

Looking Ahead...

On **Sunday, October 27** there will be a Faith Forum during Sunday school. This will be led by a representative of the Christian Church Foundation. The Forum will give information about ways that we might increase our perpetual (endowment) fund. If you have any questions about this, see Ann Hammer.

Ron Allen, retired Christian Theological Seminary Professor of New Testament, will be leading a Faith Forum during Sunday school on **Sunday, November 17, Sunday, November 24, and Sunday, December 1.** He will be leading a study of the Book of Revelation. This promises to be a good study.

**Join us to welcome
 Reverend Katie Griffin**

All are welcome to join us on **Sunday, November 3 @ 11:30 am**, for a catered lunch in **Fellowship Hall** following the 10:15 service. This is an opportunity to meet our new Associate Minister. It is always a pleasure to get together as a congregation, but this will be a special celebration. We have waited for some time to find just the right person to be our Associate Minister. Please come introduce yourself to Katie and welcome her into our congregation. Lunch will be catered by Dawson's on Main.

Sunday, October 27, 2019

Faith Forum

Ms. India Bobadilla
 Vice-President, Great Lakes Zone
 Christian Church Foundation

“What Will Your Legacy Be?”

Join us in B1 Classroom at 9:15am

to hear India describe different financial instruments and options for giving to your church.



Not what we say about our

Blessings

But how we use them, is the true measure of our

Thanksgiving

W.T. Purkiser



Winter Coats Needed

CWF and World Outreach are teaming up for a winter coat drive. The Exodus Refugee Center is in great need of new children's and men's coats. **The drive will go through November 17.** Your help is greatly appreciated. Please drop them off at church and see Carolyn Stewart or Teresa Gorrell for any questions.



**Food Pantry will be Providing
 Thanksgiving Meals**

Again this year we are going to supply the necessary items for our clients to prepare a traditional Thanksgiving meal. Bread of Life church in Avon is generously covering the cost of providing a turkey for every client that wants one. The remaining churches in the food ministry are donating money to allow us to purchase the rest of the meal items. Please consider supporting our church and sharing our blessings with those who suffer from food insecurity. Donations can be made to Speedway Christian Church by cash or check. Include the words 'food pantry' to envelopes or in the memo section of a checks.



Thanks Be to God, Rich Hoerger

Please keep in Prayer

Christian Gearheart
 Sue Calvin Sue Moeller
 Jim Hollis Neva Longest
 Hazel Albert (Bill Albert's mother)
 Linda Percy (Allen Percy's mother)
 Susan Tice (Ray Tice's step-mother)
 Harrison Needham (grandson of Jim & Susan Hollis)
 Toni Carter (Bil & Linda Carter's sister-in-law)
 Amber Chaplin (Sandy Chaplin's granddaughter)
 Becky Cagle (Mary Jane Eiler's sister)



Thank you

The Edmiston and Dietzer families would like to thank everyone for their love, support, cards and kind words with the passing of Joe's mother Betty Edmiston. Please know that they comforted us more than you can know.

November 2019 Home-Bound Birthday

Don Bosma November 13



Memorial and Other Special Gifts (6/01/19-8/31/19)

Speedway Christian Church was blessed with the following Memorial (i.e. in honor or memory of someone) or other special gifts for the period June 1 to August 31, 2019. Figures represent number of givers (i.e. individuals/family units) and amount received. Note: these figures may vary widely over time. Included is one of the ways in which Memorial gift money was spent.

General	34	\$1,985
Camperships	5	\$1,330
Crop Walk	2	\$164
Food Pantry	16	\$586
Music	1	\$25
Perpetual (Endowment) Fund	5	\$470
Renovation Fund	71	\$5,670
Vacation Bible School	1	\$25
World Outreach	1	\$10
Bequests (Wills)	1	

Most recent way Memorial gifts to Speedway Christian Church has been used -

- ◆ 8 Communion Trays

Thinking Out Loud...

There are good things on the horizon at Speedway Christian Church. The Vision/ Mission Committee is gathering information from groups as part of the process of creating a new Vision/Mission Statement. The committee has also asked that you fill out one of the surveys that allows you to give your input related to the present and future of our church. If you haven't completed one of the surveys, please take time to do so. Everyone's input is valuable. The surveys are available in the Hall of Light, in the narthex, or in the church office. If you are unable to attend worship because of health or other reasons, feel free to contact the church office and a survey will be mailed or emailed to you.

I believe that this visioning process can help chart a course for the future of our church. As we think about this, we should be asking ourselves, "Who is God calling us to be as Speedway Christian Church, and what is God calling us to do?" One of the ways that God speaks is through people like you and me. That's why the surveys of groups and individuals is important.

Another significant and exciting matter that is on the immediate horizon is the beginning of Katie Griffin's ministry as our new associate minister. Her first day of ministry with us will be Thursday, October 24. A good way for us to welcome Katie is by attending the catered meal to take place on Sunday, November 3, after the 10:15 worship service. We will have the opportunity to give Katie a special welcome at this meal.

I am thankful to be serving a congregation that sees the value of having an associate minister. Katie's contributions will be significant. She will be overseeing our youth ministry, education ministry, providing some pastoral care, and she will have a visible role in worship on most Thursdays and Sundays. I look forward to having Katie as a colleague, and I look forward to all of us working in ministry with Katie.

All in all, it promises to be a bright future at SCC as we travel together and in the company of God.

Blessings to all of you,
 Scott



Looking Ahead and Keeping You Informed

- ◆ The Vision/Mission Committee continues to do its work. They have been surveying various groups in the church as part of the process, as well as encouraging individuals to fill-out the survey. If you haven't filled one out, please take time to do so. They are available in the Hall of Light and the narthex.
- ◆ Katie Griffin will begin her ministry with us on Thursday, October 24. On **Sunday, November 3** after the 10:15 worship service, there will be a catered meal to welcome Katie on board.
- ◆ During the worship services on **Thursday, October 31, and Sunday, November 3**, we will have our annual All Saints emphasis. We will have a time set aside when we will remember all the members of our church who have passed away since last All Saints.
- ◆ Ron Allen, retired Christian Theological Seminary Professor of New Testament, will be leading a Faith Forum during Sunday school on **Sunday, November 17, Sunday, November 24, and Sunday, December 1**. He will be leading a study of the Book of Revelation. This promises to be a good study. Mark your calendar now.



Attention Elders and Deacons

On **Sunday, October 20** after the 10:15 worship service, there will be a meeting in the Bethany Room to get input from the elders and deacons as part of the process of formulating a new vision/mission statement. Your input is valuable. Please make every effort to attend.



Please help us.....

When leaving an unoccupied area, please turn off the lights in classrooms and hallways. Help us to reduce the church's electricity expenses by turning off the lights in areas that are not in use.

The E.D.G.E. Elders Delivering God's Encouragement

Fall is a time to reflect:

Scripture James 4:10

Humble yourself before God and he will raise you up.

As the days become shorter and a touch of crisp cool air greets us in the early mornings it is a time to reflect on the wonder of God's Creations. Each of us will have something special that comes to mind. When our personal thoughts come to mind it is also a time to reflect on our personal walk with Jesus. Have we allowed the busy times of each season to take over our time for daily devotions? Daily devotions are our time to renew our strength and our spirit. A time to just breathe, a time to listen to God's Voice for answers to our prayers. A time to find guidance and direction. A time for new insight on personal concerns.

From my childhood I remember going to Sunday evening prayer service after youth group meetings. In these services we would sing several old Southern Gospel songs. I still have a copy of the old church hymnal that I use often in my devotions. A favorite hymn that comes to mind is "Just a Closer Walk with Thee". Although the original artist isn't known, it has been recorded by numerous Country Music Artist. Some of them include Patsy Cline, Willie Nelson and Johnny Cash. This hymn can also be played as a Jazz Solo for more depth of feeling.

"Daily walking close to Thee, let is be dear Lord, let be..."
Grace and Peace in God's loving arms,
Georgia Stackhouse, Elder



Free Depression Screening

Clinical depression affects 19 million Americans. One in four women and one in ten men will experience it. Individuals who participate in depression screenings at the CTS Counseling Center will complete a brief questionnaire that will be reviewed by a member of the CTS Counseling Center team. The individual will then have the opportunity to meet with a CTS Counseling Center team member for a one-on-one assessment of their screening results. In addition, participants will receive educational information on mental health and support resources.

By Appointment Only: Weekdays—October 2019

Mon-Thur. 8am-8pm, Fri. 8am –noon

CTS Counseling Center

1050 W. 42nd Street

Indianapolis, IN 46208

Call 317.924.5205 to schedule a free screening.

Speedway Christian Church
5110 West 14th Street
Speedway, Indiana 46224

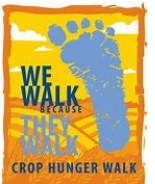
Central Christian Church Food Pantry Drive

CWF will be collecting non-perishable food items during the month of November for Central Christian Church. We have supported this inner-city church pantry for many, many years. It feels right to look outside our own community sometimes when helping others. We did it in October with the Refugee Center. We ask your help for Central Christian Church again in November. Thank you for being so generous! Teresa Gorrell, CWF



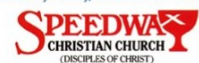
Thank you to Carolyn Stewart and Becky and Roy Shoemaker

for their work in advertising the Crop Walk which took place on Sunday, October 6.



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Did You Know? [from the Perpetual (Endowment) Fund]

Several SCC members and friends are using the method described below to fund their tithes and offerings for the year and other gifts to the church. Those wishing to know more are **strongly encouraged** to check with a trusted financial advisor or accountant for important details and requirements.

From the Christian Church Foundation: "...an IRA charitable rollover allows a taxpayer (who is over the age of 70 ½) to transfer up to \$100,000 annually to a qualified charity or charities [in this case, Speedway Christian Church] from their IRA account(s). This is known as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). If a taxpayer requests a Qualified Charitable Distribution prior to taking their IRA's required minimum distribution, there is no income tax on the withdrawal from their IRA, and it will count towards the taxpayers required minimum distribution. For many taxpayers, this will reduce both federal and state taxes, and may even lower the cost of income-based Medicare premiums."

**Please help those in need by
bringing in food items
to support
The Storehouse Food Pantry**



**Next Official Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 12, 2019
6:30pm. - Meet in B1**

Spirit @ SCC Newsletter Publication Schedule

**Publication Date:
November 19, 2019**

**All articles are due by Thursday
(prior to publication date).**