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*"Called to be the presence of  
Christ in our community"*

# *Karen's Korner*



Well, here we are in October, flying through this year! As I write this, Dan and I are looking forward to a wedding in New York to cap off September.

Your Green Chalice committee has made some changes. I hope you all have seen our new compost container, bucket, and procedure. We are now composting all food scraps, coffee grounds and paper towels from food clean-up! We also have coffee cups, real plates and silverware enough for coffee hour and Feed the Body and Soul. We are still working on a water filter solution and hope to have one soon. Look forward to more information on free-trade items and recycling of batteries. We are also open to more ideas!

October brings World Communion Sunday to Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup>. We will have a joint service with the Korean Fellowship Church on that day with a meal together after. Please plan to join us. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in Fellowship Hall to indicate what you will bring. Also, at the end of the month we are having Trunk or Treat on Sunday October 25<sup>th</sup> after service. Kids are welcome to wear their costumes to church or change after. Adults are welcome to dress up and decorate your cars for the occasion. Please provide nut-free candy.

Feed the Body and Soul study is going strong on Wednesday nights. We meet at 6:00 p.m. for a light supper and 6:30 p.m. for the lesson. Rev. LaMarco Antonio Cable from Global Ministries has provided information on Global Ministries and we are working on a proposal to support Global Ministries. Following that we will return to finishing our book on the misuse of Christianity by Christian Nationalists. Please join us! Also please check the sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall, if you can provide dinners.

Please also join us Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. before service for our Adult Sunday School. We are continuing our study of Men of the Bible.

Monday Intercessory Prayer (MIP) is continuing to meet from 6-7 pm Mondays by calling 607-374-1123 and entering code 390193 at the prompt. It is a peaceful time, during which we share our joys and concerns for personal needs, our church, our community, our nation, and the world. Also, please continue to share your prayer concerns.

The Nominating Committee is also active this month. Please have open hearts to serve when asked. Also, the budgeting process is taking place, so any budget requests need to be communicated to Sandy.

Finally looking forward to November, please mark your calendars for our Annual Meeting and Thanksgiving Dinner on Sunday November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Please plan to join us!

Faithfully yours,

Karen

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Join us in wishing  
Godspeed  
and a fond farewell to  
our beloved Martha!

Saturday, October 17

12 – 2:30 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

Hosted by the Church and Choralaires

Come and go as you are able

# TRUNK OR TREAT

SUNDAY OCTOBER 25TH AFTER SERVICE

KIDS, COME TO CHURCH WITH YOUR COSTUME!  
YOU MAY WEAR COSTUMES DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL OR CHANGE AFTER  
SERVICE IF YOU WOULD PREFER.  
NO GORY OR SCARY COSTUMES PLEASE.

GROWNUPS IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE BRING PEANUT FREE  
CANDY/TREATS OR FUN GOODIES.  
BEFORE OR AFTER SERVICE BACK UP YOUR CAR TO THE SIDEWALK,  
DECORATE YOUR TRUNK AND HAVE FUN!  
PLEASE LEAVE SOME HANDICAP PARKING AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WHO NEED IT.

TRUNK OR TREAT CAR DECORATING KITS ARE AVAILABLE AT  
[WWW.ORIENTALTRADING.COM](http://WWW.ORIENTALTRADING.COM)





The Pantry is always grateful for our donations.

If you would like to contribute during October, here are a few items to choose from.

Kleenex  
Crackers  
Canned Fruit

Pasta  
Pasta Sauce

Thank you for all that you do for those in need and the FISH Pantry.

Blessings,  
Barb Bates

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## SERVICE SUNDAY

Sunday, October 11th



October brings another opportunity for the church to serve others with our participation in writing notes to cancer patients. It is also a way to honor Kara's incredible journey against this disease.

There is not a need for donations, rather that you bring good thoughts and the ability to write. Cards will be provided, you will write in the blank area some happy thoughts, (guidelines and suggestions will be available). The cards will then be gathered in a large envelope and sent to one or more of the organizations that will include the greetings in packages to patients.

Should you not be in church that Sunday, cards will be available to take home.

# Property Report

There wasn't much going on in the month of September. The Boiler was checked for the fall/winter season. We received approval to replace the mini-split Heater/AC unit in Fellowship Hall. Many miscellaneous items were done by our custodian, Joe. That's it for now.



Have a good Fall season.

Barb and Dan

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## *Did you know...?* By: Bobbie Dean

More interesting facts about **Canada**:

\*In Churchill Manitoba, nobody locks their doors to their house or cars in case of a polar bear attack.

\*Smelling bad is illegal in Canada. Anyone offending a public place with an offending smell could face two years in jail.

\*The Trans Canada Highway #1 is the longest highway in the world at 4,860 miles.

\*Canada has the highest tides in the world at the Bay of Fundy. Located between Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. This body of water moves 100 billion tons of water through its tides twice daily.

\*Canada has the longest street in the world. Yonge Street in Ontario is 1,178 miles long. It originates in Toronto and goes due north to just shy of Lake Simcoe.

\*This country has more lakes than the rest of the world combined with 20% of the world's freshwater.

\*The oldest rocks on earth can be found in The Canadian Shield. The 4.28 billion-year-old rock was discovered by geologists in 2001.

\*One-tenth of the world's forests are in Canada.

\*Canada has more polar bears than anywhere in the world.



# Welcome to CARS

## Community Assisted Rides



CARS is a non-profit organization that works together with volunteer drivers to provide safe, accompanied transportation and outreach services for individuals 60 and better within the 20+ villages they serve.

CARS provides rides for medical appointments, therapies, grocery shopping, church, hairdresser, and similar life enhancing errands.

- CARS requires one-week advance notice for rides and can schedule months in advance.
- Rides are limited to no more than two a week.
- Medical appointments are given priority over errands.
- Emergency ride requests are assessed case-by-case.
- CARS may cancel rides due to extreme weather conditions
- Holiday rides are limited due to vacation time and closings.
- Riders must be ambulatory and able to get in and out of the car unassisted. Some volunteers are able to fold up and transport walkers.

There are a few other services available through CARS. A copy of their information will be posted on the office bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.

To schedule a ride: Monday – Friday 8:30 am to 2:00 pm

- Call 708-354-9328
- Email: [Coordinator@communityassistedrides.org](mailto:Coordinator@communityassistedrides.org)



I want to personally thank everyone at First Christian Church for your recognition coffee hour to celebrate my 20 years of employment. I am very grateful for your support and kindness and truly appreciate your generous gift. It is a pleasure to work for you. Time has gone by so fast. I can't believe it's been 20 years. Thank you again,

Carol

# OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



|         |                                  |
|---------|----------------------------------|
| Oct. 3  | Jeff Igel                        |
| Oct. 6  | Dahne Magnolia Morales<br>Gascot |
| Oct. 13 | Megan Barlow                     |
| Oct 14  | Gail Reese                       |
| Oct. 15 | Lakeesa Phillips                 |
| Oct. 19 | Samantha Biro                    |
| Oct. 31 | Carl Misek                       |

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## SERVING SCHEDULE



| ELDERS  | Lectern      | Table        |
|---------|--------------|--------------|
| Oct. 4  | Sue Huizinga | Bob Reese    |
| Oct. 11 | Bab Bates    | Becky Daigle |
| Oct. 18 | Daphne Haes  | Bill Cook    |
| Oct. 25 | Karen Johns  | Daphne Hayes |

| DEACONS | Prep and Serve | Serve           |
|---------|----------------|-----------------|
| Oct. 4  | Eli Sanchez    | Galilee Flores  |
| Oct. 11 | Larry Caley    | Jeff Igel       |
| Oc. 18  | Dave Kijowski  | Kristi Kijowski |
| Oct. 25 | Gai Reese      | Galilee Flores  |

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## Church Chuckles

By Bobbie Dean



The retiring Sunday School teacher left a note for her replacement warning that the Johnson triplets always started crying during the story of Noah's loading up the ark.