

WEBSTER GROVES CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY, NOV. 19, CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

TOPIC: A motion from the Board to accept the \$2.9 million dollar offer for purchase of the WGCC building and property

A November 19 2023 **Special Congregational Meeting** is being called to consider a motion from the Board to accept the \$2.9 million dollar offer for purchase of the WGCC building and property.

The meeting will immediately follow worship on 11-19-23, and your attendance is strongly encouraged.

Prior to the meeting, you will receive another reminder email, along with some documents, including a copy of the Church Constitution, Legacy Fund Policies, and a FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) sheet.

An absentee ballot will be made available for those not able to attend the meeting.

Questions from the congregation can be emailed to Steve/Church Office to send on to the Board. Members of the WGCC Board will be in the foyer



WGCC Board Members deliver a report to the congregation on Oct. 8.

before and after worship services the next two Sundays (Nov. 5 and 12) to answer questions as well.

A reminder to everyone - the motion to sell the building and property is NOT a motion to dissolve the congregation or end the ministry of WGCC.



JOIN US FOR OUR

HOLIDAY CRAFT BOUTIQUE

DECEMBER 2ND, 10:00AM TO 3:00PM



WEBSTER GROVES CHRISTIAN CHURCH

1320 W LOCKWOOD AVE. 63122



ONLINE BOUTIQUE SALES - NOV. 15 - DEC. 1ST



20% OF SALES GO TO
ART4EPILEPSY



Fill the bags for NOW!

This year our congregation will help to set the Thanksgiving table for our 16 NOW families. You are asking, "But what about Webster-Rock Hill Ministry families?" This year Disciple Women groups are providing the bags for WRHM. NOW families will receive our congregation's thankful blessings!

SIGN UP at church on Nov. 5 or Nov. 12 to fill a bag OR call Steve to volunteer. Please shop from the list at right.

Bring bags to the front of the sanctuary the week of Nov. 14, between 9 am-3 pm, or on Sunday, Nov. 19. If you have more than one bag, please mark with a post-it note with your name and #1 and #2 on each bag.. Thank you!

Pat Roseman

Shopping List

All of the listed items are available in local supermarkets. Feel free to add other items of your choice, such as marshmallows for sweet potatoes.

Corn 2

Green beans 2

Cranberry sauce 1

Sweet potatoes canned 2

Stuffing mix 2

Chicken broth, can or box
32 ounces

Turkey gravy, can or mix 1

Canned fruit 1

Gelatin 1

5 lb. bag red or russet
potatoes

1 lb. baby carrots

Fresh apples 6 or 8

Brown'n'Serve dinner rolls
1 pkg

Gift certificate for turkey:
\$15

Dessert: Choose one

Cake mix and cake frosting
1

Pumpkin 1 can, evaporated
milk 1 can, and pie crust
mix 1 box

Charity starts with Disciples Women

Disciples Women held their monthly meeting on Oct. 5 with nine in attendance.

The guest speaker was DOC-ordained minister Brenda Booth from the Isaiah 58 organization. Isaiah 58 Ministries is a non-profit agency that has been in existence in South Saint Louis city since 1970. Originally known as 4 Church Association, it was established to meet the needs of low-income individuals in our community through direct services including a food pantry, clothing closet, and utility assistance. There are now 40 participating churches serving 400-500 families annually. Learn more at I58ministries.org

The Marthas met the second Thursday, Oct. 12, at 12:30 p.m. in the Heritage Room. There were six in attendance, gathering to eat their lunches and enjoy good fellowship. Hostesses were Jane Martin and Anna Yount with help from Julie Wood. The Devotional was given by Bev Richmond and the Study by Alice Yount. Co-leaders Bev Richmond and Alice Yount asked for

ideas for new study books and for a new Christmas game for the December meeting.

With the help of Pat Roseman the Thanksgiving bags project was described. The group volunteered arrangements and responsibilities for five bags to be presented next month. Go Mighty Marthas!

Tabithas met on Oct. 12 at 7 p.m. in the Heritage Room with six in attendance. The devotional was led by Susan Burney and the study by Susan Moore. The theme, Lamentations, will be the study topic throughout the year, as presented in the "Just Women" magazine.

The October service project for the Disciples Women was the Neighbor Fund, with \$465 being raised for that effort. The **Neighbor Fund** is used at our pastor's discretion to aid those within our congregation and those from our wider community with one-time emergency assistance.

-Diane Mark and Alice Yount



A day of song



... and celebration!

A Gospel Concert and reception was held on Sunday, Oct. 22, at Webster Groves Christian Church. The concert featured various WGCC musicians and Carolbeth True and the Two Times True band.

Proceeds from the free-will offering went to the Shepherd's Center of Webster-Kirkwood.

Thanks to all who hosted, performed and attended!



Pick up your Advent devotional

Advent is coming soon! Get your devotionals today!

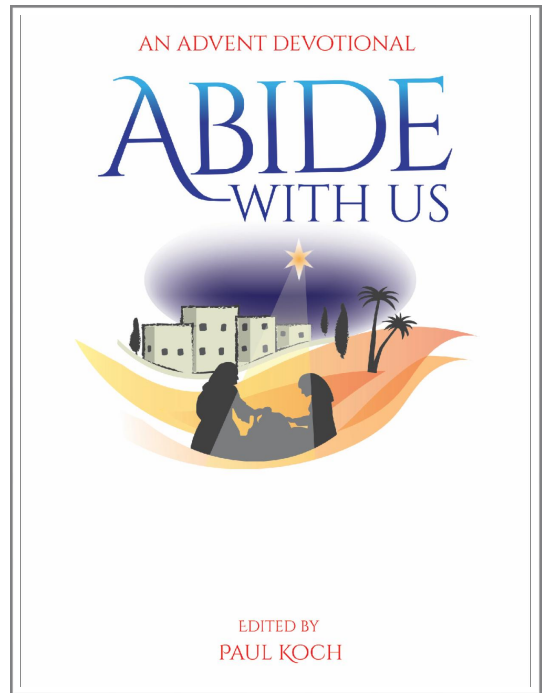
New for Advent 2023

Our God is always with us every time, even in the most unlikely of places.

Abide With Us is a daily devotional to walk us through the four weeks that lead to Christmas, reflecting on what we can do to create a welcoming space for God in our hearts and our world. Each devotion contains scripture, a short reflection, and a prayer.

Copies of the 2023 Disciples Advent Devotional are available in the church office area for \$5 per copy. You can shop online for this and other devotionals at:

<https://bit.ly/wgcc-advent-2023>



Compton Heights Christian Church

TRIVIA NIGHT

November 17th
Doors @ 6:30 PM
Starts @ 7:00 pm

2149 S GRAND BLVD
ST. LOUIS, MO 63104

REGISTER HERE OR INQUIRE AT:
COMPTONHEIGHTSCC@GMAIL.COM

\$25 per person or
\$200 per Table of 8

Light refreshments
provided

Bringing your own
snacks is encouraged



Come Join Us
At The

Afton Christian Church

Craft Fair

Saturday, Nov. 4th 2023
9 am 'til 3 pm

9625 Tesson Ferry Rd. 63123
(Approx. 1/2 mile south of Gravois)



Browse, buy and support the many artists and crafters who will be selling their wares in our Fellowship Hall.

Space rental fees and Food Court proceeds
will contribute to the fund for our
Free Thanksgiving Dinner on Thanksgiving Day.

Prayer concerns for WGCC

For 4 young ladies at Keiler Swartz's school, recovering following an auto accident

For Pat, a friend of Laura and Donna, who fell out of a wheelchair and shattered her femur

For Max Ott and family, as they mourn the passing of Max's cousin, David

For Joe Kingston of MBCC, as he recovers from health issues

For the people of Guatemala, who recently elected an anti-corruption leader--that he may be able to take office

For Billie Swartz's friend, Nancy, recently diagnosed with brain cancer

For Wayne DeKinder, recovering from a concussion, and a broken nose

For David Knapp, Max & Vicki Ott's son-in-law as he recovers from a leg injury

For Jane Martin's nephew and his children living in Israel; the children are serving in the Israeli army

For Jim Dunn, Pat Roseman's brother-in-law, as he goes thru his first anniversary since his wife's (Pat's sister's) passing

For Diane Mark's cousin Joe, recovering from open-heart surgery

For Laura Stuetzer's friends Brad and Linda, facing medical issues, and for her sister & brother-in-law, as her sister's memory issues worsen

For Jennifer, a friend of Billie Swartz's, whose family is dealing with issues around suicide

For a student of Robin Woodrome, who is dealing with substance-abuse issues in her family

For the WGCC Board and Congregation, as they meet and make decisions involving the congregation's future planning

For Max's friend, Carl Mack, battling cancer

For Denise Pahl's friend Karen, battling leukemia and undergoing chemotherapy

For Deb Trautman's son and his girlfriend, facing the loss of her brother, and having her mother in hospice

For Analyn Howells, whose tumor tested out to be benign

For Robin's friend Dan, who has an inoperable GI tract cancerous tumor, and for a student, Nate, at her school

For Susan Burney's sister, Carol, in hospice

For Rev. Linda Doss Tobias, as she recovers from a difficult surgery

For those struggling with mental illness, and the social workers who are trying to work with police to curb violence

For Karl Reinhardt, undergoing chemotherapy for cancer in his abdomen. He has received 9 of 12 chemo treatments, and has recovered from COVID.

For Jeff Tedford

For Barb Merrell's niece Regina, battling cancer

For James Burney's (and all police officer's) safety in the field

For Diane Mark's friend, Jennifer, diagnosed with Stage 4 breast cancer

For Devoree Crist's brother-in-law, in hospice with a progressive palsy disease

For Chris and Sara Webb. Chris was moved to a facility in Valley Park, much closer to Sara

For Barb Merrell

For Bill Woodrome

For Devoree Crist's friend, Deb

For Pauline (Smith) England

For Shirley Arther

For Eva Moutrie

For Gregg Eiler's sister-in-law, as she battles breast cancer

Prayers for DeVere and Bev Shoop

For Mildred Baker

For Bill Sullivan

For the families of WGCC Project NOW program, and KAEChP.

For basic needs of food, shelter clothing and health care for all.

For the families served by Webster Rock Hill Ministries

WEBSTER GROVES CHRISTIAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:

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

Webster Groves Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

A Global Mission Congregation
1320 West Lockwood Ave.
St. Louis MO 63122



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

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