

### CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be Sunday, October 25, 2020 immediately following the 10:00 am worship service. The pandemic necessitates a few changes this year. Information regarding our current finances, a draft of the General Operating Budget for 2021, and a list of nominees for President, Vice-President, Directors, and Elders will be provided in advance of the meeting. We will also provide an opportunity to ask questions prior to the meeting. Additionally, we will make ballots regarding the nominees available in advance to allow those that are not comfortable attending the meeting to vote.

Please watch for additional information this month and feel free to contact me with any questions.

Rick Rollings

### Have Any Unused Items?

Have you cleaned out a cabinet or a closet lately and found items you don't use anymore? One way of getting those items out of the house is to donate the items to Community Christian Church's Bear Market account.

Kathy Howard and Nancy Johnston are the contacts for the church's Bear Market account. They can either loan the church's Bear Market card to you, so you can take the item(s) directly to Bear Market - or if it is more convenient for you, you can leave the item(s) at the church and Kathy or Nancy will take them to Bear Market. There are restrictions on the number of items accepted each week and on days Bear Market accepts items, so check with Kathy or Nancy before taking your item(s) directly to Bear Market.

Bear Market is a consignment shop, located next to the Camdenton Post Office. They accept furniture, household goods, small appliances, and clothes in good condition. The store will keep a portion of the profit when the item sells. A portion is given to the account owner — that's why it is important that the items be entered under the church's account number, if you want the church to benefit. Items which do not sell may be donated to charity.

If you have a large volume of clothing to donate, Bear Market is probably not the best place. It may be more helpful to donate directly to a charity in those cases. CCC supports LAMB House, which would be happy to accept your donation. You may drop the items off mornings at LAMB House, 93 Morgan Street (street between the United Methodist Church and the castle medical building).

If you have questions, talk to:

Kathy Howard 262-672-9682

Nancy Johnston 573-346-7986

### **Support Bereavement Group**

Sheryl Fiala-Lanzone and Pastor Brown have coordinated to start a new group. Many of us have lost spouses, children, or parents recently, and this group is to bring us together to mourn, plus receive support as our lives move forward towards a new "normal". Practical, down-to-earth conversations are encouraged and hoped for. Our first gathering will be on Friday, October 23 at 1:00 pm at Betty Gerdes' home. This will be a socially distanced OUTDOOR gathering (if the weather is bad, we will meet in a large room at the church). Just come and connect with others that are feeling pain and confusion. Please RSVP with Sheryl Fiala-Lanzone (314-629-5000).

### **Social Circles**

Lee Ann Mitchell and Pastor Brown have been working on getting small groups of people together. We miss seeing each other. These "circle" groups are to connect folks during this time of pandemic. Some will be in-person in our sanctuary (socially distanced of course), while others will be strictly Zoom on your computer. Anyone can join these groups of 7 people. The gatherings last for one hour. If you are interested, please let Pastor Brown or Lee Ann Mitchell know and we will get you on the list. We will add more groups if the demand is high.

Here are the options to start:

8 am Zoom 10-7-20 (Wednesday)

11 am Sanctuary 10-9-20 (Friday)

9 am Sanctuary 10-21-20 (Wednesday)

4:30 pm Zoom 10-21-20 (Wednesday)

4:30 pm Sanctuary 10-28-20 (Wednesday)

### **Communion**

Pastor Brown, the Elders, and the Board have examined the possibility of offering communion during worship again. The Elders will be taking the lead in the careful and safe preparation of the bread and cup for our 10:00 am worship service. During this time of pandemic, we want to be extremely careful to keep everyone safe. This opportunity for communion will begin Sunday, October 4.