

October 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>"Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything." James 1:2-4</i></p>					<p>1 9:30 am Shopping, WINCO 3:00 PM GAMES, Sickafoose</p>	<p>2</p> <p>PUMPKIN TRIVIA: The largest pumpkin recorded was in 2016 and weighed in a 2,624.6 pounds.</p> <p>Over 1 billion pounds of pumpkins are produced in the US every year.</p>
<p>3 10:45 am worship at TCC, meet at 10 am for bus</p>	<p>4 REIMBURSEMENT DAY 10:00 am tabletop games in Sickafoose 3:00 pm Wii Bowling in Sickafoose</p>	<p>5 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room 3:00 pm Stretch and Breathe, Sickafoose</p>	<p>6 10:00 am Bible Study, Sickafoose 12:45 pm-3:00 pm Pinochle 12:45-3:00 pm Knit and Sew, Kaseburg 3:00 pm BINGO, Sickafoose</p>	<p>7 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room 2:00 pm- 4:00 pm Creative Club, Sickafoose</p>	<p>8 9:30 am Shopping, BiMart/Roths 3:00 PM GAMES, Sickafoose</p>	
<p>10 10:45 am worship at TCC, meet at 10 am for bus</p>	<p>11 9:00 am FLU VACCINE CLINIC FOR ALL, Sickafoose 10:00 am tabletop games in Sickafoose 3:00 pm Wii Bowling in</p>	<p>12 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room 3:00 pm Stretch and Breathe, Sickafoose</p>	<p>13 10:00 am Bible Study, Sickafoose 12:45 pm-3:00 pm Pinochle 12:45-3:00 pm Knit and Sew, Kaseburg 3:00 pm BINGO, Sickafoose</p>	<p>14 BIRTHDAY CAKE FOR RCF AND GRACIOUS LIVING 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room 2:00 pm- 4:00 pm Creative Club, Sickafoose</p>	<p>15 9:30 am Shopping, WINCO 3:00 PM GAMES, Sickafoose</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>17 10:45 am worship at TCC, meet at 10 am for bus</p>	<p>18 10:00 am tabletop games in Sickafoose 3:00 pm Wii Bowling in Sickafoose FIELD TRIP:TILLAMOOK CHEEESE 9:30am-4:00pm</p>	<p>19 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room 3:00 pm Stretch and Breathe, Sickafoose</p>	<p>20 10:00 am Bible Study, Sickafoose 12:45 pm-3:00 pm Pinochle 12:45-3:00 pm Knit and Sew, Kaseburg 3:00 pm BINGO, Sickafoose</p>	<p>21 GERMANY DAY! A FUN FOOD DAY AT NOON 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room 2:00 pm- 4:00 pm Creative Club, Sickafoose</p>	<p>22 9:30 am Shopping, Fred Meyer 3:00 PM GAMES, Sickafoose</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24 10:45 am worship at TCC, meet at 10 am for bus</p>	<p>25 10:00 am tabletop games in Sickafoose 3:00 pm Wii Bowling in Sickafoose FIELD TRIP! PUMPKIN PATCH 1:00pm-4:00pm</p>	<p>26 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room 3:00 pm Stretch and Breathe, Sickafoose</p>	<p>27 10:00 am Bible Study, Sickafoose 12:45 pm-3:00 pm Pinochle 12:45-3:00 pm Knit and Sew, Kaseburg 3:00 pm BINGO, Sickafoose</p>	<p>28 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room 2:00 pm- 4:00 pm Creative Club, Sickafoose</p>	<p>29 9:30 am Shopping, BiMart/Roth's 3:00 PM GAMES, Sickafoose</p>	<p>30</p>
<p>31 HALLOWEEN 10:45 am worship at TCC, meet at 10 am for bus</p>	<p>Unscramble the words: All about cats dpeedntnnie rrfuy inne vliis</p>		<p>Unscramble the words: Spooky Halloween Friends ithwc koopss nilbog</p>		<p>Pssst... turn your answers into Laurie</p>	



A LITTLE LIGHT FROM LAURIE

The gorgeous colors and shapes of the leaves mesmerize me as they gracefully dance through the air. Suddenly, hundreds of leaves violently collide at once as a great gust of wind shakes them, and me, out of our revelry. I watch through teary eyes as the wind strips half of the mighty oak tree, leaving it naked, vulnerable, seemingly lifeless against a sullen gray sky. It is unexpected and sad.

Why does life have to change so dramatically? I imagine that tree shaking its branch in the sky yelling, "Why, God, why? Where are you? Why can't life just stay the same?"

The sadness I feel comes from my own unexpected changes. Many times I felt I was the vulnerable one standing against the gray, sullen sky raising my hands saying, "Why, God, why? Where are you?" Even though the scriptures say be joyful during times of trouble, I admit I am not very good at finding joy during these trials.

I think about the seasonal changes of the tree as it displays a stoic perseverance. In autumn, it shakes free from the old before taking its long, winter sabbath while preparing for the glorious splendor of spring God has planned. Without these changes, there would be no room for the abundant bounty of foliage and fruit in the summer.

Are we not more precious to Him than the trees?

If we can see the beauty God is capable of, is it so hard to believe he has even more planned for us? Without our faith in His abilities and perseverance in the necessary changes, we will not have room to grow or mature.

Closing my eyes, I take a breath. Changes must occur. Sabbath is necessary. Spring will come. Growth will happen. Opening my eyes, I no longer see a tree shaking its branches at God, instead, I see a tree raising its branches in joyful praise.

Dear Lord, help us to look forward to the changing seasons and the splendor you have planned for us. Help us to see the joy and the beauty in your handiwork. EVERY. DAY. Amen.

TURN OF EVENTS

A visit to Scott Creek Miniature Horse farm.



OCTOBER FIELD TRIPS:

"Say CHEESE!" Tillamook Cheese Factory, October 18, 9:30am-4:00pm. Limited to RCF residents and Gracious Living. Limited space. Bring \$\$\$ for lunch and goodies. Sign up in Dining Room

EZ Orchard Pumpkin Patch and petting zoo, October 25, 1:00pm-4:00pm (weather permitting)

THIS MONTH: Harvest crafts, treats.

NEXT MONTH: HARVEST PARTY!!! November 5!! With games, prizes, food and fun, fun, fun!!!

FLU VACCINE CLINIC, October 11, 9 a.m. in Sickafoose
Open to ALL RESIDENTS

