

The Visitor

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From Dr. Toole,

When we return to worship in the sanctuary on Sunday, November 1st there will be many changes from our previous patterns.

The Liturgists will not be in the pulpit but using a microphone on the floor level behind a music stand.

Masks will be necessary and social distancing will be honored. Your “usual” pew may be unavailable because of the need for space between us.

There will be no singing of the hymns, but you will be encouraged to follow the words in our hymnal as the organ plays the music.

Of course, we will not be “passing the peace” even though it is one of our favorite things to do.

The offering will not be received from you in the pew but may be placed in an offering plate on a table as you enter or leave the sanctuary.

There will be no greeting that requires personal touch as you enter or leave the sanctuary.

There are a few of the many changes you will experience, but remember the one thing that does NOT change. “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.” [Hebrews 13:8]

Always together in Christ,

Dr. George Gray Toole

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"Deacons' Doings"

CUPBOARD NEWS:

Our weekly cupboard visitors:

- Oct 7: 4 families, 5 bags feeding 14 people
- Oct 14: 19 families, 22 bags feeding 62 people
- Oct 21: 15 families, 16 bags feeding 44 people
- Oct 28: 14 families, 20 bags feeding 57 people

Great
are the
works
of the
Lord.

TEFAP pickup Thanks to our dedicated workers on Thursday, October 15.

We received 81 cases of 2,159 lbs of food:

Jim & Eleesa Farley, Carroll Fitzgerald, Steve Stephens,
Mary Anne Thomas, Pat Viele, Marcus Webster

(These thanks may seem redundant. HOWEVER - the dedication & hard work of these folks keep the Deacons' Cupboard open and available to those in need in our area!)

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS - The Cupboard will be closed on November 25, December 23!

Cupboard Needs -

- Spaghetti
- Toilet Paper
- Plastic Grocery Bags

Christmas Stockings Dates to Remember:

Sunday, November 22: 9:30-10:30 am - In Our Parking Lot:

Pick up stockings + list of suggested items to help with your shopping!

Sunday, December 13: 9:30-10:30am - Return Stockings -Parking Lot!

For more information, see the October Visitor or please contact

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Once again, we hope you can take advantage of our gathering in the parking lot on these dates - to greet one another, wave at each other or throw some virtual hugs around! Those staying for our Worship Service can proceed to our sanctuary. We look forward to being with folks but especially to the fun and enthusiasm generated by the way we know our congregation will respond to this wonderful project! Wishing each of you a blessed Christmas as you share yourselves with others who need a helping hand at this time in their lives.

Blessings to all!



November 1	Laura Hahn
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November 4	Wanda Andrews
November 4	Scott Schubert
November 4	Maxine Cialella
November 6	Meghan Shetterly
November 9	Gil Jones
November 16	Larry Farmer
November 22	Edith Dillon
November 23	Marsha Gerdorn
November 25	Cliff Giles
November 29	Mary Ann Magee

Hello Grove,

I recently joined SALIH (Student Advocates for Low-Income Health), an organization of Johns Hopkins students dedicated to providing health and hygiene supplies to low-income individuals during the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond. We are working closely with shelters in cities across the country to deliver necessary supplies (masks, hand sanitizer, wipes, etc.) to populations with disproportionate exposure to the virus and less ability to remain clean and healthy during the pandemic. 100% of donations will be used to purchase the necessary supplies and conduct contact-free drop offs to individuals. We would greatly appreciate your assistance in fundraising. If able, please donate through our GoFundMe page here [tinyurl.com/salihdonate](https://www.gofundme.com/salihdonate). Even \$1 goes a long way. Also, you can directly purchase items through our Amazon with list [tinyurl.com/salihsupplies](https://www.amazon.com/salihsupplies) and your purchases will be shipped directly to SALIH. Thank you in advance for your help bridging the health gap in low-income communities.

~Faith Obilo

THANKSGIVING BOXES

The Grove & Christ Our King annual Thanksgiving box project is progressing nicely! Donations have been received in the office; however, if you are joining us in worship on November 1 and would like to contribute, you may drop your donation in the offering plate. We will mail the Grove check to Christ Our King on Monday.



Volunteers are still needed to sign up to pack the boxes - all being accomplished this year in a safe manner to minimize any virus risks!

Please visit the website: [Christourking.net](https://www.christourking.net) and follow the link to :



Sign Up!

Enjoy a wonderful giving experience! Thank You!