



## Join us for an Interfaith tradition!

What has now become a tradition at Webster Groves Christian Church is our Interfaith Thanksgiving Feast. Join us following worship on Sunday, November 17, from noon -2 p.m. in Fellowship Hall as we share a feast of friendship, faith and food in our style of radical hospitality. With the help of Interfaith Quest, we will once again have our friends from TASOM join us, as well as members of the Webster Groves Baha'i community. You don't want to miss it!

**When:** Nov. 17 after service.

**Where:** Fellowship Hall.

**How:** Sign up Sundays Nov. 3 and 10 or with Steve Staicoff at the church office so we know how many are coming.

**What to bring:** A side dish or dessert to serve 8-10. Include a card with your name and the name of the dish. If nuts are in your dish, label it! Also, donations of groceries and gift cards (see details on page 5.)

**Who will be there:** Our interfaith guests, who will be sharing their dishes and will add to our donation of food bringing fresh produce and gift cards.

# The work of Disciples Women is felt around the globe

Disciples Women of WGCC conducts a service project every month. In September, we donated 27 School Kits and 18 Health Kits to Church World Service. We collected money in the spring for these 45 kits. Members were busy shopping and packing the kits during the summer. Sally Smith and Pat Roseman delivered them to a collection point at Immanuel UCC in Ferguson on October 19.

Another service project was conducted by the Sewing Group of DW. They made the beautiful baby quilts that you saw dedicated during church recently. The lovely quilts were accepted by Nurses For Newborns.

A third service project was a collection in October to purchase laundry detergent for Webster/Rock Hill Ministries. This laundry detergent enables the families to send their children to school with clean clothes.

Though there will not be a General Lunch Meeting or Business Meeting in November, we will have Group meetings during the second week. The Lydia Group will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Nov. 14 in the Church Gallery. Karen Miers will be in charge of the meeting. Tabitha will meet in the Heritage Room at 7 p.m. on Nov. 21. Sally Smith will lead the group. Laura Stuetzer will serve as hostess. The Martha Group meets at 12:30 p.m. on Nov. 14 with Alice Yount in charge. Vicki Ott will lead the study while Marilyn Nennert, Alice and Anna Yount are to be the hostesses.

The General Meeting and Business Meeting in December will be one you will not want to miss. We have invited the Disciples Women from Centennial CC to join us for a special program. Our speaker will be Jamie Mowers on the topic of spreading kindness. Jamie speaks in schools and churches and is an outstanding speaker. Let's fill the room for her.

The Cardmakers will be at work on Thursday, Nov. 7, since Thanksgiving falls on their usual day of work.

## ADOPT A FAMILY CHRISTMAS TREE

Our giving tree goes up on the Sunday after Thanksgiving. Items must be brought back by Thursday, Dec. 12. They will be delivered on Saturday, Dec. 15.

Jane Martin



## A thank you from Nurses for Newborns

We really appreciate being able to visit with the members of Webster Groves Christian Church and to receive the beautiful baby quilts made by the Disciples Women. We love sharing the story of Nurses for Newborns and look forward to a return visit.

Kate Steele  
Nurses for Newborns

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## Help read on Literacy Day!

You are invited to help celebrate National Literacy Day at 11 a.m. on Nov. 1 by joining Educare and reading to students. All volunteers are welcomed and appreciated. Contact Steve Staicoff at the office by noon on Oct. 31 if you are interested in participating.

# A great day for golf. A great day for our children.

It was a beautiful day for golf, food, and fun at the 2019 Kirkwood Area Every Child Promise Golf Tournament & Fundraising Dinner at Westborough Country Club! The event, sponsored by Webster Groves Christian Church, generated a total of \$20,000 toward KAEChP's mission of insuring that every Kirkwood area child and family enters kindergarten ready to succeed, including \$5,600 of generous donations specifically for preschool scholarships.

WGCC will use a portion of the general proceeds to help maintain the office and program space (including Promise Place, Project NOW, KAEChP office, and Parents as Teachers rooms), as well as back-office services the church provides for KAEChP.

Special thanks to:

- Denise Pahl and her committee for planning and hosting a fantastic event!
- Kirkwood Parents as Teachers and Kirkwood Early Childhood Center for providing great volunteers
- Our Gold Sponsor Greg Williams at Siemens Smart Infrastructure
- Margarita Sponsor Amigos Cantina and Hole-In-One Sponsor Jay Wolfe Toyota
- All our participants – golfers, diners, and volunteers – and sponsors and donors from throughout our community.



Project manager Laura Guthrie-Eads; tournament organizer-extraordinaire Denise Pahl; Pastor Jeff Moore, KAEChP board member

## SEGREGATION IN ST. LOUIS: DISMANTLING THE DIVIDE



### Help dismantle the STL divide

On Nov. 12, a workshop focused on the impact of racism on housing in the metro area, including the 63119 zip code, will be held in the Fellowship Hall at Webster Groves Presbyterian Church. The workshop is presented by Faith and For the Sake of All and sponsored by WGPC and Emmanuel Episcopal Church.

The workshop takes a faith-based approach to move participants from understanding housing data to taking action for change and is based on the community-driven report *Segregation in St. Louis: Dismantling the Divide*. The report presents an extensive history of our region's use of segregation housing policies and practices, concluding with key recommendations to dismantle our significant divides.

In addition to the data report, Webster Groves City Council member Laura Arnold will bring these issues home to the 63119 zip code, discussing housing issues in Webster Groves and ways the city could begin to equalize housing opportunities in its neighborhoods.

The workshop will be held at Webster Groves Presbyterian Church at 7 p.m. It is free and open to the public. Registration, however, is required.

Register at <http://bit.ly/faithsake>

### Artists Boutique Sale at WGCC

Join us Saturday, Dec. 7, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the art gallery and chapel area as artists sell prints, Christmas decor, original art, books and other gift items.

WGCC members John and Carolyn Dyess will have a sales table, and there will be free refreshments.

Proceeds go to benefit [Art4Epilepsy.org](http://Art4Epilepsy.org)

### ‘Rigged’ looks at vote suppression

We are invited to join Peace United Church of Christ for a free viewing of [Rigged: The Voter Suppression Playbook](#). This documentary looks at specific policies in Missouri, Wisconsin, North Carolina, and Texas to eliminate voters from the rolls and raise barriers to voting. The showing will be at 7 p.m. on Nov. 8 at Peace United Church of Christ, 204 East Lockwood.

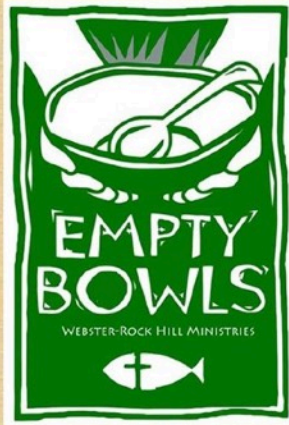
### Affton fair for Salvation Army

Affton Christian Church invites us to its 8th annual Craft Fair from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 16 at 9525 Tesson Ferry Road (about 1/2 mile south of Gravois Road)

Food and beverages for sale.

All proceeds from food sales and space rental fees will be donated to the Salvation Army Disaster Fund.

# 2019 EMPTY BOWLS DINNER SHARE A MEAL & HELP FIGHT HUNGER



**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD  
4:30-7:00 PM**

**WEBSTER HILLS METHODIST CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER  
1333 W. LOCKWOOD - CORNER OF BERRY & LOCKWOOD**

**ALL FUNDS RAISED SUPPORT FOOD PROGRAMS  
@ WEBSTER-ROCK HILL MINISTRIES**

**ADMISSION TO THE EVENT IN ADVANCE OR AT THE DOOR:  
\$15 FOR ADULTS, \$5 FOR STUDENTS (K-12)  
CHILDREN UNDER 5 EAT FREE**

## **Our neighbors are hungry. Let's help!**

This year our goal is to fill 20 bags and provide 20 grocery gift cards of \$15 each for Webster-Rock Hill Ministries and 15 grocery gift cards for NOW families. Our NOW coordinators, Mat and Julie DeKinder, will provide the NOW food bags through our NOW account. We will add to those PLENTY-FULLLL bags by providing the \$15 grocery gift cards.

How can you be a part of giving thanks and giving glory to God?

- Let Pat Roseman, or Steve Staicoff know if you are sponsoring a basket/bag or gift card. There will be a sign up sheet after worship Nov. 3 and 10, and don't forget...shopping with a partner to help fill the bag is a good reason to have a morning or afternoon visit with a friend. Shopping guide is listed below.
- Purchase a grocery store gift card for \$15. Give the gift card to Pat, Beth or Steve. The card will provide for the turkey. **DO NOT PUT THE CARD IN THE FOOD BAG.**
- Donate a new reusable shopping bag for the family food bag.
- Please bring the bag of food to WGCC by Nov. 15. Put all bags in the Sanctuary.

### **SHOPPING GUIDE**

- Corn 3 cans
- Green beans 3 cans
- Instant potatoes or fresh 1 box or bag
- Yams/sweet potatoes 1 can or fresh
- Cranberry sauce 1 can
- Canned fruit 1 can
- Stuffing mix 2 boxes
- Instant gelatin 1 box
- Cake mix 1 box
- Canned frosting 1 can
- \$15 or \$25 food card from Schnucks or Shop 'n Save
- (Quantity recommended for family of 4) Adjust for family size.
- If you add gravy, please no glass jars

## **Contribute to the Neighbor Fund**

As fall rolls on, the needs of many in our church community continue as well.

Please consider making a gift to **WGCC's Neighbor Fund**; these monies are used to help both church members and those in the community to meet short-term financial needs for food, housing, fuel, utilities, and many other basic necessities.

# IN OUR PRAYERS ...

## Recent concerns

- For Carole Hughes and her family, on the death of their Uncle Lester, and for Carole's sister who was recently hospitalized.
- Four Paul Hoskins who is in rehab after suffering a stroke.
- For Matt DeKinder's friend Lennie, who is in a job search.
- For Beth Cooley and her family on the recent death of Beth's father.
- For Steve Swartz's father, who recently had bypass surgery.
- For safe travels for Keiler Swartz in London.
- For Gloria Hutchings, battling pneumonia.
- For Shirley Arthur, struggling with back trouble.
- For John and Shah Smith's son, Jim.
- For Carolyn Dyess' son Mark who had a heart valve replacement.
- For the family of Lou Garr, a friend of the Roses who recently passed away.
- For Andy Lindberg, as he continues his recovery.
- Mark and Kathy Hoefert, friends of Max Ott who were hit by flooding in South Dakota.
- For Eva Moutrie, who asks that we keep her in our prayers.
- For Marilyn Combs' daughter Janet, who is battling cancer.
- For Sue Winchester, a friend of Donna Wolff, dealing with health issues.
- For Bev Richmond and for Doug Richmond, who are facing health issues.
- For Analyn Howell's sister who is battling cancer.
- For Jane Yount.
- Bill Sullivan, as he continues to recuperate.

## Thanks for ...

- For all those donating to Project NOW.
- The ministry of music and art.
- For all the golfers and staff who made the KAEChP tournament a success.

## Community

- For refugees and immigrants.
- For families who have lost children to domestic violence.

## Ongoing concerns

- Bill Woodrome
- John Norris
- Doris Derickson
- Kathy Carson
- Michelle Fielden
- Jane Michener



## Giving thanks for the life of Dick Savage

A memorial service and celebration of the life of Dick Savage will be held at 3 p.m. on November 3 at Webster Groves Christian Church. In lieu of flowers the family asks that contributions be made to the National Benevolent Association (gift can be made in honor/memory) or Webster Groves Christian Church.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

**ACCESS THE CALENDAR  
AT [WGCC.ORG](http://WGCC.ORG)**

**THROUGH NOV. 3**

**SUNDAY, NOV. 3**

Jack Kejio Steele art show  
Fall back: Daylight savings ends  
9 a.m.: Christian formation  
10:30 a.m.: Worship  
3 p.m.: Dick Savage memorial

**TUESDAY, NOV. 5**

Election Day  
10 a.m.: Book of Ezekiel Bible Study

**THURSDAY, NOV. 7**

9 a.m. Cardmakers

**SUNDAY, NOV. 10**

9 a.m.: Christian formation  
10:30 a.m.: Worship

**TUESDAY, NOV. 12**

5 p.m. Room at the Inn

**THURSDAY, NOV. 14**

10 a.m.: Book of Ezekiel Bible Study

**SUNDAY, NOV. 17**

Disciples Women group meetings  
Thanksgiving special offering

**TUESDAY, NOV. 19**

9 a.m.: Christian formation

**THURSDAY, NOV. 21**

10:30 a.m.: Worship

**SUNDAY, NOV. 24**

Noon: Interfaith Thanksgiving

**TUESDAY, NOV. 26**

10 a.m.: Book of Ezekiel Bible Study

**THURSDAY, NOV. 28**

9:30 a.m. Sewing group

Thanksgiving special offering

9 a.m.: Christian formation

10:30 a.m.: Worship

10 a.m.: Book of Ezekiel Bible Study

Deadline for next Witness

Thanksgiving day

5 p.m.: Room at the Inn

**WEBSTER GROVES CHRISTIAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:**

**Our mission: Following Jesus' teaching and sacrificially serving the people who are the most marginalized.**

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**The SEGA connection newsletter is available at <http://www.mid-americadisciples.org/>**

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