

# The Outlook

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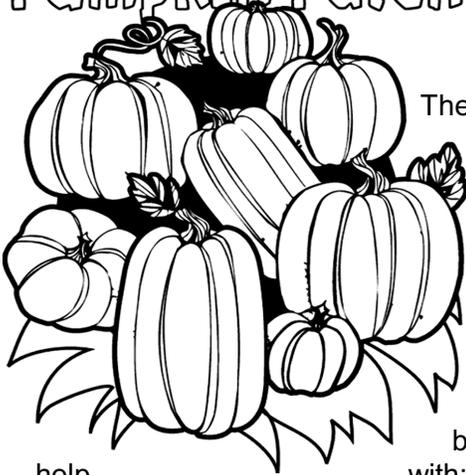
## 10:30 a.m. Worship on Facebook and In-Person

August 31: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16, Luke 14:1, 7-14, "Angels Unaware"

September 7: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18, Luke 14:25-33, "Why Do We Seek God?"

Rev. Cindy Lawler, preaching

## Pumpkin Patch



### The Pumpkins Are Coming

Sunday, October 12, 2025

The pumpkins are scheduled to arrive at noon, Sunday, October 12, 2025. We will need your help to unload pumpkins and set up the patch. We have again reached out to the local high schools to offer community service hours for the students help with unloading. The truck will most likely arrive while we are in church or shortly thereafter, so please plan to stay awhile and help us. Be sure to bring "pumpkin unloading clothes" to change into if needed. If you are unable to help unload pumpkins, don't worry because we will have other activities that you can

help with; like: packaging pumpkin poop; assembling coloring packets; cutting stickers; making goodies bags; or painting signs. We will have hot dogs, chips, dessert, and water to keep up your energy. We will also need help setting up, decorating, or selling during the rest of the day as we will be selling pumpkins until 8 PM. In the past, we have even sold pumpkins during unloading.

Our hours of operation will be Monday-Friday 4 PM-8 PM. Saturday 10 AM-8 PM, and Sunday 12 Noon-8 PM. Sign up sheets will be available in the Narthex and you can sign up for 2 hour shifts. And, the Adopt a Pumpkin tree will be making an appearance soon. Community Fun Day is scheduled for October 25th. We will have a coat give away that day, so we are collecting coats....and we can always use baked items.

## Deadline

The next deadline to submit articles to the newsletter, *The Outlook*, is Monday, September 8.

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## Coffee Bar

Thank you to the volunteers who host the coffee bar on Sunday mornings. There is a volunteer sheet on the coffee bar if you would like to host an upcoming Sunday.

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## Prayers

**Concern:** that Marlene's back hurts; Linda T's left leg broke out again with cellulitis and for her friend, Karen Pike, having back surgeries Aug 29 and Sept 2, that God puts his hands on the doctors hands while they do the surgeries; healing for Stella Rous' brother-in-law, Bob Rous, from surgery.

**Thanksgiving:** God is good all the time, All the time God is good, there was dog at Linda T's living facility to check for bugs and her bed didn't have any. Praise the Lord; for Nick and Lisa Strobel's 36<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 12 and for many more; for Bill and Cindy Wilson's 42<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary on August 20 and for their daughter, Virginia's 41<sup>st</sup> birthday; Rob and Liz Bewley celebrate 42 years of marriage on August 20; for Stella Rous' son, John Stephen's birthday, August 22 and for her grandson, Parker's birthday, August 21.

### *Happy September Birthday to.....*

10	Donnel Lester
22	Bonney Friday
24	Ernestine Torres
27	Laura Daillak
29	Marlene Moore
30	Ana Lester

### *Happy Anniversary to....*

2	Scott and Lizbeth Hallam
9	Marvin and Marilyn Barnes
23	David and Jennifer Rous

6 Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out, "Hallelujah!"

For the Lord our God  
the Almighty reigns.

7 Let us rejoice and exult  
and give him the glory,

Today we had the most spectacular Thunder storm, the thunder was so loud it shook the windows in the house. At the same time, I was speaking with a parishioner on the phone as they went through some super tough thoughts and experiences. As we were speaking I just kept thinking, God's power is so much bigger than this "human storm" that they were facing. How lucky and how privileged we are to hear God in the thunder. The trees, and the plants in our yard just bowed down and went through the storm, now they are drinking the nourishment of the rain. This is what we must recall, some times storms come, and we will need to eventually realize that we need to bow to God and he will nourish us. How lucky we are indeed! Pastor Cindy