



Informal Church Conference:

Sunday, November 8
Following worship service

Church Conference Webinar:

Sunday, November 22, 4:00 pm

From the Pastor's Desk:

**A Lesson About Neighborly Love
Luke 10:1-42**

Luke recorded the stories of busy people. Religious leaders neglected the injured Samaritan because they were too busy. Martha was too busy to merely listen to Jesus. He encouraged his hearers never to be too busy to love God or serve others. One can demonstrate their love for God by showing love to those who are difficult to love.

A driving rainstorm in an area suffering from drought does not discriminate. All receive the benefits. The same can be said for the sun. It bathes all homes alike with warmth and light. Why? Because God is love. Grace is His style. That is why Christ would minister so graciously to those who hated Him. Love and grace prompt the rain to fall on all the ground and the sun to shine on all the homes. For love to replace hate and grace to replace prejudice, playing favorites must cease. Love and grace benefit those who are Father like.

Then how far do we take this love-your-neighbor stuff? Do we love atheists? Yes! Scoffers? Yes! Criminals? Yes! Love, remember, sees the soul and focuses on the heart. Think of someone you see often who is unlovely or neglected. What can you do this week to help reach out to that person with God's love?

Sermon Titles

Nov. 1	A Lesson About the Cost of Discipleship	Matt. 13:44-46 & Luke 10:37-39
Nov. 8	A Lesson About Justice and Grace	Matt. 20:1-16
Nov. 15	Roberta Waymaster	
Nov. 22	A Lesson About Neighborly Love	Luke 10:25-37
Nov. 29	God Has a Face	Matt. 1:18-25

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Sunday Worship Times:

Sunday School at 9:30am

Worship at 10:45am

TV Ministry—Eagle Cable channel 2
at

10:45am and 12:45pm

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Church Office Hours:

Tuesday through Friday

8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

(Other times available by appointment)





Kids of the Kingdom/Kids with a Mission:



The first step is always the scariest. Changing routine is challenging. Our purpose remains the same: bringing children to know God and the power of His great love. Yes, we have had to make adjustments on Wednesday afternoons. For one thing, our volunteer base has dwindled greatly, but so has attendance for the kids. By only having 2 classes meet each week, we are able to social distance effectively and yet remain a loving, caring, safe place for children to come after school on Wednesdays. What a joy to see the excitement on the faces as the doors opened and kids came back to learn about the Bible! Kids with a Mission meets at the Presbyterian Church. God's Love in Action decorated pumpkins for nursing home residents. We are so blessed to have crosswalk guards, kitchen helpers, craft instructor, and recreation leader along with our teachers and assistants. God always provides. Always. When we are seeking His guidance and direction- especially during a pandemic- He shows us the way. Thank you for praying and encouraging this program to continue in spite of bumps in the road.

We will not stop giving thanks to God together for our many Blessings!

The Ministerial Alliance is pleased to make Thanksgiving meals available by delivery or pick-up from the Ellsworth Senior Center on **Wednesday, November 25 between 4 and 6 pm** so that we all can give thanks to God over food in our own homes.



Meals will include: Turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, stuffing, green bean casserole, cranberry salad and roll with choice of pumpkin pie or cake for dessert. Each meal will be prepared and packaged by Gene's Heartland Foods but will be distributed from the Ellsworth Senior Center.

If you or your loved ones would like a meal, call the First Presbyterian Church office at 785-472-5557 **no later than Monday, November 16.** We will need your name and phone number, number of meals, choice of pie or cake. Indicate whether you can pick up your order from the Senior Center or need delivery (between 4- 6pm Wednesday, November 25). You may leave a message.

The meals are free. If you would like make a donation, our cost is \$6.50/ meal. Tax deductible donation, must be made through a member church by designating MA Thanksgiving meal in the memo line. Donations may also be brought to the First Presbyterian Church Office between the hours of 8 am and 4 pm M-F. Checks made to the Ellsworth County Ministerial Alliance may be mailed to: 1009 N. Kansas Ave, Ellsworth KS 67439

Any excess funds received will go to the Ministerial Benevolence Fund which helps people in need the whole year through. We thank God for You! Enjoy a meal or give a meal or two with thanks to God. God is good!

United Methodist Women update:

At the last general meeting, the Ellsworth women's group voted to become the Ellsworth Methodist Women or EMW. The group will no longer be associated with the conference's United Methodist Women (UMW). The group voted last December to not be under the conference's leadership, but had not officially changed the name. They will continue to support many missions such as Camp Hope, Ashby House, Salina Rescue Mission, plus many local groups—Mosaic, Kids of the Kingdom, Family Connections and Ellsworth County food bank and still be very active in the church. There are two circles that meet on the second Thursday of each month. Faith and Hope Circle meet at 2:00 pm and Honor and Glory Circle meet at 7:00 pm. All women of the church are invited to become involved with the EMW group. Please contact Rose Doubrava or Deb Furgason for further information.

A reminder that the Ministerial Alliance is the go-to place for those in the Community needing utility bill assistance. For more information please contact Pastor Exie Barber at 785-531-0067.



Weekly Activities:

Sundays:

- 9:15 am—Adult Sunday School (Zoom)
- 9:30 am—Sunday School (in person)
- 10:45 am—Worship in sanctuary
- 6:00 pm—Pastor’s Bible Study

Tuesdays:

- 1:00 pm—Grief Support Group (Arts Council)
- 6:00 pm—Confirmation Class

Wednesdays:

- 3:05 pm—Kids of the Kingdom/Kids with a Mission
- 6:15 pm—Jr/Sr High Youth Group

November Calendar:

Sun, Nov. 1—Communion

Daylight Savings Time Ends (move clocks back 1 hour)

7:00 pm—Trustee Meeting (Zoom)

Tues, Nov. 3

7:00 pm—Leadership Meeting (Zoom)

Sun, Nov. 8—Moment 4 Missions (Christmas Store)

11:45 am—Informal Church Conference

Mon, Nov. 9

6:30 pm—Finance/Stewardship Meeting (Zoom)

Nov. 9—15—Pastor out of the Office

Tues, Nov. 10

6:30 pm—Missions/Evangelism Meeting (Pines)

Wed, Nov. 11

8:30 am—Ministerial Alliance Meeting (Zoom)

Thurs, Nov. 12

12:00 pm—Faith & Hope Circle Luncheon (Pines)

6:30 pm—Network Meeting (Zoom)

7:00 pm—Honor & Glory Circle

Sun, Nov. 15

8:00 am—United Methodist Men Breakfast

Tues, Nov. 17

6:30 pm—Worship Meeting (Zoom)

Thurs, Nov. 19

6:30 pm—Education Meeting (Zoom)

Sun, Nov. 22

4:00 pm—Church Charge Conference (Zoom)

Mon, Nov. 23

6:30 pm—SPPRC Meeting (Zoom)

Nov. 26-27

Church office closed for Thanksgiving

Recent Prayer Requests:

Dorothy Thomas, Roger Samuelson, Gavin Webber, Robert Blanchard, Mason May, Charlie Thrush’s family, Neva Chastain

Continued Prayers for:

Donna Wooten’s Family, Deb & Gregg Gordon, Gene Meitler’s Family, Ron Singer’s family, Betty Carter, Polly White’s family, Rosemary Whitley, Wesley Chastain, Nancy & David Stonebraker, Penny Swift-Kelly, Tom Maze, Julie Thompson, Lois Myers’s Family, Rose Doubrava, Lu Adams, Alan Falk, Frona Lorimer, Rhonda Hoffhines-Blair, Steve Noren, Judy Gebhardt, Bonnie Stinchcomb, Judy Toman, Karen Kerr

Salina Rescue Mission ~ Ashby House ~ Youthville/Ember Hope ~ Shut-Ins ~ Nursing Home Residents ~ Mosaic Clients ~ Our Nation’s Leaders ~ Youth ~ Unemployed ~ Unspoken Requests ~ Missions/Missionaries

Continued prayers will be listed for 3 months. Please contact the church office to continue on the list.



Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for all the cards, phone calls, prayers & food which I received after my recent back surgery. I do appreciate everything which my church family did to help support me after surgery.

Blessings,

Rosemary Whitley

First United Methodist Church,

From all of us at Mosaic, Thank you for your continued support of our mission: “Embracing God’s Call, Mosaic Relentlessly pursues opportunities that empower people”.



Bulletin Mission Outreach

Good Sam Shut-Ins

Postponed until further notice

(* Deliver Upper Rooms)
(Bulletin Delivery contact: Deb Furgason 472-8956)

Ushers

Josh Webb, Head Usher
Amanda Webb
Allen Nicholas

(Usher contact:
Mason May 472-4261)

Young Disciples

1—Pastor Dennis
8—David Stonebraker
15—Pastor Dennis
22—Rosemary Whitley
29—Youth

(Young Disciples contact:
Nancy Stonebraker 472-4208)

Communion

Janet Carswell, Karen Shriner

Altar Flowers

The Honor & Glory
Fellowship is in charge of
Altar Flowers.

Task Force Co-Chairs

Sylvia McNeal (472-4569)
Joni Glaser (472-4436)

Task Force List

Patty King, Rosemary Whitley, Daran Frevert,
Tina Anderson, Par Schulz, Betty Rathbun,
Alice Robson, Linda Janssen

Liturgist

1—Karen Shriner
8—Tami McGreevy
15—Lu Adams
22—Maisog Family
29—Preparing the Way

(Liturgist contact:
church office 472-3870)

Guardian Angels

1—Heather West
8—Pat Allen
15—Deb Furgason
22—
29—Mason May

(Guardian Angel contact:
Deb Furgason 472-8956)

Websites

Hutchinson District Office:
www.hutchinsondistrictumc.org
Great Plains Conference Office:
www.greatplainsumc.org
United Methodist Website:
www.umc.org
General Board of Disciples:
www.umcdiscipleship.org

November
80+ & Shut-In
Birthdays

4th—Sylvia McNeal
310 E. 11th, Ellsworth

26th—C. Byrne Wood
1309 Aylward, EW