



October 18, 2020 Announcements Sidney First UMC

Our Biblical Mission: To know Christ intimately and to follow Him into the world to make disciples.
Our Vision: Learning to have an intimate, passionate, life changing relationship with Jesus and sharing His love with all people.

Purchase Your Christmas Greenery! COOL Preschool is selling wreaths, sprays, and live décor for their fundraiser. **Deadline for orders is October 21.** Visit their board in the preschool/nursery/hallway for information. To order your greenery, stop by the church office Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. or Friday 9 a.m. to noon. For questions, please contact Vickie Schwepe, COOL Preschool Director, at 937-498-9479. Delivery is expected sometime the week of November 16. Thank you for your continued support!!



All Saints Day. On **November 1** at both services, we will honor members of our church and family members who have received their Victory in Jesus. We are sending out letters for those we know about, but if you don't receive one, please let us know so we can include all of our loved ones who have passed away since October 27, 2019, in the service. Forms are available at the back of the church or in the office.

Sign Up To Put Flowers On The Altar. Would you like to honor a loved one, wish someone a happy birthday, or announce another special occasion? **December 20 and 27** are open if you would like to sign up for either of those dates. Just call the office at 937-492-9136.

SIGN UP
FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Annual Poinsettia Sale. We're decorating the church with Red Poinsettias this year for our Christmas Eve services. If you would like to help by purchasing a plant(s), please fill out the form located in the front and back of the church. Order through the church office 937-492-9136. You may designate "In Memory" or "In Honor" of a loved one. Plants can be picked up after the Christmas Eve Services and the cost is \$10 per plant. Please make checks payable to: SFUMC. Deadline to order is October 29.



Haunted House. Join **CrossFire** for a night of **Halloween Fun** on Saturday, **October 24 at 5:45 p.m.** We'll meet at the church and the bus will leave at exactly 6 p.m. Event is free. Please let Betsy know if you're coming at 937-638-4969.



Campfire Night. Join CrossFire for a night of fun by the fire on Friday, November 20 from 7 to 10 p.m. at 900 Arrowhead Drive. Contact Betsy with questions at 937-638-4969

This month, we're helping FISH stock up on the essentials needed for their food bank for families in need, which are **cereal, peanut butter, canned fruit & vegetables, baked beans, canned tuna fish & chicken, spaghetti sauce, and mac & cheese.** Please place your items in the mini grocery carts located in the Gathering Place (Level 4) or the Narthex at the back of the Sanctuary.



What Is Stephen Ministries? Stephen Ministries offers a proven and effective way to organize, equip, and supervise a team of church members—called *Stephen Ministers*—to provide high-quality, one-to-one, Christ-centered care to people in the congregation and the community experiencing life difficulties. Training dates are coming soon. In the meantime, if you think you might be interested in taking the course to become a Stephen Minister, please contact Terry Sharp or Roxanne Chivington at 937-492-9136. *"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."* (Galatians 6:2 NRSV).



Operation Christmas Child demonstrates God's love to hurting children in a tangible way by partnering with churches worldwide to deliver gift-filled shoe boxes and the Good News of Jesus Christ. Sidney First is happy to participate another year with Samaritan's Purse to bring love and joy to children around the world. Labels and boxes are available in the Gathering Place. You can also download labels at samaritanspurse.org/occ. Please return your filled shoeboxes to the church by **Sunday, November 15.**

WEDNESDAY Kidz First and Crossfire!

- **Kidz First Choir...**6 to 6:30 p.m. (Level 5) (Pre-school - 5th grade).
- **Cool Kidz...**6:30 to 8 p.m. (Level 5) (Pre-school - 4th grade)
- **Waveriders...**6:30 to 8 p.m. (Level 5) (5th Grade)
- **Crossfire...**6 to 8 p.m. (Level 2) (6th Grade - H.S. Senior)



Please contact Abby Wagner about **Kidz First** at 937-492-9136. Please contact Betsy Martin about **Crossfire Youth** at 937-638-4939.



Happy Birthday

You are a beautiful person, inside and out. I hope that you remember that, today and always.



The Flowers on the Altar "Happy Birthday to my lovely wife, Terri. Thank you for all that you do for the church, family, and me."
~Tom Cooper

*"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace."
~Numbers 6:24-26*