

crossroads circuit rider



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November 1 – “Fall Back”
– Daylight Saving Time Ends. –
It’s that time when we turn our timepieces
back one hour.



Sunday, November 1, 2020

On this Day of the Saints, let us honor those who have hallowed this earth by their prayers and by the way they walked in the light of God.

Alford Burton - January 29, 2020
Kathryn Braswell - February 19, 2020
Gracie Collins - March 29, 2020
June Garrison - April 16, 2020
Doris Creekmore Baines - July , 2020
Chey "Bear" Bell - August 16, 2020
Amber Nelson - August 30, 2020
Sylvia Cella - October 4, 2020

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In-Person Worship is Going Smoothly

In-Person Worship at Crossroads UMC has been in place since September 27, 2020. The last five Sundays have been going smoothly. The Volunteers for each Sunday have been a big part of this achievement. Below you will see the six Volunteers needed and what the responsibilities are. If you would like to help, contact Susan Cohen @ queenbeez@cox.net / 757-483-1942.

Registration at Doors:

Front – Table is in Narthex. Your job is to check people in using the list titled Crossroads UMC Church In-Person Event Attendance dated for that day. If they did not preregister (their name is not on this list) then have them read the 4 questions on the poster. If they can agree to those items, they can sign up on the registration list on the clipboard. There are 2 jars of pens – Clean and Dirty. They should use a Clean pen and then put it in Dirty jar for cleaning later.

Back/Side & Hallway/Restroom – Table is in hallway by back/side door. Your job is to check people in using the List titled Crossroads UMC Church In-Person Event Attendance dated for that day. If they did not preregister (their name is not on this list) then have them read the 4 questions on the poster. If they can agree to those items, they can sign up on the registration list on the clipboard. There are 2 jars of pens – Clean and Dirty. They should use a Clean pen and then put it in Dirty jar for cleaning later. Let them know where the Offering plate and hand sanitizer are. They should have their masks on and go directly to their seat in the sanctuary. If during the service someone gets up to use restroom, see that they use their chosen door (ABCD) to exit and enter.

Parking:

Lot – Stand in parking lot and see that everyone parks leaving one car space between them and others. Make sure they have their mask on when leaving their car and crossing the street.

Side – Stand on grassy side of Greenway and see that everyone parks leaving one car space between them and others. Make sure they have their mask on when leaving their car and heading to the sanctuary.

Service Logistics:

Stand in the Narthex on side D. Welcome everyone. Make sure everyone has on a face covering. Let them know where the Offering boxes and hand sanitizer are. See that people stay in their "lanes" (ABCD).

Seating:

Stand in the Sanctuary. Make sure everyone always keeps their face covering on. Make sure people coming in don't touch each other and go directly to their seats.



Crossroads' Food Pantry is Greatly Utilized

Crossroads' Food Pantry is open on Tuesdays 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Anything you can do for this program would be a blessing to this ministry and to the people who are served.

If you would like to help in the Food Pantry on Tuesdays, come around 9:30 and someone will train you in what needs to be done. Some days it's super busy and some days it's slower but they always appreciate the extra hands.



Crossroads United Methodist Women presented the Special Mission Recognition Pin to Pat Mullins for her great work in volunteering with the Food Pantry. This is usually part of UMW Day held in April, but of course because of the pandemic, it was canceled. The pin was handed out on October 11th during our worship service and the recipient was very deserving.

Remember your Plantation Nut Orders are due to Nancy Clark by November 8th with payment. The orders should be back by the end of November.



Our **Charge Conference** was held on Sunday, October 25th. Because of Covid, a Zoom Meeting was held with our DS Rev. Wayne Snead and about 80 other members of the Elizabeth District. It started out with a message from Rev. Snead, then a video entitled "Best Practices" which highlighted various churches' ministries during the pandemic and was followed by each church having a breakout session to cover their own business. It was different but very effective. Crossroads had ten members in attendance.

NOVEMBER OPPORTUNITIES:

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| 1 | Sun. | In-Person Worship* – 11:00 AM
All Saints Day
<i>[*=every Sunday]</i> |
| 3 | Tues. | Food Pantry Open* - 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
<i>[*=every Tuesday]</i> |
| 11 | Wed. | Veterans Day |
| 26 | Thurs. | Thanksgiving Day |
| 25 | Wed. | Meals on Wheels – 10:30 AM |