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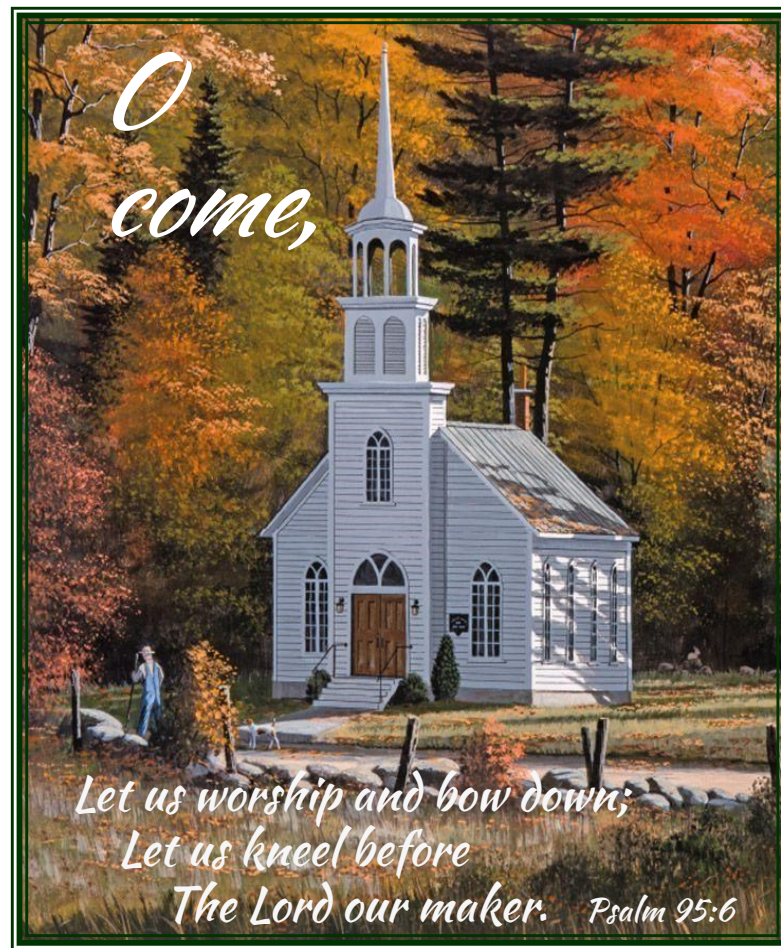
Romans 8:28

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Salt Creek Savorings

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reflections

*Dana Miller,
Director of Student Ministries*

It's fall, so it must be pumpkin spice season. I know there are a number of you that look forward to the turning of the leaves and your ability to get a pumpkin spice latte at Starbucks or Casey's, and I wouldn't want to deprive you of your joy. But seriously, is it me, or are there far too many pumpkin spice flavored items out there? A cursory glance at the grocery store reveals pumpkin spice alcoholic seltzer, twinkies, donuts, breakfast cereal, ramen noodles, shower gel (why?), cologne (again, why?), pasta sauce, pop tarts, marshmallows, kit kats, lip balm, cookies, waffles, and the list goes on.

It has even gone so far as to bring to the market (I am not making this up) Greenies pumpkin spice dog treat chews. On the one hand, I can appreciate a love of all things pumpkin spiced, but did man's best friend also have to be dragged into this? Our dog isn't discriminating enough to pick up on the subtleties of pumpkin spicing—he'll eat anything and everything even remotely edible he can get his paws on. And I have yet to meet a dog with a discriminating palate that will think to itself, "You know, I could SWEAR there was nutmeg in that pumpkin spice flavoring..."

I admit to enjoying the occasional pumpkin spiced flavored item here and there, but it seems like so many of us, myself included, chase after the latest, newest fad, only to forget the tried and true. In our quest to seek life, liberty, and the pursuit of pumpkin spice flavored happiness, we focus too much on the newest thing to try, not the known, trusted, and reliable.

God knows our hearts all too well. He reminded the Israelites in Deuteronomy 6:12, "Be careful that you do not forget the Lord, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slav-

ery." This verse is immediately preceded by the phrase, "when you eat and are satisfied." You would think it would be impossible to forget God delivering you by parting the Red Sea, or defeating pursuing armies before your eyes, but it turns out the children of Israel were easily distracted by the pursuits of daily life, as are we. God knows our predilection to meet our needs and wants in the newest, coolest way, forgetting the one whose blessings put us in the very position to enjoy that pursuit of happiness.

As the seasons change, I encourage you to keep God at the front of your thoughts. Remember the amazing things he has done for you, instead of looking for the latest thing for your heart to chase after.



Outdoor Worship Howard Virgin Timber

August 29th

Worship * Prayer Walk * Fellowship





SEPTEMBER SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

Sunday Dates	Attendance
September 5	40
September 12	52
September 19	39
September 26	35
AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	42



October Library Corner

By Marty Dean



Media Resources

- A vast treasure trove--something for everyone!

Be sure to browse the wide range of media resources/DVDs tucked back on the side shelves of our church library. Titles include:

NIV Listener's Audio Bible - vocal by Max McLean

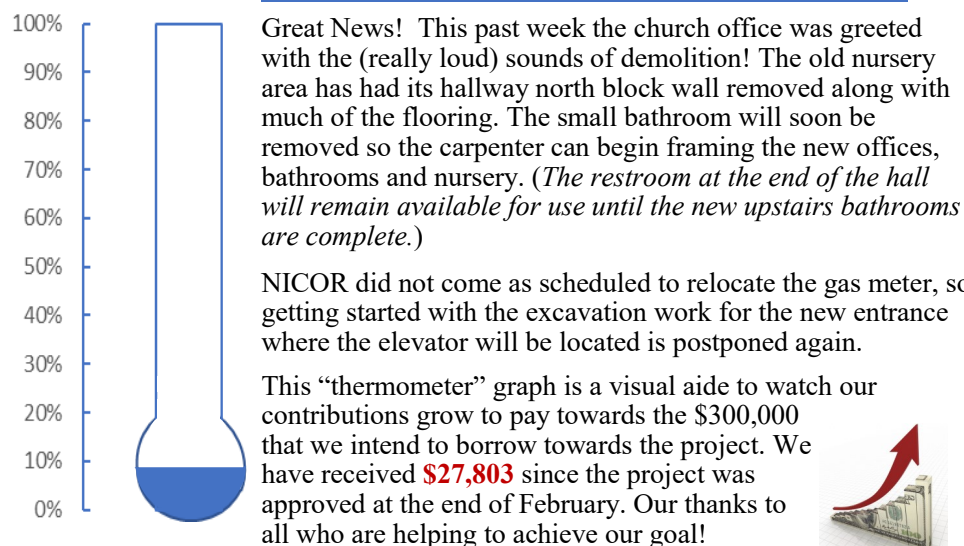
Retro: Back to the Basics - Pastor/circuit speaker Ed Young offers advice on aligning/juggling our commitments to life's core priorities.

Joseph and his Brethren - Based upon Joseph's Old Testament saga --packed with rivalry, betrayal, forgiveness, and reconciliation.

Sunday School Musical - Special Sing-Along Edition. {Can't miss this DVD--the cover likens the Disney hit movie, *High School Musical*.}

Enjoy!

BUILDING RENOVATION PROGRESS UPDATES:



LeROY COMMUNITY HALLOWEEN EVENTS

Sunday, October 31st

LeRoy Presbyterian Church

TRUNK OR TREAT

2:30 – 4:00 PM

- ♦ Wear your costume!
- ♦ Decorated trunks!
- ♦ Candy, games, & more!

LeRoy Christian Church

HARVEST PARTY

3:00 – 5:00 PM

- ♦ Caricatures!
- ♦ Hay Rack Rides!
- ♦ Carnival Games & more!

Free to attend!

Everyone welcome!



We're teaming up with the LeRoy Christian Church to make this year's Halloween festivities the best around! We hope to find lots of volunteers willing to HOST A TRUNK AND/OR GAME this year to make our Trunk or Treat event the best one yet! Sign up with Mr. Dana to reserve a spot for your trunk (or van, pickup truck, motorcycle ...even a bicycle!). You provide the decorations, we'll provide the games and candy. The more hosts we have the merrier!

SIGN UP TODAY!



SCHOOL SUPPLIES – THANK YOU!

Thank you for the donation of numerous school supplies. Your donation made a HUGE impact in the lives of our students and families. Thank you for having a giving heart!

Mrs. Erin Conn, Principal



October 21st
1 - 3 p.m.

(Cruise boards at
12:30 p.m.)

We have two spots left in the church van for our trip to the Peoria Riverboat's Riverlife Lunch Cruise featuring gospel artists "The Kramers"

Call the church office today to order a ticket. (\$42 for Adults; \$21 for children 4-12).



Thanks to the donations that have been made this year, we have been able to continue our mission with Compassion International to support Gabriel Oduori.

Those funds are now depleted and we hope that our congregation will generously help replenish this fund for the balance of the year. A one month sponsorship is \$38 but ANY amount would be welcomed.

Halloween Candy



As we're expecting 200+ kids from our community to participate in our fun and **SAFE** Halloween event, we'll be needing **LOTS** of candy! Candy donations can be dropped off at the church through Oct. 26th.

All candy received will be divided and pre-packaged for distribution at the trunks and games. Thanks for your prayers that we will be able to impact the community in a mighty way for Jesus!

Worship Schedule - October 2021

9:00 a.m. Sunday WORSHIP	October 3 Communion	October 10	October 17	October 24	October 31
PULPIT SUPPLY	Kathy Mitchell	Bob Marsh	Bob Marsh	Bob Marsh	Bob Marsh
SCRIPTURE	John 4:1-15	Joshua 1:8	Romans 12:1-2	Proverbs 3: 5 - 6	Matthew 28: 19-20
SERMON	You've Got a Friend	Turn to the Word	Renew the Mind	Trust in the Lord	The Great Commission
ACCOMPANIST	Londa Holoch; Mary Sigler	Mary Sigler	Mary Sigler	Mary Sigler	Mary Sigler
LAY READER	Naomi Chap- lin	Sarah Hill	Phyllis Bruce	Danna Sanders	Anna Rayburn
USHER/ GREETERS	Barb Monical; Angie Timm	Dennis & Mary Ella Mennenga	Tracey & Tanner Holoch	Teresha & Lauren Bossingham	Rick Gaffney; Barb Monical
COMMUNION SERVERS	Dennis & Mary Ella Mennenga Barb Monical Angie Timm				
TECH BOOTH	Steve Sinnott; Tate Sigler	Steve Sinnott; Tracey Holoch	Steve Sinnott; Randy Sigler	Steve Sinnott; Tanner Holoch	Steve Sinnott; Sarah Hill

We have returned to a more traditional communion distribution at the front of the church.

Intinction has been replaced by trays with cubes of bread and individual cups. Elders (wearing food service gloves) will serve the elements, which should be taken back to your pew where the congregation will partake of the communion as a group. Please properly dispose of the disposable cup in a waste receptacle as you leave the building.

A rover will be available to bring communion to those who find it difficult to come to the front.



CHURCH OFFICERS

Elders:

Terri Caldwell
Bonnie Crumbaugh
Martha Dean
Tracey Holoch
Dennis McCormick
Mary Ella Mennenga
Anna Rayburn
Ashley Sigler
Randy Sigler

Committee

Worship & Music
Administration/Mission & Outreach
Adult Christian Development
Administration/Nominating Committee
Adult Christian Development
Adult Christian Development/Worship & Music
Clerk of Session/Christian Education
Christian Education/Nominating Committee
Administration/Worship & Music

**Session is currently scheduled to next meet on
Wednesday, October 13th at 6 p.m.**

Minutes will be available, after approval, in the office.

Deacons:

Teresha Bossingham
Beverly Burcham
Jack Burcham
Rick Gaffney
Scott Graves
Barb Monical
Bobbi Murfin
Mary Sigler
Tim Sigler
Angie Timm

Deacon of the Month

March
June
August
April

November
July, September
December
May
October



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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

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October

Deacon of the Month

Angie Timm

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 9:00 AM Worship Service (Kathy Mitchell) (Communion will be served) 9:15 AM K-5th Sunday School Class 10:00 AM Jr./Sr. High Sunday School Class	27	28	29	30	1 OFFICE CLOSED	2
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10 9:00 AM Worship Service (Bob Marsh) 9:15 AM K-5th Sunday School Class 10:00 AM Jr./Sr. High Sunday School Class	11	12 4:30 PM Community Mercy Ministry Meeting	13 6:00 PM LOOP 6:00 PM SESSION	14 8:00 PM Serenity Circle (AA)	15 OFFICE CLOSED 3:00 PM LEAF TOUR	16
17 9:00 AM Worship Service (Bob Marsh) 9:15 AM K-5th Sunday School Class 10:00 AM Jr./Sr. High Sunday School Class	18	19	20 6:00 PM LEAP 6:30 PM DEACONS	21 12:00 PM Spirit of Peoria Riverboat Cruise 8:00 PM Serenity Circle (AA)	22 OFFICE CLOSED	23
24 9:00 AM Worship Service (Bob Marsh) 9:15 AM K-5th Sunday School Class 10:00 AM Jr./Sr. High Sunday School Class	25	26 6:00 PM ADMINISTRATION	27 6:00 PM LOOP	28 8:00 PM Serenity Circle (AA)	29 OFFICE CLOSED	30
31 9:00 AM Worship Service (Bob Marsh) 9:15 AM K-5th Sunday School Class 10:00 AM Jr./Sr. High Sunday School Class 2:30 - 4:00 PM TRUNK OR TREAT 3:00 - 5:00 PM Harvest Party (LCC)						