PRAYER

"We long to be a church rooted in prayer."

For your prayer needs:

- During Communion at our Saturday evening & Sunday morning worship services there are Joy Prayer Partners located in the back of the church to pray with you.
- In the worship bulletin there is a Connection card, complete the card with your prayer request and drop it in the offering basket. Our Joy Partners will lift your concerns up in prayer for you. Mark it confidential and a special team will pray for you.
- Email your prayer request to Maggie Conkle, maggie@joycommunity.com, and we will send it out to our Joy partners for prayer.

Joy's Pastoral Team And Care Ministers

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October 2018

From The Pastor

One of the holidays that is celebrated in October is Columbus Day. As a kid growing up in a predominantly Italian community in New Castle PA, Columbus Day was a big deal. It was a day to celebrate our Italian heritage. There were festivals



complete with great Italian food, beer tents, music, and amusement park rides. In the days leading up to Columbus Day, we were taught at school that Christopher Columbus was a explorer who believed that the earth was round and that he set out with three ships to sail from the Spanish port of Palos to discover a western sea route to China. Instead he discovered a new world. We were taught he was a hero. Even though Columbus did not find what he was looking for, and he was not the first to discover America, I still do. But now I want to talk about a second October Holiday, some courageous journeys and some real heroes. October is National Pastor's Appreciation month. At Joy we have 7 individuals who serve and lead our congregation as pastors in varying capacities besides myself. These individuals help make Joy the incredible congregation we are today and I don't know another congregation in the world who has a more servant led Jesus loving team. Nor have I ever encountered a more diverse team. Scott Bowles dreamed about being a rock star as a young boy. (Literally) He was going to use his voice and guitar as a platform on stages to wow crowds. For the past 21 years he has been using his voice and guitar on a platform to connect hearts to Jesus. While technically he was never ordained at Joy, he has functioned in a pastoral role for our congregation for over 21 years. Paul Baehman was a produce farmer in Iowa who loved what he was doing and really tried to say no to God's call to ordained ministry. But in June of 1959 he said yes to Gods call and has been serving as a pastor for 59 years. For the past 13 years, Paul has continued to preach and teach at Joy Community and next month Paul and Marlene are leading our Joy marriage retreat. Continued on page 2

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In 1969, against his parents wishes in Columbus Indiana, Don Moorman answered His Heavenly Fathers Call to ministry, 49 years later Don is still teaching and preaching. Don and Jean partnered with Joy 14 years ago and for the past 14 years Don has been preaching, teaching and he continues to oversee the Joy Confirmation program. Jeff Thackston was ordained in 1985. He has been the hands and feet of Jesus in Nicaragua for the past three years and Joy's first full time missionary pastor. Kevin Gambill was only ordained three years ago, but in that three years he has done it all. From funerals to weddings, baptisms and funerals he is serving and leading in every possible capacity and doing an incredible job. Jace Meintz is now into his second year as youth pastor at Joy. His enthusiasm, leadership and love for Jesus has been contagious. Jennifer Cruse is being ordained this month. Jennifer is already establishing herself as a preacher, prayer warrior and bible study leader. Like Columbus, all of them set out on an adventure not quite knowing where they would end up. What are the odds of them all ending up at Joy Community Church? I tell everybody all the time, "I am the most blessed pastor ever. God is so much better to me than I deserve." To be surrounded by the likes of such a great team and to have their collective wisdom and friendship is absolutely humbling and amazing. This congregation has always gone above and beyond in expressing love and appreciation to me. Thank you. You have been so good to your senior pastor. Not just in October, but all year long. This year, for Pastor Appreciation month please show your love to my colleague's, friends and true heroes! Be extravagant! They deserve it.

Wishing You God's Very Best,

Pastor David Rispoli



We meet every Wednesday at 7pm for a message of encouragement and an evening of fellowship. Church at the Bar is held at Brewskeez Bar located at 4251 Keaton Crossing on Hwy K in O'Fallon. Invite your family, friends and neighbors to join us.

Opportunities for Youth and Adults To Grow and Learn

Sunday Mornings - TEEN TALK

Every Sunday our teens meet during the Sunday School hour at 8:30am for a discussion of current topics & Bible study. All are invited! Contact Gary Dixon for more info at 636-357-7775.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Calling all kids 4 years old through 5th grade! Sunday School continues all summer! Please join us at 8:30am on Sunday mornings. We have games, crafts & stories all while we learn about Jesus and how much he loves us.

Class Groups:

K-2nd grade - Bill Sumner 3rd-5th grade - Sandy Bowles

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Men's Bible Study:

All men are invited to join us Saturday mornings at 7:30am for Bible study and fellowship at Cappuccino's on Hwy K and Mexico Rd by Walmart.

For more info contact Glenn Lodge at 636-544-8984.

Wed Morning Bible Study:

Pastor Dave Rispoli leads a Wednesday morning Bible study at 7:00am at First Watch restaurant located at Mid Rivers Mall Dr & Suemandy next to Barnes and Noble.

Elevate—Student Ministry

Youth grades 6th thru 12th meet every Wednesday, 6pm-8pm at Joy Church. Bring a friend!!

Joy Youth Minister—Pastor Jace Meints 217-801-0389

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Please join us at 8:30am each Sunday. Whether you are a new Christian or have been one for years, there is room to grow in Sunday School. There are 3 classes to choose from.

BIBLE STUDY & DISCUSSION

Pastor Paul Baehmann and Pastor Don Moorman each lead a discussion based study of the Old and New Testaments.

COFFEE TALK SERIES

This is a video driven bible study open to all adults in room 212. Lead by Erin Lechner

JOY Ministry & Events



Over a year ago, the elders of Joy Community embarked on a journey to facilitate the ordination of Jennifer Cruse into pastoral ministry on the roster of the Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ.

The LCMC has special provisions to enable second career candidates like Jennifer the opportunity to enter pastoral ministry without incurring the debt of four years of seminary. For Jennifer this process included weekly mentoring with one of Joy's pastors, leadership development training, theological study, preaching opportunities and hands on pastoral care. The time commitment that Pastor Rispoli, Pastor Gambill and Pastor Moorman

put into this process was significant. Jennifer met with one of the Pastors at Joy every week for the past year. Jennifer's sense of call, educational background, love for Christ and commitment to Joy Community Church made her an ideal candidate for this program and we are excited and honored that she has reached the end of this milestone and is ready to begin pastoral ministry.

On Sunday, October 14th, Jennifer will be ordained during our worship service. She will then officially join the pastoral team at Joy Community and help provide pastoral leadership for our congregation. Please express your congratulations to Jennifer!!

H.O.P.E. Food Pantry

We have been really busy Helping Other People Eat at H.O.P.E food pantry. In August we provided food to



1,649 individuals and it looks like we will exceed that in September. The item for October is **Tuna (and/or Chicken) Helper** (we still have a lot of tuna) but our shelves are getting empty and it will be hard making it to

November when Boy Scouts and food drives at school starts. If you can do more we are also in desperate need of Cereal, Pasta Sauce, and Jelly.

FREE BIBLES AVAILABLE

If you or someone you know needs a Bible, please take one of the FREE Bibles available each week in the lobby.

Free CD of the Worship Message

Do you know someone who could use a message of encouragement this week? Perhaps a co-worker, unchurched family member or a shut in. There are free copies of the worship message available every week on the Joy table in the lobby.

JOY Events





<u>6:30pm – 10:00pm</u> (doors open at 6:00pm) Knights of Columbus 5701 State Highway N Cottleville, 63376

It's a fun night for all! Bring your friends, Bring your Neighbors, or Just Bring Yourself and support the Youth program!

There will be DOOR PRIZES and a Raffle with 20+ Corporate Donations and Great Gift Baskets!

The Details

- * Theme A Night at the Movies. Prize for best movie theme table!
- * <u>Tickets</u> \$15 a person / \$120 per table of 8 if purchased on or before Nov. 9th. After Nov. 9th (including the night of the event) \$20 per person / \$160 per table of 8. Tickets will be for sale on both Sat. night and Sun. morning each week starting on Oct. 6th.
- <u>Refreshments</u> Beer, soda, water, and coffee provided. Cash Bar available for mixed drinks. Don't forget to bring your own snacks.

Once again, the success of this event depends on you. Here is what we need from you...

- Attendance ...our goal this year is to fill the hall with 20 tables of 8 people. Tickets are available NOW!
- Round Sponsors a FULL round sponsor is \$100 and a HALF round sponsor is \$50.
 If you are interested in sponsoring a round, please contact Debra @ (636) 544-1695.
- <u>Door Prizes and Auction Items</u> Ask restaurants and businesses you frequent if they would like to make a donation(s).
- Volunteers If are you are available to help the night of the event, please contact Debra @ (636) 544-1695.

JOY Women's Ministry & Events

White Elephant BINGO was a huge success and lots of fun! About 25 ladies gathered for an evening of fun, food, fellowship and some amazing prizes! See Stacy Johnson below with her new best friend accurately named Bingo and Sharon Placatka with her new hat? Lampshade?











UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday October 12^{th} from 6:00 - 9:00 PM in the Joy Community Church Café the 2^{nd} Annual Appetizer contest will be held. Prizes will be awarded for 1^{st} , 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} place winners. Cook up your favorite appetizer and join us for a friendly evening of competition. In addition to good food and fellowship we will be playing a game to get to know each other better…bring your cell phones, they will help you succeed at the game!



Ticket money is due by SUNDAY OCTOBER 14th for the November 11th performance at Wesptort Playhouse. Make checks payable to Debbie Lodge or place cash in an envelope marked for Debbie Lodge in the collection plate.

150 bras were collected for ZABRA initiative! I want to thank Courtney Berge for getting us in touch with such a wonderful organization and everyone who donated. The bras that were collected will be delivered soon to the women of South Africa by the cup holders of Ntaba African Safaris.



MARRIAGE RETREAT Looking for ways to enrich your marriage? Pastor Paul Baehmann and Lori Gambill are planning a marriage retreat for those couples interested in improving their marriage relationship. The retreat will begin on Friday November 2 at 7:00 and will end

on November 3 at 3:00 p.m. We have made arrangements with Courtyard by Marriott in Chesterfield to provide overnight accommodations and a meeting room. The cost for the retreat will be \$185 per couple, which includes your King guest room, the meeting room, beverages during the retreat and lunch on Saturday. We need a minimum of 9 couples to hold the retreat. If you would like to attend, you must sign up in the lobby no later than October 14th.



Men's Ministry & JOY Events

Saturday October 13 Joy Community Church will be hosting a car show and business expo. If you have a car you would like to show, know someone who has a car to show, or are interested in volunteering at this event please contact Doug Hite 314-223-4864 to reserve your spot today! We have also decided to make this event a Business Expo as well. We would like to invite all JOY Partners who have a small business that they would like to promote to join us at the car show. This can be any number of things from Pampered Chef to a lawn care service. Whatever your business may be. We want you to be involved and to help you grow your businesses. If you have a small business, please contact Stacy Johnson 636-795-2339 and get your table reserved for the event





Men's Annual Chicken Wing Ding Competition

All men are invited to join us on Friday October 19th at 6:00pm at Pastor Dave's house 301 Summer Haven Ct. Bring your own drinks and wings to be shared and judged. These may be purchased or made by You! For more info contact Glenn Lodge at 636-544-8984 or Bill Helt at 314-495-8786.

3 WAYS TO TITHE

Want to keep up on your offering when you are not able to with us in worship?

- Sign up for Simply Giving, an automatic deduction program from your checking account. See Tim Kilz for additional information.
- Go to www.joycommunity.com and click on "give online" on the left side of the page or use the Tithe.ly app.
- 3) Checks made out to Joy Community Church or Cash in a provided envelope

WAYS TO WORSHIP THROUGH TECHNOLOGY

Worship attendance is very important to our Christian life, but sometimes we all have to miss a Sunday because we are out of town or because we are ill. You can join Joy's worship even when you can't be with us.

 BY INTERNET: Watch our live broadcast on joycommunity.com. We will also have a link to past weeks broadcasts. Share it with your friends!

JOY PARTNER CARE SYSTEM

Joy Community Church is a family and we want to make sure that we care for all of our partners in times of crisis or change such as a death in the family, sickness or injury, hospitalization or the birth of a baby. We have a system to make sure that your family receives the help and care you need during these times. Please contact Pastor Dave at 314-606-4272 when you have a care need AND then contact Maggie Conkle at 314-600-1633 to begin our partner care process.

Need Prayer? Email your prayer request to maggie@joycommunity.com and we will send it out to the Joy partners for you.

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	1	2	3	4	5	6 Men's Bible Study 7:30am Worship 5:00pm
7 Sun School 8:30am Worship 9:30am	8	9 Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting 7pm at Joy	Bible Study 7:00am Youth Meeting 6pm-8pm at Joy Church @ the Bar 7:00pm	11	Women's Ministry 2nd Annual App Off 6-9pm at Joy	Men's Bible Study 7:30am Car Show & Business Expo 10am-3pm Worship 5:00pm
14 Sun School 8:30am Worship 9:30am Jennifer Cruse's Ordination	15	16	Bible Study 7:00am Youth Meeting 6pm-8pm at Joy Church @ the Bar 7:00pm	18	Men's Ministry— Annual Wing Ding 6pm at Pastor Dave's	20 Men's Bible Study 7:30am Worship 5:00pm Dinner Club
21 Sun School 8:30am Worship 9:30am Brunch Club	22	23	24 Bible Study 7:00am Youth Meeting 6pm-8pm at Joy Church @ the Bar 7:00pm	25	26	27 Men's Bible Study 7:30am Worship 5:00pm
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