

Thanksgiving Lunch

Join the Garden Committee for our annual Thanksgiving Lunch on Sunday, November 12. Serving will begin at 11:00 a.m. Proceeds from the free will offering will go to pay the cost of our shed's new roof.

Sunday Worship

9:30 a.m.

You can watch our Sunday worship service live on YouTube through our website.

www.southgateumc.org/video

Social Media

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Next Key: Dec. 1


Deadline: Nov. 22



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Dear Friends,

Who are the people in your neighborhood? As a preschooler growing up on Sesame Street and Mr. Rogers, these words and more echoed in my head. But now as an adult, I can still name more of our neighbors from my childhood neighborhood than I can our current neighborhood.

The reasons why are myriad, part a result of frequent moves, part a result of a society more connected through technology than geography. I'm not criticizing advances in technology, it has brought us much more good than evil. But with advances in tech, we often need to be more intentional about practicing certain skills and activities than before.

That's why we are talking in worship about the Art of Neighboring. As technology enables us to do more through a device, how do we continue to build face-to-face relationships with our neighbors? What fears and preconceived notions do we need to overcome? How do we allow God's spirit to help us develop a neighborly heart?

I am looking forward to learning together with you the Art of Neighboring.

Pastor Amy



Ten Thousand Villages Pop Up Shop

Sunday, December 12
After Worship

Pledge Drive Update

As of October 25, we have received 44 pledges totaling \$140,464.00. Thanks to everyone who has returned a pledge card. If you haven't, it's not too late. You can drop it off during office hours, mail it, or bring it to church on Sunday and place it in the offering plate. Blank cards are available at the Welcome Table.

Finance Report

Operating Fund: January - Sept.

Income \$ 143,156
Expenses \$ 174,119

Information on how you can help close this gap will be available soon.

Tuesday Lunch Bunch

November 21 at noon

CEDARS Christmas Tree

The Missions Team is once again sponsoring a Christmas tree for CEDARS Home for Children. The tree will be up on November 12. Each paper ornament will include specific Christmas wishes from one or two families that South Gate will adopt for this project.

CEDARS is not only a home for children who need a safe place to live; they also support families, offering them resources, opportunities and education to keep their family connections strong.

If you would like to participate in this project, simply choose an ornament from the tree, purchase the item listed on the ornament, bring the gift (unwrapped) with the ornament attached and place it under the tree. The tree will remain up until December 3rd. There will also be an option to give money to this project on South Gate's website.

Church Office Hours

8:00 am - 12:30 pm
Monday - Thursday



November Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

6 Zander Robbins
11 Marg Bacon
13 Randy Sanks
13 Dan Bolin
17 Scott Craig
18 Greg Nelson
22 Landon Wicks

24 Dorothy Nicholson
24 Rod Ballard
24 Jacquelyn Warrelmann

Anniversaries

1 Shanan & Rachel Fuhrman
24 Dick & Kim Mavis
28 Roger & Susan Kalkwarf

Thank You Notes

Thank you for all the lovely cards, phone calls and visits during my recovery, which seems to be more difficult than we hoped. The zinnias from the church garden were especially welcome. I hope next year to enjoy the vegetables!

Mildred Petersen

Thank you for all your kindness, cards, phone calls and gift card in Owen's memory. It means a lot to me.

Linda Humphress

Thanks

Connection Point

Our friends at Connection Point appreciate our donations of holiday baking supplies during October. They have requested shampoo and disposable razors for men and women during the month of November. You can bring your donations anytime the building is open.

Food Bank Volunteers

The Mission Committee invites you to join us in volunteering at the Lincoln Food Bank on Friday, November 10 from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. You can sign up on the Missions bulletin board. Be sure to wear closed-toed shoes for safety. Those who want to carpool should meet in the church parking lot at 8:30 a.m.