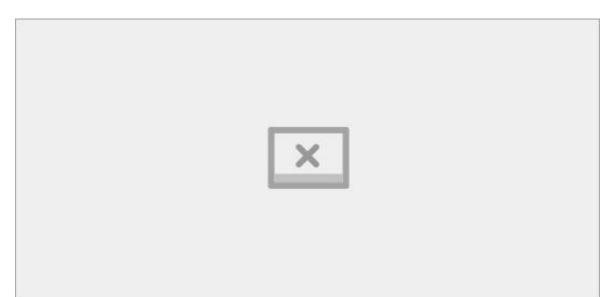




November Update from Rev. Carla Aday



STORIES IN GLASS: A SERIES ON OUR STAINED GLASS

The stained glass windows shape the beauty of our sacred space but more than that, they tell us the key stories of our faith and inspire us to live in the light of God's beautiful love and grace. Do you know who is in each window? We will remember our founding members who built these windows and reflect on the meaning of the 10 largest windows, five this fall and five in the winter. As we are bathed in the holy light of

these colorful images, we are called to live as those shaped by these Biblical stories.



This Sunday: Part 5, Chancel Window, based on Juke 7:31-35. Dr. Mike Graves preaching.

WORSHIP WITH US

Click HERE to worship with us Sundays at 9:01, 10:00 or 11:00 a.m., or on demand anytime.

Do you ever have trouble accessing our live stream? Click HERE for some helpful hints.

Miss last Sunday's service? Watch it HERE.

COMING SOON: During the season of advent, Country Club Christian Church will share advent devotions each week, Monday through Thursday. These will appear on Facebook and via our web site, but if you'd like to receive them directly in your email inbox, sign up at this <u>LINK</u>.



LET THE STREETS RESOUND

By Rev. Tyler Heston, Minister to Youth

Late on the first Sunday night of February, our city erupted with joy after the Chiefs won the Super Bowl, and people filled the streets with celebration. None of us knew that COVID was right around the corner or that it would not be the only time that people took to the streets here in Kansas City. **READ MORE...**

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

MONDAY NIGHT CLASSES: Saints for Our Time 7:00 p.m. Led by Dr. Mike Graves

Nov. 16 - Howard Thurman

The word "saint" conjures up all sorts of things for us moderns: golden halos painted around ancient heads, people like Francis of Assisi or Augustine, whom we usually refer to as Saint Francis and Saint Augustine. These interactive sessions will look at some more modern saints and what they have to teach us in our day.

Join Nov. 16 Class via Zoom - Howard Thurman



ROOTS BIBLE AND BEER

Sun., Nov. 15, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Young adults in their 20s and 30s are invited for a night of conversation and connection as we enjoy a drink or two together and talk about the Bible, its history, and meaning for us today through creative and engaging conversation. Location TBD; if weather is too cold or poor to meet in-person safely, we'll meet via Zoom. Contact <u>Tyler Heston</u> for more info.



Who Are You In Relation To Your Stuff?

Wed., Nov. 18, 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Join us for a virtual presentation by Kristen Christian. In this fun, interactive conversation Kristen will help us consider who we are in relation to our stuff and why we keep what we keep. Helpful for all stages of life, this will be especially useful if you are looking to downsize at some point. Kristen, Co-Founder of BEE Organized, creates simple, realistic, and sustainable solutions with compassion and always without judgment. Everyone welcome. Free. Pre-registration required: email or call Lisa at (816) 333-4917

Uprooting Racism: Investing in Justice and Equity

A Presentation by Alt Cap Wed., Nov. 18, 6:30-8:00 p.m. via Zoom



Recent incidents have amplified the conversation about systemic racism in our community and our country, and about the importance of long-term efforts to build a more just and equitable society.

AltCap is an Kansas City organization that is a part of the long-term effort to dismantle systemic racism and create a more whole society through its work of investing in capital- and resource-starved communities in the region through accessible and innovative financing projects and partnerships. Join us for a conversation with AltCap President Ruben Alonso III and other staff and clients as he shares the work being done throughout the Kansas City region. We will take time at the end to explore ways Country Club Christian Church can be involved in this critical work. To register and get Zoom link, RSVP to Lisa.

VIRTUAL CHOIR FOR CHRISTMAS

Music Ministry is organizing a virtual choir for Christmas, singing *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing* arranged by Dan Forrest. Any one interested in participating is encouraged to join. For information contact <u>Matt</u> <u>Thompson</u>.

Hark, the Herald Angels Sing - Concordia Christmas Concerts



CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

SAVE THE DATE FOR ADVENT IN ADVANCE. Sun., Nov. 22, 10:30 a.m.-noon, Chapel parking lot

Our annual make-and-take event to help children and families prepare their homes for Christmas looks a little different this year — instead of making items at church to take home, we're moving to a take and make format. Pick up craft packs to do as a family at home. Activities come with instructions and supplies.

We will also be taking photographs of children dressed as angels and/or shepherds for our Christmas Eve service. Come ready for this photo op; some props will be provided.

Click <u>HERE</u> for more information about Children and Family Ministries.



YOUTH

THIS SUNDAY YOUTH GROUP SAVE THE DATES!

- Sun., Nov. 22: Girls' Group Girls in youth group are invited for a Christmas-themed craft. 4:00-5:00 p.m.
- Sunday, November 22: Youth Group Service Project— Middle schoolers and high schoolers will be invited to join together for a service-project from 5:00-6:30 p.m.; details TBA.
- Friday, December 18: Youth Group Christmas Party— We'll celebrate Christmas together on Friday night, December 18th, 6:00-8:30 p.m., with Ice Skating at the crown center and a gift exchange. Details TBA.

Our normal Sunday night youth groups will meet on Sundays, Nov. 15, and Dec. 6. We will not have programming Sun., Nov. 29, for Thanksgiving.

Lots more information about Youth Ministries happenings <u>HERE</u>. Sign up for <u>email</u> and/or <u>texting</u> updates.

METRO MISSION



GRACE AT WORK PARTNERSHIP DAY WITH GRACE UNITED COMMUNITY MINISTRIES Sat., Dec. 5

All are invited to serve with projects supporting Grace United Community Ministries, a Metro Mission partner. One group of volunteers will assist with lunch distribution from 11:00 a.m.- 1:30 p.m. Another group will help with the community garden from 10:00 a.m.-noon planting new trees, prepping gardens for winter, etc. Both projects will be outdoors and safe practices will be followed Use this LINK to sign up for your preferred slot.

WARMTH PACKS FOR MICAH MINISTRY

Support Micah Ministry and its clients by donating items or dollars for Christmas warmth packs. In previous years we have assembled hygiene socks, but warmth packs more appropriately meet the needs of people seeking support from Micah today.

Each pack will contain:

- Hoodie (pullover or zipper but must be a hoodie, men's sizes XL or XXL, new or gently used)
- Warm, thick socks (new)
- Warm gloves (new or gently used)
- Hand warmer packets 2-3 (new)

If you would like to create packs we ask you to email your commitment to <u>Jackie Cunningham</u> or call Lisa Tang in the church office at 816-333-4917 so we can monitor totals. Monetary donations can be made by clicking here and selecting Micah Ministries, or mailing a check to the church noting Micah Ministries.

NOVEMBER COLLECTION CONNECTION

Metro Mission is gathering new or gently used blankets and tarps for sharing with our mission partners who serve the homeless in the metro area. Twin or full size blankets and tarps approximately 5 x 7' are most useful. Donations may be dropped off at church Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m-3:30 p.m. at the East entrance.



Warm hats and scarfs made by our Knitting team were delivered to mission partner Cross-Lines Community Outreach this week.



This week volunteers helped prepare and bag items for Della Lamb's Operation Holidays.



Over 500 families in the Northeast area of Kansas City will be supported this holiday season with presents, clothing items and food for a full holiday meal.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

As we continue to offer high quality online worship, the church is seeking a Technical Production Director with extensive audio, video and lighting experience for ongoing operational support. This position will be pivotal in the further development of our digital ministry. Full job description <u>HERE</u>.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

MEMORIAL GIFTS HONORING LOVED ONES ones are placed into the Church's Endowment Funds, which are used to support the church now and into the future. Gifts have recently been given in memory of:

Robert "Bob" King by the Family of Bob King*c/o Susan Krueger

Helen Munoz by Cindy and Randy Irey, *Koinonia Sunday School Class* by Pat Martin

Linda Nixon by Mark and Camille Foster by Cindy and Randy Irey by Jonathan and Haley Nixon by John and Martha Jane Stewart, *Building Fund*

Cora Louise "Cokie" Strafer, *Congregational Care* by Robert Adams by Sue and Solon Hunt by Terry and Doug Miller by Pam and Ralph Wells

Chuck Zarter by Carolyn Zarter

YOUR SUPPORT MATTERS

We are grateful for your continued financial support, which is allowing the church to continue to serve in ministry with you through these uncertain times. If you would like to share your weekly offering electronically, please do so at <u>HERE</u>, or text the word General to 816-484-3399 to give quickly and easily.

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