

The Angelus

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FROM THE DEAN Ghosts and goblins? Reality is scarier!

Among the ritual acts in preparation for Halloween when I was a child was rinsing out a wax-coated half pint milk carton. It ranked up there along with brainstorming with siblings and kids on the school bus about what we'd be for Halloween that year. This group think tank produced some wild plans for scary creatures, current pop characters or walking pumpkins. Costumes were deemed either doable or impossible to fabricate by parents. It all depended on materials at hand, creative skills and time. It was rare to buy a costume in those days.

The rinsed milk cartons figured into Halloween as much as costumes did. They were a first order of business in school when Halloween was on a weekday—Fridays if the holiday occurred on Saturday or Sunday. Before classroom parties began and candy corn-decorated cupcakes could be consumed, we wrapped our slightly sour smelling cartons in orange paper wrappers marked, "UNICEF."

Now we could keep the feast. We were ready to go trick or treating, collecting candy in our shopping bags and pillow cases, and pennies (even nickels, dimes and a very rare quarter) in our cartons. Sometimes those cartons got so heavy that they broke through overladen bags of loot and bruised weary toes.

The needs of agencies like UNICEF that help at-risk children world-wide have only increased in the ensuing years. Along with increased need in medical, nutritional, educational, and other areas critical to child welfare and wellness, there is another area of increase: the amount of money spent at Halloween.

Last year Americans spent \$3,731,057 on UNICEF donations to trick-or-treaters. Spending on Halloween costumes

for their pets was \$330,000,000. Wow! I discovered some more spending data. Corporately we spent \$6.9 billion on Halloween in 2013. People costume totals alone came in at \$2.6 billion. Candy came in at \$2.8 billion, enough to give dentists nightmares of patients with scary teeth.

The person who shared the information on Halloween UNICEF donations versus pet costume totals prefaced the facts with "An American tragedy." Indeed. Perhaps we as a Christian community are called to respond to this crisis of grossly skewed priorities. Halloween is fun. It's a time to be playful and mischievous. But, it is also a time to be who we are. As a rebaptized pagan celebration christened "Eve of All Hallows (Saints')," Halloween reminds us that evil is out and about in the world. The world is also full of God's host of holy women and men clothed with the Holy Ghost. That would be you and me.

Tempted to buy some orange and black ornament or other? Got to have that costume sure to fool friends and liven up that party? Just got to have those strings of purple and orange lights and all the fake cobwebbing? Think twice before spending. Act in moderation this year. Homemade an option? Let's open our hearts and our pocketbooks in generosity. Let's remember that we've all put on that baptismal garment that causes us to see these things differently. Let's be who we're supposed to be this year.

Happy Halloween, Peter

Here are a few spending suggestions for God's holy ones:

- Donate to the Community Kitchen: Write a check to Grace and Holy Trinity, marked "KCCK" or donate online. The kitchen really needs help right now.
- Go to the UNICEF site and donate: www.unicefusa. org/donate-end-preventable-deaths-children
- Gather all your pesky change, take it to the bank, and donate the proceeds.
- Pick up a "Trick or Treat So Others Can Eat" shopping bag and fill it with non-perishable food items for our local food banks.
- Make a generous gift to a local or international charity that has a good record of using most of your dollar for the intended purpose. ERD (Episcopal Relief and Development) is a good choice: episcopalrelief.org

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Welcome to the Cathedral: Newcomer Gathering

Sunday, Oct. 12 • 11:45 a.m.

Are you new to Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral? Would you like to learn more about the Cathedral and the many ways you can connect with others?

If so, please join us at our next Newcomer Gathering Sunday, Oct. 12, following the 10:15 a.m. worship service. We gather for refreshments and conversation in the meeting room in Founders' Hall.

You will have an opportunity to meet other newcomers, ministry leaders and clergy. Regardless of where you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here. We look forward to meeting you and sharing more about GHTC.

For more information, please contact Rev. Christy Dorn (cdorn@ kccathedral.org; 816-474-8260, ext. 152).

Baptism: All Saints' Sunday

Holy Baptism for infants and young children will be administered Nov. 2 at 10:15 a.m., or at the service of

Baptism preparation for parents desiring baptism for their children is Saturday, Oct. 18, 10-11:30 a.m. in the Haden Hall nursery area.

Adults desiring baptism are invited to participate in The Way beginning Wednesday evenings, Oct. 8. Holy Baptism of adults will administered in the context of the Great Vigil of Easter, Saturday, April 4.

Treasurer's Report

August saw a pick up in several Income areas, including Pledge and Plate. For the month, Expenses were slightly below projections, however this is mostly a matter of timing as the Cathedral was invoiced for some routine expenses later than usual. On a Year to Date (YTD) basis, Income is above projections as better than anticipated receipts from the Endowment and some special gifts

offset slower receipts of Pledge payments. This good news from the Endowment is overwhelmed by higher than projected expenses, primarily in the Property and Utility categories. These

August MTD	Bu	dgeted MTD	Actual MTD	
Income	\$	148,535	\$	159,434
Expenses	\$	168,397	\$	166,778
Net Total	\$	(19,862)	\$	(7,344)
2014 YTD	Bu	dgeted YTD	Actual YTD	
Income	\$	1,144,121	\$	1,159,236
Income Expenses	\$	1,144,121	\$	1,159,236 1,168,587

higher than expected expenses reflect both the impact of a tough winter and the need to address some wear and tear of the campus before problems escalate.

Parishioners are asked to prayerfully consider the needs of the Cathedral in making their financial contribution. The unfortunate reality is that we have a beautiful, but aging, campus that is expensive to maintain.

-by Chuck Ritter, Treasurer



Formation Leaders Receive Training

In September, Children's Chapel leaders met for a training session with Judy Kile from the Diocesan Christian Formation Committee to discuss spiritual development in children, ways to engage children through stories, drama, and songs, and how to deal with distractions and disruptions. This month, Julie Brogno will attend a Godly Play training workshop in Olathe. Godly Play is an approach to exploring faith through stories, wonder, and play. It was developed by Jerome W. Berryman over 40 years ago and is based on Montessori principles. We are fortunate to already have all the necessary materials and some previously-trained leaders at the Cathedral. Godly Play sessions will start in January for children 3-5 years old during the 10:15 a.m. worship service.

Upcoming Family Events

- Blessing of the Animals, Oct. 5 at 4 p.m. on the Cathedral lawn Bring your pet to be blessed, enjoy refreshments and meet Kasey Kangaroo, UMKC mascot.
- Fall Saints Festival, Oct. 26, following the 10:15 a.m. service in Founders' Hall
 - Wear your costume to church and join us for a potluck lunch, bounce house and pumpkin decorating.
- Family Ministry Lunch, Nov. 2 at 11:45 in Haden Hall Enjoy lunch with other Cathedral families, followed by a short program.

September flowers, to the glory of God September 7

- in thanksgiving for the Cathedral clergy & staff Marnell Sparks
- in thanksgiving for the safe return of our son Josh from Afghanistan - Chuck & Marsy Gordon

September 21

- in honor of the birthdays of Tara, Caroline and Ryan Bennett —
- in thanksgiving for the marriage of Annie Miller and Nathan Blake

September 28

- in honor of our 32nd wedding anniversary Richard & Anne Morse
- in thanksgiving for the marriage of Libby Richards and Ben Schwantes
- in thanksgiving for Ric Sweeting Janet & Devon Sweeting
- in thanksgiving for healing James & Karen Kissinger

To donate toward the flowers to celebrate a special event or remember a loved one, contact the Cathedral office (816.474.8260 ext. 103 or jsweeting@kccathedral. org) or sign up (and pay) online: www.kccathedral.org/flowers.

A newspaper published in the interest of Grace and Holy

Submissions from parishioners and small groups are welcome and encouraged. All entries are requested by the 15th day of the month prior to publication by e-mail to communications@ kccathedral.org.

Dean's Forum

Sundays in October

9:15 a.m., Common Room

October forums feature the downtown school scene, outreach efforts at the Cathedral and the happenings of downtown. Presenters joining the Dean are Dean Johnson, director of Crossroads Academy; Terri Curran, chair of the Social Outreach Committee; and Ann Holiday, on the staff of the Kansas City Downtown Council. A fourth presenter is to be announced soon.

The aim of this series of forums, that have also dealt with youth ministry, pastoral care and music at the Cathedral, is to hear about the vision and breadth for our ministry and place at the heart of Kansas City. Come ready to learn and engage in lively conversation.

Fall Lobsterfest

Friday, October 17

Lobsters flown in from Maine that very day — fresher than fresh — for just \$25!

- For taking home to prepare
- For cooking here and taking home
- For cooking here and sharing at a potluck fellowship

Order forms are available after all services. Questions? Contact Claudia Risebig, bassoon@kc.rr.com.



Lobster Potluck Dinner • 6 p.m.

Your lobsters plus shared potluck dinner with your preferred beverage and jolly good fellowship. (Seafood allergy? Vegetarian? You can still join us for the potluck and *lob* a donation into the pot.)

After-hours Pastoral Care

For emergency pastoral care needs outside of regular office hours, please call 816-214-9940. You will be prompted to leave a voice message. A member of the clergy will return your call.



Healing Service Sunday, Oct. 19

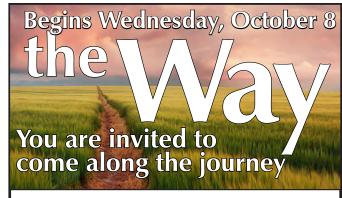
In honor of the feast of St. Luke, patron of healers, the Cathedral offers the rite of healing at all three services.

It's Fall Again

It's fall again
The follies of summer are over
The heat has subsided
And the coolness of the day
Has turned our evenings into joy.

The harvest is in
The fields are at rest
And the spirit of the Lord
Has moved upon the deep.
All is at peace.
Even the wind has become
Just a whisper.

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The Way is a process for faith formation, or catechumenate, at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral. The word catechumenate comes from Greek and means to be taught orally—to learn by hearing.

Community and sharing is at the center of The Way. Each evening begins with a simple meal and table conversation. This is followed by Bible study, learning and group discussion.

Fall Sessions: Oct. 8 through Nov. 19

Wednesday evenings include dinner at $\bar{6}$ p.m. (meals are free) followed by small group Bible study, discussion and prayer from 7-8 p.m.

All Saints' Sunday: Nov. 2

We give thanks for all God's holy ones and remember the faithful departed.

Book of Remembrance

We gather names and add them to a book started in 2007. It is a lasting memorial of "those we love but see no longer." The book is displayed in the Cathedral on All Saints' Sunday. The names are also be listed in the worship booklet. During the liturgy there is a time when lectors read aloud the names of those who have died in the past 12 months, followed by a time when all present say aloud names of those they would like remembered.

Forms for submitting names will be available at services beginning Oct. 12. You can place these in the offering plate or in the basket on the ushers' table. Names can also be e-mailed to com-

munications@kccathedral.org. The deadline for submitting names is Tuesday, Oct. 26.

All Saints' Memorial

You are invited to bring photographs of departed loved ones with you to church Sundays, Oct. 19 & 26. Individual snap shots work best, though you may submit framed photographs as well. Please limit the size of photos to 8x10 and smaller. Photos will not be harmed and will be returned. Put photos in the enve-



lopes (provided at the entrances to the Cathedral) then place the envelope in the baskets. Place your name, phone and email on the back of each photo. These will be become part of a display near the baptismal font. We pass by this "great cloud of witnesses" — the Communion of Saints — as we go to the altar for Eucharist. Photos will be available to take home the following Sunday in Founders' Hall.

Episcopal LGBT fellowship group: First Sunday of each month at 6 p.m.

We got off to a great start in September, hosting 35 people representing seven Episcopal parishes and two Lutheran parishes (see photos below). Having that many people show up initially was great but the down side is that the numbers may grow too large for the group to meet in homes. A good "problem" to have, right? Going forward we will be meeting at various churches.

The group is about the three F's: fun, food, and fellowship and inviting friends is encouraged.

Our Oct. 5 group will be hosted by Galen and Kim Snodgrass at the Church of the Good Shepherd (4947 NE Chouteau Drive Kansas City, MO 64119). They will provide the main course: a vegetarian herb pasta dish to which chicken can be added. We will fill in with

appetizers, sides, desserts and beverages. Please email Jim Robertson (JasBRob@aol.com) if you are coming and with what you will be bringing.

Looking ahead, Donna and Colleen Simon will host Nov. 2 at St. Mark Hope and Peace Lutheran Church at 3800 Troost Avenue, KCMO.

Our Dec. 7 meeting will be at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral. We hope to see many of you Oct. 5.















photos by Dean Ennis and Jim Robertson

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Celebrating 10 years of healthy mothers and babies

Sunday, October 5, 2014 • morning coffee hours

You are invited to share in this birthday celebration at a 10th birthday party for Maison de Naissance.

Doesn't seem possible, but it has been 10 years since Maison de Naissance opened its doors in Haiti. From the very first day, Haitian expectant mothers have received the very best in pre- and post-natal, and well-baby services and all for FREE!

Founded by two doctors from Kansas City with ties to St. Luke's

Help us celebrate by bringing a gift of Onesies for the newborns at MN. Haiti is a tropical country



— it gets hot — so all Onesies should be short sleeve and size 0-3 months.

Hansas City with ties to St. Lukes Hospital, Dr. Stan Shaffer and Dr. Betsy Wickstrom, they have worked tirelessly to ensure that the women coming to MN receive the very best in health care services. Jim Grant, Executive Director oversees operations from here and the goal of and all Haitian Staff at MN is now in place.

We look forward to seeing you October 5.

Calling 6-12 graders: Would you like to be an Acolyte?

In the Church, acolytes assist during the worship service. They lead the processions, assist at Communion and ensure that all services proceed with simple dignity. They also assist at special services such as weddings and funerals.

Acolyte functions include Crucifer, who processes with the cross; Server, who assists in the preparation of the altar at the offertory; Torchbearers, who process with the torches and assist at the offertory and help during communion; Banner-bearers who carry seasonal banners; and the Gospel Bearer, who processes with the Gospel book.

If you are in grade 6-12 and would like to be involved in this important ministry serving our Lord and his Church, please contact the Dean or the Associate. Training sessions are held periodically for new acolytes.

Stock St. Mary's Pantry with Sack Lunch Foods

Help re-stock the pantry at St. Mary's Episcopal Church with sack lunch and after-school snack items Sunday, October 12. This month we're requesting donations of

- juice boxes or pouches
- peanut butter
- jelly
- tuna
- small bags of chips/snacks
- dried fruit
- individual cups of applesauce or other fruits
- individual small boxes of raisins
- non-refrigerated pudding snacks
- and other non-perishables (no glass containers, please).

Giving a gift of flowers or candles

Our weekly flowers are not covered by your annual pledging but are provided through special gifts, given by individuals who want to acknowledge special events or people in their lives. Cathedral flowers average just over \$200 per Sunday.

Donations for flowers/candles may be in any amount—the Cathedral honors all gifts for flowers, large and small. Gifts can be for flowers or candles and are usually given in honor of, thanksgiving for,



or in memory of, a loved one or a special occasion.

There are many ways to give these gifts.

- Our website allows you to sign up and even pay by credit card.
- You may sign our annual Flower Chart found in Founders' Hall and you will be contacted by mail regarding your gift.
- You may call or contact Janet Sweeting by phone or e-mail and give your memorial information. Our flower line (816-474-8260 ext. 103) is available to take messages 24 hours a day.

These gifts are accepted throughout the year and are acknowledged each week in the service bulletin and monthly in *The Angelus* but may be kept anonymous if so desired. When writing a check or giving cash please annotate the envelope or check "for flowers" (or "for candles") and you will be contacted regarding your gift. Your gift is tax-deductible and will be included in your quarterly contribution statement.

-by Janet Sweeting

New to the Cathedral Staff

Patrick Bell joins the Cathedral staff this month as communications coordinator. Patrick is a graduate of the University of Kansas and has extensive experience in the church and at other nonprofit agencies.





Get your vaccines here!

Sundays, October 12 & 26

The Parish Health Ministry will be offering the flu, pneumonia and Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis/Whooping Cough) vaccines Sundays, October 12 & 26. Medicare and insurance company benefits are accepted. Medicare does cover the flu and pneumonia vaccines.

Immunizations are given at 9:30 a.m. and at 11:45 a.m. both Sundays. Sign up at coffee hour today!

Yarn-bombing for peace

Earlier this year, Cathedral needleworkers donated knitted or crocheted squares to the Eine Welt organization in Schwäbisch Gmünd, Germany. The purpose of the project was to use the one-hundredth anniversary of the beginning of World War I as an opportunity to raise awareness among the town's citizenry and visitors of the organization's mission that includes promoting peace and human rights throughout the world.

Cordula Reichert, chair of the yarn-bombing project, sent these photos and her thanks for supporting this project:

Please give all your helping women my thanks in a very heartily manner. I am so proud we have knitting women not only here in my town but also in Argentina, Switzerland, Nepal, Italy and you in USA. That's a real peace activity.





House Abraham Builds: Providing nourishment to volunteers

The Cathedral provided lunch for volunteers working on the Habitat for Humanity House that Abraham Builds in September. The House that Abrahams Builds joins churches, synagogues and mosques in Kansas City to build a house for a needy family. In this joining together of the

Abrahamic faiths, we not only build a house, but also relationships and understandings in the spirit of service to others common to each of our faith traditions. We are one of the few intentionally designed multi-faith Habitat endeavors in the country.





photos by Larry Ehren

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Take Me Out to the Ball Game













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As fall begins and the leaves turn, another season comes along where there are hungry in our midst. Families with children and the elderly are especially susceptible to this plight, and we can help!

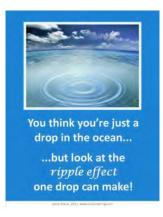
At Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral, we are led by the children with Trick or Treat So Others Can Eat. We will be handing out bags Sunday, Oct. 19. Although most people took just one bag last year, this year we are asking parishioners to take more than one bag — to ask your families and friends to help us 'Make Hunger Die!' — or make it go away for a little while. We will collect the bags Sunday, Oct. 26 at the Fall Saints Festival.

Our assigned pantry is St. Mary's — our downtown cousin. They are asking for ready-to-eat type of meals that do not require cooking (like soups, peanut butter crackers, meals in a can). Unused toiletries (toothbrushes, small soaps and toothpaste) are always welcome.



The school year is way more than a nine-month opportunity to learn something....it's a nine-month opportunity to do something if we believe that our words, actions, in-action, and reactions have a ripple effect on others. Being challenged by the thoughts, words and actions of others is part of life and especially true in a typical school day. When it happens, challenge yourself to everyday find a way to Be The Change. Be Inspiration, Be Hope, Be Comfort, Be Peace, Be Acceptance, Be Love. Be the beginning of a ripple effect that creates the change God wants to see in His creation. Does this require super-human effort when what we'd really like to do is act out pain and frustration? Yes..."but with God all things are possible." Does this require bravery when it's easier to go along with the crowd? Yes, but then as Douglas MacArthur said "It's the age-old struggle: the roar of the crowd on the one side, and the voice of your conscience on the other." Plug into a faith community like WEMO Youth Ministry to make friends and find the support you need to become the change you want to see in the world!

Information for Diocesan/Network activities and events can be found at www.wemoyouth.com, by contacting Kim Snodgrass at diowemoyouth@gmail.com AND, check us out @ WEMO Youth on facebook!





Campus Ministry Diocese of West Missouri

Welcome Back!!

Campuses are buzzing with new and returning students. Old friends re-connecting, new ones will be made and student organizations are kicking off the new year with a myriad of welcome back activities. Campus life can be exciting. It can also be stressful. Plugging into a faith based community is a great way to make new friends and find support as you journey through campus life.

In Springfield contact:

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For more information please contact: Beth Marshall, Diocesan Campus Ministry Coordinator, campusministry.ediowemo@gmail.com.

Women of Grace meet "Harry Iruman"

The newly formed group, Women of Grace, enjoyed a Saturday luncheon at Webster House, September 20.

Forty-eight women, new and old cathedral friends, were treated with a presentation by Raymond Starzmann and his rendition of President Harry Truman. There were treasured stories of his long courtship, two proposals to Bess, their marriage at Trinity Episcopal Church, Independence, and their years in the White House.

Terri Curran, group moderator, acknowledge the generous contribution from Linda Oliver of Oliver Insurance Agency in making this first gathering possible.

This special event demonstrated, yet again, that Episcopal women are diverse, talented, active in community affairs, working and volunteering at our Cathedral.

Terri reports that "Future gatherings are being planned to take place two to three times each year, as we continue to build connections between women worshiping at our 8:00, 10:15, and 5:00 services."

–by Jan Frizzle















HOMECOMING

















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all creatures great and small are invited to the

Community Blessing of the Animals



Sunday, October 5 4 p.m. North lawn

Pet treats • People treats
Jazz duo • Prayers & Blessings
Parade of animals
Kasey Kangaroo (UMKC Mascot)



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The Rt. Rev. Martin S. Field, Bishop of West Missouri
The Very Rev. Peter DeVeau, Dean
The Rev. Christy Dorn, Associate
The Rev. Jerry Grabher, Deacon
The Rev. Leslie Hoover, Deacon
The Rev. Dr. Michael Johnston, Scholar-in-Residence
Mr. John L. Schaefer, Canon Musician
William Baker, Cathedral Chorale Director
Malinda McCasland, Grace Choraliers Director
Julie Brogno, Children's and Family Ministry
Julie Toma, Cathedral Administrator
David Stoll, Financial Administrator
Janet Sweeting, Sacristan
Bryan Boyd, Property Manager
Mike Guidry, DaiVaughn Searcy, Property
Assistants

Weekly Activities

Sunday

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 9:15 a.m. Adult Formation 9:30 a.m. Youth Formation 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist

& Children's Chapel

5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Monday

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer

Tuesday

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist 1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study 2:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Wednesday

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist
5:45 p.m. The Tallis Singers
6:00 p.m. The Way (begins Oct. 8)
6:15 p.m. Grace Choraliers

6:45 p.m. Trinity Teens Youth Group

Thursday

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist
1:30 p.m. Centering Prayer
6:00 p.m. Cathedral Bell Ringers
7:30 p.m. Trinity Choir

Friday

12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Activities for October

I • WEDNESDAY

7 p.m. Rehearsal: Cathedral Chorale

2 • Thursday

7:30 p.m. Voice Recital: Laura Lowry

4 • SATURDAY

10 a.m. Usher Meeting

5 • SUNDAY

Celebrating the 10th year of Maison de Naissance 4:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals

6:00 p.m. Episcopal LGBT Fellowship Group

6-10 • Monday-Friday

Mediation Skills Training Institute for Church Leaders

8 • Wednesday

6 p.m. The Way

12 • SUNDAY

11:45 a.m. Newcomer Gathering

14 • Tuesday

5:15 p.m. Budget Committee

15 • Wednesday

7 a.m. Finance Committee

7 p.m. Rule of Benedict: St. Mark's Deanery

16 • Thursday

7 p.m. Rule of Benedict: St. John's Deanery

17 • FRIDAY

6:00 p.m. Lobsterfest Potluck

19 • Sunday • Healing Sunday

3:30 p.m. Rule of Benedict: St. Benedict's Deanery 5:00 p.m. Choral Evensong

23 • Thursday

5:30 p.m. Vestry

26 • SUNDAY

11:45 a.m. Fall Saints Festival

Coming Next Month

Nov. 2 All Saints' Sunday Family Ministry Lunch Daylight Saving Time Ends

Nov. 9 Children's Sunday

Nov. 16 Kirkin' o' the Tartan

Nov. 24 Harvest Fellowship Lunch

Nov. 26 Thanksgiving Eve Service

Nov. 30 Advent Wreath Workshop