

St. John's, Bem
United Church
Of Christ

The Scoop!

October, 2011

*"...no matter who you
are or where you are
on life's journey,
you are welcome here
in the United Church
of Christ..."*

From the Pastor's Keyboard...

"Stewardship- (It's not About Money!)"

Each October, Bem Church focuses on Stewardship as we move into the final season of the year and anticipate beginning another year. As we do, talk of money stems from the Stewardship focus; and at the end of our Stewardship focus, you are even asked to make a financial faith promise for the coming year. It's all about money, right?

Actually, money is simply a by-product of Stewardship. Making a commitment to be a faithful steward of God's Kingdom is much more about motivating one's heart, sharing one's life, and fully embracing God's call to unity and justice in all that we say and do, than it is about money, budgeting or any form of financial planning.

Stewardship is about Recognizing, Remembering and Reacting.

Recognizing- Stewardship is based in recognizing all of God's Blessings and provisions in your life. It is easy to go through life viewing the world through the lenses of our popular culture, which stresses individual elevation at the expense of others. Our culture tells us we are self made individuals, and we should step on everyone else to get the best toys. Faithful Stewardship is based in putting aside the cultural desire for accumulation and Recognizing the fact that all that we have and all we are is ultimately from God. Does God bless us and provide for us so that we can accumulate and hoard, or share?

Remembering- Stewardship is based in remembering who you are. You are God's child, uniquely created and uniquely suited to continue Christ's ministry of hope, love, peace and justice in the world. It is also about remembering whose you are. You belong to God who calls you by name- to ministry. God calls you, as God's child, to live the example Christ set before us in everything we say and everything we do. Faithful Stewardship is based in remembering the call to ministry for which we have been created and chosen.

Reacting- Stewardship is based in reacting to the above. When we truly recognize the reality of our existence away from the distractions of our culture, when we truly remember who and whose we are, then we react accordingly with our time, talents and, yes, treasures; out of sincere and deep gratitude. As we focus on Stewardship this month, let us Recognize, Remember and React together.

-Pastor Rick

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SCRIPTURES FOR OCTOBER 2011

These are the scripture readings and topics we will be exploring in worship during the month of October. Read ahead! You will get much more out of the worship experience if you prepare ahead before Sunday morning.

10/2 – World Communion Sunday “Not of this World”

Heb. Scripture: Exodus 20:1-4,7-9,12-20
Gospel Lesson: Matthew 22:1-14

10/16- Birthday Sunday “Stewardship and the Emperor”

Hebrew Scripture: Exodus 33:12-19
Gospel Lesson: Matthew 22:15-22

Christian Ed Halloween Party:

**After church on 10/30! Lunch, crafts, games,
and goodie bags for the kids! Stick around!
Kids- wear your costume to church that day!**

10/9- Camp Mo-Val Sunday “CARA- Come Away, Rest Awhile”

Hebrew Scripture: Exodus 34:27-32
Gospel Lesson: Matthew 4:1-11

10/23- Confirmation Class Reunions “Things That Last”

Psalter Lesson: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17
Gospel Lesson: Matthew 22:34-40

10/30- Reformation Sunday “Trick or Treat”

Psalter Lesson: Psalm 107:1-7,33-37
Gospel Lesson: Matthew 23:1-12

CAMP MO-VAL- BEM CHURCH MISSION OF THE MONTH

Support for Camp Mo-Val, the Missouri Mid-South Outdoor Ministries Camp, is the Bem Church Mission of the Month. Bem Church sent 30 kids to camp this past summer, giving them the chance to experience God in different and unique ways. Camp Mo-Val served 510 campers in its summer program this year, up from 465 last summer. However, Camp Mo-Val is more than just summer; it is a year-round retreat facility, spreading God’s love all year long.

Bem Church has a goal to raise \$750 again this year to support the faith formation enabled by Camp Mo-Val. We will be celebrating Camp Mo-Val all month long; but especially on Mo-Val Sunday, October 9. On that day, we will be asking all campers to wear their camp t-shirts to church, and some will even talk a bit about their camp experiences. Be here October 9!

CONFIRMATION REUNIONS OCTOBER 23

On October 23, we will be celebrating the Confirmation Classes of 2006, 2001, 1996, 1991, 1986 and so on- 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 etc. 5 year classes all the way back to 1935. We will be inviting these folk to join us for recognition and fellowship- a time for reunion and celebration. Last year’s confirmation reunion day was a joyful time for all; this year should be as well! There will be a meal after worship that day and recognition during worship. Don’t miss this great celebration of love and community on October 23!

PAIRS AND SPARES

by Sadie Kohrmann

Thank you to all the folks who donate items to the bake and craft sale at the picnic! Together we made a profit of \$685.36!!! This made it possible for our group to donate \$200 to the copier fund, \$200 to the CROP Walk and \$100 to help with Festival of Sharing expenses!

Pairs and Spares will meet for lunch after worship on Sunday, October 2; then go to the CROP Walk in Owensville. Come join us for fun, fellowship and service! You are always welcome here!

SPIRITUAL BUT NOT RELIGIOUS? PLEASE!

By Pastor Rick

The Daily Devotional series is emailed FREE daily to anyone wishing to subscribe from the United Church of Christ. These devotionals are written by a group of 6-8 individuals who call themselves “The Still Speaking Writer’s Group”. This group has produced many moving and insightful publications over the past few years, including the brochures and devotional booklets found in our pews at Bem Church.

The following devotional was part of that series, the Daily Devotional from August 31, 2011. As I read it, it resonated well with me; for like the author, Lillian Daniel, I also am often a part of this type of conversation. Her advice speaks volumes about the true nature of Christ’s call; and gives us great lessons on truly effective stewardship.

Matthew 16:18- “...and I tell you that you are Peter; and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.”

Reflection by Rev. Lillian Daniel

On airplanes, I dread the conversation with the person who finds out I am a minister and wants to use the flight time to explain to me that he is “spiritual but not religious”. Such a person will always share this as if it is some kind of daring insight unique to him, bold in its rebellion against the status quo.

Next thing you know, he is telling me that he finds God in the sunsets. (These people always find God in the sunsets!) And in walks on the beach. Sometimes I think these people never leave the beach or the mountains, what with all the communing with God they do on hilltops, hiking trails and... did I mention the beach at sunset yet?

Being privately spiritual but not religious [is not what God calls us to be]. There is nothing challenging about having deep thoughts all by oneself. What is interesting is doing this work in community, where other people might call you on stuff or, heaven forbid, disagree with you. Life with God gets rich and provocative only when you dig deep into a tradition that you did not invent all for yourself.

So thank you for sharing, spiritual but not religious person. You are now comfortably in the norm for self-centered American culture, right smack in the majority of people who find [the faith journeys of our traditions] dull, but find themselves uniquely fascinating. Can I switch seats now and sit next to someone who has been shaped by a mighty cloud of witnesses instead? Can I spend my time talking to someone brave enough to encounter God in the midst of a real human community? Because when this flight gets choppy, that is who I want by my side, holding my hand, saying a prayer, helping me through the rough times, and simply putting up with me; just like we try to do in church.

Rev. Daniel gets a little sharp in her criticism here; but her points are valid and her sharp edge calls us all to attention. Being spiritual is very important; but where does that lead us? Our exercises in spirituality should lead us to follow Christ’s call; and Christ calls us into community. To act, to learn, to play, to work, to make mistakes, to hurt one another, to heal one another and to love- in community. **“Believing in God” is never enough- according to the gospels, even The Devil “believes in God”.** Christ calls us to act- not by ourselves- but in community. Praise God for the love and joy of this Bem Church Community! ***See you in community next Sunday!***

UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Bem Church Youth- we have had a great time at our youth activities so far this year; and many other great things are in the works! Youth are showing up in great numbers for all of our activities, and that makes for a fun time. (At our last three activities, we had 15-17 youth at each of them!) Most importantly, our youth are bonding together, learning about each other, and growing as friends. (Christian Fellowship at its finest!)

Our youth sold Butter Braids in September; and raised \$1150 in **PROFIT** for the Bem Church Youth Group! We will use these funds to pay for our Mission Trip in June; and will help offset the cost of some of our other activities as the year goes on, too.

The next big youth fundraiser will be the Deer Hunter's Chili on November 13. The youth are organizing and serving the Deer Hunter's Chili; and the funds raised will help pay for our Mission Trip in June, and our other activities throughout this year. (Like paint for the youth room and items for the "Love Boxes" we will distribute to our elderly and shut-ins in February.) We hope everyone will help support our Deer Hunter's Chili November 13.

We will also be taking a trip to the Festival of Sharing October 14-15; going to Six Flags on October 28; Ringing the Bell for the Salvation Army on November 26; and taking a trip to West County Mall for Shopping/Scavenger Hunt on December 11.

If you have not been participating in Youth Group activities this year, now is the time to jump in! We have a whole new group and a whole new focus this year; and it is off to a great start! Middle and Senior High Youth, Come be a part of the fun!

10/14 5:00pm- 10/15 6:00pm	Festival of Sharing Trip to Sedalia
October 28- after school	Trip to Six Flags- Fright Fest
November 13- after church	Host/Serve the Deer Hunter's Chili Meal
November 26- 10:00am-6:00pm	Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Wal-Mart
December 11- after church	Trip to West County Mall- Scavenger Hunt
Christmas Break	Paint the Youth Room upstairs
January 13- 6:00pm-midnight	Midnight Madness Activity at Church
February 12- after church	Assemble & Deliver Love Boxes
March 9- after school	Bowling and Dinner in Owensville
March 18- after church	Service Activity
March 9-April 8	Take orders for Bem Church T-Shirt sales
April 8- morning	Easter Egg Hunt at Church
April 22- after church	Go to lunch and a movie
May 5- 9:00am-noon	Participate in church work day
June 20-24 (Wed-Sun)	Mission Trip to Chicago, Kansas City or Joplin

BIRTHDAY SUNDAY CELEBRATION!

Birthday Sunday this month is October 16. Everyone is welcome to a social hour **BEFORE** worship that day in the Sofa Room. Everyone- Come celebrate October birthdays 10/16!

COMING SOON:

11-1-11 11-11-11

MISSION: 1

For more info:

John 17:18-21

STEWARDSHIP ON-LINE!

Tend to forget your checkbook or envelopes on Sunday mornings? Hate worrying about writing a check during the sermon or anthem? Tired of worrying about “making up” your financial stewardship when you are not in attendance? Look into e-giving! E-giving is now possible at St. John’s, Bem.

For more information, visit:

www.egive-usa.com; or check with Pastor Rick or the church office.

BLANKETS BY THE NUMBERS

Blankets distributed domestically by Church World Services in response to natural disasters and need January through June 2011

- 300- Alabama
- 60- California; First Christian Church
- 210- Colorado; homeless in La Puente
- 150- Connecticut; No Freeze Shelter
- 210- Florida; Brevard Sharing Center
- 90- Florida; First Christian Church
- 420- Georgia; Unity in Disaster
- 210- Michigan; Metro Christian Council
- 1020- Missouri; Salvation Army in KC
- 300- Missouri; AmeriCorps in STL
- 60- Montana; Fort Peck Tribe
- 150- New Jersey; Bridges Outreach Ctr.
- 90- New York; Maureen’s Haven Ctr.
- 30- Rhode Island; Cornerstone of Faith
- 300- Tennessee; Second Harvest
- 1020- Texas; Good Samaritan Ministries
- 300- Utah; Crossroads Urban Center
- 810- West VA; Appalachian Outreach

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

Congratulations to...

...**Sable Huebner**, who was honor student of the month (September) at Owensville High School

...**Jay Copeland**, who was honored by the Joplin Christian Church (DOC) for his fundraising efforts in response to the tornado that struck earlier this year

...**Bre Baker & Emily Koepke**, Confirmation students who reached the confirmation goal of 50 Worship Analysis Sheets completed for the year by 9/11/11- a new record for confirmation students!

...**Shelby Oberle, Dustin Cruse, Emily Koepke, Alexander Oberle and Asa Baker** who sold the most number of Butter Braids for the youth group fundraiser! Profits from this sale will fund the youth group mission trip this summer!

BEM CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The Bem Church Office is closed on Fridays. Carole is available (usually) Monday through Thursday 9:00am-2:00pm. ***Please leave a message if the machine picks up- often we are here, just away from the phone!***

OCTOBER SERVICE SCHEDULE *Flowers: Crystal Blankenship*

Nursery Workers: 10/2: Kim Oberle & Jodi Layman	Greeters: The James Koepke Family	Lay Reader: Joey Oberle	Acolytes: Taylor LaValle & Allison Carey
10/9: Nancy Kohrmann & Tammy Branson	The Kerri Carey & Des Sullinger Families	Jamie Schultz	Emily Koepke & Morgan Huebner
10/16: Brooke Johnson & Leann Smith	The Charles Shore & Teresa Ringeisen Families	Faye Howard	Breanna Baker & Taylor LaValle
10/23: Erin West & Sara Whelan	The Ken Glaser Family	Laura Shore	Dalten Chapman & Brandon Czeschin
10/30: Paula Copeland & Andrea Hane	The Wayne Horstmann & James Schafer Families	Drew Layman	Allison Carey & Brandon Czeschin

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH-

10/1- Gracie Schultz, Lyla Lenauer, Lois Ruffner, Eric Buschmeyer, Debbie Baxter;
 10/3- Lindsay Thompson; 10/4- Matt Amsden, Rick Goodman; 10/5-Allan Kohrmann;
 10/7-Richard Carl, Lana Altemeyer; 10/8- Terry Havelka, Russ Bacon; 10/9- Ginny Amsden;
 10/10- Nancy Carpenter; 10/11- Iris Peters; 10/12- Dale Adkison, Tucker Huebner;
 10/14- Lori Adams, Brenda Sieckmann; 10/15- Jeff Smith, Alicia Kreter;
 10/16- Dawson Clark, Jonathan Hullinghoff; 10/17- Kyrsten McBrayer; 10/19- Charlie Whelan;
 10/20- Erin West; 10/21- Tammy Baxter, Chris Blankenship;
 10/22- Macen Blankenship, John Tayloe; 10/23- Doug Shockley;
 10/24- Anita Oldfather, Sable Huebner, Tanner Goodman, Jacob Hall, Halle Thompson;
 10/26- Jackson Lenauer, Nancy Kohrmann; 10/29- Connie Licklider; 10/30- Adam Johnson;
 ...**Happy Birthday!**

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES THIS MONTH-

10/1- Sandy & Carl Landwehr, Leann & Jim Smith; 10/2- Jessica & Seth Parker;
 10/3- Faye & Willis Howard; 10/6- Crystal & Chris Blankenship;
 10/7- Cheryl & Dave Ruffner, Debbie & Jerry Baxter; 10/9- Casey & Keith Heying;
 10/23- Stephanie & Travis Kramme; 10/29- Fran & Dan Graham ...**Happy Anniversary!**

ATTENDANCE

Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:
June 5 137	July 3 75	August 7 76	September 4 96
June 12 105	July 10 101	August 14 68	September 11 144
June 19 102	July 17 107	August 21 103	September 18 97
June 26 87	July 24 110	August 28 126	September 25 104
	July 31 66		
Total: 431	Total: 459	Total: 373	Total: 441
Average: 108	Average: 92	Average: 93	Average: 110
Last Year: 101	Last Year: 92	Last Year: 88	Last Year: 107

THANK YOU

(some thank-you notes may be edited)

Dear Friends at St. John's,

Thank you all for your prayers; for now I am cancer free! Please continue your prayers for all those who struggle with cancer. Also, please join me in prayers of thanksgiving!

Your Friend, Joan Placinski

Dear Friends at St. John's United Church of Christ,

Thank you so much for your generous gift of \$212 to Neighbors in Need in 2010! Two-thirds of your Neighbors in Need offering goes to support Justice and Witness Ministries and one-third to support the Council of American Indian Ministries.

It has been another remarkable year in the United Church of Christ as we strive for justice and peace for all of God's people. No matter where they are, members throughout the church demonstrate that they are people of compassion and commitment. Local churches, conferences, associations and the national setting work daily to address injustice in their communities, regions, the nation and in the world.

In Christ's Service,

Paul Osgood, Chairperson; Justice and Witness Ministries Development Committee

Dear Friends-

Thank you for contributing to Church World Services through our Blankets Plus Program. With your help we can continue to assist people overcome by natural and human-caused disasters, as well as supporting community efforts to develop sustainable agriculture, reliable safe water supplies, and other means to break the grip of grinding poverty.

Sincerely, John McCullough, Executive Director and CEO; Church World Service

Dear Pastor Oberle,

I want to thank you for your gift to benefit the children and families served by ECH- Every Child's Hope. This gift allows staff to help the children we work with learn new coping and social skills, something that is a huge accomplishment for most of the young people at ECH. Our staff can use these extra resources to think outside of the box and help the children and youth deal with difficult situations in a positive way that will allow them to continue to grow and prosper.

Sincerely, Michael P. Brennan, Executive Director; ECH

Dear Pastor Oberle,

On behalf of the Board of Directors at Helping Hands Outreach Center I wish to thank the members of your congregation for their very generous support of our food pantry program. We are grateful for the recognition of the needs that people have and their willingness to help us meet those needs.

-Andrew J. Michel, Vice President; Helping Hands Board of Directors

Thank you to Carole and Sonnie Dotson, who spend hours every year coordinating and arranging for two fun days of fellowship around the kettles as we cook Apple Butter each September. Carole spends weeks coordinating this event, purchasing supplies, selling the wares, and procuring the three big kettles needed for the day. Sonnie is right there with her carrying sugar and supplies, picking up the kettles we borrow from folks in the community, and distributing cases of Apple Butter all around town when we are through. 'Thank you' to Carole and Sonnie; and to all of the "unsung heroes" who make ministry happen at Bem Church!

MISSION: 1 KICKS OFF IN OCTOBER

“...as you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes, I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth. I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, God, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us...” –John 17:18-21

As Jesus prays this prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane, right before he is betrayed, he prays to God on behalf of **us**; “that they may all be one.” Jesus’ prayer for unity has become the cornerstone of the United Church of Christ and our motto, calling for unity in our hearts and in our dealings with the world. We strive for unity; and part of that unity is helping each other out of oppressive situations, including the desperate cycle of hunger.

To that end, the United Church of Christ is kicking off “Mission: 1”- 11 days of intensive mission work to combat hunger in our society during the “1s” this calendar year- 11-1-11 through 11-11-11. Gimmicky, sure; but very faithful to Christ’s call to service.

The National, Conference, and Association settings of the United Church of Christ have provided various resources for churches to jump on this campaign; but it is up to each individual church to tailor it for their own needs.

For Bem Church, the Mission Committee has set a challenging goal- but one that we can meet if we just keep Christ’s prayer for unity in our hearts. ***Our goal for this campaign is to collect 1,111 cans of soup here at Bem Church- for Helping Hands Outreach Center!***

A lofty goal, sure; but we can do it! We will start a little earlier than we are “supposed to”. We will start collecting October 16, and collect through November 13. Watch for signs and banners and a great video that we will share in church October 9. Start stockpiling soup now- and plan to bring it up to church for Mission: 1! (For more info go to www.ucc.org/mission1)

FRIENDS OF EMMAUS FALL BAZAAR AND QUILT AUCTION

The Annual Fall Bazaar and Quilt Auction, sponsored by the Friends of Emmaus organization, will be held this year on Sunday, October 30 from Noon until 5:00pm. The proceeds from this event will be used by the Friends of Emmaus to assist in the program and ministry of Emmaus Home, Marthasville in serving developmentally disabled adults. Emmaus Homes, Marthasville is located at 2200 Highway D, near Marthasville, MO.

(Note- starting in 2012, this event will be held in the spring; next year’s Bazaar will be May 20!)

APPLE BUTTER FUN

by Carole Dotson

St. John’s, Bem Apple Butter making is completed for this year. In two days time, we made five kettles of Apple Butter- a total of 102 Gallons! Some Apple Butter is still available. Pints are \$4.50, Quarts are \$8.00. To purchase some, talk to Carole Dotson in the church office. Thank you to all who spent the better part of two days up here cooking, cleaning, canning, and eating! Special thanks go out to the 14+ men who arrived on the early shift, some as early as 5:30am to begin cooking. All are important; all are needed to make Bem’s Apple Butter Days successful. Lots of fun and fellowship around the kettle and coffee pot; and the noon meals are delicious, too! (Thank you also to the ladies who prepared the meals!) The Christian Fellowship that develops around the kettle is really what “being church” is all about- living together in community. Plan on coming up next year and being a part of the fun!

BEM CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

General Fund

Balance as of 8-15-11	\$7129**
Income:	
Offering	\$7550
Tower	\$609
Picnic	\$6683
other	<u>\$1251</u>
Total Income	\$16,093
Expense: Budgeted Items	(\$12,918)
Balance as of 9-15-11	\$10,304**
<i>**General Fund Balance Includes \$20,000 from Rippeto Funds- Cushion for expenses</i>	

*****(Two big insurance bills due 10/1/11 have eliminated this balance; 9/22/11 General Fund Balance was -\$1412 !!!)***

Building Fund

Balance as of 8-15-11	\$1135
Income:	\$235
Expense:	(\$791)
Balance as of 9-15-11	\$579.

Cemetery Fund

Balance as of 8-15-11	\$706
Income:	
Envelopes	\$95
Apple Butter	\$100
CD Cashed in	<u>\$1000</u>
Total Income	\$1195
Expenses:	
Mowing	(\$445)
Apple Butter	<u>(\$1041)</u>
Total Expenses	(\$1486)
Balance as of 9-15-11	\$415

Cemetery Fund Investments

CDs Balance	\$66,286
Money Market	\$15,058
Rippeto Funds	\$38,401
Balance as of 9-15-11	\$119,745

Special Offering Fund

Balance as of 8-15-11	\$274
Income: Mission Fund	\$437
Helping Hands	\$30
Festival of Sharing	\$60
CROP Walk	<u>\$35</u>
Total Income:	\$562
Balance as of 9-15-11	\$836

Pastor's Housing Equity Account

Balance as of 9-15-11	\$4509
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Pairs and Spares

Balance as of 8-15-11	\$966
Income: Picnic	\$816
Expense: Picnic	(\$130)
Misc.	(\$66)
Balance as of 9-15-11	\$1586

Quilters

Balance as of 8-15-11	\$2775
Income: (Quilt Auction)	\$2190
Balance as of 9-15-11	\$4945

Youth Fellowship Account

Balance as of 8-15-11	\$330
Expense	(\$66)
Balance as of 9-15-11	\$264

Mission & Social Concerns

Balance as of 8-15-11	\$1753
Income: Picnic	\$455
Expense: Mission Work	(\$356)
Balance as of 9-15-11	\$1852

Hospitality Committee

Balance as of 8-15-11	\$1573
Income:	\$370
Expense:	(\$321)
Balance as of 9-15-11	\$1622

Scholarship Funds

Balance as of 1-1-11	\$171,838
Scholarships 2011	(\$6000)
Checking Account	\$2050
Edward Jones	\$2788
United Church Funds	\$163,321
Balance as of 8-15-11	\$168,159

Rippeto Estate Mission Work Fund

United Church Funds	
Balance as of 1-1-11	\$85,000
Balance as of 9-15-11	\$90,659

(For information/balances/questions on other Rippeto Estate Funds, The Cemetery Funds, or any other financial questions, ask Carole; Or a Church Council member!)

2011 financial picture so far...

As of 9/21/11, our expenses (\$107,258) have **exceeded** our income (\$102,402) by \$4876.
 Year to date income (\$102,402) is **\$6848 (6%) Behind** our YTD income goal of \$109,250
(Checkbook Balance 9/22/11 was -\$1412)

ST. JOHN'S UCC, BEM- OCTOBER 2011 CALENDAR

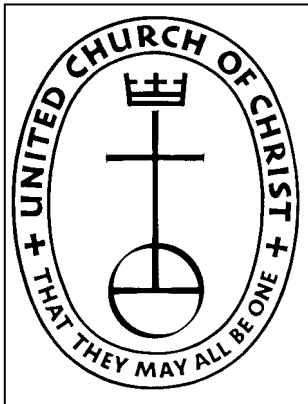
SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES- 10:00am; SUNDAY SCHOOL- 8:45am

October 1	Breakfast at the Masonic Lodge	7:00am
	German Dinner! Big Bem Church Fundraiser!	4:00-7:00pm
October 2	World Communion Sunday- Bring a Meal for Helping Hands!	
	Pairs and Spares Carry-in meal/meeting	11:15am
	CROP Walk at Memorial Park	1:00pm
	Gasconade County Bible Society Meeting at Swiss	7:00pm
October 5	Confirmation Class of 2012, 2011	5:00pm/6:00pm
October 9	Camp Mo-Val Sunday- Wear your Camp t-shirt!	
	New Members Received during worship	10:00am
October 10	Cemetery Committee Meeting	10:00am
October 12	Owensville/Rosebud Ministerial Alliance at FBC	10:30am
	Confirmation Class of 2012, 2011	5:00pm/6:00pm
October 14	Helping Hands Outreach Center Mobile Market	10:00am
October 14-15	Youth Group Field Trip to Festival of Sharing	5:00pm-6:00pm
October 16	Birthdays Sunday- fellowship time BEFORE worship	9:00am
October 17	Church Council Meeting	6:30pm
October 18	Membership Care Committee Meeting	10:30am
October 19	Confirmation Class of 2012, 2011	5:00pm/6:00pm
October 20	Pastor Rick at Helping Hands Outreach Center	11:00am
October 22	Camp Mo-Val Dinner & Auction in Chesterfield	6:00pm
October 23	Confirmation Reunion Sunday- Lunch after worship	10:00/11:15am
October 24	Mission Committee Meeting	6:30pm
October 27	Grape Country Cluster Meeting at Bem Church	7:00pm
October 30	Christian Education Committee Halloween Party	11:15am
November 6	All Saint's Day- Bring a Friend Sunday- "Each 1 Bring 1"	

Quilting Every Tuesday 9:00am-2:00pm; Bring Sack Lunch!
Quilting also Wednesday evenings from 6:00-8:00pm!

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