

Newsletter

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WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Psalm 116:12-14

12 *What can I give back to the Lord for all the good things he has done for me?*

13 *I'll lift up the cup of salvation. I'll call on the Lord's name.*

14 *I'll keep the promises I made to the Lord in the presence of all God's people.*

Greetings, siblings in Christ!

This Sunday is Celebration Sunday! The day when we give thanks to the Lord for another year of blessings in our individual lives, and in the lives of our faith community. And then we commit ourselves to our part in the new thing God is doing as we move into 2026. I hope you will do your best to make sure you are there this Sunday, and celebrate with us for all the things the Lord has done.

So make time this week to complete your pledge cards (adults, youth, and children (over 3)), and make sure to bring them with you so you can bring them up front during our giving moment.

And then don't forget to make extra time to stay AFTER worship, when we show our thanks and celebrate the blessings together over lunch in Fellowship Hall with the whole congregation. Stay and eat and laugh and talk and fellowship with your community, as we rejoice over our blessings together.

And if all this makes you think this week is not the time to invite someone new, you'd be wrong. It just so happens that sometimes, nothing draws a person to God's goodness faster than hearing what God has done for others. So invite someone new, and I hope to see you all there.

yours In Christ

PASTOR GLEN

PRAYER CONCERNS

Janet Iggulden; Margo Petracek; Cindy Andrews; Allison (Margo Petracek); Mariann Ruffle, Ellen Smith, David Smith (Marcia Kennon); Mark Gudde & Peter Schüren (Debbie Lund); Matt (nephew of Katie Renkins & Dan Pike); Peg & Jerry Chulick (Jo Ann Claywell); Gary (Donna LaVoie's friend); Judy France & Del Doss (Karen Manion); federal workers; all those in fear -- in war, in famine, everywhere; those unable to maintain their homes; and those who need housing.



OCTOBER 12, 2025

Dear Webster United Methodist Family and Friends,

Joan and I recently attended the Church of the Resurrection in Leawood Kansas, which is the largest United Methodist Church in the United States.

As we walked into the church, I saw a sign painted on the wall that was a reality check for me.



This positive message was a reminder that I have so much for which to be grateful, the greatest of which is my family. In a very few words this sign conveyed an internal message to me and to all who viewed it.

High on my "Grateful List", is my faith family that I look forward to seeing each Sunday and serving with, as we help others in our community. Several partner non-profits have mentioned that our church is very mission-focused and, although it is not large, it achieves a greater proportional impact than many larger churches.

As you fill out your Commitment Card, please join Joan and me in pledging prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. If possible, join us in increasing your financial gifts to further support our mission and service to our community and beyond.

Thank you for considering how you can support and strengthen our "impact".

In Christ, **Gordon**

Laila Allegre
Co-Chair

Roger McCurly
Co-Chair

Gordon Ballam
Finance Chair

Glen Connoley
Pastor, WUM

Trunk or Treat

October 25, 3:30pm - 5:30pm

Sign up for a trunk! Contact our office: 314-961-4133.

HARVESTING HOPE FOR MISSIONS



**Chili Dinner
& Auction**



NOVEMBER 1, 2025

- A fundraiser for missions organizations including Epworth, InExcelsis, Lifewise STL, Webster-Rock Hill Ministries, & more
- Tickets \$10/adult, \$5/child 5-10, under 5 free Available. From Missions Team members or online at websterunitedmethodist.org

5pm - Silent Auction & Appetizers

6pm - Chili Dinner

7pm - Live Auction

Share your harvest!
Donate live auction items & silent auction baskets. Contact nunes.lydia@gmail.com to donate.



**Every Thursday
at 7:30pm**

THIS WEEK

**OCT
23**

**Group
Discussion**

📍 SPACE ROOM

UPCOMING

**OCT
30**

**Group Discussion
@ Space Room**

**NOV
6**

**Group Discussion
@ Space Room**

**NOV
13**

**Worship Service
@ Fellowship Hall**



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LifeWise StL
Life Skills for Better Futures



**MONDAY, OCT. 27
5:30 - 7:30 PM**

**Meet At Global Brew Tap House:
9578 Manchester Rd, Rock Hill**

Everyone is welcome!
Come, meet others and learn more about one of the St. Louis nonprofits that we support so generously at our Harvesting Hope dinner.



BEGINNER TAI CHI

OCTOBER 27-DECEMBER 17

Registration is now open for the next class starting from October 27th.

Here are 3 options to register:

- Register online: <https://st-louis.oasiseverywhere.org/product/tai-chi-for-arthritis-for-fall-prevention-beginner-79/>
- Call St. Louis Oasis: 314-862-4859 ext. 24 or Denise Ucinski at 314-687-1137
- In Person at the St. Louis Oasis - 50 Gay Avenue, Clayton, MO 63105

If you live to sing, come share your voice
in the 4th annual



Webster Sings

The only singing talent show exclusively
for our community's amateur singers

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

EARLY PRACTICE SESSION - OCT. 26, 3-5PM

COMMUNITY MUSIC SCHOOL,
LOWER-LEVEL ROOM 10 @ WEBSTER UNIVERSITY

REHEARSAL - NOV. 7, 7-9PM

COMMUNITY MUSIC SCHOOL,
CONCERT HALL @ WEBSTER UNIVERSITY

TALENT SHOW - NOV. 8, 7-9PM

This is a FREE live music event and open to the
entire community.

COMMUNITY MUSIC SCHOOL, CONCERT HALL
@ WEBSTER UNIVERSITY

If you are interested, please email Dave Buck at dave@buckstl.com or text him at 314-952-0910 by noon, October 25, and provide your name, age, your one or two song selections, and if you will be providing sheet music for our piano accompanist, or singing to a track or acapella.

MERCY CONFERENCE & RETREAT CENTER'S UPCOMING EVENTS

NOV. 9, 1:00-4:00PM

**AT MERCY CENTER, FRONTENAC
2039 NORTH GEYER ROAD,
ST. LOUIS, MO**

"The Questions of Jesus" is a presentation by Rev. David Malek, a rector of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Florissant who holds a Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies from Aquinas Institute of Theology. Cost: \$25. Register by November 6.

**Register at
www.mercycenterstl.org**

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

All articles and submissions must be sent to secretary@websterum.org by Monday at 5pm to be in that week's newsletter.