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OCTOBER NEWSLETTER 2021

Church,

What a tremendous time we had together on September 26 as we began our church's 175th year of ministry. I have heard so many of our folks recounting their favorite moments of the worship service and fellowship. Thank you to all who contributed to the witness of God's faithfulness over the generations to this church and our surrounding community. You've shown us that we surely stand on the shoulders of many faithful disciples who have gone before. And thanks be to God for their unwavering service to our church.

It has been a long, eventful summer for the Coplin family and my favorite season is here. The morning air is becoming crisp and clear and trailer loads of hay are clattering up and down the parish roads. It won't be long before we are making out the shopping list for gumbo! Now, if LSU would only tighten up a bit, Fall will be just fine.

A couple of weeks ago, Monica and I were making an evening drive up to Shreveport for a few busy days of medical appointments. We were discussing the complexities of our schedule when the perfection of the Harvest Moon spilled through the treetops. As we approached a pasture, we could see its fullness hanging heavy and brilliant in a clear, eastern sky. As we continued through the darkness, we could often see it tracking alongside. Somewhere along the way, I was reminded that though luminous and beautiful, the moon can give no light when obscured from the sun.

I then thought about how in the book of Matthew, Jesus calls his followers, "the light of the world." In response, we might easily say, "Wow. And I thought I was doing well enough to get to the appointments on time and pay the bills and remember to pick the kid up from band practice. This is a heavy task you're putting on me, Jesus. 'Light of the world?' What can I do in the face of so much darkness?" Indeed, if "being light" under such circumstances was to be done through our own power, it would be an impossible command to fulfill! Yet, as the moon avails itself to the light of the sun so that the earth might be illuminated, we can avail ourselves to God's grace; so that he might use us to reflect his light into the world he so loves. In this sense, "being light" is as much about partaking in God's love as it is imparting it to others.

When in faith we pray, search the scriptures, take the Lord's Supper, fast, and participate in the life of the church, we avail ourselves to God's transforming light. In our trust and willingness to receive and share his light, we ourselves are renewed and restored. And it is because of who God is that in his light we cannot remain as we are. As we go into this new season together, let's attend to Christ's call to be light, and be comforted by the transformative goodness of God.

Grace and peace,

Brian

MEMORIALS:

Memorial:

In Memory of Betty Bostian given by John & Betsy Godfrey, Ted & Carolyn Dove, Ray & Nancy Spiller, Mike & Vicki Simpson, Pete & Ellen Abington

In memory Virginia Fremaux given by Ray & Nancy Spiller, Joe & Carole Troha, John & Betsy Godfrey

Choir:

In memory Virginia Fremaux given by George & Bonnie Fox Miles

Comfort Fund:

In memory of Betty Bostian given by Betty Kaye Miller

In memory Virginia Fremaux given by Ken & Mary Ellen Freeman



UMW Meeting
Thursday October 7th
9:30 a.m.
The program will be
"World Thank Offering"

Committee Meetings for October 2021

Trustees:

Monday, October 11th - 5:30 p.m.

SPPR:

Tuesday, October 12th - 5:30 p.m.

Administrative Council:

Monday, October 25th - 5:30 p.m.

October Nursery Workers

October 3- Cathy Troquille
October 10- Mary Ellen Freeman
October 17- Carolyn Dove
October 24- Vicki Isgitt
October 31- Elizabeth Pickett

Missions /Pantry

The Missions committee is now sponsoring the little pantry in the front of the church. If you would like to donate food please bring and place in the pantry. If it is a large amount please bring up to narthex and put in the tote by stairs. No expired or open foods. You may also make a monetary donation, just mark it pantry.



PINK SISTERS
of SABINE

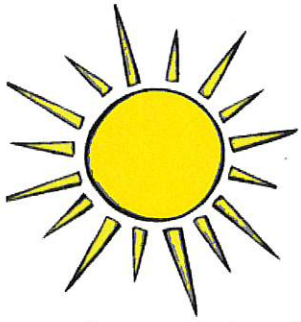
In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month during October, you're invited to "Worship in Pink" on Sunday, Oct. 24. The Pink

Sisters of Sabine, a local non-profit serving breast cancer patients, will provide information about their organization and share briefly about God's goodness and provision. So, be sure to wear pink to honor all mothers, sisters and daughters on Oct. 24.

PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer group meets every the third Tuesday of the month in the sanctuary at 10:45 a.m.





September was a month filled with smiles, hugs and giggles as the children settled into their school routines. Outside play was introduced to the younger class and the older class was introduced to more challenging academic skills.



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31 Youth Party- Bonfire & Hayride																																																																																										

PRAYER CONCERNS

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Church Members

Family of Betty Bostian
Carrie Broussard
Brian, Monica, Jack & Anna
Claire Coplin
Charles Enterkin
Ken & Mary Ellen Freeman
John & Betsy Godfrey
Richard & Ann Harpel
John Hoagland
Grace Kelsey
Becky Lafitte
Shirley Lee
George & Bonnie Fox Miles
Elizabeth Mitchell
Garland Peterson
Janice Rike
Nancy Spiller
Kevin Troquille

Family of Church Members

Cassity Barrett (Shirley Lee's great niece)
Carolyn Brasell (Carrie Broussard's daughter)
Scott Brosh (Joe Troha's brother-in-law)
Cindy Wright Calhoon (Patsy McCormick's sister)
Beverley Carlson (Chris Nolen's sister)
Beth Coplin
(Brian's mother)
Jason Fluitt (Vicki Simpson's son-in-law)
Robert Freeman (Ken Freeman & Betsy Godfrey's brother)
Seth Freeman
Judy Boudreaux Jones (Chuck Boudreaux's sister)
Verline O'Linde (Gail Thomas' foster sister)
Lloyd Waters (Laurie Gentry's cousin)
Murlee Wilbanks (Carolyn Gates' mom)
Robert Troha

Friends of our Community

Marie Alford
Cade Anderson
Steve Biggs
Ace Bowling
Jiles Bowling
Cathy Byles
Dudley Carver
Ivan Droddy
Darlene Griffin
Kathy Humphries
Sally Landry
Cassie LaRoux
Dena Sue Moore
Louise Moore
Mike Rankin
Eddie Richard
Tara Seals
Douglas Seegers (Linda Seegers' son)
Kristin Sepulvado
Arlene Small
Reba Tarpley
Sissy Tatum
Nancy Tidwell
The Williamson Family



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