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November 19 – 1:30pm
Lydia Circle meeting at church

November 22 -Worship online
11am Adult Sunday School
Via Zoom

November 26 – Happy
Thanksgiving!

November 29 - 1st Sunday of
Advent! Worship on-line
New Sermon Series:
I Believe...Even When

11am Adult Sunday School
Via Zoom
6pm Advent Film
Festival via Zoom

IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers

... for **Scott VanVelsor** and for his
caregivers and medical staff. And for
the many family members who have or
have had coronavirus.

...for **Christina Griswold**, who is
undergoing radiation.

... for **Mack Glass** who is recovering
from quadruple bypass surgery.

... for **RuthAnn Smith** who is
recovering from knee replacement
surgery.

... for **Marge Patterson**, still awaiting a
doctor's appointment and news about her
eye.

... for the family of **Mary Bangert**, who
passed away on Nov. 7. Services were
held on Nov. 13 in Camp Point, IL.

... for **Kathy Neave** and **Margaret Ann
Sandberg**, both on Hospice.

... for **Shannon Edwards and her son
Daniel** who is going through a very
difficult time as they will be separated
from one another for quite some time.

*Regrettably, **Barbara Hopkins** was
inadvertently left off the November
birthday list. Barbara turned 88 years
young on November 17! Wishing her a
belated happy birthday and God's
blessings for the coming year!*



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November 22, 2020

Message by Kaleb Brown

"Gratitude: A Testimony"

Scripture: Hebrews 12:3-14

*The service will be
recorded and then uploaded on Facebook
page, and Webpage
(fccgalesburg.org) and YouTube by
Sunday morning.*

KALEB BROWN TO SPEAK NOV. 22

On January 12 of this year, Kaleb Brown came forward to rededicate his life to Christ – transferring his membership from First Christian in Moline. And what a year it has been for Kaleb – as he has gotten closer and closer to our Lord. He has an incredible story to share of how God has touched his entire life. You will not want to miss Sunday's worship service. It will be recorded and shown on our Facebook page, our webpage and YouTube, Sunday morning.

Kaleb is married to Raeleen and together they have 4 children: Hailey, LaRaya, Mason and Carbon.

How grateful we are to have the Browns in our church family!



BLESSING BOX

We have been truly blessed by generous support of our Blessing Box! Church family and the Galesburg Community have been very generous. Thank you!

Neighbors continue to visit daily. Your donations mean so much. As the weather has gotten colder, we could use hats, gloves, warm socks, and blankets. Hygiene and cleaning supplies are always in demand. Watch the Blessing Box. You will soon have a God Sighting!

Please contact Pastor MJ or Steph Line if you need to arrange a time for a drop off or a pickup.



ADVENT MOVIE FESTIVAL 2020 ~ I BELIEVE...EVEN WHEN...

Join host Misty Stecher on Sunday's during advent to have devotion and fellowship around some family friendly Christmas films.

Sunday November 29: **Hope:** A Charlie Brown Christmas
Sunday December 6: **Love:** How the Grinch Stole Christmas
Sunday December 13 **Joy:** Frosty the Snowman
Sunday December 20 **Peace:** The Muppet Christmas Carol
Sunday December 27: **Believe:** The Polar Express

Young, old, single, together, at home or away we are looking forward to celebrating Advent with all of you as a church family.

Watch movies on YouTube before or after our devotional time.

Sunday evenings at 6PM

Click the zoom link below to join in:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79000274281?pwd=akxZdUpnTlFFNTFlbXRyanFJOW9Mdz09>



THANKSGIVING OFFERING

On **November 15 & 22**, Disciples Churches across the United States and Canada will collect the Thanksgiving Offering to support the Colleges, Universities and Seminaries of our Denomination. In the midst of national and global challenges associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, our higher education institutions are facing unprecedented challenges and need our support now, more than ever. Even as they work diligently to ensure safe and healthy learning environments, the financial realities faced by many of our schools is adding additional stress to students, faculty, and staff.

This November, please give generously, as you are able, to the Thanksgiving Offering. Your gifts make a world of difference as Disciples continue our legacy of supporting education and our institutions of higher education.

You may mail your offering to the church or send it through your bank or on The church's "Tithe.ly" account, marking it for the Thanksgiving Offering.



WHERE HAVE YOU SEEN GOD AT WORK THIS MONTH?

For the month of November, we are all looking for "God Sightings" and sharing them with our church family – and giving thanks for God at work in our lives. Some people shared:
>Seeing friendly women greeting me at the polling booth and helping me to safely vote!

Thankful for a democracy where we can cast our votes.

>Unexpected warmer weather so we can get our Christmas decorations up outside.

>A unexpected donation of \$100 and of \$50 for our Blessing Box. Unexpected gifts/blessings!

We have created a "google form" that you can click and fill out and share what your "God sighting" is. You can share once or even every day of November! Click on this link: <https://forms.gle/mhvy3qzaDDXXVbPZ9> and share your story.






December Anniversaries

09 Travis & Misty Stecher
22 Roy & Mary Ewalt

December Birthdays

01 Linda Bramlett
02 Bella Nalley
03 David Wilt
09 Bruce DeVoss
11 Laura Reid
12 Christopher Frakes
17 Blair Bruyn
18 Daniel Edwards, Marnie Herring
22 Dixie Horton Gusafson
28 Steph Line

DECEMBER 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 Worship Online 11:00 Adult Sunday School Advent Movie : Hope: A Charlie Brown Christmas	30 	1 1:30 Caring Ministries via Zoom 6:30 Elders Meeting via Zoom	2	3	4	5
6 Worship Online 11:00 Adult Sunday School 6:00 Advent Movie: Love: How the Grinch Stole Christmas	7	8 6:30 Council of Ministries mtg via Zoom	9	10	11	12 
13 Worship Online 11:00 Adult Sunday School 6:00 Advent Movie: Joy: Frosty the Snowman	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 Worship Online 11:00 Adult Sunday School 6:00 Advent Movie: Peace: The Muppet Christmas Carol	21 7:00pm Trustees Meeting in person	22	23	24 Christmas Eve Service times to be announced	25 Christmas 	26
27 Worship Online 11:00 Adult Sunday School 6:00 Advent Movie: Believe: The Polar Express	28	29	30	31	1 New Year's Day	2 