



THE UPDATE

November 2025

Rooted In Christ, Growing In Faith, Loving Our Neighbor



November 4th the Fellowship Hall will be used for ELECTION DAY

Women's Circle News For November

Circle #1 will meet on **Monday, November 3rd at 6:15 pm in the Parlor.** Hope to see you there!

Circle #2 will meet on **Tuesday, November 11th at 2:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.** Hope to see you there!

Circle #3 will meet **Tuesday, November 4th at 6:00 pm in the Parlor.** Hope to see you there!



Our Music Ministry

If you are interested in being a part of the church's music ministry please speak with Sarah Rogers Griffith, Brad Rashley, or any choir member. We work hard in rehearsals but have fun doing so. May the Lord be glorified in our music. Amen!

November Children's Message

November 2 - Scott Jeffreys
November 9 - Phil Lail
November 16 - Doug Griffith
November 23 - DeNeil Suarez
November 30 - Scott Jeffreys

November Children's Church

November 2 - Jan Gantt
November 9 - Dot Ingram
November 16 - Elly Shaffer
November 23 - Amanda Chipman
November 30 - Elizabeth Rashley



November Elder Duty

November 2 - Jim Staples and Matt Tomlin
November 9 - Phil Lail and Doug Griffith
November 16 - Deena Chambers and Deborah Chipman
November 23 - Mary Crawford and David Lackey
November 30 - Elizabeth Rashley and Steve Ingram

November Nursery Schedule

November 2 - Caroline and Kyle Wigley
November 9 - Kathy Hoover and Azariah Peet
November 16 - Jan Gantt and Amanda Chipman
November 23 - Jan Gantt and Rachel Guin
November 30 - Lexie and Parker Jeffreys

Happy November Birthday to You!

3. Doug Griffith
3. Sebastian Rashley
7. JD Dotson
7. Jeff Porter
8. Mary Crawford
9. Kellye Lackey
15. Steve Wilson
24. Bethany Guin
25. John Moore
29. Howard Clary



Sunday, November 9th following the worship service

Come Learn about life in the Middle East



BJ and Karen Cocilo will be giving a short presentation on life in the Middle East. They have lived and worked in the Middle East for more than 25 years. Mark your calendars for November 9th in the Fellowship Hall immediately following worship. A soup, artisan bread and crackers, and dessert lunch will be served.

Events to come:

CIC Nov 5th 10:00 am Mayor Costi Kutteh at Broad Street UMC

Life in the Middle East - Sunday, Nov 9th - BJ & Karen Cocilo -after worship with lunch-Fellowship H

Joy Lunch will not meet - Because of the upcoming Holidays, we **will not** have a Joy Lunch in November or December.

Girl Scouts Friendsgiving Meal & Winter Gear Drive - after church service, Sunday, Nov. 16th - Fellowship Hall

Greening of the Church - Sunday, November 23rd after church service, Sanctuary

Thanksgiving Service and meal - Wednesday, November 26th 6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

Session Meeting - Thursday, December 4th at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Our Choral Concert for the DSS Lonely Children's Fund was a big success. Deep appreciation to Sarah and Brad for so much hard work lining up such talented musicians and planning such a beautiful program. Our Love Offering collected almost \$2,400 and the ladies from the Department of Social Services were very grateful for our generosity.

Music For Missions Concert



Forest Park Day





Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse that delivers gift-filled shoeboxes to children around the world in Jesus' Name. Forest Park has a goal this year of 40 online boxes and 30 in-person boxes. **To build a shoebox online, the link is** <https://sampur.se/47E3rp4> Please have in-person shoeboxes fully completed and in the church narthex by Sunday, **November 16th**. **If you would like to volunteer** to help with Shoebox collection at the fellowship hall during the week of November 17-23, please contact Doug Griffith at 704.785.6935. The spreadsheet for volunteers to sign up to help during collection week (November 17-24) is found at <https://bit.ly/FPDropOff2025>

Thank you!
Doug Griffith

Note from Pastor Scott

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. – Acts 2:42-47

Dear Forest Park family,

I am pleased to announce that our church will be offering a midweek communion service on Wednesdays at 12:10 pm in the sanctuary. This will be a brief service that will consist of a welcome, an opening prayer, a familiar and singable hymn, a short Weekly Word of Encouragement message, communion by intinction (where one comes forward to receive the bread and wine), closing prayer and benediction. This service is not only for our church but also for outreach to our neighborhood, both residential and business, as well as any friends of yours who you would like to invite. This service should last about 15-20 minutes.

As you may be aware, communion is an encounter with the risen Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and Christ calls us to partake of it. Also, the early Christians partook of it every week, but we Protestants have typically thrown out "the baby with the bath water," in the name of not being "catholic." Consequently, we starve ourselves from this sacrament, which is far more than a remembrance, but an actual act of grace where God encounters us when we partake of the Lord's Supper.

My invitation to you is "taste and see that the Lord is good!"

Blessings,

Pastor Scott

Family Farm Fun Day!



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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9:45-10:45 SS 11-12 Worship	2 6:15 pm Circle 1 - Parlor	3 VOTING DAY FELLOWSHIP HALL 6:00 pm Circle 3 - Parlor	4 Connections In Christ 9:40 am Welcome Desk 10:00 am Program 10:00 -11:00 Prayer-Parlor 7:00 pm Choir Practice	5 10:00 am Women's Bible Study	6	7 8
9:45-10:45 SS 11-12 Worship Middle East Presentation with Lunch	9 10	11 2:00 pm Circle 2 – Fellowship Hall	12 10:00 -11:00 Prayer-Parlor 7 pm Choir Practice	13 10:00 am Women's Bible Study	14	15 7:00 pm The Raleigh Ringiers – Mac Gray Auditorium – Christmas Handbell Performance
9:45-10:45 SS 11-12 Worship Girl Scouts Friendsgiving Meal in Fellowship Hall	16 17	18	19 10:00 -11:00 Prayer 7:00 pm Choir Practice	20 10:00 am Women's Bible Study	21	22
9:45-10:45 SS 11-12 Worship GREENING Decorate church 30	23 24 Operation Christmas Child Drop Off	25	26 6:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service and meal in Fellowship Hall	27 THANKSGIVING	28	29