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We Welcome New SCC Members!

On Sunday, October 24, 2021 we welcomed *Jim Murley* to Speedway Christian Church by confession of faith.

On Sunday, October 31, 2021 we welcomed **Ashleigh Oldfather** to Speedway Christian Church by confession of faith.

Approved 2022 Slate Speedway Christian Church

Moderator: Heather Dietzer

Vice-Moderator: Jim Murley
Secretary: Rose Hunter

Treasurer Co-Chairs: 1) Rich Hoerger

2) Open Position

Trustee: Jason DeLisle

Christian Education: Karen Edmiston

Membership & Evangelism Co-Chairs:

1) Dick Schrock

2) Ashleigh Oldfather

Stewardship & Finance: Open Position
World Outreach: Megan Hoerger

Public Relations Co-Chairs:

1) Marilyn Shank

2) Christy Morris

Personnel: Sandy Hostrawser

Property: Jeff Hammer

Worship & Fine Arts Co-Chairs:

1) Laura Tice

2) Susie Bishop

Senior Elder: Jerry Walthall

Senior Deacon Co-Chairs:

1) Angie Smith

2) Amy DeLisle

Perpetual Fund Trustee: Bill Harding

Have you noticed the new bottle fillers added to the water fountains? The church for years has had drinking fountains located on each floor near the restrooms, now each drink-



ing fountain has a bottle water filler attached. The water fillers were purchased by Opportunity Day Preschool for their use and the church's use, and are already a big hit. Thank you Opportunity Day for your generous gift.

Be Thankful



Bylaws/General Policies Committee Report

A committee consisting of Christy Morris, Becky Shoemaker, Jerry Walthall, and Ann Hammer (chairperson), has been hard at work this fall updating the <u>Bylaws</u> and the <u>General Policies</u> of our church. The Official Board reviewed the changes at its meeting on November 9.

The complete set of these documents, with proposed revisions, will be available for viewing in a red notebook in the Hall of Light by December 1 (or before), leading up to the final vote at the Official Board meeting on December 14, 2021.

Highlights of the changes in the <u>Bylaws</u> include formalizing and standardizing the search and hiring process for non-ministerial professional staff and for the church support staff; adding a voting CYF Representative to the Official Board to represent the youth of the church; allowing for virtual (e.g., Zoom) participation at Official Board meetings; and stipulating background checks for all church employees.

The <u>General Policies</u>, which include numerous policies on fund-raising, gifts, personnel, church property, and information management, were updated to reflect current practice.

Once the <u>Bylaws</u> and <u>General Policies</u> have been approved they will be made readily available to the congregation in a central location. Questions? Please contact Ann Hammer, 317-247-8211.

Please keep in Prayer

Barbara Golden Bil Carter Vicki Watts Teri Planalp Linda Baker Betsy Enerson Ann Shutters Noah Genung

Sally Henzie Jacki Pine

Greg Littrell (Deanna Beaver's brother)
Becky Patterson (Andrea Baetsle's sister)
Linda Pearcy (Allen Pearcy's mother)
Diane Brooks (Don Brooks' wife)



Our Sympathy

To the family and friends of **Frank Nasser** who passed away on October 25, 2021.



We extend our congratulations to Brad & Lisa Mosier upon the arrival of grandson, Carter Bradley Mosier born September 29, 2021 to proud parents Jonathan Mosier and Mariah Martin.

The Night of Storytelling with Philip Gulley was a great success, and was enjoyed by many SCC church members and church friends! The church library has a few of his books if you're interested in borrowing.

Stewardship/Finance

October 2021

Oct. 2021 Funds Received	\$ 36,579
Oct. 2021 Expenses	\$ 35,945
Oct. 2021	\$ 634

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As the leaves continue to change and fall, I hope you find the time to take a moment and enjoy the beauty that is all around. I really enjoy this season because it invites us to slow down and appreciate all of our blessings. This season also reminds me that we should not just be thankful one day a year, but we should be thankful for each and every day that we are given. With each new day, we have a chance to let the light of Christ shine though us. That really helps us as the daylight continues to decrease as the nights grow longer.

We are in a sort of in between season here at the church. We have had a wonderfully fruitful season of stewardship. We all have been invited to consider how we might answer God's call by saying *Here I am, Lord*. We have an outstanding slate of new officers that will lead us into God's future, building upon the good work that has been done this year by our 2021 board. We are actively planning for what Advent will look like here at Speedway, too.

This current space of being in between seasons, invites us to enjoy the present. November is filled with wonderful opportunities to worship together. We celebrated All Saints. We got to help with the distribution of Thanksgiving food boxes at the Storehouse food pantry. We have heard hear the wonderful stories of pastor and author Philip Gulley. We get to gather around a table with those that we love and offer our thanksgivings for the blessings at work in our lives. What a wonderful season to be connected to the church.

My prayer is that you continue to have too many blessings to count. I pray you continue to let the light of Christ shine through you, even as the daylights seems to fade. I pray that we will continue to have the opportunity to break bread and share a cup as we gather for worship on Thursdays and Sundays. I pray we continue to celebrate those saints that have been called home. I pray we might continue to be thankful for each and every day that we have been given.

May God's bountiful blessings continue to attend to you all.

Shalom,

Rev. Kyle



Dear Church Family,

During the season of Advent we will have two special music opportunities at Speedway. I'm excited to invite children ages 4 through fifth grade to sing in our chil-

dren's choir during the 10:15 service on Sunday, December 12th! We will rehearse at 11:40am on 11/14, 11/21, 11/28, and 12/5 in the sanctuary following worship. Please send me an email if you have any questions or need more information.

I invite everyone to join me for a Christmas recital at 3:30pm on December 12th. I will improvise on some of my

favorite Christmas tunes on both the piano and organ. Additionally, I'll play a few pieces from the traditional organ repertoire - an advent chorale by J. S. Bach, a prelude by Johannes Brahms, and a joyous Christmas improvisation by Johann Pachelbel. We'll close the recital with a carol sing before heading downstairs for the Chili cook off. I hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

Travis



SCC Fall Clean Up Day—November 20

Please join us on

Saturday, November 20th, 9:00am to 12 Noon
as we work together to help keep our church looking
beautiful and welcoming. Many hands will be needed, please bring your rakes and any other yard
tools that you think may be helpful.

Thank you Fine Promotions

We thank Rob Fine of Fine Promotions Inc. on Zionsville Road for his recent donation of more than \$2,000 in clothing and other items to Speedway Christian Church. This is Fine Promotions' third round of donations to our church. We have distributed those donations to Central Christian Church's downtown ministry to homeless individuals, Sparky's Closet at Speedway Junior High School, and most recently to Trafalgar Christian Church, where warm clothing is particularly needed right now for people from Afghanistan who are temporarily housed at Camp Atterbury.



from Katie

In about a month, our college students will begin their final exams. Our youth will be sending them care packages, both so they have some snacks to help them study, but more importantly, so they know their church family is supporting them during this challenging time. You can help them as well by keeping them all in your prayers. We will be sending packages to all students affiliated with our church in higher education as well as those serving in the military. Please send Katie their name, address, and year in school.

Believe it or not, Advent begins on Sunday, November 28! Our advent materials will be available beginning that Sunday, throughout Advent, and anytime during the week if you would like to stop by church during business hours. We have devotionals for adults, devotionals for youth, Advent calendars and crafts for children, and a "pop-up" calendar for the whole family to enjoy, as you "pop-up" different characters of the nativity until you reveal the complete nativity on Christmas Day. The devotionals for adults and youth will be available in the Weekly Update and our youth devotional will also be posted on our Instagram page, speedwaychristianyouth. We will also be providing Advent materials to our Opportunity Day families. It is our prayer that these materials will help you to see God all around you and feel the warmth of this holiday season. If you have any questions, please contact Katie at kgriffin@speedwaychristian.org.

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Christmas Poinsettias

If you would like to order a poinsettia plant to decorate the chancel on Christmas Eve, please complete this order form.

Return the completed form along with your payment (checks payable to Speedway Christian Church)

by Sunday, November 28.

Extra order forms available in the Hall of Light.

If you have any questions, please call the church office at 317.244-7656.

Order Form for Christmas Poinsettias Please print legibly.

Your

Name(s):		
# of poinsettias		
@ \$13.00 each = \$	Total	
In Memory of:		
In <u>Honor</u> of:		
Return the completed order for		

Christmas Alternative Giving

This year, please consider alternative giving as part of your Christmas tradition.

Choose a meaningful gift to give a loved one and help children and families around the world receive training and gifts of animals that will help them become more self-reliant. After your donation, you may send a note to tell your friends and family that you've honored them with a Heifer gift. Information regarding **Heifer International** can be

Give the gift of hope, visit the Church World Services website at www.churchworldservice.org

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Honor your friends and family by making a gift to the 'The Storehouse Food Pantry' or to our 'Building & Grounds' fund for future repairs to our church.

~ Rich Hoerger, World Outreach



