



Sunday Worship September 3, 2017

Worship at 8:30 and 10:15 a.m.

Sunday School at 10:15 a.m. for children and youth.

Gathering Sunday Picnic

September 10

11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.



Please join us for fun, games and good food on September 10 following the 10:15 a.m. service. We will gather at Roe Park (10400 Roe Ave, Overland Park, KS 66207). Chicken will be provided, and sides and desserts will be potluck. Families with last name



starting with A through I bring dessert to share, J through Z bring a salad or side dish. A free will offering will be accepted.

Reservations!

This fall we are trying something new: Dining Out Groups. In October and November, each group of 5-8 adults (or groups of 5-12 for families) will meet at a specified restaurant for food and fellowship. There are several Adult-Only Dining Out Groups, as well as, two Family Fun Groups. We ask that each group stay together for both months to provide continuity as well as an opportunity to try two different restaurants. The dates are set, the restaurants are reserved, all you need to do is sign up (via links below or by calling the church office), show up, and meet up with Colonial friends and families. Each person is responsible to pick up their own tab and tip. Child care arrangements can be made through the church office.

The Dining Out Groups are as follows:

- **Friday Fun** – Adults only on October 6 and November 3 at 6:30 p.m. Restaurants: Cacao Authentic Mexican Restaurant in Prairie Village and Garozzo's Italian Restaurant in Overland Park (two groups of 5-8). Sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/dinner-group-01> OR <http://tinyurl.com/dinner-group-02>
- **Sunday Brunchers** – Adults only on October 22 and November 26 at 11:45 a.m. Restaurants: Summit Grill in Waldo and Grunauer in the Crossroads (two groups of 5-8). Sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/col-brunch01> OR <http://tinyurl.com/col-brunch02>
- **Family Fun** – Saturday, October 14 and Saturday, November 11 at 5:30 p.m. Restaurants: Waldo Pizza and Winsteads on Roe in Overland Park (two groups of 5-12). Sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/col-familygroup01> OR <http://tinyurl.com/col-familygroup02>

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Council Minutes:

Minutes of the Church Council are posted on the bulletin board across from the church office.

Crier Deadline:

Please submit items for the next Crier by **Friday, September 8** to Sally Huggins at sallyhuggins@yahoo.com.

UCC Response to Hurricane Harvey

Hurricane Harvey roared ashore near Corpus Christi, Texas as the first category 4 hurricane to make land-fall in the U.S. since 2004. The full extent of Harvey's destruction has not been realized but the anticipated impact is expected to be catastrophic due to heavy rain, widespread flooding and high winds. United Church of Christ Disaster Ministries is already gearing up for our long-term recovery work in the region and your contributions for Harvey survivors mean providing community support for holistic recovery, repairing house and home for families and children and restoring dignity for the most vulnerable who have lost everything in the wake of this catastrophic event. To donate immediately through Colonial, go to <http://tinyurl.com/giveNow-hurricane> and select One Great Hour of Sharing under the "Give To" menu.



Men's Breakfast Group

Chuck Nigro, Chair of the Johnson County Commission on Aging, will be the speaker at the September meeting of the Men's Breakfast Group. Everyone is welcome to the breakfast on Tuesday, September 5, at 8:00 a.m. at Perkins (87th St between I35 and Alt. 69 Hwy). The Commission supports and advocates for needed services for the 107,000 seniors in Johnson County.

Centering Prayer for Summer's End

School starts and life gets busy. Are you looking for some time apart? Centering prayer helps quiet the internal jangling so you can just be. Join us on September 3, 10, and 17 in the Preschool room between 9:30 and 10:00. We'll spend a little time checking in and talking about centering prayer, and then we'll pray together. No preparation is necessary; all are welcome. For more information, contact Elizabeth Uppman at elizabethuppman@kc.surewest.net.

Colonial Friends: Time to Take the Steamboat

Colonial Friends will be visiting the Steamboat Arabia on Wednesday, September 20, for a 10:30 a.m. tour. Afterwards, lunch will be at the Bristol at 12:30 at Power & Light. The cost of the Arabia is \$14.00 (payable to Bill Sanderson in advance or day of) and lunch is off the menu at Bristol and on your own. For those carpooling, meet at Colonial at 9:15 to get to Union Station by 9:45 where the group will gather at the information desk. For those driving, park in the west garage and meet the group at the info booth at 9:45. Bill Sanderson will collect the money from everyone then if they have not paid in advance. Please have exact change. The group will catch the streetcar at Union Station around 10:00 and plan to arrive at the Arabia around 10:15. After the tour, the group will ride the streetcar and to Power and Light District for lunch at Bristol, after which we return to the station for the trip home. Please RSVP to Bill (bills043@gmail.com) as soon as possible as we are limited to 25 people.

Living the Questions 2.0

Living the Questions is a safe environment where people have permission to ask the questions they've always wanted to ask but have been afraid to voice for fear of being thought a heretic. Living the Questions sessions meet in our Sunday morning Adult Christian Education session on the second Sunday of each month at 9:15 a.m. in the Cambridge Room. Next session is September 10.

Colonial Writers Group

Sharpen your pencils and plan to join us for Writers Group on Wednesday, Sept. 13, 9:30 a.m. at the church. Veterans and newcomers are always welcome.

Do You Know Nithin?

Two international letters have arrived at Colonial Church from a student named Nithin P in India. Perhaps he is the student of someone who helped with the Family Farm Orphanage. The return address is Katpadi, Vellore. Please call the church office if you can help get these letters to the proper person.

Fair Trade Coffee and Chocolate

The Justice and Witness Committee offers Fair Trade chocolate bars and ground coffee for purchase the second Sunday of the month following the 10:15 service. The next opportunity will be September 10.

Food Donations

Thanks to all who make a habit of bringing a contribution of food for the red wagon in the narthex. Each Sunday the contents are delivered to Village Church Food Pantry, who distribute items to patrons all over the Kansas City area. You can also write a check for the collection plate marked "Food Pantry" on the memo line. You do make a difference.

Colonial Family

Hospitalizations

If you are going to be hospitalized, please contact Pastor Aaron Roberts or the church office.

Watch our Weekly Messages Services and Sermons

You can watch our worship services on YouTube and get the sermon, bulletin and study guide on our website (www.colonialucc.org). Our 10:15 a.m. worship service is live-streamed, so please contact the church office if you have a privacy concern.

Colonial on Social Media

Stay up to date with what's happening at Colonial through Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/colonialucc>

Instagram: [colonial_ucc](https://www.instagram.com/colonial_ucc)

Twitter: [#ColonialUCC](https://twitter.com/ColonialUCC)

Follow Pastor Aaron:
[@PastorARoberts](https://twitter.com/PastorARoberts)

Send Us Your Photos

We want to build a file of photos of Colonial activities to use in the welcome part of our video worship display. Please send photos to media@colonialucc.org.

Colonial's 7th Annual Holiday Bazaar

The 2017 Colonial Holiday Bazaar is Saturday and Sunday, November 11 and 12! Calling all artists, we have a few spots left. As always we can use volunteers for the following activities: planning, advertising, placing of signs and table set-up. Plus 10% of all sales go to the Board of Outreach. Please consider giving an hour or two of your time. If interested in exhibiting or helping, contact Heather in the office, Kim Mann (kim@mannmadedesign.com) or Lisarae Turnbull (lisaraephoto@me.com).

Dialogue Institute Invitation to Brunch

The Dialogue Institute of the Southwest has invited Colonial to a brunch on Saturday, October 28 at 10:00 a.m. at the institute (4215 Shawnee Drive, Kansas City, Kansas). Vern Barnett, founder of the Kansas City Interfaith Council, will speak on "The Healing Power of World Religions." Those who enjoyed the Ramadan dinner in May will want to deepen the friendships that we formed at that event. Those who were not able to come will want to join to meet new friends of a different faith. All are invited. Do not miss this unique time to hear an interesting speaker, strengthen friendships and enjoy a delicious meal. RSVP by signing the sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex or online at <http://tinyurl.com/dialogue-brunch>

Rummage Sale Countdown – 49 Days



Have you gone through your kitchen to see what you would like to discard and donate to the Rummage Sale? Make space for the things you really use and identify what you want to donate for the rummage sale. Small appliances? Duplicate items? Odd plates and mugs? The sale is October 18-20.

Jewelry for Rummage Sale – Get those rare jewels and costume jewelry sorted; it can be broken jewelry or whatever. Anything that takes time to sort and any unpolished silver. Carla Mattson and sale committee would be very happy if you would bring items to church and put in Library in box on bottom shelf with a bow. We're also looking for vintage handkerchiefs and any other little collectibles you may have. Thanks, it really helps to get a head start on it.

Colonial Women Activities

Breakfast and Coffee – Monday, September 4, at 9:30 a.m., Big Biscuit. Yes, we know it's Labor Day. Come anyway!

Alden Guild – Thursday, September 7, 6:00 p.m., Cozy's (6740 W 75th St, Overland Park, KS 66204).

Blue Moose Tuesday – Tuesday, September 12, 5:30 p.m., Prairie Village.

Book Group – Friday, October 6, 7:00 p.m., Stephanie Graff's home. We will be discussing "The Secret Keeper" by Kate Morton.

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Coming Up at Colonial

Wednesday, August 30

9:30 Visit with Pastor Aaron, Einstein Brothers, Prairie Village Shops

7:00 pm Colonial Choir, Choir Room

Thursday, August 31

10:00 Bible Study, Pastor's Office

6:30 AA, Oberlin Room

Friday, September 1

8:30 am Quiltmakers, Social Hall

Sunday, September 3

8:30 am Worship

9:15 That Was the Week That Was, Library

9:15 Board of Outreach, Oberlin Room

9:30 Centering Prayer, Preschool Room

10:15 Worship

10:30 Sunday School

11:15 Conversation & Fellowship, Heritage Room

Monday, September 4

Office Closed – Labor Day

9:30 am Colonial Women Coffee, Big Biscuit

Tuesday, September 5

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Group, Perkins

9:30 am Book Group, Heritage Room

1:00 pm Rummage Sale Meeting, Heritage Room

Wednesday, September 6

9:30 Visit with Pastor Aaron, Einstein Brothers, Prairie Village Shops

7:00 pm Colonial Choir, Choir Room

Thursday, September 7

10:00 Bible Study, Pastor's Office

6:00 pm Alden Guild, Cozy's (6740 W 75th St.)

6:30 pm AA, Oberlin Room

Happy Birthday!

Jayden Latham, LeAnn Russell, Charlotte Donnelly, Lee Rowe, Linda Bray, Bill Morton, Geoff Robinson, Cheri Van Orman, Tom Barnekoff, Gabriel Graff, Frank Robertson, John Robinson, Hayden Ferguson, Aaron Roberts, Carol Welch, Charlotte Drayer, Linda Cunningham, Shirley Schutzel, Mackenzie Flachsbarth

Happy Anniversary

Harry and Kendra Morrison, Bill and Lois Morton, Kurt and Barrie Herbst, Marylee and Russ Battaglia, Emil and Shirley Schutzel