



THE CHRISTIAN ALERT
September 30, 2019

Sharing an Asian church perspective on communion, one missionary writes:

“Food is not just a symbol of life, it is life itself. From food comes the possibility of life; without it, no life is possible. The eating of food, therefore, becomes a deeply religious action. In taking food, we take life.

To share food is to share one’s own life. In Asia, we understand that. Just as the traditional Englishman greets a friend with conversation about the weather, so the traditional Asian greets another with the words ‘Have you eaten?’ It is the sign of community. The act of eating becomes a moment of communion.”

As his ministry came to a close, Jesus took the simple act of eating and made it totally sacred. Not only were the disciples accepting life when they took bread, but from that moment, they would be taking the life of the Son of God. Bread had become heaven.

This Sunday we celebrate World Communion Sunday. With brothers and sisters around the world we will make real Jesus’ word, “I am the bread of life.... If any one eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh” (John 6:48, 51).

I pray you will take your seat at the Table of God’s global family reunion this Sunday.



OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH!

As a church family we recognize and value the care, support, and guidance that Pastor Ken provides to this congregation and our community. While it’s true we appreciate Pastor Ken every month, October is set aside for us to express our appreciation and say “THANKS” to him. What a blessing he is to a

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Lord’s Day Happenings –October 6, 2019

9:30 am Common Grounds Cafe

10:30 am Worship

Scripture: Luke 17:5-10

Sermon: “Going Yet Not Knowing”

THIS WEEK’S MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Monday, Sept. 30- 7 pm Youth Group

Thursday, October 3- 9-3 pm Rummage Sale

Donation drop off day

6:45 pm Bible Journaling

7 pm Chancel Choir Practice

Friday, October 4- 9-3 pm Rummage Sale

Saturday, October 5- 9-12 pm Rummage Sale \$2 bag day

NEXT WEEK’S MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Sunday, October 6- Cookie Fellowship- Choir host

Monday, October 7- 6:30 pm Scout Committee mtg.

7 pm Youth Group

Tuesday, October 8- 10:30 am Ruth Circle meeting

Wednesday, October 9- 7 pm Elders Meeting

Thursday, October 10- 10 am Disciple Women mtg.

10 am Ladies Aid

6:45 pm Bible Journaling

7 pm Chancel Choir

CHURCH FAMILY

To our knowledge there is no one in the hospital at this time. Please continue to pray for those recovering in their health and our homebound.

Servers for Sunday, October 6, 2019

Elders – Marilyn Shuttleworth, Jerry Hixenbaugh

Diaconate – Janice Dykes, Joan Travers, Stacey Gardner, Casey Downs, Kylie Gardner, Natalie Gardner, Alexis Shafer, Kylie Teuscher, JoAnn Sponaugle, Dave O'Rell

Prepare and Serve- Melissa Urey, Nicole Dutton

Worship Leader- Denis Dunbar

Communion Bread- Janice Dykes

Greeters – Kevin and Cindy Bosak

Acolyte- Natalie Emerine and Zane Shafer

Elementary- Sara Elmore

Pre-K – Nicole & Natalie Emerine

Nursery – Vanessa Teuscher

Media – Sue Criddle, Jean Smith

Sound – Casey Downs

Counter Team – Karen Horvath, Janice Dykes,

Chris and Carol Margrave

Captains – Vicki & Dave Gargas



COOKIE FELLOWSHIP REMINDER

Just a friendly reminder that the Chancel Choir will host Cookie fellowship on Sunday, October 6th. Choir members please plan to bring your cookies.



WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

Champion Pride Council's Winter Clothing drive ends Oct. 10, 2019. Clothing boxes are available in the church and Wonder Zone entranceways.

Needed items are new or gently worn hats, gloves and mittens, winter coats for children and teens.



FALL RUMMAGE SALE

The Fall Rummage sale is just around the corner. The sale will be held on Friday, October 4th from 9-3 pm and \$2.00 bag day will be on Saturday, October 5th from 9-12 Noon. Donation drop off day is Thursday, October 3rd from 9-3pm. As always, lunch will be available both sale days for purchase.

City Chicken Dinner

Sponsored by CMF

Sunday, October 20, 2019

The men are having a carry-out
City Chicken Dinner.

Cost is \$8.00 - advance ticket sales only
by Oct. 16, 2019

Menu: 2 pieces of city chicken, green beans, mashed potatoes/gravy. cole-slaw, rolls, & dessert. For tickets see Ken Hopkins Sr., Ken Armstrong, or Cara in the Church office.



4TH ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT

Our 4th Annual Trunk or Treat is coming soon and we need your help!

Trunk or Treat will be Saturday, October 26th from 4-6 p.m.

If you would like to decorate your car and pass out candy, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board by the flower chart. Our goal is 40 cars this year!

We will also be collecting candy in the box outside of Casey's office.

Thanks in advance for making this year's Trunk or Treat better than ever! It's always a great time for both the kids and adults.

WONDER ZONE FALL FUNDRAISER

Wonder Zone is having a fall fundraiser from September 23rd – October 15th. Fun Pasta fundraising offers a wide variety of fun shaped pasta, meal kits, and yummy soups. We are using Fun Pasta fundraising to help raise money for curriculum materials, staff education, and to keep our childcare cost down. All checks must be made out to Wonder Zone or order online at <https://www.funpastafundraising.com/shop/wonder-zone-childcare-center>

FALL FEST

2019 Appreciation luncheon and award program for champion resident senior citizens will be held on Thursday, October 17 from 11- 12:30 pm at Champion Middle School PK-8 Gymnasium. Cost is \$5.00 paid at the door. Reservations are required by October 15th by calling Lynda Norton at 330-847-2338.