

The Good News of...

October 2020



Brandon Christian Church



Fall is some people's favorite season. Who doesn't enjoy observing the leaves from the trees and plants changing into multi-colored works of art before finally falling away? The bare and vulnerable branches that are created reveal the true and beautiful scenery underneath. It is the time of year when people are looking for harvest prayers and prayers of thanksgiving for the abundance of the earth's provision. It is harvest season.

In the northern part of the United States, all the seasons are very apparent. We see God's hand at work in creation. The spring season is green, the summer is hot, the winter is cold and the fall is full of magnificent colors. The maple trees are especially vibrant with colors of red and golden-yellow and combinations of both.

This season is perfect for taking beautiful scenic photos and spending time outdoors. Decorating our homes with harvest themes, picking apples in the orchard or pumpkin picking and hay rides on the farm are fun family times. Autumn is the "cooling off" month right between the blazing summer and chilling winter—the humidity drops and we breathe easier. Some light fires in the fire pit and drink cocoa around the fire wearing flannel shirts with checks. We enjoy all the accoutrements of autumn.

Autumn is a part of the jam-packed holiday season. There's the back-to-school rush, Halloween, and Thanksgiving before rolling into winter and Christmas. And these aren't just regular old holidays. These are all very involved, family-centered holidays.

Autumn is the season to be thankful and to be surrounded by the people you love. It's the perfect time to change up your decorations by adding orange, red and yellow colors and to pull out the spice-scented candles.

The holiday season encourages you to spend time thinking about what you and your family have been through in the last year as well as the memories you've made together while looking forward to a new and exciting year. And hasn't 2020 been some year?

I don't think 2020 has been anything like the year we were looking forward to at this time last year. It's held plenty of surprises—and anxieties for all of us. This once-in-a-century year has pretty much been awful. And yet...

I am convinced that God has been moving in (our) history in 2020. God has been active in our world and in our lives even though we haven't always seen it or felt it. I look forward to 2021 and I look forward to looking back on 2020 with hindsight to delight in seeing how God was working among us and within us all.

Usually it is only in retrospect—as we look back—that we see this and the meaning of many things that baffle us in the present. We don't know how to read the true meaning of what's happening now. That is why we must learn to trust the providence of God even when we cannot see God's hand at work or feel God's presence.

Trust in God. Our experience so far has been 100%—we're still here. Look around you at all the GOOD that is in our lives. Breathe the fresh air and drink the cool water. Enjoy the flowers and trees. Delight in your families and friends—and your church.

God IS with us,
Rev Day

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October 9 - 10

Join us for worship, fellowship, and workshops as we seek to be "equipped as God's people for the work of serving and building up the body of Christ!" There are always challenges as we seek to be the Church, and especially now in this unprecedented season. God is doing a new thing! How will we be part of that? May we have brave, compassionate, and kind conversations that "build us up in love" and empower us by God's Holy Spirit that we may not grow weary in our serving. Hope to see you soon as we gather on Zoom!!

Downloadable registration forms were sent around via email, if you need a copy of the email please contact the office. You can also use this link <http://fldisciples.org/2020-assembly-registration.html> to sign up online!

More information is available on the region website—<http://fldisciples.org/index.html>



BCC has been confirmed as a Feeding Tampa Bay Mobile Pantry site on October 6th and February 2nd, there are other sites and dates that will need volunteers as well. There are some forms to fill out which should have come in the same email as this this newsletter, if you need them sent to you please contact the office.



SWIFT

SWIFT will meet on Sunday, October 18 at 1pm on Zoom. While Zoom is not as enjoyable as getting together in person to share a meal and fellowship, it is something we can do to enrich the limited socializing most of us are currently experiencing. The time spent together for our September Zoom gathering was greatly enjoyed by all who participated. If anyone has questions about how to participate, please contact Betty Dawson at bdawson@dawsoncrew.com or 813-404-9393. We might even be able to use some creativity to include people without computer access. All single women are encouraged to join in this time of fellowship from a distance.

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Birthdays and Anniversaries!!

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October 5—Judy Echdahl

October 20 Marcia Drayer

October 8—Erin Dunnivant Paulson

October 22—Jerome Collins

October 24—Brian Sears

Anniversaries!

October 7—Jerome and Alexandra Collins

October 25—Art and Karlita Konnerth

October 27—Daniel and Erin (Dunnivant) Paulson

October 29—Britt & Laura Failes

FINANCE MEETING—THURS, OCTOBER 8
7:00PM, **ZOOM**

ELDERS' MEETING—SUN, OCTOBER 11
12:45PM, **ZOOM**

BOARD MEETING—SUN, OCTOBER 18
5PM—**ZOOM**

In essentials, unity.

In non-essentials, liberty.

In all things, love!



Food for Thought will be taking a hiatus for the foreseeable future, with the hopes of being able to meet in person once again. This will be updated in the Flock Talk should there be any changes.

Things to Know for October

1—World Vegetation Day

9-10—Regional Assembly—Online

18—SWIFT, 12:45—Zoom

3—Brandon Charity Golf Classic

11—Elders, 12:45—Zoom

18—Board, 5:00—Zoom

4—World Communion Sunday

11—Book Discussion, 2:00—Zoom

23-24—Administrative Committee Meeting

4—Reconciliation Special Offering

11—Week of Ministry Begins

25—Youth Week Begins

4—Saint Francis of Assisi Day

12—Thanksgiving Day (Canada)

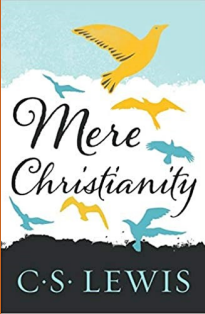
25—11/1—Family Promise Week

8—Finance, 7:00pm—Zoom

17—Week of Ministry Ends

29—Delivery of Election Equipment

Christian Book Discussion



The Christian Book Discussion group is scheduled to gather on Zoom, October 11, 2020 at 2:00 pm to discuss the book “Mere Christianity” by C.S. Lewis

“The book discussion group will meet on Sunday, October 11, at 2 pm to discuss *Mere Christianity* by C. S. Lewis. In this volume that combines radio broadcasts and two books, Lewis rejects the boundaries that separate many Christian denominations and explains and defends what they have in common and provides a rational case for the Christian faith. Anyone is welcome to join the Zoom discussion – either just as a listener or as an active participant. Hard copies of the book are available from the library. Audio versions have a number of holds already in place. If anyone has questions, contact Betty Dawson at bdawson@dawsoncrew.com or 813-404-9393. Zoom login information will be provided in the This Week at BCC email for that week.”

The lineup of books for the rest of the year is as follows:

Nov 8—Where the Crawdads Sing; Delia Owens

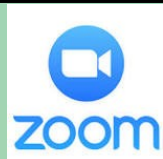
Dec 13—The Blue Bottle Club; Penelope J. Stokes

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October Zoom Meeting Codes

Here are the codes for this month's Zoom meetings:

BCC Sunday School: Sunday's at 9:00 am

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BCC Sunday Fellowship—Sunday's at 12:15 pm

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Men's Study—Wednesday's at 7:00 am

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Christian Book Discussion Group—Oct 11 at 2:00 pm

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Single Women In Fellowship Together—Oct 18 at 12:45 pm

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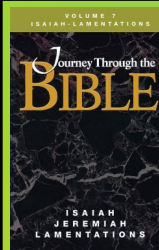
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Family Promise[®]
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Family Promise host week will be the week of October 25. Betty Cabrera will be in charge of organizing food and dinner donations. Guests will continue to stay at the day center but we will still bless them with love and food!



Bible Study with Reverend Day

Rev. Day will be starting a new Bible Study in mid-October. We will be walking through Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Lamentations. Two Major Prophets and Jeremiah's lament over the destruction of Jerusalem.

A truly appropriate study series for the current times.

Study guides are available for \$12.99 plus shipping. If you are interested please email the office and let us know **by October 7** so we can place the order. Also please indicate if you would prefer to continue on Wednesday at 2:00 or if a later time would be better.

This Bible Study will take place on Zoom. ◀

Thank You October Servers!!

Liturgists:

4 *Art*
 11 *Karlita*
 18 *Don*
 25 *Linda*

Elders:

Cammie, Steve
Britt, Betty P
Don, Cammie
Steve, Jo

Worship & Wonder

Amy W, Caitlin W.
Laura F, Karen W
Steven B, Caitlin W
Amy W, Andrea M

2020 Greater Brandon

Charity

Golf Classic

October 3, 2020

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The Angel Foundation FL, is proud to announce our 2020 Charity Golf Classic will be held on October 3, 2020 at River Hills Country Club.

Due to the reoccurrence of Covid-19, and to keep our guests and volunteer safe to the best of our ability, the decision was made by our Board of Directors to cancel this year's Pairings Party on October 2, 2020. We are planning for a wonderful day of golf on October 3 followed by a gathering to celebrate our sponsors and players.

We are very grateful for the support of our Corporate Partner Sponsors, our Food & Drink Sponsors, and our Vendors who are working closely with us to get through difficult time together and to plan for brighter days ahead.

The 18th annual Greater Brandon Charity Golf Classic presented by Star Distribution and Forcon International.

This year's event will be a one day event so as to keep our guests as safe as possible. The Celebrity Pro Am Golf Tournament kicks off at 11:30 am at River Hills Country Club with our Welcome Reception, competitive challenges on the course, raffles, our exclusive Bahama Breeze Party Tent and the day wraps up with the an Award Celebration.

Looking forward to seeing everyone!

More information and forms are here: <https://angelfoundationfl.com/events/greater-brandon-charity-golf-classic/>