

J O H N C A L V I N *Presbytery*

Notices

December 6, 2019

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Prayers Requested

- The congregations of John Calvin Presbytery...
- For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, that they may know the peace that passes all human understanding in Jesus Christ our Lord....
- All churches seeking a new pastor, to understand God's call moving forward.
First Presbyterian Church, Aurora, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Chanute, Kansas
Crane Presbyterian Church, Crane, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Joplin, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Sarcoxie, Missouri
First Presbyterian Church, Scammon, Kansas
- JCPDA
- JC Living Waters Mission Team
- All Pastors of John Calvin Presbytery
- **Britney Shurtz, cancer treatments, daughter-in-law of Charley Shurtz.**
Charley is pastor at St. Andrew @Hideaway

John Calvin Presbytery
invites you
to a
Service of Installation
for
The Reverend
Becky Schwandt



Ozark Presbyterian Church
Saturday, December 7
10:30 am

A brunch will be served after the service

1932 East State Highway 14
Ozark, Missouri



**OZARK PRAIRIE "BRICK"
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**15032 Lawrence 2077
Mount Vernon, Missouri**

The sight of a solitary candle glowing night after night in every window of the "Brick Church" tells the story of a congregation that has served as a light to its community for a very long time.

At a recent session meeting, the Ruling Elders recounted special stories of their congregation:

This is "home." One member recounted lots of good changes that have occurred in the eighty years she has attended, including building the fellowship hall, installing a furnace, and adding air conditioning. (The addition of indoor plumbing was also a positive change, although many funny stories have been told about taking children out of church to the outhouses!)

The church exudes a "warm family feeling." "This church is such a part of me," stated a member whose life has been lived against the backdrop of this church, beginning with her grandparents who attended here and were buried here, her parents who met and married here, her children who were baptized here, and her husband whose funeral was held here.

Through the years new people were welcomed and included, regardless of church background.

The strength of their relationships brought people here and kept them here.

The Church family surrounds each member in difficult times: "No one is alone."

Other favorite memories shared with visitors from the Presbytery included:

- The annual ice cream supper



- The Thanksgiving praise supper
- Hayrides and monthly meals at the church
- Rolling over lemons in a wagon to juice them for the national Orr Family Reunion which they host each year. (The Orr Family began the church long ago. An electric juicer has replaced the wagons.)
- Attending Sunday School with all the other kids in the balcony

The members of Ozark Prairie Presbyterian Church cherish their relationships with each other and the memories they share. In addition, they shine their light in the Mt. Vernon community through their generous gifts supporting:

- Living Waters for the World
- Souper Bowl Sunday (canned goods and money for the food pantry)
- Diaper Pantry
- Presbyterian Women Thank Offering
- One Great Hour of Sharing Offering
- Presbyterian Women Gift to Holiday Central
- St. Suzanne Food Pantry
- Utility Assistance through Ozark Electric Co.
- Children's Emergency Fund (for people in the Mt. Vernon area)
- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
- Christmas projects

Shine on, Ozark Prairie! Shine your light!

BOUNDARIES TRAINING

The first boundaries training of 2020 will be Thursday, January 16, 10 am-noon at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Kimberling City.

Lunch will be provided by the church.

Please RSVP to mspencer@jcpresbytery.com

All ministers serving congregations are required to complete boundaries training annually. A few opportunities are scheduled on different days, times, and locations, to make it possible for everyone to attend.

If you would like to host a training for your area, please contact Malinda.

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**Crane Presbyterian
Ministry**

“Crock Pot Cooking Class”



Crane Presbyterian Church has been engaged in a program for the past few years to reach out to children within the community of Crane through a monthly cooking class and fellowship. Through coordination with the school counselor, two to three fourth through sixth grade students are invited to come to the Church to participate in the process of meal preparation. This year, the Church is giving each of the participants a crock pot to keep and take home along with the ingredients to prepare a meal. The November participants prepared “Chicken and Dumplings” using canned biscuits, along with a salad, bread and chocolate oreo “poke” cake. The students are encouraged to invite their families to join them when the meal is ready and Church members are encouraged to join as well. The meal is served “family style” and the students help set the table and fill drinks. In addition to learning some easy recipes, the students along with Church members, enjoy the opportunity to visit and build relationships with each other. Crane Presbyterian is excited to model the service and outreach of a Matthew 25 Church.

The photos show Church members assisting two students from Crane Elementary School with meal preparations for their families and Church members.





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