Towerlight



Now is a good time to start planning and praying for what your family's financial commitment (pledge) will be for the 2025 year. This year there will be a change in the commitment process. We will not be asking for your name when you complete your pledge. When you do give in 2025 via check, electronically or with your name on a giving envelope, you will still be credited and be able to track your contributions with the quarterly statements sent out.

Your proposed church budget for 2025 is \$628,002; this reflects a realistic increase of 2% which is less than \$14,000. Your church leaders pledge to continue to be good stewards of your generosity.

Please begin to prayerfully consider what your pledge will be for 2025. Your pledge helps pay for our gathering place for all of us to worship, learn and grow together. A prayer and service pledge card will also be available so that you can pledge to pray for Christ UMC and let us know where you would like to serve in the upcoming year.

We will be asking that everyone fill out a pledge card on October 27th. This is an important step for our church to plan for what we can accomplish in the coming year. We will have paper copies of the pledge card available that day during worship. There will also be an option to pledge online, and that link will be made available beginning Friday, Oct. 25th.

We look forward to this special Sunday together as we plan for the future of Christ UMC where our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.



Our "Feed the Kids Backpack Ministry" provides food for the Kindergartners and First Graders at Edgelea Elementary, struggling with food insecurity, to take home every week.

Please note that *smaller size jars & cans and non glass items* are easier for the children to carry home.

For the month of Oct., we will be collecting: Canned Chicken, Spaghetti, Spaghetti Sauce, and Canned Fruit.



Church Meetings

Monthly Meetings

Caregiver Support Group will meet Thurs., Oct. 3rd at 6pm in the Pastors' Study.

Church Council will not meet in Oct.

Christ UMC Sisters in Loss will meet Wed., Oct. 9th. For details call Cris @ (765) 404-0801

Finance Committee will meet Tues., Oct. 8th at 6pm in the Pastors' Study.

Foster Friends will meet Mon., Oct. 21st at 10am in the Pastors' Study.

Lay Leadership will meet Tues., Oct. 8th at 7:15pm in the Pastors' Study.

Martha Circle will meet Tues. Oct. 15th at 2pm in the Pastors' Study.

Staff Parish will meet Tues., Oct. 22nd at 6:30pm in the Pastors' Study.

Survivor of Suicide Loss Support Group will meet Wed., Oct. 9th at 6:30pm in the Pastors' Study.

Trustees will meet Mon., Oct. 7th at 6pm in the Pastors' Study.

Worship Planning will meet Tues., Oct. 1st at 7:30pm via Zoom.

Weekly Meetings

Brianna's Hope

Mondays at 5:45pm for Dinner Support & Recovery Mtg. at 6:30pm

HeBrews Men's Fellowship

Fridays at 8am in the Pastors' Study.

Sermon Round Up

Mondays at 8:15pm
Join Kurt and Jake on our <u>Facebook</u>
<u>Connect Page</u> to discuss Sunday's Sermon.
Ask questions, contribute to the discussion, or just listen.

Women of Faith Bible Study

Tuesdays at 10:00am in the Pastors' Study.

For a current list of events go to www.christumchurch.org/calendar

For information regarding any of these meetings call the church office 765-474-4313 or email info@christumchurch.org

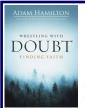


All Saints Sunday

All Saints Sunday is November 3rd. In preparation for this special Sunday please let the office know the name of your friends or family members who passed this year. Their name will be read during the service and a candle lit in their honor. Call the office, send an email, or <u>click here</u> by Oct. 27th.

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Wrestling With Doubt

Everyone has doubts. Uncertainty doesn't mean our belief is lacking. Doubt can be a path to a deeper, richer encounter with God.

Join Pastor Bruce and Jack Dwiggins as they discuss some of our most significant sources of doubt and how a steady trust in God can emerge from them.

Sundays, Oct. 13th - Nov. 17th 9:45am-10:30am in room 4 To Signup: Contact carol@christumchurch.org

Candy and Participants Needed

Interested in helping with Trunk or Treat this year?

Trunk or Treat | Sat., Oct. 26th | 4pm-6pm

We are looking for people to decorate their trunks and pass out candy to the children. As a participant you do not need to supply all of the candy for your car, we will share the donations we receive.

Trunk or Treat gives families of Lafayette a safe space to go trick or treating. You can sign up for this in the Narthex or message Emily Mayer Emily@christumchurch.org.

We also need:



CANDY, LOTS OF CANDY!

Donations can be dropped in the box in the Narthex or at the church office.



Oct. 1 Jim Atkins, Scott Gillespie, Eleanor Kilmer, Bridget Scott Oct. 2 Wendy Basden, Ethan Dwiggins, Marayah Trosper Oct. 3 Phil Ferger IV, Doreen Habben, Joshua Stieneker Oct. 4 Donna Brothers.

Stephanie Miller Oct. 5 Betty Benjamin, Jaedin Ibarra Oct. 6 Marty Haywood Oct. 7 Laura Ehlers, Baxter High, Kevin Noe, Addison Simons Oct. 8 Vicky Pearson, Jean Ann Simler Oct. 9 Josiah Freeman, Angela Johnson, Hollie Kessler, Debra Reagan Oct. 10 Adam Allen Oct. 12 Kyros Carr, Anthony Pilotte Oct. 13 Beverly Herren, Kevin Pendleton Oct. 14 Jean Foust, Dean Rusk, Drew Thoennes, Carol Yarian Oct. 15 Ava Farrer, Bethany Swisher Oct. 16 Jack Dwiggins, Carole Haynes, Leslie Hornor Oct. 18 Johanna Kicherer Oct. 19 Jeff Mark Oct. 20 Melvin Wilson Oct. 22 Jan O'Shea, Kyle Pendleton Oct. 23 Peggy Drews, Jeffrey Hogue Oct. 24 Emmerson Blankenship, Chloe Trosper Oct. 26 Bryan Blanchard, Chris Leffert Oct. 27 Rebecca Daigle Oct. 28 Nancy Beeler, John Shondell Oct. 29 Debbie Brown, Ruth Habben Oct. 30 Anna Mott Oct. 31 Andrew Daigle, Megan Solomon

Happy Anniversary

Adam Allen & Staci Gray-Allen	10/02/2004
Braiden & Allie Linder	10/02/2021
Herbert & Bertel Wingard	10/03/1981
Aaron & April Headdy	10/04/1997
Jeff & Heidi Brewer	10/05/2002
Carson & Danielle Lay	10/10/2021
Hope & Craig Wooldridge	10/11/2003
Laura & Mike Willenborg	10/13/2007
Leslie & Crystal Hornor	10/15/1995
Michael & Kim DeWilde	10/20/1975
Stanley & Carol Burkart	10/21/2000
Cy Holladay & Pat Wright	10/30/2011