

CrossWay Covenant

COMMUNITY CONNECTION

October
2024

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Dear Friends,

October 7th will mark the one-year anniversary of the Hamas invasion of Israel, which initiated "the most significant military engagement in the region since the Yom Kippur War, in 1973." The media will be filled with special reports looking back at the events of this last year, mostly with their own political biases. But what has this past year meant to us, as the Church? Let me offer a few of my own reflections.

First of all, we cannot ignore this war. Though it may seem very far away and unconnected to our daily lives, this conflict is set in the cradle of our faith – the Holy Land itself. As such, it has ramifications that go far beyond geopolitics. This is yet another phase in the endless struggle for control over the nation where David ruled and where in incarnate Jesus walked the earth. As such, this is a war with spiritual overtones and implications. As the church, we need to pay attention, and intercede with prayer.

Secondly, though all human conflicts of this scale reflect humanity's sin and brokenness, we must never forget that this war began with an act of overt evil. The atrocities of October 7, 2023, reflected a level of barbarism which only Satan himself could instill in an aggressor. The Hamas terrorists involved perpetrated inhuman acts of cruelty which defy all the rules of civilization. Arguments can be made for and against how Israel has handled this war in the intervening months, but we cannot forget that Hamas sparked the conflict through callous aggression, and without the least concern for their own people in Gaza. Their purpose and their goal was to cause pain, instill fear, and sow discord.

Thirdly, we cannot afford to ignore the sudden burst of antisemitism which our own nation has seen as a result of this war. Seemingly from out of nowhere, elements of the younger generation, led especially by radicalized professors, have reignited a hatred of Jews which we have not seen in decades. Though Christianity has fallen into the trap of antisemitism through the centuries, it was always wrong to do so. To despise God's chosen nation is a sin, and a stumbling block. As a society, we must speak out against antisemitism, and we must especially ensure that it does not lead to violence.

What all of these points have in common is the element of spiritual warfare. We see in Israel right now a battle not only of flesh and blood, but of good versus evil. We cannot ignore it, and we must remember that it touches us, as people of God, even though we are over 6,000 miles away.

Blessings,

Pastor Bill

Pastor's Office Hours:

Thursday, October 10th & 24th from 6:30-8:30PM or by appointment

BY THE NUMBERS - ATTENDANCE & GIVING

September 1

Sunday School Attendance: 24
 Sunday School Offering: \$ 28.00
 Worship Attendance: 32
 Sunday Offering: \$ 1,347.00

September 8

Sunday School Attendance: 18
 Sunday School Offering: \$ 26.05
 Worship Attendance: 28
 Sunday Offering: \$985.00

September 15

Sunday School Attendance: 15
 Sunday School Offering: \$ 28.00
 Worship Attendance: 26
 Sunday Offering: \$ 870.00

September 22

Sunday School Attendance: 21
 Sunday School Offering: \$34.00
 Worship Attendance: 36
 Sunday Offering: \$1,245.00

Our sympathy to the families and friends of

*Velma Bullerdick
 Ruth Johnson
 Blaine Poynter
 Sharon Ferguson*

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Prayer Meeting

Mondays at 4:00PM

The Women's Group

Wed, Oct. 2nd at 7:00PM

50 Plus Luncheon

Fri, Oct. 4th at 12:00PM

Holy Communion

Sun, Oct. 6th at 10:45AM

Men's Fellowship Group

Wed, Oct. 9th at 7:00PM

Administrative Council

Wed, Oct. 16th at 7:00PM

VOLUNTEERS AUGUST

Greeter

Rachel Welliever

Usher

Lana Welliever
 Jamie Welliever

Liturgist

6th Sylvia Green
 13th Sheila Chadd
 20th Marcia Shaw
 27th Mary Ann Lowe

Nursery

Dixie Ruggles
 Rachel Welliever

PRAYER REQUEST

- Tina Bowers
- Dan Burns
- Dick Chadd
- Stacy Cook
- Faith Ells
- Sue Foy
- Kevin Fruits
- Kevin Hull
- Frank Howell
- Larry & Louise Hulse
- Kevin Jordan
- Tina King
- Pam Malone
- Jamie McCormick
- Kathy Olin
- Bill & Vivian Payne
- Jacob Pike
- Barb Runyon
- Tony & Camie Sciotto
- Norma Sillery
- Angie Staggs
- Karen Swalley
- Matthew Thomas
- Madonna Watson
- John & Karen Wilbur
- Our Country
- Israel
- Global Christians

Candy Hot Chocolate

Halloween Pit Stop

Thursday Night, October 31st from 6:00-8:00pm
 In the Basement at CrossWay Covenant Church
 101 East Main Street, New Market

Public Restrooms
are available

Visit our website and get up to date information and learn about our church and upcoming events

<https://www.crosswaycovenantchurch.com/>

The Women's Group

Seven women met in fellowship hall September 4, 2024. President Marci Welliever opened the meeting.

Unfinished Business: Dixie Ruggles reported that the profit from the bake sale during the town-wide yard sales in August was \$353.75. It will be added to the profit from the church rummage sale and put in the maintenance fund for the elevette repairs. Plans for this Friday's 50+ luncheon were finalized.

New Business: Marci asked the women to bring ideas concerning donations the women could give in November. Sheila will bring a list of the organizations that have been helped in the past. It was suggested that a donation to the elevette fund might be considered. The women are to bring suggestions for a mission statement for the group at the next meeting to be shared and finalized.

The group then studied chapter 6 (Generous to a Fault) of the study book Bad Girls of the Bible by Liz Curtis Higgins. The story of Ananias and Sapphira reflects the results of being untruthful. Lessons learned were pride and generosity do not mix, people need to give when nobody is looking, honesty is the only policy, and eternal riches, not temporal ones should be a goal.

Closing: Marci closed the meeting with prayer at 8:10 PM and the tables were set for Friday. The next meeting is October 2, 2024 at 8 PM at Sheila Chadd's new home.

Church Wide Cookout

Join us on Sunday, October 6th for our annual church cookout.

The cookout will take place at Rhett Welliever's house, after the conclusion of our church worship service .

For more information or directions, contact the church by phone, email, or in person.

The Men's Fellowship

The Men's Fellowship Group met on September 11th with five in attendance. Tom DeBusk gave the treasurer's report, with the fund balance standing at \$2,335.37. Dan Welliever reported that the food court this year netted a profit of \$440.75. The group voted to go ahead and replace the tree behind the church which had been destroyed in a storm earlier this year. However, it will not be replaced until the spring. The October churchwide cookout has been scheduled for October 6th, and the group plans to go bowling again on November 13th. Pastor Bill led a lively discussion centered around the preceding Sunday's sermon, and Bill Thomas closed in prayer.



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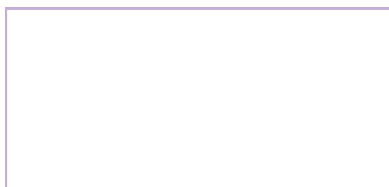
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October 2024



		1	2 Women's Group 7PM Bion Ruggles Birthday	3	4	5
6 Men's Fellowship Church Wide Cookout 12:00PM	7 Prayer Meeting 4PM	8	9	10 Bill Guffey Birthday	11	12
13	14 Prayer Meeting 4PM	15 Brian Foy Birthday	16 Ad Council Meeting 7PM	17 Kaiti Chadd Osha Birthday	18	19
20 Taylor Burkhart Birthday	21 Prayer Meeting 4PM	22	23 Susie Groves Birthday	24	25	26
27	28 Prayer Meeting 4PM	29	30 Collin Bartlett & Dixie Ruggles Birthday	31 Halloween Pit Stop 6-8PM 		

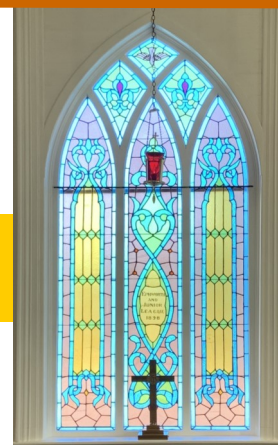
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Come Worship With Us

Sunday School: 9:30 AM
Worship Gathering: 10:45 AM



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If you have any pictures or events you want posted, please contact Lori Hedrick.

Find Us On Our Website!

Just go to www.crosswaycovenantchurch.com or google CrossWay Covenant, New Market, Indiana
If you have any thing you would like to put on the church website, please contact Rachel Welliever