



The CALENDAR

of Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church

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Fall Worship & Office Hours

*I was glad when they said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the Lord."*

— Psalm 122:1

On Sunday, September 14, at 10:30 a.m., we return to one worship service. Concurrent with the service is Church School for children (Crib – 8th Grade).

On Monday, September 15, we begin our fall office hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon.

In many ways, these changes mark the beginning of another year of church activity. Hopefully, as all of us resume our normal routine of work, school and activities, we will find the time and energy to participate in the many opportunities for worship, study, fellowship and service at JAPC.

Truly, there is something for everyone.

Fall Fun Fair

Saturday, September 13, 12 noon – 2:00 p.m.

Join us as we welcome church families and friends, as well as families from the neighborhood and **Tutoring T.R.E.E.** Sponsored by the Parish Life and Mission Committees, it is a great way to begin the school year. There will be crafts, food and games and is suitable for families with children of all ages. For more information, call the Church Office.

Many volunteers are needed to run games, work with crafts, and serve food. So if you are interested in helping, contact Rebecca Underwood (Chair of Parish Life), Kathi Johnson (Chair of Mission Committee) or Kathy Chateau (Director of Children's Ministries and **Tutoring T.R.E.E.**).

The 16th Annual JAPC Golf Outing **Sunday, September 21**

Come swing with us on Sunday, September 21, at the St. Clair Shores Golf Club. Tee times start at 1:05 p.m. and you will play an 18-hole, four person scramble (limited to 16 players). Golf will be followed with an a la carte dinner at 5:30 p.m. The cost this year is \$35 which covers greens fees, carts, and prizes. Anyone who wishes to join us for dinner may meet us at the clubhouse (RSVP needed). For more information contact Allyn or Pam MacKay or Dennis or Cyndie Hansinger.

Sunday "Text of the Day"

Study Resumes

Sunday, September 21

On Sunday, September 21, our Parish Associate, Louis Prues will resume his class on the *Text of the Day*. As many of you know, each Sunday the class studies the scripture lesson used as the foundation for that morning's sermon.

It is a great way to get a "head start" on your worship experience. It also provides a unique opportunity to see how the same text can be understood in different ways, depending on various interpretations of biblical history, cultural traditions and theological thought.

The class is held in the Guild Room from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

WORSHIP & EVENT SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

8:30 a.m. Informal Worship — Zaun Chapel

10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship — Sanctuary

Peter C. Smith, Preaching

Church School (Crib – Second Grade)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

8:30 a.m. Informal Worship — Zaun Chapel

10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship — Sanctuary

Peter C. Smith, Preaching

Church School (Crib – Second Grade)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Fall Worship & Church School Schedule Resumes

10:30 a.m. Worship • Peter C. Smith, Preaching

Church School (Crib – 8th Grade)

11:45 a.m. Carillon Concert

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

9:00 a.m. Bible Study Resumes

10:30 a.m. Worship • Katy Doyle-Hohf, Preaching

Church School (Crib – 8th Grade)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

10:30 a.m. Worship • Louis J. Prues, Preaching

Church School (Crib – 8th Grade)

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.

Proverbs 3:5-6

PASTOR'S CORNER

It Is Important!

As summer nears its end and the church's fall schedule resumes, I want you to ask yourself a question, "why is it important for me to be at church?" I would be interested in your answer.

As your pastor, I want Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church to be there for you in every circumstance of your life... every rainbow experience and every dark moment. I want the church to care about you as if you were the most important person in the world — tending your wounds and sharing your smiles. I want the church to be a place of vibrancy and hope, love and concern, encouragement and challenge.

Yet, for this to be so, we need you to be here.

It is easy to get out of the habit of coming to church. Daily lives are so crowded with demands we hardly have time to accomplish the tasks that need to be done. Even an hour on Sunday morning seems to intrude.

Yet, when you are not here, consider what you have missed? Is your life any better because you have chosen not to be present?

It is important for you to be here because:

- *you can lift up your voice and heart in worship to God;*
- *you can reaffirm the priority JAPC has in your life;*
- *you can strengthen family ties as sisters and brothers in Christ;*
- *you can feel the energy and power of worship when more members are gathered;*
- *you can nourish and nurture your faith;*
- *you can support staff as they seek to provide study, fellowship and mission opportunities;*
- *you can express gratitude for all the good gifts we enjoy, individually and as a church;*
- *you can enjoy well chosen music that speaks to the heart and the head;*
- *you can renew and deepen friendships and make new ones;*
- *you can show JAPC is not only there when you need it.*

Each Sunday morning when I look out at the pews, I rejoice for those who are there and I mourn those who are not. After almost 33 years of being your pastor, I worry complacency has become a comfortable mind set and the dusty corridor through which we wander.

I do not want this for our church. I do not want this for you.

Can you make Sunday mornings at JAPC a priority in your life? It is important!

— PCS

Men's Breakfast ***Saturday, September 13***

Our monthly ***Men's Breakfast*** resumes on Saturday, September 13, at 8:30 a.m., in the Guild Room. Peter Smith will lead the discussion on several chapters from Marcus Borg's recent book, *Convictions*.

"Do Christian beliefs still matter? Do they really change us or the world? Bestselling author Marcus J. Borg reflects on the convictions that he has developed over the course of his life and why they provide a path of hope for those

seeking to be faithful Christians in the twenty-first century. With an open, inclusive tone, he explains why most of today's summaries of Christian belief fail to move us or guide us and serve mostly to keep score among the various Christian tribes. Borg encourages today's followers of Jesus to become more rooted to the deep convictions that can actually lead us to transformation and renewal, both for ourselves and for our world."

Copies of the selection and a registration sheet are on the Main Foyer Table.

PARISH LIFE

The Card-Makers

Cards For Our Service Men and WomenA Great Success!

During July and August, 20 women (young and old) met on three Thursday evenings, creating 400+ greeting cards for US military personnel who are stationed overseas. These cards were sent to Operation Write Home (www.OperationWriteHome.com). As of August 2014, this organization has sent (since 2007) over 2.85 million HANDMADE cards to our soldiers who don't have access to a local "Hallmark" store.

Beginning on Thursday, September 11, *The Card-Makers* will meet once a month (10 a.m. – 1 p.m.) to make other cards (Circle of Care, Holiday cards, etc.) for ill and shut-in church members. If you want to participate, there is a sign-up sheet in the Main Hallway or you can call Linda Smith (313-822-7499). All material is supplied along with samples and suggestions for card designs. If you are a paper crafter, we would appreciate any donations of paper scraps and other usable leftover materials.

JAPC Yard Sale Saturday, September 13

Want to clean out those closets? There will be a *Yard Sale* on Saturday, September 13, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (the same date of the Indian Village Garage Sale). Rental of a table is \$10.00. You will be responsible for bringing your own chairs, setting up and disposing of any unsold items.

Sign up in the Main Hallway to rent a table. For more information about the event, contact the Church Office by September 7. The check should be made payable to JAPC with the notation, "*Yard Sale*".

The Crafters

The Crafters have been busy over the summer getting ready for their Scottish Sunday Fair. As the date approaches, the group will begin meeting the first and third Mondays of each month (10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.) to work on their craft projects. Even if you cannot attend, the group would appreciate your donation of any hand-made craft items for the Fair. Contact Rae Ellen Firestone (586-294-1093) for more information or to volunteer.

God satisfies the thirsty soul. God fills the hungry soul with good things.

— Psalm 107:9

Bible & Brew — Year Three Begins Sunday, October 5

by Lou Prues

Where do the best conversations occur? Over a pint of beer or a cup of coffee. *Bible & Brew* is an opportunity to share a drink and a conversation about faith, philosophy, theology, and life.

We will continue to meet on the FIRST Sunday of the month. Last year we found this to be to best overall Sunday. So our first meeting of the new church season will be on Sunday, October 5.

Last year we worked though the Letter of James. This year we're taking a different approach. We're going to be studying and discussing some of the most troublesome, confusing, and downright puzzling passages of the Bible. These passages appear to be troublesome in their theological implications, in their use of difficult language, or in their application to life in today's world. Is sinning a matter of choice? Why do the innocent suffer? When is "the end?" You get the picture.

Join us for the new season of *Bible & Brew*. Bring your Bible and bring a friend.

Where: City Kitchen, 16844 Kercheval Ave, Grosse Pointe
When: October 6 and every First Sunday
Time: 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Jim's Workers

Over the last few years, the church (and its budget) has benefitted mightily from the talents and skills of a small, but dedicated band of men (and women) who have donated their time and talent to completing special projects (carpentry, painting, plumbing, electrical) around the church. We call them Jim's Workers in honor of Elder Jim Firestone.

If you would like to share your skills and enjoy the camaraderie of fellow church members, call David Slone, Facilities Committee Chair (313-882-4807).

Church Register

DEATHS

William B. Corlis on June 15
Nina Ryder (Jennifer Moore) on July 11
Catherine MacDonald on July 24
Elder George Schumaker on July 27
Richard Rapp on August 19

WEDDINGS

Giovanna Vitale and Kyle Talmadge on July 18
Kristen Gura and Andrew Rolph on August 29

PARISH LIFE

Blessing of the Animals ***Saturday, October 4***

Hamsters, birds, dogs, cats, rabbits, goldfish and others of God's creation will come together at 11:00 a.m., on the Terrace, with their owners, for the ***Blessing of the Animals***. After the blessing there will be refreshments for animals and people.

We request that dogs be on a leash, and that other animals be on leashes or in a carrying container. This is for their safety and the safety of other animals. This annual event emphasizes the importance animals have in our lives and that God has "His eyes" even on the smallest sparrow.

This year we are dedicating the service in loving memory of Mary Waterstone, an extraordinary woman, and a strong and consistent defender of "all creatures great and small"!

World Communion ***Sunday, October 6***

*In Christ there is no East or West,
In Him no South or North;*

*But one great fellowship of love,
Throughout the whole wide earth.*

These familiar words are often sung when we as a congregation gather to celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Never are these words as true as they are on World Communion, on Sunday, October 6. On that day, more Christians from around the world will participate in the sacramental meal than on any other Sunday in the year.

Those celebrating this visible symbol of God's amazing grace will be from various races, national identities, cultural backgrounds and political persuasions. Yet, each will participate in this meal because of common faith in Jesus Christ.

We invite you to join us and the Christian World in this celebration. Let us together seek God's presence and pray for the unifying peace of the Holy Spirit.

If you have tablecloths or fabric from other parts of the world, consider loaning them to us so the Communion Table can be decorated with material representing the rich diversity of our community.

JAPC E-Notes

Want to be kept informed about what's happening at JAPC? Our weekly E-Notes, with announcements and "late breaking" news, are sent mid-week. Call the Church Office or e-mail Margie Uysal (marjoriejapc@comcast.net) to be added to the mailing list.

Coffee Hosts

Want to share a smile, a cup of coffee and a cookie? Be a coffee host after worship some Sunday. Home baked cookies are a treat but if you are not a baker, store cookies will do. We need at least 4-6 dozen. If you would like to volunteer, call the Church Office (313- 822-3456).

Kroger Plus Cards

Have you registered your Kroger Plus Card in the Kroger Community Rewards program to benefit JAPC? Go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com to enroll or re-enroll (you will need the church's ID number [82468] and your Kroger Plus Card.). If you are not successful, contact Kroger Customer Service at 1-800-576-4377.

WOMEN'S MINISRIES

Calling All Presbyterian Women ***September 14, 2014***

September 14, 2014, will mark the election and installation of the new PW Moderator, Patty Sunisloe, and Vice Moderator, Pat Slone. Plan on attending a short service after church and welcome the new board. An exciting new calendar has been planned so don't miss being part of our new year.

October 1, 2014, the ***Presbyterian Women Monthly Meeting*** of all Detroit area groups will take place at our church. Beginning at 9:45 a.m., the business meeting will commence and conclude with lunch served in the dining room. Our organization has been an integral part of Presbyterian activities worldwide including gun control, human trafficking, spiritual development, etc. Join us as we learn what committed women can do.

October 25, 2014, a live presentation by the theater group The Parable Players, a branch of Magic Carpet Theatre will present *At His Feet*. Three vignettes from the Bible will be presented with music interwoven with the play. *At His Feet* has been presented all over Michigan and we are pleased to have this production here at JAPC. Doors will open at 9:30 a.m. with the play commencing at 10:00 a.m. More information will follow next month.

YOGA CLASS

Slow Flow Yoga Class resumes Saturday, September 27 9:30-10:30 a.m. in the Youth Pit. Cost is \$5 per class, \$30 per 6 week session. *Walk-ins welcome*. Sign up in the main hallway or contact the church office. All ages and abilities welcome. Through November 16.

OUR MINISTRY IN MUSIC

2014–15 Concert Series & JAZZ at JAPC

by Stephen Warner, Music Director

Our **2014-2015 Concert and Jazz Series** has taken shape. I am very excited about the offerings this year and how they have even evolved to have a unique thread of continuity. With two Jazz events in the fall, we are starting our **Concert Series** off with the Community Chorus of Detroit with their holiday concerts on December 12 – 13. The chorus has continued to improve and grow and leverage a greater presence in Detroit. Their Verdi Concert last spring was a profound artistic success! One major issue we have discovered with our hosting of the chorus, however, is with the proximity of their afternoon rehearsals and our **Jazz and Concert Series** events. We have decided to move the start time of all the concerts to 4:30 p.m. to allow the parking lot to clear before the bulk of our crowd arrives.

Our next event features pianist Penny Masouris. Penny was a piano teacher to a few families in our congregation. She has also developed a wonderful program featuring not only the music of George Gershwin, but a discussion of him as a visual artist. Gershwin was, in fact, a very fine painter! Penny will have several prints of his paintings on display which she will discuss in turn with several of his songs.

In March, we will be featuring an internationally acclaimed organist, Argentinean born, Hector Olivera. Hector has been playing the organ since he was three years old and at age five, played a mass for Eva Perón! He entered the conservatory at age twelve and then went on to attend the Julliard School at age eighteen. Hector is at home on the concert and church organ as well as on the theater organ and has incredible improvisatory skills. I first heard Hector playing a Yamaha touring organ in concert at Interlochen when I was ten years old. I am very much looking forward to the music he will be able to render on our Skinner Organ!

Finally, we will be giving our Chancel Choir, soloists and friends a chance to lead the audience on a stroll down Broadway with a concert of songs, scenes and choruses from the musical theater repertoire. Similar to our opera concert a few years ago, this concert will give some of our soloists a chance to shine with their favorite songs and give our choir a chance to join in!

Our **Jazz Series** opens this year with the local prodigy Clarinetist, Dave Bennett. Dave is the original, self-taught phenomena, starting at age ten and learning Benny Goodman songs by ear from an old tape! With great tenacity, he has built a steady, and developing musical career that is quite admirable. He will be joined at JAPC by drummer Pete Siers and pianist Tadd Weed, both of whom have appeared on our series before. They have recently collaborated on a recording together and will be presenting material from that album at our concert!

The remaining events in our **Jazz Series** line-up include trombonists Ron Kischuck and Ed Gooch on October 26, Taslimah Bay on Ragtime Piano in February and a repeat feature of the *Stars of Tomorrow* with Marian Hayden in May or early June. I am very grateful to Trena Ruffner for continuing to book such wonderful talent for our series and nurturing relationships with these fine artists. With this variety of artists and talents, I am sure everyone will find something they like this year!

The Chancel Choir

Resumes on Sunday, September 14

The **Chancel Choir** will begin its choral season with a rehearsal on Sunday, September 14, at 8:30 a.m., in the Choir Room. Regular rehearsal time for the choir is Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. with an occasional rehearsal starting at 8:30 a.m. during busy seasons. If you like to sing and are interested in being a part of an active and vibrant ensemble which sings a wide variety of music, please contact Stephen Warner at 248-912-7566 or sjwarner@umich.edu. Other than occasional special events, our choir does not have weekday rehearsals.

Carillon Concert

Sunday, September 14

Join us for our final concert of the **Summer Carillon Series** on Sunday, September 14, following worship, on the front terrace. Kipp Cortez will be performing. He is the carillon instructor and interim University Carillonneur at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Congregational Hymn Sings to Continue

During the upcoming worship season (September – June) we will be continuing the **Singing Workshops** to learn new tunes as a congregation and build our collective singing abilities. We will be holding the workshop at 10:30 a.m., then beginning the worship service at 10:45 a.m. This plan is to prevent the interruption of the flow of the service.

Stephen Warner will once again lead these workshops. He is looking forward to singing with everyone again and continuing to develop more confidence in congregational singing and making a truly joyful noise!

A Gift of Music

Opportunities are available to purchase music for a choral anthem to remember or honor a special friend or loved one, or to commemorate a special day. Your gift will be acknowledged each time the music is used in worship.

For further information, please speak to Stephen Warner.

CHURCH SCHOOL

Vacation Bible Camp was held the week after the *Creative Arts Camps*. Through music with Anne Maters and our storytellers — Kathy Chateau, Katy Doyle-Houf, and Nancy Wildern, the children learned five Bible stories and celebrated the awesomeness of God. Thank you to Harper Wildern, Briana Thompson, Cate Christinidis and Anna Christinidis for all the ways they helped make *Vacation Bible Camp* a success.

Church School kicks off Sunday, September 14. All children gather at worship and then children in kindergarten through grade 5 are dismissed to class. Our middle school and high school students are invited to participate in a newly designed program that will give our young people the opportunity to worship and learn. Make sure to see Katy's article in the Calendar for details and look for information in the bulletin. For registration or information about Church School please contact Kathy Chateau.

NEIGHBORHOOD MINISTRIES

Summer Camp Ministry

Forty-five children, eight teen counselors, twelve lunch makers, a mission group from Ann Arbor, and a variety of artists filled JAPC this summer. Creativity, art work, music, games, laughter and happy noise made up the three weeks of *Creative Arts Day Camp*. One of the special things about the Art Camp is the diversity of the campers that come from several different neighborhoods and schools. The Deacons supplied each family with a bountiful bag of fruits and vegetables each week. Much gratitude goes to every person who helped support the camps in some way.

We sent nine children to Howell Camp throughout the summer. The campers came back filled with excitement and many stories to share. For most of them, it was the first time they had ever been away from home and the first time to live so connected to nature. I am grateful to the Deacons who raised money through the *Deacons' Bake Sale* and the many others who donated additional funds. I am also thankful for some of the Deacons who assisted in driving the children to and from camp.

Tutoring T.R.E.E.

We need you!

Another season of *Tutoring T.R.E.E.* will kick off on Tuesday, September 23. There will be a Tutor Orientation on Tuesday, September 16 from 3:30 – 4:30 pm. We are in need of tutors who can give 2 hours a week on Tuesday afternoons to work with two students. We also need volunteers to prepare and serve snacks. If you can help in any way, or have questions, please contact Kathy Chateau.

YOUTH NEWS

Middle and High School Students Fall Program

Study, worship, outreach and fellowship are important aspects of our faith journey, therefore we are excited to announce a new program for our middle school and high school students that will begin on Sunday, September 14.

With the hope of responding to the needs of our youth and their families, we have created a new Sunday morning program that will allow our youth to experience the richness of God's love while creating lasting relationships with one another. The new youth program is designed to be meaningful and flexible. The church school and youth group meetings will take place on Sunday mornings from 9:15 to 10:15 am. Worship leadership opportunities will be available each month and will rotate among interested youth.

On Sunday, September 14, parents are encouraged to join the class at 10:00 am for a parent/student informational meeting. Our schedule for this fall is as follows:

SEPTEMBER

- 14 – Church School, Parent/Student Meeting at 10:00 am
- 21 – Church School
- 28 – Worship Leadership

OCTOBER

- 5 – Church School
- 12 – Worship Leadership — Laity Sunday
- 19 – Church School
- 26 – Youth Group — help with Halloween parade

NOVEMBER

- 2 – Church School
- 9 – Church School
- 16 – Youth Group
- 23 – Worship Leadership — Scottish Sunday
- 30 – no programming — Happy Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

- 7 – Church School
- 14 – Church School
- 21 – Youth Group
- 28 – Worship Leadership

Jesus said to them, 'Let the little children come to me. Don't stop them, because the kingdom of God belongs to people that are like these little children.'

— Mark 10:14b



JEFFERSON AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August 31 8:30 a.m. Informal Worship 10:30 a.m. Worship & Church School (Crib - 2nd Grade)	1 Labor Day Church Closed	2 Church Open 8:30 - 4:00 p.m.	3 Church Open 8:30 - 4:00 p.m.	4 Church Open 8:30 - 4:00 p.m. Session Chairs Dinner Mtg. 6:00 p.m.	5 Church Open 8:30 - 4:00 p.m. MackKinley Rehearsal 5 p.m.	6 Church Closed Deacons' Retreat Boyles) 11 - 3 p.m. MackKinley Wedding 3 p.m.
7 8:30 a.m. Informal Worship 10:30 a.m. Worship & Church School (Crib - 2nd Grade)	8 Church Open 8:30 - 4:00 p.m.	9 Church Open 8:30 - 4:00 p.m. Staff Meeting 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	10 Church Open 8:30 - 4:00 p.m.	11 Church Open 8:30 - 4:00 p.m. <i>Card-Makers</i> 10:00 - 1:00 p.m.	12 Church Open 8:30 - 4:00 p.m.	13 Church Open 8:30 - 12:00 p.m. Men's Breakfast 8:30 a.m. JAPC Yard Sale 9:00 a.m. Fall Fun Fair 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.
14 <u>FALL SCHEDULE</u> <u>RESUMES</u> 10:30 a.m. Worship & Church School - Crib-8th Grade Carillon Concert 11:45 a.m.	15 Church Open 9:00 - 4:30 p.m. <i>The Crafters</i> 10 - 2 p.m. Administration 7:30	16 Church Open 9:00 - 4:30 p.m. Mission 7:30 a.m. Tutoring TREE Tutor Training 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.	17 Church Open 9:00 - 4:30 p.m.	18 Church Open 9:00 - 4:30 p.m.	19 Church Open 9:00 - 3:30 p.m.	20 Church Open 9:00 - 12:00 p.m.
21 9:00 a.m. Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Worship & Church School GOLF OUTING 1:00 p.m.	22 Church Open 9:00 - 4:30 p.m. Administration 7:30	23 Church Open 9:00 - 5:30 p.m. Tutoring TREE Begins 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	24 Church Open 9:00 - 4:30 p.m. Session 7:30 p.m.	25 Church Open 9:00 - 4:30 p.m. The CREW 11:30 - 2:00 p.m.	26 Church Open 9:00 - 3:30 p.m.	27 Church Open 9:00 - 12:00 p.m. Yoga Classes Begins 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
28 9:00 a.m. Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Worship & Church School Jazz at JAPC 4:30 p.m.	29 Church Open 9:00 - 4:30 p.m.	30 Church Open 9:00 - 5:30 p.m. Tutoring TREE 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	1 Church Open 9:00 - 4:30 p.m. Presbyterian Women 9:45 a.m.	2 Church Open 9:00 - 4:30 p.m.	3 Church Open 9:00 - 3:30 p.m.	4 Church Open 9:00 - 12:00 p.m. Yoga Class 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. <i>Blessing of the Animals</i> 11:00 a.m.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

OCTOBER

- Saturday, Oct. 4, 11:00 a.m. — *Blessing of the Animals*
Sunday, Oct. 5, 10:30 a.m. — *World Communion* 7:00 p.m.;
Bible & Brew (City Kitchen, Grosse Pointe Village)
Sunday, Oct. 12, 10:30 a.m. — *Laity Sunday*
Thursday, Oct. 16, 10:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m. — *The Card-Makers*
Saturday, Oct. 18, 8:30 a.m. — *Men's Breakfast*
Sunday, Oct. 19, 11:45 a.m. — *Sunday Forum*
Tuesday, Oct. 21, 1:30 p.m. — *Tea & Chatter*
Thursday, Oct. 23, 11:30 a.m. — 2:00 p.m. — *The CREW*
Saturday, Oct. 25, 9:00 a.m. — *All-Church Garden Clean-Up*
Sunday, Oct. 26, 10:30 a.m. — *Reformation Sunday*;
11:45 a.m. *Children's Halloween Parade*
Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. — *Blood Drive*

NOVEMBER

- Sunday, Nov. 2, 10:30 a.m. — *All Saints' Sunday*; 7:00 p.m.
Bible & Brew (City Kitchen, Grosse Pointe Village)
Saturday, Nov. 8, 9:00 a.m. — *All-Church Work Day*
Sunday, Nov. 9, 10:30 a.m. — *Healing & Wholeness Service*;
11:45 a.m. — *Sunday Forum*
Saturday, Nov. 15, 8:30 a.m. — *Men's Breakfast*
Sunday, Nov. 16, 10:30 a.m. — *Harvest Sunday*
Thursday, Nov. 20, 10:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m. — *Card-Makers*
Sunday, Nov. 23, 10:30 a.m. — *Scottish Sunday*
Thursday, Nov. 27 — *Thanksgiving*
Sunday, Nov. 30, 10:30 a.m. — *First Sunday in Advent*

LOOKING FORWARD

Blood Drive

Willing to Give the "GIFT OF LIFE?"

Twice a year, in partnership with the Red Cross, the church conducts a Blood Drive. Last Spring, we collected 23 pints of blood.

What a gift of life each pint offers, in a myriad of ways, to people, young and old, whose lives are threatened by illness or accident.

The *Fall Blood Drive* will be held on Wednesday, October 29, from 2:30 – 7:30 p.m. under the leadership of Connie Sfire. It costs you nothing, but time, to participate, yet it is one of the most priceless gifts you can give to another person.

Save the date and make the commitment.

New Member Class *Sunday, November 9*

Would you like to explore Church membership? Our next *New Member Class* is scheduled on Sunday, November 9, at 9:00 a.m. in Dodge Hall. The class is for all those who want to learn more about the Presbyterian Church and JAPC's life and ministry. Indicate your interest on the Fellowship Roster, speak to one of the Pastors, or call the Church Office (313-822-3456).

Be careful. Continue strong in the faith. Have courage and be strong. Do everything in love.

— 1 Corinthians 16:13-14