman	21

✠ BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES ✠	
Kamrynn Sue Hundley	02
Michael Ross Grissum	04
Morgan E. Kueckelhan Hawley	05
Justin Lee Kueckelhan	09
Gerald Wayne Dick	12
Donna Sue Schler Kammerich	18
Shirley Ann Johnston	26

*In Christian Sympathy*

Our condolences go out to the Family of Marie Zaugg who passed away on October 5. Marie was buried in St. Johns Cemetery on October 16.

Steve Cooper passed away on October 31. We offer our deepest sympathies Janice, Alex and the rest of the Cooper family.

**Please let these homebound and nursing home friends know you are thinking about them with a visit or a card.**

**Arlene Friedrich**  
*Katy Manor 205 Prospect Pilot Grove, MO 65276*

**Rob & Louise Friedrich**  
*Riverdell Care Center 1121 11th St. Boonville, MO 65233*

**Lyndall Galloway (Laura's father)**  
*MO Veterans Home 1 Veterans Way, Mexico, MO 65265*

**Louise Overstreet (Janet's mother)**  
*Katy Manor 205 Prospect Pilot Grove, MO 65276*

**Shirley Schmidt (Vicki's mother)**  
*Nye Point 2700 Laverna St, Fremont, NE 68025*

**Marjorie Vieth Meyer**  
*Riverdell Care Center 1121 11th St. Boonville, MO 65233*

**Dorothy Vieth**  
*Lenoir 3710 Lenoir St, Columbia, MO 65201*

**Bernadine Wassmann**  
*Katy Manor 205 Prospect Pilot Grove, MO 65276*

**PRAYER CHAIN**

- Carolyn Bunton (friend of Laura), hospice
- Angie Carmichael, cancer
- Pastor Jim & Sharon Elliott
- Carol (Pastor Jim's sister-in-law), lung cancer
- John (Sharon's brother-in-law), heart issues
- Ethan @ ECH (SS Sponsor Child)
- Eula Brown Gowan
- Joey Hoflander, recovering from stroke
- Todi Hughes (Holly's mom)
- Shelley Jennings
- Iva Mae Johnson (Vicki's aunt)
- Nancy Kueckelhan
- Ava LeCave
- Chris (Ann Muntzel's nephew), chemotherapy
- Marilyn Rethmeyer, cancer
- Karen Schnetzler
- Carol Snyder
- Sandy Upton (Dave & Ann's niece), chemotherapy

**MARK 11:24 "Listen to Me! You can pray for anything, and if you believe, you will have it."**

**Serving in our military:**

Landon Bail	Cliff Burgoyne	Jeff Burgoyne
Lakoda Davis	Tony Davis	Chris Hawley
Natalie Meng	Blayne Vickery	James Walker



# Thanksgiving Day

Fourth Thursday of November



AMERICA  
CANOE  
COLONY  
CORNUCOPIA  
ENGLAND  
FALL  
FAMILY  
FEAST  
FREEDOM

GRATITUDE  
HARVEST  
HOLIDAY  
INDIANS  
MAIZE  
MAYFLOWER  
MILES STANDISH  
NEWWORLD  
NOVEMBER

PILGRIMS  
PLYMOUTH  
PUMPKIN PIE  
PURITANS  
SQUASH  
STUFFING  
THANKSGIVING  
TURKEY  
YAMS



# Festival of Sharing 2021 Quilt Auction



NOVEMBER 7 - NOVEMBER 13, 2021

The quilt auction proceeds benefit the Church World Service Blankets Program which helps people rebuild after disasters.

## 2021 Online Quilt Auction

Join us Sunday, November 7th - Saturday, November 13th, 2021 for an online auction. Quilt photos, details, and bidding directions will be accessible from our quilt auction webpage one month prior to bidding going live at [www.festivalofsharing.org/quilts](http://www.festivalofsharing.org/quilts).

Send quilt donations to the Festival address (below) before August 20, 2021.

We accept checks and major credit cards.



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Our Blanket Sunday Offering will be on Nov. 21st. Each blanket costs \$10 and since winter is coming, they will be a comfort to people who need them to stay warm.

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*<sup>1</sup> O come, let us sing to the Lord;  
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!*

*<sup>2</sup> Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!*

*<sup>3</sup> For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.*

**Psalm 95:1-5**

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Worship 10:30 a.m.  
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