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- The monthly birthday list is available at the Welcome Desk and on the Crossroads website.

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## From the Senior Pastor

Fall is a season for festivals. For many years, our family enjoyed the Spoon River Drive Festival along the Illinois River, the Pekin Marigold Festival, the Arts Festival in Peoria Heights and the Morton Pumpkin Festival (Where else can you eat pumpkin pancakes? My friend Pastor Lawry laments that this is mixing two good things together in a bad way and he reminds me of the Pharisees who would not allow grains to be mixed in baked breads). These festivals remind us that the season of summer is nearly over and fall will soon be in full bloom.

This is one of the reasons why I love fall in the upper Midwest. We truly enjoy a transition between all four seasons. Unlike those in the far south who miss winter, or those way up north who lack summer, we get all four seasons and all four transitions. Lovely!

Fall is also marked by death. Leaves that were once a vibrant green begin to slowly perish on branches, dying in dramatic hues of gold and orange and burnt

umber. The grass begins to die, (although those pesky weeds seem to hold on) and the flowers that have survived the summer in our gardens will soon be gone.

Even the days seem to die. They are much shorter and much crisper, and we find ourselves suddenly forced to compress the things we do in the daylight into just a few hours. Those of us who enjoy evening walks after work are especially lamenting this.

Finally, we are preparing for winter and the biting cold that accompanies it. For those of us with seasonal disorders, a loathing of snow, or simply dread shorter days, fall is the omen of bad news ahead.

God, of course, created the seasons and ordered them for a reason. The cycle of dying and death, rebirth and life is necessary for the created world. It is also necessary for our internal, spiritual lives. Often we have to allow parts of who we are go through a death in

order to experience rebirth and new life.

For example, I still try to tell God exactly what I want to happen tomorrow. I make lists and schedules and prepare for the next day, and I am always disappointed when God or His children have surprises for me. This was not on my schedule.

For those of us struggling to let go of hurts, to find the capacity to break free from a behavior or pattern of responding to life, or to simply trust in God, think of this as your fall season! Maybe even think of a festival to celebrate. I am going to call mine "Surrenderfest". I think I will have pumpkin pancakes as well.

~ Pastor Tom



## Lavender Sunday

**“Uplifting in Lavender”  
October 24<sup>th</sup>  
During both services**

***What is Lavender Sunday?***  
Lavender Sunday is a special day when we take time to honor and remember loved ones who have had cancer or are undergoing treatment for cancer.

***Why Lavender?***  
The American Cancer Society has chosen the color lavender to represent all types of cancer.

***Do I need to do something?***  
That is up to you. We are suggesting that you wear

lavender to honor or remember someone you know that has been affected by cancer. Studies show that there are very few people who have not known someone they cared about who has faced cancer. It may be a loved one, a family member, a friend, or a co-worker.

***What is planned for Lavender Sunday?***  
Each person will be given a small lavender ribbon to be pinned on their clothing. We ask you wear it all day so that if others ask about it you will have an opportunity to tell them

about “Lavender Sunday”. Additionally, there will be a large lavender ribbon as you enter the sanctuary which you can add the names of those who have cancer now and those you have lost. During worship, this ribbon will be brought forward and we will have a special time of prayer for those named and unnamed.

## Step Out of the Boat

*Christ is calling us to step out of the boat and be disciples in our world. Below are several wonderful opportunities to serve the Savior.*

***It's Coming ... Operation Christmas Child !!!***

Mark Your Calendars for the kickoff of our annual Shoebox Gift Campaign!!! Shoeboxes and materials will be available on October 24<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Area. Bring the Joy of Christmas and the Love of Jesus Christ to a Child This Year!!!



***Adopt-a-Block***  
Our two adopted southside Peoria blocks, are “walked” twice a month (second and fourth Saturdays). The commitment is once a month for two hours. Help us pray for and care for our new neighbors. To serve contact the church office or Chuck Dixon at chuckdar@mtco.com.

***Threads of Love***  
Our clothing ministry in the community holds periodic clothing giveaways throughout the

year. To help, call the church office or e-mail threadslovenfp@gmail.com.

***The United Methodist Women of Crossroads***  
This group of women support a number of wonderful agencies in Illinois. With state funding delays, these ministries especially need our help. To serve, contact Nancy Bullard at nanrb@mtco.com.

# Stephen Ministry



## The Ministry of Listening

Think of a time when you really felt cared for. Perhaps someone focused on what you had to say, was attentive to your needs, and listened to how you felt instead of telling you how you should feel or what you should do.

Listening is one of the most powerful ministry tools at our disposal. In Stephen Ministry a lot of time is spent teaching and practicing listening skills

because of its importance as a caregiving tool. Listening is active, takes patience, involves more than just words and happens over time. A care receiver must be able to feel they can trust their Stephen Minister. They must know that all they tell their Stephen Minister will be kept confidential and not shared with anyone.

In October, “Distinctively Christian Caring” and “Assertiveness” are two of the

training sessions we will cover. Jesus was the model of a good listener. We all want Crossroads to be a caring place where members and guests feel that people care about who they are and how they feel. Would you like someone to really listen to you in the way Jesus listened? Stephen Ministers listen!

Please lift up Stephen Ministry in your prayers as training continues!

## Top Ten

Each Fall our conference, the Illinois Conference of the United Methodist Church, publishes a list of the top churches in worship attendance. Crossroads ranks fourth in 2009 averaging 787 each Sunday, behind Springfield First (1,381),

Fairview Heights Christ (1,252) and Belleville St. Matthew (1,035). We ranked ahead of Normal Calvary (767), Peoria First (739), Bloomington Wesley (676), O’Fallon First (578 - led by former Crossroads pastor Ron Dickinson), Champaign New

Horizon (564) and Normal First (463). We are averaging 820 worshippers in 2010.

## October Preaching Schedule

### October 3<sup>rd</sup>

Pastor Tom Goodell  
“Discover: I Love to Tell the Story”  
Romans 16:1-2

### October 17<sup>th</sup>

Pastor Tom Goodell  
“Discover: When and Where to Tell My Story”  
Acts 8:26-31

### October 31<sup>st</sup>

Pastor Bob Lawry  
All Saints Sunday

### October 10<sup>th</sup>

Pastor Bob Lawry  
“Discover: How to Tell My Story”  
Mark 4:3-9

### October 24<sup>th</sup>

Pastor Tom Goodell  
“Our Mission Field”  
Matthew 19:13-15

# Music Opportunities at Crossroads

We're entering the fall season again at Crossroads, and it's a great time to get involved in the many music programs here at the Church. We have a varied, unique set of music opportunities for people of all ages and skill levels, and you can be involved at almost any level of commitment that suits your time and talents. All of these groups have begun practicing, but it is never too late to get involved.

## Adult Chancel Choir

If you are in high school or older, you can participate in the Adult Chancel Choir, no matter your skill level, reading skills or confidence. We have over 20 fantastic members in the choir currently, and are looking to add to each of the voice parts in this 4-part choir. The group practices on Wednesday evenings from 7:45-8:45 pm, and performs 2 Sundays a month at the 8:30 service. No audition is necessary. They will participate on special Sundays for Christmas and Easter as well. You are welcome to join us for the entire 9 month season or for

just one month at a time as your schedule permits. Contact the choir director Will Meachum, [wmeach@mtco.com](mailto:wmeach@mtco.com), or just stop by the choir room (room 101) on a Wednesday evening to join.

## Adult Handbell Choir

The Adult Handbell choir is for anyone high school age or older, no matter your skill level or abilities. Anyone can participate and learn how to play handbells. The group practices every Wednesday evening from 6:15-7:15 PM and performs one Sunday a month at the 8:30 service, as well as for special Sunday services throughout the year. If you have younger children ages 3-2<sup>nd</sup> grade, drop them off at Cherub choir (which also meets from 6:15-7:15) and come learn to play this unique and exciting instrument. Contact director Cliff Smith, [bcssmt163@comcast.net](mailto:bcssmt163@comcast.net), for more information.

## Praise Team

The Praise team consists of both vocalists and instrumentalists. The team is broken up into 4 different sets of vocal teams and instrumental teams that rotate once a month (both practice and performance) at the 11:00 praise service. Audition is required to be in the Sunday morning rotations, but there are other groups/events that the team performs for that you can get started with. If you would like to set up an audition or learn more, contact Jim Bayless, [praiseways@yahoo.com](mailto:praiseways@yahoo.com), for more information.

## Special music, instrumentalists

All of the above groups are in need of instrumental soloists or groups. If you play a special instrument and would like to be considered for solo opportunities or as part of any of the above ensembles, please contact Will Meachum, [wmeach@mtco.com](mailto:wmeach@mtco.com), for more information.



# Just for Kids

## Kids for Christ

A Kids Club for  
3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> graders  
Bible time, Games, Music,  
and Snacks  
*Fridays*  
6:00 – 8:00pm

### 2010-2011 dates

October 8  
October 22  
November 12  
December 3  
January 14  
January 28  
February 11  
February 25  
March 25  
April 8  
April 29

## “Discover your story” Family Sunday School Class

Sunday, October 3  
K-5<sup>th</sup> graders (older children  
may join their families)  
10:00-10:45am  
in the Multi-purpose room

Instead of going to their regular Sunday School classes, K-5<sup>th</sup> graders will attend a class in the multi-purpose room with their families. As a group, we will discuss why we need a relationship with Jesus and how we can develop and grow that relationship. Families will work together in a building project and have family sharing time where they answer questions leading them into telling their personal stories of their relationships with Jesus.

## Trunk or Treat Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm Family Friendly movie at 6:30pm



- Pack a family picnic. We will tailgate with our church family in the parking lot.
- Dress kids (or adults) in cute costumes (*nothing too scary, please!*)
- Bring lots of candy to share
- Everyone is invited even if you don't have kids to bring. All you need is your trunk and your treats and fun will be had by all!
- Bring a blanket to sit on during the family movie in the multi-purpose room at the end of the evening.

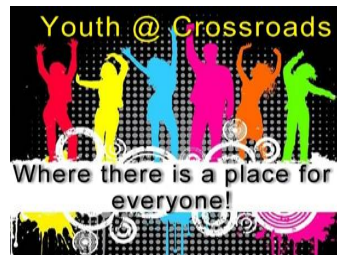
# Youth News

## High School Lighthouse:

Every Wednesday night  
6:30-8:30pm  
Dinner, small groups, games,  
lesson, music and more!

## Middle School Impact:

6th-8th Grade  
Sunday evenings  
6:30-8:00pm  
Fun, games, lesson, snacks  
and much, much more!



The mission of the Crossroads Youth Ministry is to be committed to loving and caring for youth in the Washington area.

We will accomplish this goal by:

providing a safe and loving place so that youth can be who God created them to be,  
meeting them where they are in their spiritual development,  
helping them grow into young men and women of faith,  
and equipping them to share their faith with others now and in the future.

# Senior News

## Beautiful Leaf Tour at Starved Rock Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup>

The M & M's will board the bus at 10 A.M. and head for Starved Rock State Park to enjoy the beautiful fall leaves. At noon we will enjoy a delicious lunch at the Lodge. After lunch we will continue our search for fall leaves. Please call the church to reserve a seat on one of the buses.

Remember, both bus each seat 15, so don't delay!

I am reminded of a poem I learned as a child:

Oh, the glory of this autumn day,  
When the trees unfold their gold!  
Oh, how lifted is my spirit, Lord  
When such beauty I behold!  
*Author Unknown*

Let us fill the buses for Starved Rock to have our spirits lifted and to behold God's beauty. Add to that, great fellowship!

If you have questions, please call Sally at the church, 444-2381 or her cell, 369-5293

## Senior Meal

Our Senior Meal will be Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 in the Fellowship area. We have a wonderful meal planned. Come and invite a friend! Call the church office at 444-2381 for a reservation.

# Flu Shots

## Flu Shots Available At Church on October 10<sup>th</sup>

Influenza vaccine will be available at Crossroads United Methodist Church on Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. Proctor First Care will administer the vaccine from 9 - 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The cost will be \$31. Seniors 65 years and older will receive the vaccine free. Medicare will be billed. Be sure to have your Medicare card with you.

## No appointments will be taken. Vaccine will be administered on a first come-first serve basis.

- Persons allergic to eggs or any of its components should check with their physicians before receiving the vaccine.
- Vaccine will not be administered to anyone under the age of 4.
- Persons who have been ill with infections must wait until all antibiotics have been

taken and body temperature has returned to normal.

- Pregnant women must bring a permission slip from their physician.

Please direct questions to Sally Charlton, 444-2381 or 369-5293.

*This year's flu vaccine is a combination of the seasonal flu and the H1N1 virus.*

# Nurse Sally's Tip of the Month

## Flu Vaccine

All people should get vaccinated against the flu because it can be a serious disease. Most people are ill for only a few days, but some get much sicker, to the point of hospitalization and even death. Influenza causes an average of 36,000 deaths each year, mostly among the elderly. **The flu shot will not cause the flu because all vaccines made in the U.S. are made with inactivated (killed) viruses.**

### Q. Who should get a flu shot?

A. An annual flu shot is recommended for:

- People 50 years of age or older
- Residents of long-term care facilities
- People who have long term health problems; for example, heart disease, kidney disease, lung disease, diabetes, asthma, anemia and other blood disorders and many other chronic medical conditions
- Those with a weakened immune system because of HIV/AIDS or another disease that effects the immune system, long term treatment with steroidal drugs, cancer treatment with radiation, or chemotherapy.

- Pregnant women who will be past the third trimester during the flu season (usually November to March).
- Health care workers, family members or anyone else coming in close contact with people at serious risk.
- Anyone caring for infants 0-23 months of age, especially those younger than 6 months
- People living in dormitories or under other crowded conditions
- Anyone who wants to reduce their chance of catching the flu

### Q. Do I need a flu shot every year?

A. Yes, influenza viruses change often. Therefore, the vaccine is updated each year. **This year the vaccine is a combination of the seasonal flu and H1N1 virus.** Protection develops about 2 weeks after getting the shot and may last up to a year. Some people who receive the vaccine may still get the flu but they will usually get a milder case. In addition, "flu" is often used as a catch-all phrase that people use to describe other viral infections.

### Q. When should I get influenza vaccine?

A. The best time to get it is

in October and November. **You can receive it at church on Sunday morning, October 10<sup>th</sup>, from 9 – 11 a.m.**

### Q. Are there side effects?

A. Some people have mild side effects but they are usually minor and last only a short time. The most common side effect is soreness and swelling at the site of injection. If severe reactions develop, it is usually within a few minutes to a few hours after having received the vaccine.

If you are unsure about getting a flu shot, please talk it over with your doctor.

**Flu vaccine will be available to anyone over the age of 4 at Crossroads on Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 9-11 a.m. The cost of a flu shot is \$31. Medicare will be billed for seniors who have Part B. You must present your Part B Card.**

Department of Health and Human Services  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



**The best time for you to get your flu shot is October or November.**

# Fellowship Opportunities

## Sewing Circle

The Dorcas Sewing Circle meets *weekly* on Wednesdays from 9:00am to noon. Even if you are not an experienced sewer, you are welcome to join us for some great fellowship and to share ideas.

## Men's Fellowship

Guys, join us at the Men's Fellowship Group, which meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month in the chapel. Join us for supper, a testimony, a Bible study, and prayer. We encourage all men to come, and invite your friends. This is a great opportunity to see what God is doing among us.

## Spirited Book Discussion Group

The Spirited Book Discussion Group will meet at 1:00 pm October 19<sup>th</sup> in the church library. We will be discussing *Sitting At The Feet Of The Rabbi Jesus* by Ann Spangler and Lois Tverberg. This book will help you gain a deeper understanding of Jesus by

seeing his world through the eyes of the first-century Jews.

If you are planning ahead, we will discuss *Home To Harmony* by Philip Gulley on November 16<sup>th</sup>. This is a witty and endearing novel. For more information, contact Nancy Bullard at 444-5140 or nanrb@mtco.com.



## Singles Event

*Calling all Singles who are 20ish – 100!*

Cache Connections Live! is coming to Crossroads on Friday, 11/19 @ 7:30pm (doors open at 7pm)! This event will provide a venue for Singles across Central IL to praise/worship with our own Acts 29, grow through a licensed Christian counselor/speaker and fellowship! Pre-event tickets will be sold between services and after the 11:00 service on 10/31, 11/7 and 11/14 for a cost of \$10 or at the door for \$15. Buy your tickets now and don't miss this opportunity!

## Uplifted Concert

Mark Your Calendar! The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual St. Jude Children's Research Hospital benefit concert, "Uplifted" is scheduled for **Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.**

As part of this year's program we will welcome guest speaker Dr. Stephen Smith, Medical Director of the St. Jude Midwest Affiliate in Peoria, to speak about the exciting things happening right here in central Illinois. Please join us at Crossroads for another evening of inspirational music, video, and stories!



# Prayer Challenge

Ask ...  
Seek ...  
Knock ...



## The Practice of Prayer

One year—I forget the details—the Lenten sermons at Saint Patrick’s in New York were given by a famous Jesuit who took prayer for his theme. He was much admired, but the compliment that stuck in his memory was that of an old priest who seemed to regard the very number and length of his sermons as constituting, per se, a sort of brilliant tour de force. “Because as you know, Father,” he said, dropping his voice conspiratorially, “prayer’s the simplest thing out.” I hope the famous Jesuit did know, because the simplicity of prayer, its sheer, terrifying uncomplicatedness, seems to be the last thing most of us either know or want to know.

It is not difficult to intellectualize about prayer. Like love, beauty and motherhood, it quickly sets our eloquence aflow. It is not difficult, but it is perfectly futile. In fact, those glowing pages on prayer are worse than futile; they can be positively harmful. Writing about prayer, thinking about prayer, longing for prayer and wrapping myself more and more in these great cloudy sublimities can make me feel so aware of the spiritual—anything rather than actually praying. What am I doing but erecting a screen behind which I can safely maintain my self-esteem and hide away from God?

Ask yourself: what do I really want when I pray? Do you want to be possessed by God? Or to put the same question more honestly, do you want to want it? Then you have it. The one point Jesus stressed and repeated and brought up again is, “Whatever you ask the Father, He will grant it to you.” His insistence on faith and perseverance are surely other ways of saying the same thing: you must really want it, it must engross you. Wants that are passing, faint emotional desires that you do not press with burning conviction, these are things you do not ask “in Jesus’ name”; how could you? But what you really want, “with all your heart and soul and mind and strength,” that Jesus pledges himself to see that you are granted. He is not talking only, probably not even primarily, or prayer of petition, but of prayer. When you set yourself down to pray, what do you want? If you want God to take possession of you, then you are praying. That is all prayer is.

The astonishing thing about prayer is our inability to accept that if we have need of it, as we do, then because of God’s goodness, it cannot be something that is difficult. Accept that God is good and that your relationship with Him is prayer, and you must conclude that prayer is an act of the utmost simplicity. Yet so many people seem to feel that there is some mysterious

method, some way in that others know, but they do not. “Knock and it shall be opened to you,” but they seem to believe that it needs some sort of Masonic knock and their own humble tapping will go unnoticed. What kind of God thinks of tricks, lays down arcane rules, makes things difficult? God wants to love us and to give Himself. He wants to draw us to Himself, strengthen us, and infuse His peace. The humblest, most modest, almost imperceptible rubbings of our fingers on the door, and it flies open.

Prayer is the last thing we should feel discouraged about. It concerns nobody except God—always longing only to give Himself to us in love—and our own decision. And that, too, is God’s, “who works in us to will and to effect.” In a very true sense, there is nothing more to say about prayer, “the simplest thing out.”

Excerpts from Sister Wendy on Prayer by Sister Wendy Beckett

*“Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”*  
~1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NIV

Submitted by Fred Beach

UMW is a group of caring, supportive, praying, and loving women of all ages who are interested in mission, Bible Study, and friendship with other women.

## United Methodist Women

### UMW Connections

If you think United Methodist Women are tight, penny-pinching women, you need to know that they are some of the freest givers around. For 2010 our local unit budget is \$6,025.50. Of that, \$3760.50 goes to our mission pledge and the remainder to our youth mission trips, Cunningham Home and Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House and other local missions.

United Methodist Women are not a group of stuffy, old women. At District and Conference meetings, you will find us singing and listening to outstanding programs. Come to our Crossroads unit meetings

and you will find us exuberant, excited women who love to pray, share, uplift, and sometimes even giggle!

### Visiting Day

Ladies, if you would like to visit with some of our "shut ins", join us at Crossroads on Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:45pm to carpool from the church. We will leave at 2:00pm. The more the merrier! Questions? Call Rebecca Bell at 444-2570.

### Upcoming Events:

Nov. 4th

At 1:00pm in the Chapel, Jill Müller, a young Washingtonian, will share her mission experiences in Mongolia. Our devotions will focus on our "World Thank Offering." Dessert and fellowship time will follow. All are invited to come and bring a friend.

Nov. 8th

Local Officer Update & Information, 8:30am

Dec. 4th

UMW Cookie Walk at Crossroads, 9:00am

## Common Place Walk

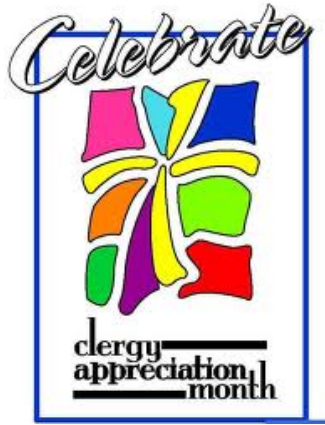
Forecasts of rain, and dark, cloudy gray skies could not stop the "Walk for Reading" in the Common Place neighborhood on Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. The crowd could have been bigger, but the enthusiasm was evident, as we started the 5k around 8:30am. Returning to our starting point an hour later, many enjoyed a brunch and prizes. The youngest walker was 5 years old, and the oldest, ???! All helped

to improve educational opportunities for children and adults on Peoria's South Side. We wish to thank all of our sponsors. You each helped make a difference. \$16,000 of the \$35,000 goal has been reached so far. If you missed the opportunity to be a sponsor, you can still send your donation to:

Common Place  
514 S. Shelley St.  
Peoria, IL 61605-1837

Next year, maybe you would enjoy getting sponsors and participating in the walk.

To God Be the Glory!  
With many thanks,  
*Rob & Rebecca Bell*



### October is Clergy Appreciation Month!

This is an opportunity for churches across the country to rally around our pastors to let them know how much we care about them and to encourage them as they provide leadership for our congregation.

## Membership Information

If you are interested in joining Crossroads UMC, the first step is to attend an Orientation Meeting, which are held every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday @ 4:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. In this meeting, you will learn about the history of Crossroads and about our mission to grow disciples of Jesus Christ. The

next step is to attend a Membership Meeting held the following Sunday @ 4:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. At that time, you will discover more opportunities to grow as a disciple of Christ and how to become a member of Crossroads UMC.

*Ready to take this step?* Sign up to attend these meetings on our website or at the Welcome Desk.

*Questions?* Contact Pastor Bob DeBolt at 444-2381 or [pstrbob@mtco.com](mailto:pstrbob@mtco.com).

## Pastoral Notes

We extend our sympathy to the friends and family of Betty Stringfellow who passed away on August 29<sup>th</sup>. Betty was a long-time member of Crossroads and for many years taught Second Grade Sunday School class. Memorials may be made to the church and will benefit our children's ministries.

We also remember in our prayers Sharon Craghead on the death of her father and Malcolm and Paul Kinsinger and family on the death of their father.

Welcome to the newest members of Crossroads:

Lauren Hasten joined on August 29<sup>th</sup> upon transfer from another denomination. Joe and Katelyn Arnold also joined August 29<sup>th</sup> upon transfer from another denomination. Katelyn and Lauren are sisters.

Terry and Pat Kepley joined on August 29<sup>th</sup> upon transfer from another denomination.

We celebrate the marriages of:

Tyler Wallenfang and Sarah Snyder on August 14<sup>th</sup>, and Brad Montgomery and Melissa Butler on September 4.



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*Our mission is to grow disciples  
for Jesus Christ and send them  
out into the crossroads  
of our communities.*

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## Sunday Worship Schedule

8:30 am

Spirited Traditional

9:45 am

Christian Education  
for All Ages

11:00 am

Casual Contemporary

[www.crossroads4all.org](http://www.crossroads4all.org)

