### The Voice of Billingsville

#### October 2020

St. Johns United Church of Christ

14191 Billingsville Road, Boonville, MO 65233-3408

"No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."



#### Your Shoebox Can Go Where Missionaries Can't

This might be the most important year ever to reach children with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In the midst of a pandemic, children are frightened, families are struggling, and people don't know what hope they have for the future. We want children around the world to know God loves them, He has not forgotten them, and that he cares for them very much. Operation Christmas Child is a powerful way to share the message of God's love and we are proceeding full speed ahead so we can deliver gift-filled boxes to millions of children.

Each shoebox gift you can pack represents one more boy or girl and their families that we can reach with the Gospel. Dozens of countries that have been wracked by the coronavirus are opening back up to receive and distribute shoebox gifts. At a time when many missionaries have had to retreat from their fields, our church partners worldwide are stepping up into the gap and are ready to use these gifts along with the literature we provide to share the Gospel.

I want to encourage you, your family, friends, and your church to pack as many shoebox gifts as you can. Most importantly, please pray for the children who will receive your gifts. What better way to make sure the Gospel message continues to be proclaimed "to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:18)?

Sincerely, Franklin Graham



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Sunday, October 4:** Holy Communion during morning worship; Neighbors in Need Offering

Wednesday, October 7: Church Board meeting at 6:00 pm

**Sunday, October 11:** Penny Sunday; Benevolence Offering; Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Project kickoff

**Thursday, October 15:** Financial Reports due in the office

**Sunday, October 18:** Quarterly Congregational Meeting

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Note from Marg:

We will have our Shoebox Kick-off event on Sunday, Oct. 11, during morning worship.

Our collection of the shoeboxes will be on Sunday, Nov. 8, also during morning worship.



There are shoeboxes the hall so pick up as many as you can fill. There are instruction brochures, labels, and rubber bands in each box. There are also toothbrushes so take as many of those as you need.

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 and send to Marg Scott, 13627 Santa Fe Rd. Boonville, MO 65233.

You have been so faithful to fill 1265 boxes over the last 20 years. Please contact me if you have any questions. 882-7244 or <a href="mailto:dmscott@iland.net">dmscott@iland.net</a>

May God bless you for your generosity, caring and love to share Jesus and Joy to children.

Many, Many Thanks,

Marg Scott

## The Blessings of Service

I must do something for someone today;
Round up my love and give it away.
Telephone a friend, just over the hill
Who's a whole lot lonely and a little bit ill.
Write on my heart several things to be done;
'Twill be such a pleasure, not to mention the fun!
Say a few words on a little bitty note
To make somebody glad that I wrote.
Remember a friend if I can't be there,
Open my heart and just send a prayer.
The day moves on and I'm getting in high
To give away that which money can't buy.

By Mildred H. Bell Submitted by Marg Scott

#### NOTES FROM CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING September 9, 2020

Vegetables, picked okra, jellies and jams will be available for purchase by church members. Vegetables and fruit were grown in anticipation of our 2020 Harvest Festival, which was cancelled.

Pastor Jim trimmed bushes and vines around the parsonage and continued cleaning the cracks in the church's West driveway.

Bids will be sought for driveway repairs and sealing.

The next council meeting will be Wednesday, October 7, 2020, at 6:00pm at the church.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Meyer, Secretary

#### **Health Kits Update**

We have collected 48 health kits for the Sharing Festival that will be held in Tipton, Missouri on October 10. We will deliver them then.

Thank you so much for making a disaster victim's life a little more bearable.

God Bless You

The Women's Guild

A small boy told a Sunday school teacher: "When you die, God takes care of you like your parents did when you were alive — only God doesn't yell at you all the time."

— via Rev. Dennis R. Fakes Lodi, CA

#### **THANK YOU**

Thank you to Pastor Jim for trimming the hedges and vines outside the parsonage and for clearing the grass from the cracks in the parking lots!

Thank you to Anne Geiger for her generous donation to the church.

Thank you to Jack McCarthy for his donation to the Window Fund in memory of Don Bail.



If anyone would like to sell Harvest Festival type donations after church some Sunday/s, please contact Marg Scott or Jim Farris. We will then set a meeting of all who are interested to plan the best way to do this. Thanks!

SEPTEMBER STATISTICS				
	Offering	Benevolence	Attendance	
06	\$1980	\$75	32	
13	\$540	\$105 Penny Sun: \$31.23	22	
20	\$1035	\$75	43	
27	\$535	\$55	31	

#### **DRIVER SAFETY**

As we age, physical changes can affect our driving skills such as moving our feet, looking over our shoulder, and even hearing and vision decline. Medication can affect driver safety, so read the labels so that you know what to expect from each drug and how it would affect your judgement.

Occupational therapist can offer driving tests and driving tips. Your doctor can recommend a consult. Plan ahead before you drive so you know where you are going, road conditions, and your own ability to focus.

Deuteronomy 24:19: "When you reap your harvest in your field, and have forgotten a sheaf in the field, you shall not go back to get it; it shall be for the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow; that the Lord your God may bless you in all the work of your hands.."

	Worship Leader	Greeters & Ushers	Scripture Readings
Oct 4	Jason Hundley	Volunteers	Philippians 3:4b-14 Matthew 21:33-46
Oct 11	David Wenger	Volunteers	Philippians 4:1-9 Matthew 22:1-14
Oct 18	Julie Kueckelhan	Jason Hundley & Garrett Hundley	1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 Matthew 22:15-22
Oct 25	Angie Hackman	Rhea Helmreich & Linda Simmons	1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Matthew 22:34-46

#### **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

#### **OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

Kent & Donna Kammerich	06
Terry & Linda Schler	
Bill & Marilyn Geiger	
Rodney & Melinda Richardson	15

#### **₽** BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES **₽**

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

**Arlene Friedrich** 

Ashley Manor 1630 Radio Hill Rd. Boonville, MO 65233

**Rob Friedrich** 

1331 Lyric Court Boonville, MO 65233

Louise Overstreet (Janet's mother)

Hartmann Village 615 Rankin Mill Ln Boonville, MO 65233

**Kathryn Schupp (Nancy'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** 

Riverdell Care Center 1121 11th St. Boonville, MO 65233

**Bernadine Wassmann** 

Hartmann Village 615 Rankin Mill Ln Boonville, MO 65233

#### **PRAYER CHAIN**

Angie Carmichael, cancer

Paula Darling

Pastor Jim & Sharon Elliott

John (Sharon's brother-in-law), heart issues

Olivia (Sharon's niece), cancer

Ethan @ ECH (SS Sponsor Child)

Todi Hughes (Holly's mom)

Lyndall Galloway (Laura's father)

Laura Leach, recovering from aneurysm

David Keltner (Jeanne's brother)

Nancy Kueckelhan

Ava LeCave

Linda Lyles (Rhea's friend), heart and lung issues

Chris (Ann Muntzel's nephew), cancer recovery

Angie Nave

Michael Pauley

Marilyn Rethmeyer, cancer has returned

Erika Sanderson (Pat's niece)

Karen Schnetzler

Shirley Schmidt (Vicki's mom)

**Lois Shaw** 

**Vicky Simmons** 

Nancee Waibel, cancer

Dave & Ginger Wenger

#### Serving in our military:

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



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