### St John Church of Christ

# Bulletin

**September 29, 2024** 

### For The Church



This is the planting season for hard red winter wheat in Kansas. A farmer could find many reasons to wait and not plant right now. Grasshoppers or army worms might eat off the emerging sprouts. The wind and heat could return drying out the soil before the plants are established. Hard rains could come and bury the seed too deep to survive. Ecc. 11:4-6 warns, "Whoever watches the wind will not plant; whoever looks at the clouds will not reap. As you do not know the path of the wind, or how the body is formed in a mother's womb, so you cannot understand the work of God, the Maker of all things. Sow your seed in the morning, and at evening let your hands not be idle, for you do not know which will succeed, whether this or that, or whether both will do equally well." From the beginning God has instructed man to sow seed. This principle is noted both physically and spiritually.

In 2 Cor. 9:6, 8 we are reminded, "Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." As disciples we must be sowing everyday, keeping our eyes open for opportunities to do good work. As seen in Ecclesiastes, we do not know which will succeed, this or that or all equally well. Our responsibility is to generously sow seeds of good work, entrusting the results to God. Let's let our lives be a blessing of generosity, and watch in awe at the amazing things God will do.

### In Our Prayers

Emersyn Milton
Thomas Pruitt
Gingrich Family
Madison Cole
Susan Mayer (Chet's sister)
Audie Thornburg
Shari Soukup

Zeb Carter
Juanita (Abby's Mother)
Rick Toland
Tim Taylor
Girard and Marilyn Holinde
Courtney Emery
Brenda Staub

Dwight Huston
Becky Carter
Joel Miller
Mary Minchew-Conley
Linda Fry

# **Upcoming Events**

#### Fellowship Event [Tonight]

Tonight, the Stafford Church of Christ will be hosting a songs and salads event from 4 PM until 7 PM. They will be putting faith into action by purchasing food for the food bank and carpenter place, eating something delicious, singing familiar songs, and encouraging our young people (and our not so young) in their discipleship. This event is for everyone.

#### Potluck [Next Sunday]

Make plans to join us next Sunday after services for our monthly potluck fellowship meal. It will be a good time for fellowship and good food!

#### SMC First Annual Fall Festival [Oct. 19]

SMC Fall Festival will be on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 4pm. There will be carnival games, food booths, hay ride, and corn maze. The kitchen will be open and serving pancakes all day. There will be a cake walk and bake sale. \$40 admission for a family of four. Pick up a flyer and use the QR code to visit the website to learn more. It will be a fun day for families and grandparents.

If you would like to help with this event, please talk to Tom or Pam. Workers at the booths are needed. There is a sign up in the foyer for helpers, cakes, and bake sale items. This is a major fund raising event for the camp and we need your support.

#### **Birthdays**

Don Hornbaker - October 4

#### **Save the Date:**

October 13 - Young Family Ministry (Stafford)

October 13-15 - SMC Men's Retreat

October 19 - SMC Fall Festival

November 1-3 - SMC Teen Retreat

November 10 - Young Family Ministry (St. John)

### Worship Order

Welcome Table & Greeters: Tom & Pam Turner

Song Leader: Stan Aldrich

Sound System: Dominic Rogers

Gathering: #153 - Come, Let Us Worship and Bow

Down

Welcome: Orrin Feril

Scripture Reading: Chris Stott (Proverbs 3:5-8)

Shepherd's Prayer: Richard Brensing

Song: #71 - As the Deer

Song: #382 - Why Did My Savior Come to Earth?

Communion: Orrin Feril

Song: #555 - Seek Ye First

Lesson: Zeb Carter

Song: #867 - To Canaan's Land I'm On My Way (vs.

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Closing Prayer: Zach Marks

Sundays: Blble classes for all ages @ 10:00 am

Worship service for everyone @ 11:00 am

Elders: Tom Turner, Richard Brensing, Terry Sallee,

Carl Feril

Deacons: Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril,

Zachary Marks

Minister: Zeboriah Carter