## Words from our pastor

Dear Church Family,

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The Golden Rule, familiar to many, teaches: "Treat others as you would like to be treated." Versions of this principle exist in nearly every major religion, reflecting its universal power to unite people. As Christians, we rely on the power of the Holy Spirit to give us the love needed to embrace this rule and do it well. (Romans 5:5)

"Do Unto Others" is a grassroots movement launched by Resurrection, a United Methodist Church in Kansas City, aimed at promoting intentional kindness, even toward those with differing views. Choosing kindness is a vital step toward bridging the deep divides in our country, fostering civility and respect.

This October, we are joining United Methodist churches nationwide in this kindness movement, following the biblical call to "Be kind to one another" (Ephesians 4:32).

We believe that civic engagement is an essential part of our community and national life. While our church cannot endorse or oppose any political candidates, we actively encourage participation in the political process as part of our Christian responsibility.

Throughout this series, we'll explore how living by the Golden Rule shapes our everyday actions and interactions. We'll also share this message through t-shirts, yard signs, stickers, buttons, and social media, as well as a special link on our website for resources you can begin using today.

ttps://www.firstsayyes.com/do-unto-others

We hope you'll make it a priority to gather together this October as we grow in Christ, through the sanctifying grace of the Holy Spirit. We follow Jesus's teachings: "Do to others whatever you would like them to do to you. This is the essence of all that is taught in the law and the prophets." (Matthew 7:12)

> Growing in grace and love - together, Pastor Candace

# FUNERAL

We need to update our list of people who are willing to provide food for funeral dinners. If you would like to do this, please call Pat Kelley (660-826-8218) or let the church office know. Please give your name and a phone number where you can be reached.

New Sermon Series Begins Oct.

"Do Unto Others"

Join us for weekend worship!

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#### HEARTBEATS

We are asking for homemade cookies for the Consecration Service on October 13. We are planning for 400 people which means we will need quite a lot of cookies. Cookies can be delivered to the Thompson Site kitchen door (North side of the building) during one of these time frames:

Wednesday, Oct 9, 1-3 pm Thursday, Oct. 10, 8:30-3 pm Friday, Oct. 11, 1-5 pm Saturday, Oct. 12, 8-2 pm Please sign up on the back of the Welcome Card (bulletin insert) or call the church office (660-827-2993).

- ♥ Refuge (A place of belonging for young adults), meets on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. at the Celebration Center
- Have you recently moved, gotten rid of a landline or have a new email address? We are currently trying to update our office records so we can get information regarding church activities and announcements to you in a timely fashion. There are sheets in the lobby of the Celebration Center and the Thompson Site that can be filled out, or you may call the church office at 660-827-2993 during office hours.
- If you received today's newsletter by regular mail and prefer to receive it by e-mail (let us know your e-mail address) or on-line (www.firstsayyes.com under "resources"), or you do not want to receive it at all, please call the church office at 660-827-2993.
- ▼ The deadline for submitted Newsletter articles is 12 noon on the <u>Friday</u> before the newsletter mailing.

Next Newsletter:
Wed. Oct. 16th
Deadline:
12 noon - Fri. Oct. 11th

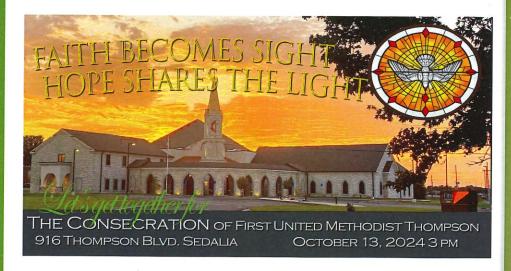
### YOUTH:

MPACT Student Ministry (Grades 6-12) meets weekly on Sundays in the MPACT room at the Celebration Center. <u>Junior High meets from 5-6:30</u> and <u>High School meets from 6-7:30</u>. All students meet at 6:00 for a shared meal. We hope to see you there and join the fun! ~Adults can sign up to provide a meal for our MPACT students! For more information, contact Aaron Douglas at Aaron.Douglas@firstsayyes.com.

~Parents and Students, want a reminder text on student gatherings? Jr. High parents and students text @mpactjh to 81010; High School parents and students text @mpacths to 81010

# **HISTORY OF FIRST CHURCH BIBLE STUDY**

A History (of First Church) Bible Study started on October 1 thru November 5. It meets every Tuesday at 12:30 to 2 and 5:30 to 7pm at the Thompson Site (Fellowship Hall). Tasting God's Goodness: A Bible Study of First Church's History is in Celebration of the upcoming Thompson Site Consecration. Bring your Bible and appetite. Share a light meal prepared with recipes passed down through generations of our church history. The Study will be led by Becky Imhauser. Contact the church office 660-827-2993, to attend or to prepare a church recipe to share.

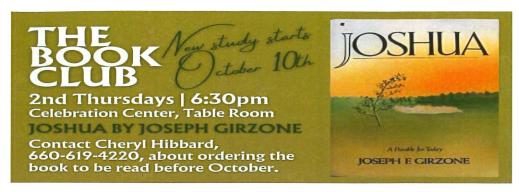


# CHOIR PRACTICES FOR THE THOMPSON SITE CONSECRATION SERVICE

Please join the fun!

2 p.m. each practice date: Sunday, Sept. 29 Sunday, Oct. 6 Saturday, Oct. 12

The consecration event is October 13 at 3 pm at the Thompson Site. The Bishop and the DS will be there that day.



# TRUNK OR TREAT -THURS. OCT. 31, 5-7 PM



<u>Trunk or Treat Candy Collection</u>-Please drop off your candy donations <u>in the designated bins</u> in the <u>Celebration Center Lobby</u>.

### Carpenter's Kids Preschool Help needed

We are **Hiring Promiseland (Children's Ministry) Staff**. Our program is growing!! We are seeking applicants to help provide a safe and loving environment for children ages 0-5 years old. Times will vary between Sunday Morning, and week night evenings or for special events. Applications are available in the church office (Celebration Center).

Carpenter's Kids Preschool Substitutes are wanted. Must be available MWF 8-am-3 pm & Thurs. 8-12. We are looking for a reliable and loving individual to assist with children ages 3-5. This would be an on call/as needed basis with no set hours.

Applications are available in the church office (Celebration Center).

### **We Celebrate the Day You Were Born**

If your birthday is not listed, please let us know so it can be added!

Birthdays (Oct. 6-19)

Aleigh McKelvery, Braydon Bray, Helen Duft, Steve Berry, Richard Nelson, Ethan McMillin, Brett Claxton, Susan Howe, Leonard Peck, Sean Balke, Skye McKelvey, Adam Schroeder, Matt Green, Maddox Lentz, Larry Ward, Fred Wenig, Lori Broyles, Bill Beck, Amanda Jackson, Tiffany Brownlee, Thomas Meyer, Connor Janusz, Chris Webb, Brody Leeman, Debbie Brumble, D'Rae Marcum, Amy Younce, Gary Farr, Johnathan Valtos, Tyler Thompson, Titus Garrison, Kathy Hefner, Nicci Funk, Nancy Finley, Glenda Horne, Nick Veale, Logan Brown, Brad Wikstrom, Myles Yonker, Eric Dillon, Cassidy Ferolito, Linda Reid, Dan McNeely, Earl Williams, Rich Kendrick, Ronnie Barker, Jen Kinter, Karen Cairer, Jamie Schroeder, Tyler Kilby, Carol Harper, Sherry Broyles, Brian Fowler, Eric Leiss, Crystal Wood, Will Myers, Lucy Skrzypczak, Bill Wyatte, Ron Higgins, Tony Monroe, John Ezell, Kady Mason, Kris Yonkers, Alyssa Hawkins, Russell Ragar, Judy Page, Robert Goalder, Gary Eck, Michaela Pomajzl, Kate Harrison, Audrey Yazell, Andrew Frazee, Abbey Ahern

#### FIRST STEPS

#### **Attendance**

**Sept. 21/22, 2024** Worship

498

Sept. 28/29 Worship

492

We report Finances monthly.

If you prefer electronic giving, YES!Give, powered by SecureGive, is the option. Go to: https://app.securegive.com/firstsayyes.

## **Our Family**

Our hearts go out in Christian love and sympathy to:
 ~Ginny Zinck and family in the death of her husband, Norm Zinck on September 19, 2024, and ~the family and friends of Joyce Franklin due to her death on September 22, 2024, and to ~Bill & Melody Parris in

~Bill & Melody Parris in the death of their toddler grandson, Bennett Brooks Twenter, on Sept. 25, 2024.



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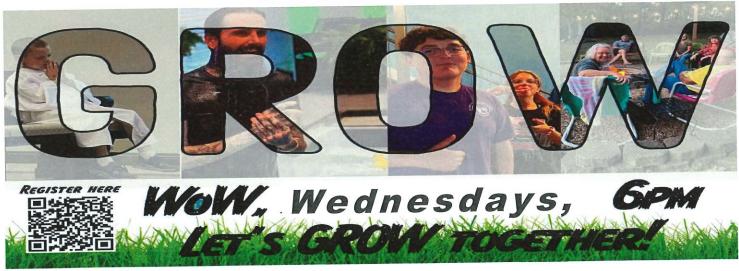
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# **WONDERFUL ON WEDNESDAYS (WOW)**(8 WEEKS) - THRU 11-6-24



Classes for Adults and Kids!