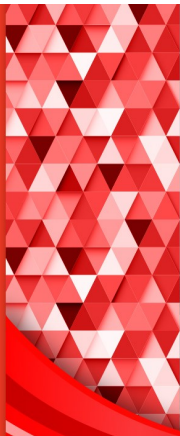


The Harper Journal

September
2021



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If you have anything you would like to be put in next month's Newsletter (prayer list update, thank you, etc.) please email your request to office@harperchapel.org or call the church office at 573-348-2617. Thanks so much and God Bless!

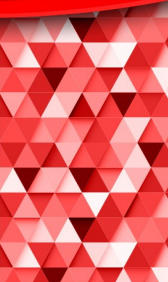


OUR VISION:

"Intentionally connecting people with Jesus Christ & each other through ministries that are: Relational, Invitational, Transformational & Missional"

OUR MISSION:

"Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the World!"





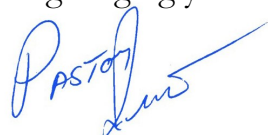
a note from Pastor Jim...

September opportunities:

The month of September promises to be exciting and busy.

- ◆ Our Youth Group will return to Wednesday evening meetings and activities on September 8th (thank you Judy Smits, youth leaders and cooks) at 6:00 pm. That same night the Handbells Choir will begin rehearsals (if you can count to 4 you can join) at 6:00 pm, and Choir will return that same evening at 7:00 pm.
- ◆ On Sunday, September 12th at 9:00 am we will be starting an adult Sunday school class. We will begin with conversation and discussion dealing with the question "Where did the Bible come from?", and then move into a review and discussion of the Biblical stories. During the Advent season we will look at a new book titled "Almost Christmas" which is a takeoff on Wesley's sermon "Almost Christian".
- ◆ On September 13th at 2:00 pm we will be starting a new Grief Support Group, lead by our Parish Nurse, Billye Bennett. Billye has led these types of groups in the past at the Hospital and we are blessed to have her start one here at Harper Chapel.
- ◆ Also on the 13th we will have an orientation meeting for the Restart of Reading Buddies in the elementary school. If you are interested, reach out to Geniece Tyler for details.
- ◆ Then on Monday the 20th of September at 10:30 am our Just Older Youth (J.O.Y.) Group will kick off. This group will feature fun activities, trips, birthday celebrations, wedding anniversary celebrations, overnight trips, day trips, movies, plays, sight-seeing trips to attractions outside our community and whatever else we decide we want to do. Don't miss our first meeting. The rumor mill is saying we will have lunch provided for our first meeting. Bring a guest. The only requirements are willingness to have some fun, a desire to fellowship with others, and, sorry, but we need to be willing to admit we are over 55.

Begrudgingly admitting I am over 55,



Pastor Jim

God's Cupboard



Thank you so much for your constant contributions to God's Cupboard. You are what has made the Cupboard into what it is today. The following are some items we are a little short on:

- Jelly (no Peanut Butter)
- Canned Fruit
- Soups
- Individual Chips
- Individual Cereal Packs

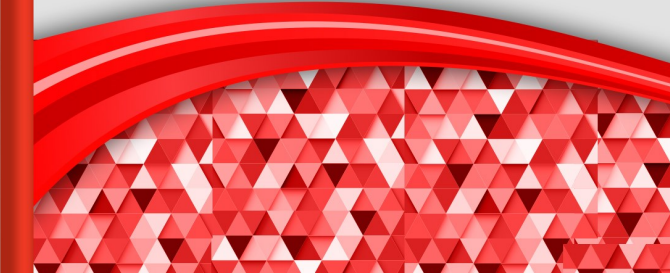
As always, monetary donations are certainly welcome. Thank you again for your support to the Cupboard. You are very much appreciated.



... invites any youth, Grades 2-6, interested in meeting new (and old) friends, playing games and growing in their faith to join us for food, laughter and a mid-week adventure beginning Wednesday, September 8th, 6-7:30 pm. A light youth-friendly meal is served at 6:00 pm, with activities to follow.

Youth leaders are still needed! If you have considered working with youth, call Judy Smits (402-578-2682) or Pastor Jim for more information! Our focus this year will be on serving and where youth gifts and graces can enhance the church.

In September we will be looking at our relationships as a youth group, creating friendships, and becoming inclusive. And we always encourage friends to join us!



Sunday's Schedule

Blended Worship

- Classic Hymns
- Modern Praise Songs
- Occasional Choir
- Occasional Guest Musician
- Occasional Handbells Choir

10am



*A Little
for Everyone*

10:00 am Worship Service

COMING SOON



You can also join us from the comfort of your own home by going to our Live Facebook page!



Harper CH A P E L BAZAAR



Thank you

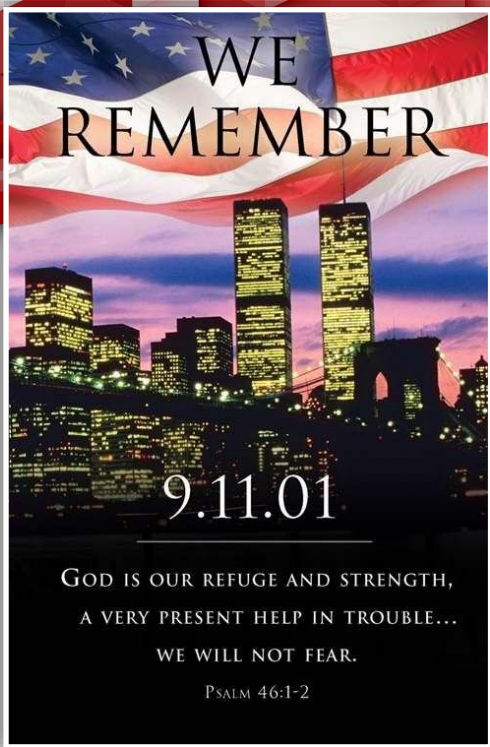
The Harper Bazaar turned out to be a huge success. After all is said and done, we will have made around \$3,500 +/- to donate to the Lamb House and the Central Missouri Foster Care and Adoption Association. We will let you know exact amounts once we have them.

We also had a large amount of unsold items we donated to Share the Harvest as well.

We want to thank everyone that helped in planning, pricing, organizing, promoting, cashiering, packing, lifting, and any job we may have missed. There were a lot of you and we wouldn't have been able to pull off such a great event without your help.

Thank you! You are all very much appreciated.





*On the 20th Anniversary of 9/11,
may we keep those deeply
impacted by it in our prayers.*

Prayer List: Joys & Concerns

Hazel Cory	Dave Logsdon	Chester Cook (Day)
Elaine Blackwell	Sasha Rupert	Annie Elizabeth Henry
Elizabeth Neill (Wheeler's)	Ellen Covington	(Debbie Lord)
Rick & Robert Myers	Allene Kroll	Eric Divens (Wheeler)
Kristen Turner	Trudy Marco	Dennis Moyer (Wheeler)
Shawn Pederson (Karen's)	Debra Penfield	Brooke Crawford
David Culver	Sue Carroll	Callen Crawford
Jeanne Boardman	Louise Anderson	Juanita Day
Marcia Murrow	Sadie Richey	Lourae Fitzgerald (Depew)
Richard Coburn (Meyers')	Ron Miller's Mom	Linda Craig
Richard Moore	Tony & Sandi Zaucha	Jim Dexter
Todd Frazier	Maureen Buzbee & Floy	Fred Stogsdill (Andrea)
Jan Berry	(sister) & Family	Verna Kurtz
Shelley Burks	Cordy Shepard	Linda Barber
Eva Cannon	Kathleen Marco's Parents	Megan Gropp
Jan Brooks	Findley, Cara & Shawn	Joan Wheeler (Penfield)
Graham Tatomer	Gerdiman & Family	Pete Culver (Culver)
Nigel Wood	Hannah (Mitchell)	Barb Massie (Witham)
Judy Jansma	Susan Robinson (Rives)	Joe Schell
Charlie Saunders	Tracy "Bud" Penfield	
Emily Wheeler	Bridget Huckaby	

Members & Friends facing hard times

Bahule UMC & Maivene UMC

Mozambique churches
sponsored by Harper Chapel

All men and women serving
our country

Local families in need

Members & friends in Long-Term-Care Facilities

Elaine Blackwell
Juanita Grote
Mary Barber

September Birthdays

Dave Tyler (4th)	Tom Reth (17th)
Alisha Baur (5th)	Pete Kahrs (19th)
Linda Barber (9th)	Elza Sager (19th)
Terri Beffa (13th)	David Foster (23rd)
Tom Walker (14th)	Linda Kapfer (24th)
Trevor Bryant (16th)	Sue Moore (26th)
Linda Craig (16th)	Craig Alcott (26th)
Dave O'Connor (16th)	Ray Summers (30th)
Nancy Witham (17th)	

*Happy Birthday
and God Bless*



LRHS Parish Nurse Network

Wellness Tip of the Month

September, 2021

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

WHAT IS IT?

Covid- 19 is a respiratory illness that can spread from person to person. It is a novel coronavirus (new strain). We are currently seeing an uptick of new cases, significantly in those who have not been vaccinated.

Symptoms include:

- Fever
- Cough
- Allergy symptoms
- Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
- Loss of smell/taste

Some people are more at risk for developing serious complications - including older people, pregnant women, and people with certain health conditions (Asthma, COPD, diabetes or heart disease).

STATISTICS

Currently over 34 million cases have been reported and over 615,000 deaths in the United States. In Missouri, there are over 668,000 cases reported and over 10,000 deaths.

COMPLICATIONS

Complications of COVID-19 include pneumonia in both lungs, multi-organ failure, long term health issues, and death.

SEEK HELP

If you have symptoms and have been in close

contact with a person known to have COVID-19 or in an area of ongoing spread of COVID-19, call your healthcare provider/hospital. They will instruct you on the best way to handle the situation.

HOW IT SPREADS

From person to person through coughing, or sneezing of persons with COVID-19. It can also be spread by touching something with the virus on it and then touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Persons who contract the virus, should avoid contact with other people and animals, including in your home.

PREVENTION

Get vaccinated. Vaccines are available for anyone over the age of 12. Vaccines are available through LRHS clinics and Express Care.

Wear masks especially in crowded indoor settings.

Wash hands according to CDC guidelines. Use soap and water and wash for at least 20 seconds, especially after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing, going to the bathroom, and before eating or preparing food.

Avoid touching your face with unwashed hands.

Stay home if you are sick.

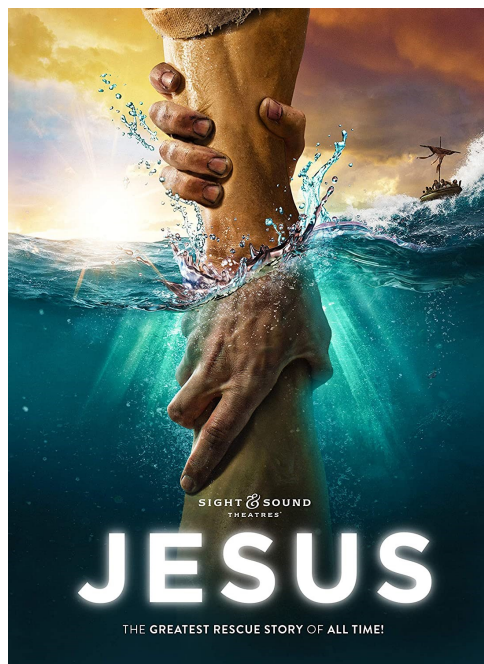
Cover your cough/sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.

Resource — [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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Becky Beck RN Parish Nurse Coordinator



JESUS: LIVE ON STAGE

Wednesday, October 13, 3:30 PM

SIGHT AND SOUND THEATRE;
1001 SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS EXPRESSWAY
BRANSON, MISSOURI

Length: 2 Hrs. 20 min. with one intermission

Ticket Price \$59.77 per person

Deadline September 10

Checks payable to Billye Bennett and can be left in the Church Office with Andrea or given to Billye Bennett, Parish Nurse
1:00 PM Lunch Reservations at Billy Gail's Restaurant
1882 James River Road in Ozark, MO

***This trip is in conjunction with Lake Regional Health System's
New Horizon's Widow Support Group.***

We will leave Harper Chapel Parking lot at 11:00 AM

New Horizons Support Group will Car Pool; Pastor Jim will be driving the church van, which is currently at full capacity. You are still able to car pool if you are interested in going with us as a group.

SIGHT AND SOUND THEATRES, in Lancaster, PA and Branson, MO, is the largest faith-based live theatre in the country and has been described as "Christian Broadway", with stories taken from the pages of Scripture and brought to life on stage.

HOW TO GROW OLD DISGRACEFULLY

Growing older is a blessing from God, as it increases the opportunities we have to continue to grow in God's grace, as well as to use our time and talents in His service. We cannot hoard life in an effort to prolong it. As Ralph W. Sockman, clergyman, wisely said, "When a person tries to be a miser of his health, he usually makes himself miserable. Mental talents, if buried and not used, tend to deteriorate. Whoever would save his memory by not using it will lose it. Love and sympathy are dissipated not by use but by disuse. Thus trying to save ourselves from being spent, we lose ourselves."

"Sweeter as the years go by" is a refrain from a fine old hymn. But these words don't always apply to people. As some grow older they become less pleasant to be around and appear to know little or nothing about the fine art of growing old gracefully.

Fortunately, there are not many of these crusty old people around and those few whom we encounter deserve more pity than censure for they can't be getting much fun out of life. As we watch them grumble and bumble along it's almost as though they were following this guide to grow old disgracefully:

1. **LIVE IN THE PAST.** Don't bother keeping up with current events and never fail to predict the worst when someone tries something new. Life was better in the old days and nothing nowadays is seriously worth your time or effort.
2. **DON'T BOTHER ABOUT YOUR LOOKS.** When you're old nobody gives a hoot so there's no need to bother about your appearance.
3. **DO ALL THE TALKING WHEN OTHERS ARE AROUND.** You've been around awhile and others can profit from what you have to say.
4. **CRITICIZE YOUR FRIENDS AND ACQUAINTANCES** so they will realize just how simple, hare-brained and weak-willed they really are.
5. **DO PLENTY OF COMPLAINING.** Why not-there's plenty to complain about considering your arthritis, taxes and the high cost of groceries.
6. **BE SELFISH.** Why should you do things for others when nobody does anything for you?!
7. **BE SUSPICIOUS.** Everybody is out to get you these days, so be leery of your neighbors and have nothing whatsoever to do with strangers.
8. **DON'T TRY ANYTHING NEW.** Everyone knows you can't teach an old dog new tricks!
9. **FEEL SORRY FOR YOURSELF.** You've had lots of tough breaks and you need all the sympathy you can get.
10. **NEVER TAKE TRIPS OR VACATIONS.** There's no need to waste your time and money on sightseeing and relaxation when it could be beneficial to your overall health and well-being.
11. **DON'T JOIN ANY CLUBS OR CHURCHES.** They're always after contributions and most of their members are thieves or hypocrites.
12. **DON'T BOTHER WITH DOCTORS.** They're just out to get your money and their remedies are no better than those in the Farmer's Almanac.
13. **NEVER GIVE ANY MONEY TO CHARITY.** Hoard your money in your mattress and don't give away anything.
14. **DON'T SHOW ANY INTEREST IN CHILDREN.** They are spoiled and vicious, and most of them could profit from a year or two in the reformatory.

Adapted from the first speech for the Toastmaster Club , October, 1982

Presented by Arvel Hamby (age 84)

Besides JESUS at Sight and Sound, here are other

UPCOMING SHOWS

we plan on going to see with Billye Bennett's group from Lake Regional.

Pastor Jim will drive the van if there are enough people interested in going.
We will stop for a meal before each production.

LYCEUM THEATRE IN ARROW ROCK, MISSOURI

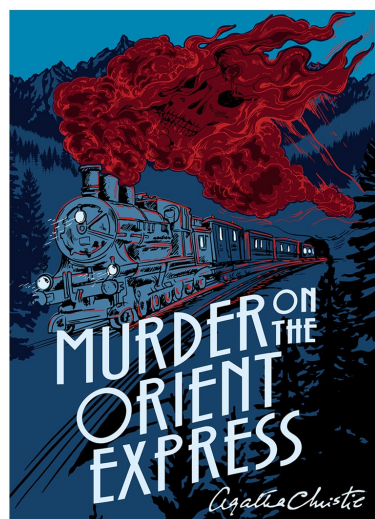


~~Thursday, Sept. 9th
Ticket Cost: \$34
Payment Deadline:
August 2nd~~



~~Wednesday, Sept. 29th
Ticket Cost: \$34
Payment Deadline:
August 9th~~

~~(Alternative Van Driver Needed)~~



Wednesday, Oct. 20th
Ticket Cost: \$32
Payment Deadline:
September 15th

CLAY COOPER THEATRE IN BRANSON, MISSOURI



Friday, Nov. 12th
Ticket Cost: \$34
Payment Deadline:
October 8th

All Shows
are 2 pm
Matinees

Please make checks out to Billye Bennett. You can give the checks to her or drop them off at the church office. Also let us know if you will be wanting to ride in the church van.