

ARCC NEWS

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Notes from the Road "Tag, we're it!"

ARCC has the nicest nametags I've ever seen at a church. I'm proud to put mine on come a Sunday, mostly because I'm proud to have a

part here, but also because it's *not* tacky, like most nametags ... the magnet thingy is fun and the whole thing just looks good. That they have the Disciples chalice on them is like apple butter added to homemade bread.

But this yin has a yang: when we have to replace one, it's kinda expensive. The tag itself doesn't cost that much, but the shipping shocked me. Together, buying one takes a bill with a picture of my least favorite dead President. So please, do a thing or two for me. Wear yours (most vital congregations use them). And if yours has gone walkabout, whisper so to me ... I'll see to it that you get a new one, no blame, no shame. It's nametag amnesty month. After this, you might have to depend on Andy.

What I'm listening to: Jamestown Revival's "Golden Age," a song I think is about the moral ambiguity of nostalgia, loving what's past and lost more than what's present that invites us to engage. Or maybe not: https://jamestownrevival.bandcamp.com/track/golden-age

—Doug

Reconciliation Special Offering received through October 14

Why Have a Special Offering?

The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) has a history dating from the 1960s of sharing our resources to address the racism of our society and the racism within our own church. We have called this process the Reconciliation Ministry.

We receive this offering in the fall and use the funds throughout the year to give grants to the pro-reconciliation/anti-racism initiative to organize to dismantle systems and structures that perpetuate this sin of division within the Church.

The 2020 Vision adopted by our church names this work as one of the four priorities of our mission together as a whole church. This voluntary annual offering is the only source of funding for this ministry.

As the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) lives into its identity as a "movement for wholeness in a fragmented world" contributions to this offering facilitate camp and conference and leadership development opportunities as well as programs for dialogue across difference that promotes life-giving community within our beloved church and among the whole family of God.

Join us on Sunday,
October 14, at 5:30pm, for
GMMC NIGHT!
Bring a favorite game (or 2)
along with finger-food
appetizers to share!
Hope to see you there!

From the Board Chair . . . Imagining Better

The ARCC Board of Elders met on October 4th, enjoying a meal, a meditation by a 'Holy Rascal', and a look forward to 2019.

Budget requests for the coming year are being received as we begin FY 2019 Budget construction.

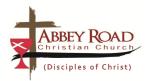
Our Stewardship campaign will begin October 21st and conclude on November 18th with the theme "Common Hope, Common Trust". Living my life in hope and applying myself through hope is a goal worth my 'trusting in', together with you.

Nominations Committee is in place and will be seeking our input and our commitment in the coming weeks as a slate of offices for the coming year is developed. Please consider serving. The Committee members are Judy McLain, chair, Melanie Sherinski, Darla Snider, Doug Job and, Steve Piker, liaison.

The November 18th Thanksgiving meal and Congregational Meeting will find us together enjoying a lovely dinner and considering nominations/election of officers, budget adoption, the By-Laws change eliminating terms limits and our commitment to Open and Affirming—welcoming all seeking to join with us in community with Christ. We will be visiting the details of the proposed By-Laws change and our initiative to embrace Open and Affirming in articles to follow in the October newsletters.

In these Autumn days of reflection, consideration, and preparation, may *imagining better* be our inspiration.

- David Giles, Board Chair



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Conner Propst, Pastoral Search Committee, Kathy Job, Jim Gloth, Andrew Dooley, Kim Farrar Frank, George Amick, Caryn Michel, Ruth Hopkins, David Fox, relatives & friends serving in the military, all who are hurting, lonely, and afraid.

Do you have someone to add to our prayer list? Please inform the church office or fill out a form found at the back of the sanctuary.

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2018 Officers, Board of Elders

Chair: David Giles Chair-Elect: Steven Piker Past Chair: Allen Taylor Finance Chair:

Board Secretary: Leslee Pollina

Trustee Chair: Jim Main Elder At-Large: Judy McLain **Worship Notes October 7** Attendance: 56 Regular friends: 12 **Offering: \$4,626**

October 14 Leveling Up: From Dutiful to Devoted Matthew 6:19-21 Luke 12:32-34

Serving on Sunday, October 14

At the Table: Randy McLain (c), Martin Needels (o) Distribution: Peggy Bentlage, Glenda Zink + ushers

Communion Prep: Kilja Israel Scripture Reader: Jamie Koehler

Greeters: J. Ronald & Edna Ruth Fischer Ushers: Lavetta Bratton, Kilja Israel Abbey Road Adventures: Steven Piker

Worship Capt.: Marge Janssen Soundboard: Breedon/Dean

Golden Boys will meet at 8:00 on Tuesday at My Daddy's Cheesecake. Please join us for breakfast and conversation.

- **Copies of the Minutes** of the October 4 Board of Elders' meeting are available in the narthex.
- A donation to the Food Bank was made by Felicia Fox in memory of her brother, Richard Snider, for his birthday.
- Thank you to Edna Ruth Fischer for the beautiful centerpiece on the narthex table for World Communion Sunday.
- \Diamond Please sign up to serve in **NOVEMBER!!**

CALENDAR

Sunday, October 14 Reconciliation Special Offering

9:30am Worship

9:30am Abbey Rd. Adventures for children, K-6th grade

10:30am Fellowship 10:45am Sunday School 5:30pm Game Night

Tuesday, October 16

8:00am Golden Boys at My Daddy's Cheesecake 6:30pm Deacons' Cabinet Meeting

Wednesday, October 17

9:30am Bible Study 6:00pm New Life Singers practice 6:30pm Movie Night—All Saints

Thursday, October 18

8:00am Women's Breakfast Group at Hickory House 10:00am Bootheel Ministers' Cluster at ARCC 5:30pm Dinner Out with Friends at Sugarfire BBQ

Sunday School October 14

True Inclusion

The sharing got deep this past Sunday in the Green Room as those gathered considered the human tendency to create community by excluding others. Well, you'll be welcomed if you'd like to join the discussion of True Inclusion: Creating Communities of Radical Embrace by Brandan Robertson. For this coming Sunday, we're reading Chapter 2: "Missing the Mark." Sunday School starts at 10:45 am.

Want a copy? Get it here: https://www.chalicepress.com/ TrueInclusion Or call the church office; we'll order one for you. If we have ten takers this week, they'll cost just an Alexander and a George.

Ridiculous Faith

This class will discuss the section on "Everyday Heroes", (p. 21) in the book by Shundrawn Thomas. Meet us in the Middle Room.