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September 6, 2024

**Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.**

Fellowship Hour at 9 a.m. Worship Service at 10:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am  
In-Person, Facebook Live, or Virtual  
15370 Olive Blvd Chesterfield, MO 63017 (636) 532-0540 ([Website](#))

### *The Calendar ... Looking Ahead*

#### 09/08/24 Service

Liturgist: **Carol Tindira**  
Usher Team: **Ken Ruff**  
Technology: **Steve Hawkinson**  
Fellowship/Lockup: **Monica Hart**  
Special Music: **Violin**

#### 09/15/24 Service

Liturgist: **Todd Armstrong**  
Usher Team: **Jim Pisoni**  
Technology: **Steve Hawkinson**  
Fellowship/Lockup: **Monica Hart**

#### 09/22/24 Service

Liturgist: **Jan Ittner**  
Usher Team: **Larry Sontag**  
Technology: **Steve Hawkinson**  
Fellowship/Lockup: **Monica Hart**  
Special Music: **Piano Duets**

We pray for **Donna Dollgener, Rev. Dwayne Dollgener, Elizabeth Hart, Cherie Messina and Gloria Vaclavik**. Please let us know your prayer concerns

If you have private prayer concern please speak with Rev Katie Jo Bielke

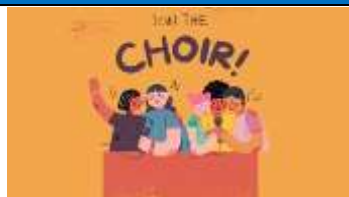
Global Ministries requests that we pray with **xx** this week.

🙏... For the full prayer [click here](#).

### *... Looking Ahead*

<b>9/6</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Biweekly Newsletter</b> ( <a href="#">subscribe</a> )
<b>9/8</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Rally Day</b>
9/8	10:00 AM	Global Ministries Pray for Hungary
9/8	11:00 AM	Christian Education Committee
9/9	1:00 PM	Exec Council
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<b>9/16</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>Table Fellowship at Ya Yas</b>
9/16	6:00 PM	Council Meeting
<b>9/17</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Book Group Reading "American Dirt" by Jeanine Cummins.</b>
9/20	8:00 AM	Biweekly Newsletter
<b>9/24</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>Women's Fellowship</b>
<b>9/29</b>	<b>9:20 AM</b>	<b>Loaves &amp; Fishes</b>
9/29	11:00 AM	Mission Meeting
<b>9/29</b>	<b>4:30 PM</b>	<b>Ronald McDonald House Volunteering</b>
<b>9/29</b>	<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>Crop Walk</b>

Please check your News Notes/Website for specific information around upcoming activities  
<https://www.stjohnsucchesterfield.org/fellowship>



### **Join the Choir**

**Music** is a vital part of our worship at St. John's UCC. As we head into a new season the choir is **welcoming new members!** Rehearsals are held on rotating Sundays after worship, and we sing in church once per month. **All are invited to join.**

**Sept 8 at 10:00 AM Rally Day**  
with brunch in the fellowship hall afterwards.



# September Birthdays

Taffy Parker	09/03	Kayla Braun	09/10	Bryan Bielke	09/19
Russ Rosener	09/05	Ellen Meier	09/10	Kyle Stemme	09/20
Margie Pauls	09/05	Francis Macalady	09/12	Mike Scherr	09/21
Brian Sellenriek	09/05	Laura Hewgley	09/12	Trent Siebert	09/23
Brittany Nichols	09/05	Karley Josef	09/12	Kathy Sellenriek	09/24
Josh Jones	09/05			Jennifer Porter	09/25



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Our next **book group** is going to be on  
**September 17 at 10am.**  
We are going to discuss  
**"American Dirt"** by Jeanine Cummins.



**Women's Fellowship**, All are welcome. Join us  
for Farkle in Fellowship Hall on the 4th Tuesday of  
the month For more information contact Jan  
Boehm.

**Tue, September 24th, 6:30pm – 8:30pm**  
August Farkle Winner Barb Ackerman >>



Table Fellowship will meet at 5:30 on **Thursday, September 16th**  
at Ya Yas Chesterfield. You may sign up in the church narthex, or give  
either Jane Lindberg or the office a call indicating your planned  
attendance or [RSVP](#).



Volunteers needed to make sandwiches for Loaves & Fishes.  
Next Dates **September 29th 2024 at 9:15 am**

It's time to start planning for our participation in the **Missouri Festival of Sharing** which is a coordinated ecumenical response to poverty and hunger seeking to support projects and programs that **help our neighbors** experience healthy and full lives.

Participating faith groups include the Disciples, Lutherans, Presbyterians, Catholics, Methodists, our UCC, non- denominational Christians, and agencies including Church World Service, Heifer International, and Mobility Worldwide.

Our St. John's Mission Ministry Team is proposing we collect the following **"kits"** to be taken to the St. Louis area "Sharefest". **Paper Products, Personal Hygiene, Family Food Box, and Reading and Writing.** All kits must be brought to church by Thursday, October 10 so that they can be loaded for transporting to the October 12 Sharefest. The list of contents for each kit and directions for its assembly are available in the narthex. Please pick up a kit you will assemble and then return it to church by October 10.

### Missouri Family Food Box

7,578 requested versus 1,352 shared in 2023

Estimated Pack Value | \$26

**Instructions:** Place items in a sturdy box (i.e. Girl Scout cookie boxes), tape and label "Missouri Family Food Box." Please purchase low sodium/low sugar when possible. Include no more than two food box packs per box due to weight.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 pkgs. macaroni & cheese                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pound pasta             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 different cans of vegetables                 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 cans tuna               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 jar peanut butter                            | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 cans chicken            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 can pasta sauce                              | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 different cans of fruit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box of oatmeal packets (10 count any flavor) |  |



Place items in a sturdy box and label "Missouri Family Food Box." Please purchase low sodium/low sugar where possible and no more than 2 packs per box due to weight.

### Missouri Personal Hygiene Pack

5,534 requested versus 1,893 shared in 2023

Estimated Pack Value | \$30

**Instructions:** Tighten lids and place all items in a large zipper storage bag (2-2.5 gallon). Place completed packs in boxes labeled with "Missouri Personal Hygiene Packs" and the quantity on the exterior.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 fluoride toothpaste (6 oz. or more) | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 hand towel                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 toothbrush (in original package)    | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 deodorant                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 bottle of body wash (15-22 oz.)     | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 razors (disposable)                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 bottle shampoo (12-16 oz.)          | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 comb (large) OR brush               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 washcloth                           | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 bottle travel skin lotion (1-3 oz.) |



Tighten lids and place all items in a large zipper storage bag (2-2.5 gallon.) Label "Missouri Personal Hygiene Packs"

### Missouri Reading and Writing Pack

3,427 requested versus 2,065 shared in 2023

Estimated Pack Value | \$15

**Instructions:** Place smaller items in the pencil holder and place in a 2-2.5 gallon zipper storage bag. Place completed packs in boxes labeled with "Missouri Reading and Writing Pack" and the quantity on the exterior.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 6 new pencils with erasers                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 zipper pencil holder    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box of 10 markers (only 10)                   | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 folders with pockets    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pair of child-sized metal scissors            | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 large eraser            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box of 24 crayons (only 24)                   | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 ink pens (medium point) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1, 12-inch ruler                                |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2, 70 or 80 page spiral or tape bound notebooks |  |



Place smaller items in the pencil holder and place in a 2-2.5 gallon zipper storage bag. Label "Missouri Reading and Writing Pack".

### Missouri Paper Product Pack

4,659 requested versus 1,119 shared in 2023

Estimated Pack Value | \$21

**Instructions:** Place all items in a tall-sized kitchen trash bag. Label the trash bag "Missouri Paper Products Pack."

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 facial tissue (large rectangle boxes)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 rolls paper towels (good quality)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 12 double/mega rolls of toilet paper as 3 packages of 4 or 2 packages of 6 (unable to receive 12 rolls in one pack) |



Place all items in a Tall kitchen trash bag. Labeled with "Missouri Paper Products Pack". Place completed packs in the Narthex before Oct 10th.





**Circle of Concern** Bring your donations to church and place them in the grocery cart labeled "Circle of Concern." For monetary donations put "Circle of Concern" in the memo.

**Our Current Needs in the Food Pantry (updated 7/25):**

**Our most pressing needs are Dinner Helpers, Flour, Sugar, Cooking Oil, Salsa, Mayonnaise, Salad Dressing, Baking Mixes, Granola bars (8-12 count), Snack crackers, Incontinence pads, Incontinence pull-up briefs, Tampons, Pasta Sauce, Canned Chicken.**

View our [Amazon Wish List](#) or [Walmart List](#) for more items to fill our pantry

**harvest moon** Trivia Night

**CIRCLE OF CONCERN**

*Trivia Night!*

**FRIDAY, OCT 18**

Andre's West | Doors open @ 6:00

Tickets  
\$30 each | \$300 table of 10

Visit us at:  
[www.circleofconcern.org/events](http://www.circleofconcern.org/events)  
for tickets and more information

QR code

**Event Highlights**  
8 rounds of brain teasers  
Contests  
Raffle  
Silent Auction  
Open bar

**Sponsorships Available**

**More Information**  
Contact Nancy  
636-661-2625, x. 115  
[nancy@circleofconcern.org](mailto:nancy@circleofconcern.org)

If you like trivia contests, consider getting a table together for "Circle of Concern Trivia Night!", Friday, October 18.

We will have a **sign-up sheet** in the Narthex for anyone who would like to go together as a group from St. John's (maybe even carpool)

**Our ministry happens because of YOU! To become a financial partner, [click here](#).**

Or Text to 833 502 0657 and follow the easy directions. **Thank you!**

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