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## PASTORAL MESSAGE

**“As the deer pantheth for the water, so my soul longeth after Thee.  
You alone are my heart’s desire, and I long to worship Thee”**

Two weeks ago, I traveled to the Marianist Retreat Center in Eureka, Missouri, which is located outside of the city of St. Louis. This retreat was part of my participation in Bethany Fellows, a program that is designed to mentor and support young clergy within our first four years of congregational service. During each retreat, we engage with pastors from the local area, be in fellowship with fellow Disciples Pastors from all across the United States and spend time in worship and prayer with God. I am incredibly thankful to this congregation for allowing me the opportunity to be a part of Bethany Fellows for it has been spiritually renewing since I joined two years ago!



On the 2nd day of the retreat, we are invited to spend roughly 20 hours in a time of silence. I spent most of my time in silence walking the numerous nature trails around the retreat center and discovering new worship locations to sit in prayer. At one location, situated in an outside grotto worship area, I was sitting when I suddenly heard a noise behind me. I look over and discover a large male deer

standing not too far away from me. For several minutes, we stared at one another. He eventually calmly walked away, not bothered by me, meanwhile I was stuck in a state of awe from him.

This holy experience reminded me of one of my favorite hymns, “As the Deer.” The lyricist reminds us that as a deer is longing for water, we too are longing for God’s presence in our daily lives. I believe it can be easy to forget that we long for God whenever we are distracted and have so many things going on in our lives. But then we may have those sacred moments in which we are reminded of what God’s

presence brings to us: Renewal, Peace, Assurance, Acceptance, Affirmation, Compassion, Guidance, and Love.

That holy moment with the deer, along with my entire retreat experience, was my reminder of what God can bring into our lives.

So may you take a moment out of your day or week to long after God. May you be reminded that God’s presence is here with you once we welcome God into our spaces. And may you be blessed and share God’s blessings with everyone around you today and the days ahead.

Peace,  
**Pastor Kevin**



DATE	SCRIPTURE	TITLE & PREACHER
10/09	Mark 4: 1-8	<b>BEING LIVING GROUND</b> Rev. Darla Goodrich
10/16	Mark 4: 21-25	<b>BEING LIVING LIGHT</b> Rev. Darla Goodrich
10/23	Mark 4: 26-29	<b>BEING LIVING SEEDS</b> Rev. Kevin Toth
10/30	Mark 4: 30-32	Pledge Sunday <b>BEING LIVING BRANCHES</b> Rev. Darla Goodrich



## Parlor Update

Thanks to three incredibly generous donor couples, and all their hard work and time, all the new paint, floors, cabinets, appliances and furniture are here and being placed. New curtains, pictures, countertop and coffee supplies are coming. The parlor will soon be available for use, once the furniture gets arranged and appliances are in place! We'll get the word out as soon as it's ready!

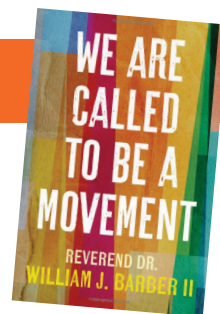
Thank you for your patience as we update and create a space that is more adaptable to multiple kinds of christian education, leadership meetings, mission events & fellowship gatherings.

## FCC BOOK CLUB

The book for our next meeting, November 1st, is *We Are Called to be a Movement* by Dr William Barber.

There is a copy available through the church's library. Be sure you sign out books if you borrow them from the church.

**Questions?** Reach out to Kelly Stanley, [kellyostanley@me.com](mailto:kellyostanley@me.com), or call or text 765.366.6709. View the year's lineup of books or print and download the flyer at [www.fccville.org/fcc-book-club](http://www.fccville.org/fcc-book-club)



## Comparative Religion

Starting October 23, we will offer Comparative Religion videos and discussions on Sunday mornings at 9 am in place of The Wired Word class. Here are the topics:

- Oct. 23 From Birth to Death—Religious Rituals
- Oct. 30 Daily, Weekly, Annual Religious Rituals
- Nov. 6 Ritual Sacrifice in the World's Religions



Who are the Judges? Why is this book in the bible? These questions and much much more are being discussed right now on the podcast! Be sure to send us your questions so we can add them into our discussions. <https://directory.libsyn.com/shows/view/id/bibleforthepeople>



# UPCOMING EVENTS

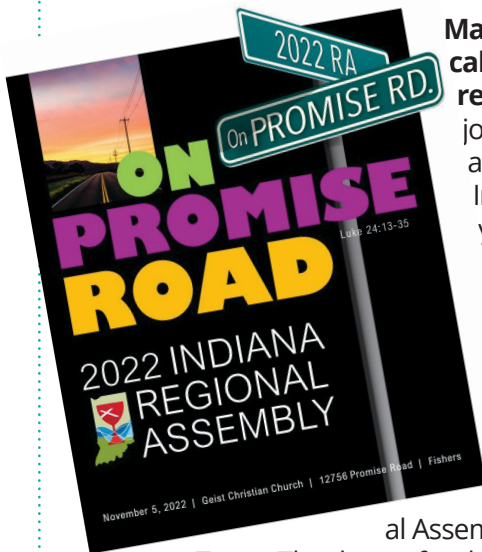
The calendar of events and activities is being emailed near the start of each month—but you can also always find an updated schedule online at [fccville.org/events](https://fccville.org/events)

## 2022 Indiana Regional Assembly

**Saturday, November 5, 2022**

Geist Christian Church  
Promise Road Campus  
12756 Promise Road,  
Fishers, Indiana

Gathering & Exhibits: 9:00 am | Plenary: 10:00 am |  
Worship Service: 2:30 pm | Assembly will conclude  
at 4:00 pm



**Mark your calendars and register!** Come and join Disciples from across the state of Indiana after a two year pandemic to reconnect and celebrate our life together in the Indiana Region! Rev. Darla Goodrich is the Chair of the Region-

al Assembly Planning

Team. The theme for the Assembly will be "On Promise Road." We are delighted that Disciples author and minister **Rev. Sandhya Rani Jha** will be our keynote speaker and **Rev. Janae Pitts-Murdock**, senior pastor at Light of the World Christian Church (Indianapolis) will be our worship preacher. Both speakers will help us unpack the Emmaus text: Luke 24:13-35. The Regional Assembly will be a "hybrid" event, meaning that you may register to attend in person for \$45 (which includes a box lunch), or you can register to attend on-line for \$25. You can register here: [https://wmt.suran.com/tool/event\\_registration\\_v2/attendees?guid=be-1f58b2-a637-11ec-9f8a-a2186f91aabb](https://wmt.suran.com/tool/event_registration_v2/attendees?guid=be-1f58b2-a637-11ec-9f8a-a2186f91aabb)



## More about Saints and Soup

If you would like to help us with ingredients for the **soup lunch after worship on November 6**, our FCC All Saints Sunday, please check the list below for needed items:

- 1 bunch of celery
- 1 bag of carrots
- 5 lbs. of potatoes
- 3-4 onions
- 5 10 oz. bags of frozen mixed vegetables
- 1 10 oz. bag of frozen lima beans
- 2 10 oz. bags of frozen corn
- 1 head of cabbage
- 3 15 oz. cans of crushed tomatoes
- 4 46 oz. containers (preferred size) tomato juice
- 4 46 oz. containers (preferred size) V-8 juice

Please bring these to the church on or before Sunday, October 30. Be sure to mark them "For the Soup Lunch."

We hope you will join us for lunch on Nov. 6. We will provide the hot soup and cold drinks; we would be pleased if you would bring sandwiches, finger foods, or dessert, along with your appetite.

After lunch, we will continue the Saints theme with a quick game which will acquaint you with some of our long gone saints.

***Judy Michal for the Congregational Care Team***



**YOUTH news** from Rev. Kevin Toth

Follow us on Instagram  
@fccyouthcrawfordville



Check out all the fun we had at WOW these last two weeks!  
WOW will resume again on October 26th next week.



After a two-week break, Youth Group for 6th-12th grade will resume again this coming Sunday, October 23rd. We hope you will join us!



## CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

Date	Bible Story	Teacher
October 23	1 Kings 17:8-24	Sarah Jay
October 30	Exodus 3:1-12	Kate Lindsay
November 6	Exodus 14:5-31	TBD

*We love to have your children, ages 4 to 12, join us for fun, fellowship, and great learning!*







## Afghan Resettlement Crawfordsville (ARC) Update

The family that seven Crawfordsville churches are resettling in Brownsburg continues to do well. On 10/14, the preschool daughter had oral surgery and all went well. Her father has completed and passed Week 3 of CDL Training at the Truck Driver Institute. He has one more week to go, then a couple days of testing. His wife is feeling better since we took her to see her doctor. She continues her English lessons. With contributions shared by folks from all 7 Crawfordsville churches, we continue to help with groceries and rent. The husband's brother, who is employed at Goodwill, continues to contribute his pay to help cover groceries and rent.

Thanks to Brittany, we have a lead on a preschool at Hope Community Church in Brownsburg. We hope to schedule a tour of the preschool soon for the mother and daughter.

So, all seems to be moving forward. The husband and wife are very thankful for ARC's support, expressing profuse gratitude every time we see them.

Please continue to pray for this family. They are working hard to build a bright future for themselves.

## THANK YOU! THANK YOU! for all the BEANS

Well, I've learned one thing for sure — the congregation at FCC are the right people to ask if you need beans in large quantities. (See photo above showing the varieties of beans already donated.) Your response to our call for weekly food donations is off to a vibrant beginning. From the first three Sundays in October, we have delivered 244 items (cans, jars, packages) of food weighing a total of 232 pounds to the FISH Food Pantry for distribution to Montgomery County families.

And thanks, too, for all the corn, peas, carrots, peaches, tuna, peanut butter, pasta, pasta sauce, applesauce, crackers, and pudding, just to mention a few of the many non-bean types of foods so generously contributed.

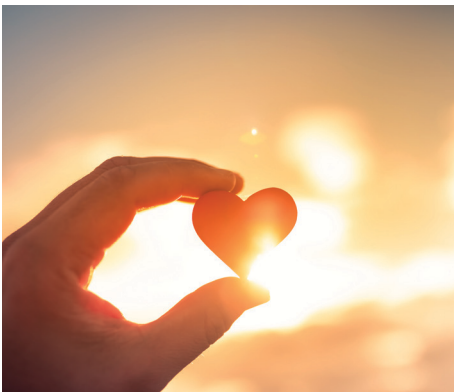
Going to bed hungry isn't a seasonal event. It's a continuing daily reality for far too many. That's why our effort to help our food-insecure neighbors needs to be an ongoing practice. Thank you all for pressing on in this simple good work week after week. Our cans of soup and Spaghetti-Os don't carry an FCC label, but they go out carrying our love and compassion for our neighbors who need a hand.

Pressing needs at FISH: pasta; canned vegetables other than corn and green beans.

Also needed: Evaporated milk. And some FISH clients are homeless and lack supplies for personal hygiene, such as soap, tooth paste and brushes, razors, shaving cream, shampoo.

Shalom, Y'all.

**Don Lindsay**



Thank you to all who participated in filling the cleaning buckets for Church World Service. Thanks also to David Champa for delivering the 12 buckets to Second Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis. From there, they were delivered with the buckets they contributed to the Elkhart warehouse for Church World Service later this month. What a good partnership that was.

**Local and Global Ministry Team**

# prayer concerns

## Help us keep this list up to date!

Please notify the office or email [fcc.comm211@gmail.com](mailto:fcc.comm211@gmail.com) if you wish to have a name removed or provide an update. Otherwise, the prayer requests will remain on the list. Thank you for your help with this—and for your ongoing dedication to holding each other in prayer.

## Pray for Our Church Family, Friends, and Other Concerns

Continue to pray for the protection, health, and well-being of those people who are serving in various ways that put them at higher risk of exposure to COVID-19. We give thanks for their service.

Marilyn Dimmick's son-in-law, **CLINT**—kidney cancer (has only one kidney)

The family of **STEPHEN WADE** (Myrna Thompson's brother), who recently passed away

**BETTY CEDARS**—ongoing health concerns

**ALL THOSE WHO ARE DEALING WITH THE EFFECTS OF HURRICANE IAN**, including **ALAN AND JANENE PLUNKETT**—their home in Florida was heavily damaged

**DARLENE GOODRICH**—Recovering at home after choking & lengthy CPR

The family of **ROBERT (BOB) MASON**, who passed away on 9/20

**CHRIS MICHAL** (Judy's son)—recovering from surgery

**JOHN HUSTED**—Unexpected life changes & moving into Whitlock Place

**DALLAS AND KAREN MCDONALD**—Karen's health has declined leading to her being placed in hospice care and Dallas is being treated for cancer

**GINA TURNER** (Gerry Turner's daughter-in-law)—recovering from heart attack and heart surgery

**ALLEN GOFF** (friend of the Keedys)—cancer

**BOB AND BETTYE HUDSON**—cancer

**JACK WYATT**—ongoing health concerns

**BEN McCORMICK**—ongoing health concerns

**DEBBIE (REBECCA LANG'S SISTER)**—treatment for lung cancer

**SANDY & KEN BROWN**—ongoing health concerns

**JERRI STEWART**—breast cancer

**CATHY MOFFETT** (Marilyn Moffett's daughter-in-law)—chemo for breast cancer

**MATT RYKER** (son of Ron Yund's friend)—beating victim, long recovery ahead

**ALEX** (and his parents, Beth & Chris, friends of Sarah Jay)—tumor on his spine

**JENNIFER (FRY) KREKELER** (daughter of Daryl & Mary Helen Fry)—chronic fatigue syndrome

**GARY MEEK**—ongoing health concerns

**CHURCH STAFF, MINISTERS, AND LEADERSHIP**

## Pray for our Shut-ins

*Our shut-ins would enjoy visits.*

WHITLOCK: **CAROLYN SIMPSON** (#151)

WELLBROOKE: **NANCY ROGERS**

HOME: **DALLAS & KAREN MCDONALD**

ST. ANTHONY'S, LAFAYETTE: **MARILYN MOFFETT**

THE LANE HOUSE: **BETTY CEDARS**

## OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday 10-1  
Wednesday 10-1  
Thursday 10-1

The FCC doors will remain locked during office hours in order to maintain safe space for our Hand in Hand children and staff, and our FCC staff who may be in the office by themselves. Please simply ring the bell during office hours (at either the Walnut Street or Parking Lot doors) and FCC volunteers or staff will be delighted to "buzz" you in!

## PASTOR DARLA

Monday is Rev. Darla's day off. Please contact Rev. Kevin with questions, concerns or emergencies when Darla is unavailable.

CELL: 314-805-0347  
darla.goodrich@gmail.com

## PASTOR KEVIN

Friday is Rev. Kevin's day off. Please contact Rev. Darla with questions, concerns or emergencies when Kevin is unavailable.

CELL: 724-825-0997  
katoh112792@gmail.com

Those who are fully vaccinated and not at risk of severe Covid or influenza are welcome to show their smiles. **Masks are optional for all church activities!**



We encourage those who are not fully vaccinated, who might have been exposed to someone who is ill, or who simply feel more comfortable wearing a mask, to continue to do so. Disposable masks are freely available in the Narthex in both adult and child sizes. Thank you for your continued care and concern for the health of our community!

**Need Covid tests?** Mark Allen, through his volunteer work with the Health Department, obtained some free Covid test kits for the church. They're simple to do at home—just follow the written instructions. If you need tests to keep at home, stop by the church office during office hours, call 765-362-4812, or email 211fccville@gmail.com and we'll set them aside with your name on them.



Find us on **Facebook (First Christian Church Crawfordsville)** for updates, news, and pictures of all of our happenings along with LIVE worship on Sundays. Also check out our website at [www.fccville.org](http://www.fccville.org)

## Vacations

**Pastor Darla** will be away as follows:

Oct. 17 - 23 Vacation

Nov. 07 - 13 Vacation



## HOW CAN WE HELP?

OFFICE

765.362.4812 (voice mail checked on weekdays).  
Email: 211fccville@gmail.com

GRIEF AND LOSS

**Jai Miranda**, Dusk to Dawn Bereavement Services  
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OTHER LEADERS OR MINISTRIES

For a full list of our leaders, go to [www.fccville.org/our-lay-leaders](http://www.fccville.org/our-lay-leaders)

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- Tues. 11/1 **Cruisers** (Pizza Hut)—11:30 am  
**FCC Book Club\*** (*We Are Called to Be a Movement* by Rev Dr William J. Barber II—6-7:30 pm)
- Wed. 11/2 **WOW**—4:30-7 pm
- Thur. 11/3 New Pathfinder newsletter  
**Men's Coffee\***—9-10 am
- Sat. 11/5 **Indiana Disciples Regional Assembly**—Geist Christian Church in Fishers: 9 am-4 pm
- Sun. 11/6 **Comparative Religions DVD & discussion\***—9 am  
**Worship for All Saints Day** (in sanctuary or online) w/Rev. Darla Goodrich—10:15 am | *Food offering*  
**Older Youth Gathering** with Rev. Kevin Toth\*—11:45-12:30
- Mon. 11/7 **Scouts**—6:30 pm
- Tues. 11/8 **Election Day**  
**Ladies Lunch**—1 pm at China Inn (downtown C'ville)  
**Elders Meeting\***—7 pm
- Wed. 11/9 **WOW**—4:30-7 pm
- Thur. 11/10 **Men's Coffee\***—9-10 am  
**Creativity Circle\***—1-2 pm
- Fri. 11/11 **Veteran's Day**
- Sun. 11/13 **The Wired Word\***—9 am  
**Worship** (in sanctuary or online) w/Rev. Kevin Toth—10:15 am | *Food offering*  
**Older Youth Gathering** with Rev. Kevin Toth\*—11:45-12:30
- Mon. 11/14 **Scouts**—6:30 pm
- Tues. 11/15 **Euchre\***—1:00-2:00 pm  
**Coordinating Council\***—7 pm  
**Governing Board Meeting\***—8 pm
- Wed. 11/16 **WOW**—4:30-7 pm
- Thurs. 11/17 New Pathfinder newsletter  
**Men's Coffee\***—9-10 am  
**Creativity Circle\***—1-2 pm
- Sun. 11/20 **The Wired Word\***—9 am  
**Worship** (in sanctuary or online) w/Rev. Darla Goodrich—10:15 am | *Food offering*  
**Older Youth Gathering** with Rev. Kevin Toth\*—11:45-12:30
- Mon. 11/21 **Scouts**—6:30 pm
- Tues. 11/22 **Sabbatical Committee Meeting**—6:30 pm  
**HHCL Board Meeting**—7:30 pm
- Wed. 11/23 **WOW does not meet today**
- Thurs. 11/24 **Thanksgiving Day**
- Sun. 11/27 **The Wired Word\***—9 am  
**Worship—First Sunday of Advent** (in sanctuary or online) w/Rev. Darla Goodrich—10:15 am | *Food offering*  
**Older Youth Gathering** with Rev. Kevin Toth\*—11:45-12:30  
**All Church Decorating Party!**—time TBA
- Mon. 11/28 **Scouts**—6:30 pm
- Tues. 11/29 **VMHMC\*** stuff-a-thon—5:30-6:30 pm
- Wed. 11/30 **WOW**—4:30-7 pm

# Nov.



## CELEBRATIONS

### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- Nov. 4 Addie Lindsay  
Nov. 6 Raymond Williams  
Nov. 7 Elijah Morrett  
Nov. 8 Parker Ranspach  
Nov. 10 Barbara Tibbets  
Nov. 11 Myrna Thompson  
Nov. 13 Brett Spencer  
Nov. 14 Austin Streitelmeier  
Nov. 14 Maxine Williamson  
Nov. 14 Nathan Streitelmeier  
Nov. 15 Bettye Hudson (90)  
Nov. 15 Dave Lunsford  
Nov. 16 Anna Cedars  
Nov. 18 Jan Stout  
Nov. 19 Amy Weliver  
Nov. 19 Emily Weliver  
Nov. 20 Lennon Keedy-Merk  
Nov. 21 Anders Nicodemus  
Nov. 22 Carolyn Simpson (98)  
Nov. 24 Emerie Venis  
Nov. 27 Pastor Kevin  
Nov. 27 Darlene Cass  
Nov. 28 Sawyer Ranspach

### NOV. ANNIVERSARIES

- Nov. 21 Kris & Amber Rohr  
Nov. 22 Steve & Diane McLaughlin  
Nov. 26 Joe & Kristy Reese  
Nov. 28 Paul & Marian Cass (69th)  
Nov. 29 Justin & Tammy Meyers



If you would like your birthday and anniversary included in the bi-monthly Pathfinder newsletter, please let Kelly know.

**Pastor Darla is on vacation Nov. 7-13**

\*Parlor is nearly finished, so thanks for being flexible with location of each event. While the parlor is not available, most activities will take place in Fellowship Hall or the Narthex.