

*October 28, 2022*

*From the Pastor*



Reformation Sunday was awesome, and we're still wearing red. In fact, red is the liturgical color for the next 3 weeks as we focus on the Spirit's continuing work of re-forming God's people. The cloths on the pulpit and communion table will be red because it's the color that symbolizes the Spirit. Normally, red is only the color of Pentecost when God gifted the church with the Holy Spirit. However, it was our summer sabbath color as a reminder to pay closer attention to what the Spirit is doing. You don't have to wear red every week, but it's a great way to join the fun!

In preparation for worship, I invite you to read Acts 4:13-22 and to think and to pray about how God shapes and empowers imperfect humans to share the gospel and to re-form the world to be more of what God intends it to be. How might God be re-forming us as individual disciples and as a faith community to share the gospel in NKY as we near the end of 2022? Worship participants will be invited to share their wisdom, insight and ponderings as part of worship. Together we are greater than the sum of our parts, and our collective wisdom helps us to discern the Spirit's leading as we are "re-formed and always being re-formed according to the word of God." Click [here](#) for the worship bulletin. Worship is streamed on the [UPC website](#) and [YouTube](#) channel.

*Peace, Pastor Lisa*

**PS**

Time falls back this weekend. If you're not going to be awake at 2am Sunday, set your clocks back one hour when you go to bed. Otherwise, you'll be really early for worship.

**PPS**

Boone County is still at a low level of covid community spread so masks are optional in worship. Remember, masks are only required in worship while Boone County is at the high or orange status determined by the [CDC's COVID 19 Community Level](#) guidelines.

**Daily at 8:00 am  
Boone County Veterans' Memorial  
Florence Government Center**

The program is anticipated to last approximately fifteen minutes each day. The Witness Tree program is designed to raise awareness of those invisible wounds that veterans are battling after they return to civilian life and raise awareness of the estimated 22 veterans who commit suicide each day in our nation. The daily ceremony will include placing 22 dog tags on a tree, readings, meditative thought, and reflection. At the end of the eleven days, 242 dog tags will hang in honor of those veterans.

Visitors are invited to attend and hang military dog tags on the designated tree on the campus of the Florence Government Center. Additional resources will be available for participants. For more information regarding the event, click [here](#) to contact Victoria Wells, City of Florence, Community Services Coordinator. Click [here](#) to contact Melissa Stephens, Florence Christian Church.



**2022 Chili Cook Off  
Sunday, November 6th after worship**

Calling all cooks - enter your favorite pot of chili in the UPC Chili Cookoff! To enter the contest, click [here](#) to sign up on the website. Having entries in advance helps us set up sufficiently for all the crockpots. Diners vote on their favorite chili, and we crown a winner! The winner will receive a fabulous trophy and bragging rights for a whole year.

Votes may be purchased for \$1 each. Buy 5, get one free. \$5 = 6 votes  
Kroger gift cards may also be traded in for votes.  
(\$20 gift card = 24 votes)

You may vote an unlimited number of times!

All proceeds benefit our neighbors in need through our Community Assistance Fund. This fund and gift cards are used to provide assistance to people who come to the church in need of help.

**Chrismon Crafting  
Wednesday, November 9th  
7pm Youth Room**



Crafters or those who would like to be and are middle school aged or older are invited to bring your good scissors (and a snack to share if you're so inclined) and help make some new Chrismon ornaments for our sanctuary tree. Chrismon ornaments are white - representing the resurrection - and gold - reminding us Jesus is king. The ornaments are symbols for Jesus like a cross, crown, dove, butterfly, etc. Glitter is involved, so wear clothes that you don't mind being sparkly for a while.

family fun days!

Nov. 11th  
6-7:30pm  
@church

Minute to  
Win It!

Games, Popcorn,  
and more!  
Fun for the whole  
family!

Hosted by:  
the Brewer-Balls  
questions?  
859.445.2393

November Family Fun Night  
Friday, November 11th  
6pm - 7:30pm  
Family Room

The event is geared to K-5th grade, but God's children of ALL ages are welcome. This month's theme is Minute to Win It! and is hosted by the Brewer Ball family. If you have questions, click [here](#) to contact Bethany Brewer Ball.

### Breakfast for Babies Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 9am

We will share a potluck breakfast and celebrate the Brownstead babies and the pregnancies of Katie & Devon Golden and Kristin & Kurt Lintelman. We will collect diapers, wipes and books and divide them among the families.



### The Trim-a-Bush project is underway!

Pick up a picture of a bush that needs trimming in the narthex or have one emailed to you. The picture contains this info: 1. The number of the bush(es) 2. The name of the bush 3. Location(s) of the bush(es) 4. How to trim the bush(es). The only tools needed are a hedge trimmer (electric or manual), a rake, and either a trash can or wheelbarrow. For the hostas, a shovel is also needed. Trimmers may work at their convenience with the trimming complete by mid- November. ?'s: Click [here](#) to contact Bob Janes.



### FRESH Thanksgiving Bags for Gallatin County CAC

Each Thanksgiving UPC graciously collects brown paper grocery bags full of non-perishable Thanksgiving staples to help our neighbors in Gallatin County feast for the Holidays. While canned vegetables and boxed starches are inexpensive and easy to collect, their clients really want fresh produce items. This year we are again combining fresh and canned foods and providing turkeys for 15 families. Grocery bags with lists on them are available in the narthex. You may also contact the church office to have a list emailed to you. Please purchase the items on your list, fill the grocery bag, and add \$5 to help pay for turkeys. Bring your items back to church on **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>**, and the Thanksgiving fairies will deliver fresh produce to our neighbors on the morning of **Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup>** just in time for a bountiful Thanksgiving feast! (If you would like to be a delivery fairy, sign up in the narthex or click

[here](#) to contact the church office.

## Abraham's Pantry Sign Up

In October, Abraham's Pantry provided food, cleaning supplies, and hygiene products for 38 of our neighbors including 27 kids. Of course, we pray for the day when such a pantry is not needed. In the meantime your generosity in taking care of our neighbors. Abraham's Pantry is the interfaith food pantry that lives at UPC. Our partnership with the Florence Islamic Center and LDS is still coming together, and we are looking forward to having members of those communities join with us to help feed our neighbors.

In the meantime, you may click [here](#) to sign up to work in the pantry on Mondays or Thursday. You may choose at what time you'd like to serve and stock shelves, check expiration dates, note current needs and pack items for families. There are instructions in the food part of the pantry, and on-the-job training is provided.

## Abraham's Pantry Shopping List

**OUR MOST PRESSING NEEDS ARE CLEANING SUPPLIES & CANNED VEGETABLES.**



Other current needs are:

- Wine bags from Kroger or other liquor stores (They are FANTASTIC for packing canned goods.)
- Disposable razors
- Deodorant (esp. women's deodorant)
- \$20 Kroger gift cards

We are working on leveraging your generosity and purchasing staple items from local food banks. In the meantime, the pantry depends exclusively on your donations of these items.

### Schedule for This Week

27th Sunday  
of Ordinary Time

Sunday, November 6th

10am Worship  
w/ Communion



### BIRTHDAYS

Chili Cook-Off potluck  
after worship

Short Sr High & Middle  
School youth gathering after  
potluck

3pm Iglesia Pentecostales

11/9 - Jordyn Tullius  
 11/15 - Brian Eggleston,  
 Earl Fischer  
 11/17 - Ginny Claar,  
 Asher Tinslee  
 11/19 - Bob Janes,  
 Adam Scott  
 11/23 - Russ Houchins  
 11/24 - Lisa Denham

### Online Giving

You  
may  
give  
online  
or via



text through the UPC website. You can make a one time gift or set up a recurring gift. You may make a memorial or honorary gift and even pay for youth conferences. The online transaction processes the gift from your checking

Palabra de Vida

11/29 - Jan Grieger  
12/2 - Jack Eggleston  
12/7 - Elaine Johnson

account, savings account,  
credit card or debit card and  
is secured through Vanco  
Payment Solutions.

Monday, November 7th

9am Union Music Academy  
7pm Boy Scouts 805



Tuesday, November 8th

**ELECTION DAY**

UPC is a polling place.  
8am Witness Tree @ Boone  
Cty Veterans' Memorial  
6:30pm Finance Ministry  
Cub Scouts 805

ANNIVERSARIES

11/27 - Dave & Sue  
Kozlowski

UPC does not receive the  
total amount of your gift due  
to processing fees. At the  
end of the transaction, you  
will be asked if you wish to  
donate an additional 2.75%  
to cover the processing  
costs.

Wed, November 9th

8am Witness Tree @ Boone  
Cty Veterans' Memorial  
7pm Christmon Crafting  
8pm AA

Thursday, November 10th

8am Witness Tree @ Boone  
Cty Veterans' Memorial  
9am Union Music Academy  
6:30pm Iglesia Pentecostales  
Palabra de Vida

Friday, November 11th

8am Witness Tree @ Boone  
Cty Veterans' Memorial  
6:30pm Family Fun Night

Saturday, November 12th

9:30am Union Children's  
Choir

**28th Sunday  
of Ordinary Time**

Sunday, November 13th

9am Breakfast with Babies  
9:15am K-5 Sunday School  
10am Worship

3pm Iglesia Pentecostales  
Palabra de Vida

5pm NKY Youth Group for  
Sr. High & Middle School

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