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 - Disciple
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THE PULSE OF COUNTRYSIDE

Have You Heard the Voice of God Today? - Pastor Jon Black

I remember the day I heard my coach's voice calling out my name as I stood on the sidelines of the football field next to all the other 2nd and 3rd stringers: "Black, get into the game!" My heart was filled with a mixture of excitement and trepidation. The coach had called my name, and it was now time for me to respond and give my all!

When Jesus first called his disciples, he told them to follow him, and they responded. And they would continue to respond to his voice for the next three years... (and beyond).

*Sail to the other side of the lake
and I will meet you there.*

Hand out this bread to everyone.

*Peter, James, John, follow me up this
mountain.*

*Break into pairs. I'm sending you
out on a mission trip.*

*I need two disciples to go into that
village and find a donkey for me.*

*I am giving you my authority to go
into the world and make disciples of
all nations.*

As Jesus' present-day disciples, we are no different. Every morning when we wake up, we must first and foremost listen for the Lord's voice.

1 Corinthians 7:17

*...each person should
live as a believer in
whatever situation the
Lord has assigned to them, just as
God has called them.*



This is also what Jesus meant when he commanded us to "seek **first** the kingdom of God and His righteousness."

*"Lord, I offer you the first part of my
day to read your Word and to listen
for your leading."*

But to discern God's voice without responding would be like hearing our coach's command to get into the game and choosing to ignore it.

Fall is a very busy time of year for many of us with the start up of school and church activities. So many voices and demands compete for our attention. It is easy to miss the Lord's voice amongst all the others.

But God continues to speak. He continues to communicate his kingdom assignment for each of us every day and reminds us that we are his hands and feet in this world.

Have you heard God's voice today?
Have you responded by giving
your all?



Women's Ministry

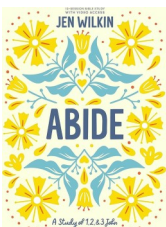
"Thank you for doing this! What a neat thing to do! It's so good to be a part of this opportunity." Those are all statements that we heard as we gathered for our **Back to School Prayer Event** on Monday, August 14. Twenty-four folks were divided into groups that prayed at our elementary schools (Lincoln, Roosevelt, Washington and Eisenhower), the middle school, the high school, Elyria Christian School, Sonshine Preschool and the central office here in McPherson. It was a beautiful night bringing our requests to God and claiming scripture over the students, teachers, and other staff members at each building. In addition to the twenty-four people here in McPherson, another ten gathered in Galva to pray over their school on Sunday evening, August 13. Thanks to each of you who took part; it is our prayer that in addition to God hearing our prayers that His presence will be felt by many during this school year!



What are you doing at **9:30 am on Saturday, September 9?** Women's Ministry is hosting a **Sharing Saturday**. Jean Ballew is our guest speaker who has an awesome story to share with us about friends and

other women in our lives. She and her husband Frank attend Countryside where she has been active in several opportunities including women's Bible studies. We invite you to join with other women from 9:30 – 11 am in the Student Center for a lite breakfast and an opportunity to share friendship and an encouraging word from Jean. We'll also have our "craft on" as we try our hand at squeegee painting or create a blessing jar. You'll help us provide enough materials by letting us know which craft you'll do. Cost is \$5 per craft.

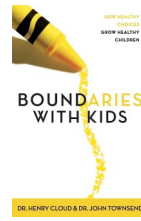
It's that time of year when new Bible studies kickoff and our slate has several offerings. Be sure to read through the descriptions and sign up by calling the Church Office or noting the choice on your Connection Card. We'd love for you to come grow with us!



Monday mornings at 9:00 and evenings at 6:45, Sharon Stinemetze is leading the **Abide** study. It's a 10-session study on the letters of 1, 2, and 3 John. In these three short letters, the apostle John reminds an early church facing division, deception, and doubt to hold fast to what

they know and to live like they believe it. This study will help us see how two thousand years later, His

words call to Christians in similar challenges to recall a great salvation and to abide in the truth. **Begins Sept. 11.**



Boundaries with Kids will take you through the ins and outs of instilling the kind of character in your children that will help them lead balanced, productive, and fulfilling adult lives. This study will be facilitated by Trudy Fisher on Wednesday evenings at 6:15. And together you will discover the help you need for raising your kids to take responsibility for their actions, attitudes, and emotions. **Begins Sept. 13.**



Thursday mornings at 9:00, Lynn Black and Michelle Logback will first lead a **Precepts Study** on the book of Malachi which will be followed by I and II Thessalonians. Malachi (looking to the first coming of Jesus) and 1&2 Thessalonians (looking to the second coming of Jesus!). How then shall we live as we await His coming? This study **starts on Sept. 7.**



Embracing Trust, the Art of Letting Go and Holding on to a Forever-Faithful God, begins on **Sept. 7 at 7 pm** and will be facilitated by Linda Totman. If you struggle with disappointment from the past, frustration with the present, or fear of the future, you'll be invited to trust in the Lord with all your heart. Relinquishing control and putting your hope in a forever-faithful Father – that's the beautiful secret of unshakeable faith.

Just let me know if you need childcare for any of the above Bible studies or these upcoming events. Here are some upcoming events to get on your calendar now that we'd love for you to participate in. All women who attend Countryside are invited!

- ⇒ **October 23** – A Woman's Night of Worship
- ⇒ **November 27** – A Woman's Night of Service
- ⇒ **December 10** – Christmas Open House Tours

Happy Fall to each of you!

Linda Totman, Women's Ministry Coordinator



Christian Formation Classes for ALL ages begin on Sunday, September 17 at 9:45 a.m.

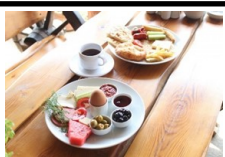
- ⇒ **Sept. 10** – All Adult Assembly in the Worship Center to hear from each teacher about their class content. **Registration needed** to help us make room assignments. Student and all children classes begin. Nursery provided under age 2.
- ⇒ **Sept. 17** – All Adult CF classes begin.

A new class just added!

Kingdom Families. Starts October 1. Once a month *combined* class for children ages Kindergarten – 6th grade and their parents/grandparents. This will be a time for *families* to engage in a monthly lesson together and be introduced to a new family discipleship practice for the month! *There will be no Kids Town for Kindergarten – 6th grade on these Sundays. Adults will skip their regular class.*



Sept. 3 Visitor Brunch between worship services at 9:45am. Contact



Lynn Black (620)755-7585 if you plan to attend. Eat with Countryside Staff and enjoy informal Q & A about Countryside and our ministries. Room 5 on the west end of the building.

Which CF Class should I go to?



No homework.

Reading Expected.

Homework expected.

CLASSES OFFERED

SUNDAYS 9:45 AM



Next Step Class, (begins October 1). What does church membership mean? This is an opportunity to meet others new to Countryside, learn about our church, its ministries and our denomination, the Evangelical Covenant Church. Discover your spiritual gifts and consider how God wants to use you for His kingdom work. A pre-requisite for membership and leadership. (Countryside Staff)



Faith and Logic. We live in a world that does not value absolute truth and we are bombarded with things every day that sound true but are actually false. Learn how to evaluate information by confronting logical fallacies and understanding that God is the author of all truth. (Rev. Bower)



Serendipity in the New Testament. Build community with other parents of young children as you apply the New Testament to real life situations you experience with your family. As you grow in your relationship with Jesus, you'll be better equipped to help your kids grow too. (Hamilton/Epp)



Understanding Generational Differences in a Complex World. Shrink the generation gap by expanding your understanding of your kids, parents, grandparents, grandkids. Address important issues that define the thinking of each generation, especially the impact of technology. Find ways to communicate more effectively with those older and younger than you so you can share the gospel with those you love. Varied format each week: panel discussions, small group participation, some outside reading, etc. (Black, Vetter, Lockard, Gibson)



Precepts for Women. Have you wanted to read through the Bible and just never done it? Build friendship and community with your sisters in Christ as you study the Bible chronologically. Learn how to study the Bible as you study it. (Anderson)



Immerse, the Bible Reading Experience - Chronicles. This class is structured more like a book club than a lecture! Students are expected to pre-read the material and come ready to discuss their insights and wrestle through questions with the class. Readings in the NLT translation include OT books of Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, and Daniel. (Kaufman/Rogers)



Worship Choir starting back up on **Monday, September 11th!** Come join us! **Why?** Psalm 100 tells us that the whole earth is to 'Shout for joy to the Lord.' You'd be with a weekly community of believers committed to glorifying God and helping others offer their fullest praises to him!

Who? Anyone over the age of 16! This is a non-audition group, so any and all voices and vocal abilities are welcome.

When/Where? Starting September 11th, the choir will meet weekly in the fall on Monday nights from 6:30-8:00pm in Room 20 at church.



The Oak Harbor Cottages

In the next few months, four more cottages will be complete, allowing us to provide a refuge for 9 families. Every family has a different story that often breaks your heart. They have lost hope and feel that they have nowhere to turn. Being able to minister to them at the lowest point of their lives is an honor and a privilege. Every story is different; we find people in generational and often situational poverty. Domestic violence is a common theme among many of the women. Fortunately, we have a partnership with The Safe Project. This domestic violence organization assists families and determines safety issues before MHC can proceed. Once they decide it is a safe situation, families are moved into the cottages, and the work begins; whether it is counseling, education, or legal issues, we can fill the gap.

Here is one such story:

"I have been a single mother since 2016, and during that time, I have struggled with housing and childcare. I put myself through college online while pregnant and working full-time. Still, I needed help to utilize my degree and experience, because I could not afford childcare. I came to McPherson in January with my son and what I could fit in my vehicle. We arrived hoping to settle here to be closer to family and an overall better environment for my child. Due to unforeseen circumstances, I lost my support system and had to seek help from local resources, and then I contacted the McPherson Housing Coalition. I had no idea if they could help me at all, but they did indeed help me with everything I needed to succeed as a single mother. They helped me by providing shelter and a stable home. I had childcare assistance with their help, which empowered me to be more successful and receive several promotions. I am starting my new career with my dream job, which allows flexibility when my son is out of school on weekends and holidays. This is the first time I have been able to pursue my career since I left my field of work in 2016, and it is all because of the continued support of the McPherson Housing Coalition and its staff. I have moved onto a two-bedroom permanent home and have the resources to be independent. But I will never forget my case manager telling me to pursue my dream because I will always have her support. I can't thank you enough for what you have done for us."

With your help, the stories of families finding a new life are becoming a reality. Thank you!

Important Dates:

- ⇒ September 27th, 4:00 pm Groundbreaking (Sutherland Estates) /tours of the Oak Harbor Cottages. (400 S Oak St)
- ⇒ September 28th McPherson Housing Conference, Community Building.

Romans 12:12 ~ Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

Blessings, Chris Goodson



McPherson Housing Coalition is excited to announce the third annual **McPherson County Housing Conference on September 28, 2023**, to be held at the McPherson Community Building located at 122 East Marlin Street in McPherson, Kansas (8 am to 4 pm). Through this conference, we will spend the day with McPherson County leaders, realtors, investors, city, county and federal speakers, and nonprofit partners as they discuss the current state of the local housing market. Together we will collaborate and find solutions for housing issues in McPherson County. At this year's event, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, will be the key note and discuss rural prosperity along with other local, state and federal agencies. We encourage anyone interested in housing development, social services, or fair housing to attend this conference so that they can learn about new housing programs, community development, local housing programs and fair housing laws. The McPherson County Housing Conference will provide landlords, developers, builders, public officials, and the social service community with information on state and federal grants, local resources and the opportunity to share information with other participants.

Register here for the 2023 McPherson County Housing Conference:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mcpherson-county-housing-conference-2023-tickets-673792510537?aff=ebdssbdestsearch&lang=en-us&locale=en_US&status=30&view=listing&fbclid=IwAR3M56eCmVZeB1YTK8L_S460H9C1POb6lAHf1juKGbtlH9Y97DzkBXYaFQ



September

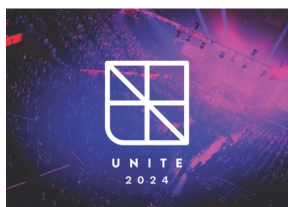


- 3 |** Worship Service Times Change 8:30 am & 11 am
9 pm High School to Applebee's for HAPPS
- 6 |** 6:15 -7:45 pm Middle School Youth Group
8-9:30 pm High School Youth Group
- 13 |** 6:15 -7:45 pm Middle School Youth Group
8-9:30 pm High School Youth Group
- 20 |** 6:15 -7:45 pm Middle School Youth Group
8-9:30 pm High School Youth Group
- 27 |** SEE YOU AT THE POLE – Day of Prayer at your school's flagpole before school begins, check your school for details.
6:15 -7:45 pm Middle School Youth Group
8-9:30 pm High School Youth Group



Get your Life Student Ministry Apparel!

Order your Lifestumin t-shirts, hoodies, crew neck or patches on the church app or website by September 15th!



Unite 2024 is in the Planning

Unite (formerly known as CHIC) is a denominational wide event where we will Unite together around God's purposes. All Covenant churches across North America and beyond are invited to encourage and equip high school students for God's glory and neighbor's good. The event will be hosted at two separate locations. The Midwest Conference that we are a part of has been assigned to go west to San Diego, held at San Diego State University, July 15-19, 2024. This event is for incoming freshmen (those who will complete 8th grade by summer of 2024) through outgoing seniors (class of 2024)! If you are interested in receiving more information, sign up for updates on the church app or website!

Be watching for the Envelope Fundraiser!

Life Student Ministry students are working hard planning and fundraising for Unite 2024 in San Diego, California. There will be a display of colorful envelopes in the foyer with an amount on it. All you have to do is put that amount back in the envelope and return it to the box! All proceeds will go to students!

Life Student Ministry Christian Formation Begins on Sunday, September 10th @ 9:45 am.

All students, grades 5th— seniors in high school gather in the Student Center for announcements and then dismiss to classrooms.

High School - Student Center with Kelly and Lizzy Johnson

7th & 8th - Confirmation - Room 3 with Evelyn Evans, Cheryl Coffman, and Tom Sullivan

5th & 6th - Club 56 - Room 2 with Brian Cooper & Hannah Bower

Confirmation Class for 7th & 8th Grade Students

Parents should have received an email with information. If you did not, please contact Kelly. The 7th & 8th students at Countryside have the opportunity to complete the requirements to be confirmed in their faith. Confirmation in the Covenant Church is designed to systematically explore God's word, the history of our faith, and what it means to be a disciple of Christ. As students grow and mature in their faith in these formative years, they will work through the Bible in two years. One year we focus on the Old Testament, and the following year, the New Testament. In addition to the Journal, students must complete 15 sermon notes and 15 service hours each year. For students who do not wish to be confirmed, this will still be the Sunday morning class they will attend. There is still much to be gained by just participating.

Looking Ahead:

October 1st | Countryside to P & M Pumpkin Ranch

4th | No Youth Group at Countryside – FCA
Fields of Faith Community Event for Middle
& High School Students. Location TBD

31st | Trunk or Treat @ Countryside

November 3-5 | Middle School Fall Retreat at Covenant Cedars

17-19 | High School Fall Retreat at Covenant Cedars



Welcome Keragan, Student Worship Director

My name is Keragan Dix, and I am both honored and thrilled to be a part of the youth ministry here at Countryside. You may recognize me from last summer as I was the worship intern! I am excited to serve at this church again, and I am excited to see some familiar faces with some new ones as well! I am a music major with a minor in psychology, and I will be graduating from Central Christian College of Kansas this spring. My main instrument is electric bass, but I also play violin, cello, guitar, mandolin, ukulele, and a little bit of piano. I have had the pleasure of teaching one-on-one lessons this past year and I enjoy helping others grow in their music abilities as well as encouraging them in their walk with Christ as they explore the gifts the Lord has given them. Thank you for welcoming me into your ministry, and I pray I can be of great service here!

10th Annual Middle School 24-hour Rush on August 3-4th. Countryside hosted over 75 students & leaders from area Covenant churches for 24 hours of fellowship & fun.

Huge **THANK YOU** to **Tony Wedel, Clint Scheck, Ryker Duncan, Taryn Vetter, & Cheryl Coffman** for all your hard work in the kitchen!



High School Summer Trip to Worlds of Fun!



Watch For Upcoming Events:

Please refer to the church app or website under Student Ministries to stay informed on upcoming events. You can also follow us @Lifestumin on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter for announcements.

CHURCH APP



M.S. APP



Lifestumin M.S Youth Group
Scan this QR code and join!

H.S. APP



Life Student Ministry H.S Youth Group
Scan this QR code and join!



*Every person 55 plus
growing in relationship
with Jesus Christ and serving
in His kingdom ministry.*



Crescendo – What's Planned for this Year?

The Crescendo Leadership Team met for planning and discernment in August to determine next steps. Pastor Jon shared the staff and leadership team's discerned vision for Countryside's discipleship focus. As we prayed, talked and planned, we were able to see how the mission and ministry of Crescendo is truly one of discipleship at heart.

There is nothing more valuable that we can do with our time than to create relationships with others that are Christ-centered and share our faith in the process. Who lead you to Christ? Who helped to grow your soul after that? Have you thanked God for them lately? Who might God be asking you to develop a faith friendship with so that you have opportunity to share your story with them?

The apostle John tells us in His book "Revelation" that only two things overcome the evil one: the blood of the lamb and the testimony of the saints. When you share your story of giving your life to Jesus and tell someone what He's doing for you today, you are winning souls for Christ!

Faith Friendships Forming Soon

Crescendo will be teaming up with the Confirmation students to provide faith friendships with them. These one on one pairings will provide an opportunity for the generations to connect over shared interests, talk about both important and not-so-important things, and offer prayer for our students. Participants will be given training, resources, and a crown of life as you pass your faith on to another generation. Faith friends will meet once a month at church or school events or at Craft Coffee Parlor or over the engine of a car, wherever you are both comfortable to talk. Contact either Lynn Black or Kelly Morrow for more information. Look for September sign up.



Crescendo Sponsored Mystery Tour September 24 – All Things Wood!



Meet at church at 4:30pm. Carpool/van ride to a private arboretum tucked away in plain site in the heart of McPherson. We'll be treated to a conversation with a local arborist whose passion is for the 60 different trees planted all around his property! Tour the landscape and his private garden, then enjoy Q & A over a light sandwich supper (\$3 donation). Wood working enthusiasts will enjoy discussion inside his large woodshop. Reservations required for food and so we don't leave without you. Call the church office before Sept. 21st (620)241-4499. Elementary through high school students and their families are welcome also! Everyone bring your own lawn chair!

Webinars with Pastor David Case

Live Free Ministries (Omega Ministries in Mac) has a weekly webcast with its founder and leader Rev. David Case. In July he interviewed several representatives from our Mom's Ministry and Crescendo Leader Lynn Black in two separate podcasts. For a great summary of these ministries, tune in to the recordings:

Mom's Ministry Steering Team Reps: [Mom is a Ministry! - HCU Live! - YouTube](#)

Crescendo interview of Lynn Black: [Lives of Lasting Purpose - HCU Live! - YouTube](#)



Widows' Connection Upcoming Event:

- * **Tuesday, September 5, 9:30am, monthly meeting.**

**Contact Judy Blaine, 360-355-0943,
for more info.**



Countryside Kids



P&M PUMPKIN RANCH

Please join us for our annual P&M Pumpkin Ranch Event on October 1st! Countryside Kids will be hosting this event which means we will be providing you with free hotdogs and s'mores at the campfires from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. See admission prices above, and please note that this is a special rate for Countryside Covenant Church that day. So, you will need to mention that you are with Countryside at the admission gate to get this special price. You are welcome to go out there when they open, but we hope to see you at the campfires at 5:30!

For those of you who might be new to Countryside, this will be our 9th year to gather at P&M for this annual event! Tim and Jamie Kaminkow (owners of P&M) attend Countryside Covenant Church and have invited us out each year so that we can spend time together and make memories together as a church family! We are thankful for their continued invitation each year!

KIDS LIFE | WEDNESDAYS

Kids Life is our midweek program that begins on September 6th. The evening runs from 6:15 - 7:45 p.m. Just in case you missed our Open House and Parent Meeting, here are a few things you need to know!

- Kids Life is for children ages 4 - 5th grade.
- 1st - 5th grade will receive a handbook. The cost for those is \$10 (contact Amy for scholarships to help cover that cost if needed).
- Make sure your child brings their Bible each week!
- Preschool and Kindergarten are picked up in the nursery.
- 1st - 5th grade must be picked up in the Worship Center. Children will not be able to leave the Worship Center without a parent or guardian. Contact Amy if other arrangements are needed.

KIDS TOWN | SUNDAYS

We are so excited to begin Kids Town for the 2023-24 school year! Classes begin on Sunday, September 10th. A few things to note as we begin a new year so that you feel ready for the first day!

- New Times! Christian Formation will begin at 9:45 a.m. this year and will end at 10:45 a.m.
- Ages 2 - Preschool will check in at the nursery for class.
- Kindergarten - 4th grade will check in at Room 15 next to the Countryside Café.
- Children will only be dismissed to a parent or guardian.



KINGDOM FAMILIES

OCTOBER 1ST | 9:45 AM | GYM

For years now, we have been hearing the statistics about children walking away from their faith after HS graduation. There are books, articles, and blogs about why this is happening and as I read them, it becomes clear that we can't really point to one specific reason for why. Unfortunately, there is no magic formula for how to ensure that your kids form a lasting faith. But, we do have Biblical instructions in Deuteronomy 6 for our role as parents that will ensure that our children have a solid foundation of faith so that as they grow, they understand how to process all that they will encounter in this world. Through Kingdom Families, we hope to help families orient their lives for Kingdom Living and equip them to see God at work in all things at all times. Children (K-6) and parents/guardians will meet together once a month in the gym during the CF hour to experience this foundational learning together!

CALENDAR @ A GLANCE

SEPTEMBER

3 | New Service Times Begin (First Service: 8:30 a.m. Second Service: 11:00 a.m.)

6 | Kids Life Begins | 6:15 - 7:45 p.m.

10 | Kids Town Begins | 9:45 - 10:45 a.m.

Leadership Team

UPDATE

2 Cor. 3:18 “And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is Spirit.”

September 10 Congregational Business Meeting

As you have read in the last couple bulletins, September 10 directly after second service we have scheduled a special called Congregational Business Meeting which has a two-fold purpose – 1) the Pastoral Search Committee recommends to call Lynn Black as Pastor of Adult Ministries at Countryside Covenant Church and 2) the formation of a Pastoral Search Committee for a Youth Pastor/Director. This search committee is anticipatory in purpose: no net staff or budget change is being proposed in forming this specific new search committee. Please plan to attend! This meeting continues the process outlined in our church by-law requirements for calling a pastor.

As regards a call to Pastor Lynn

In the May newsletter the Pastoral Search Committee gave an update and stated “Being called to a church is a mutually discerned process between the candidate and the congregation that carries a sacred trust and responsibility. The process, if done well, will confirm that God has called Pastor Lynn to Countryside, to serve for this season and in this role. It is similar to the process for a currently serving president to determine whether they should serve another term.” As has been our custom, and based on congregational feedback, we plan a ballot vote. The bylaws require a 2/3 vote for a pastoral call. We have affirmed the change anticipated to the job description that of only a title change, and that there would be no budgetary impact. At the Special Business Meeting, the Pastoral Search Committee will officially deliver their recommendation, and congregational discussion will be welcome. Please continue to be in prayer for Pastor Lynn and for this meeting.

As regards election of a Pastoral Search Committee for a Youth Pastor / Director

I anticipate the following question – “can’t we use the already existing Pastoral Search Committee?” The answer is no. Technically, they were elected for a specific task which is being discharged by their recommendation for Pastor Lynn. Accordingly, the nominating committee has prepared a slate of candidates for another committee. Again, for this election as well we plan to use a ballot vote. This committee will have the task to seek a candidate who meets our job description requirements. It is not a job requirement that

the candidate be ordained. God has blessed us at Countryside with faithful staff who are very gifted and unique people! I copy from among various director job descriptions that duties include “provide pastoral care for children and/or their families...,” “supports/assists students, parents and families in crucial ways...” and “provide pastoral ministry support...” I am pointing out that there is very much a “pastoral” element in each of our director positions. There is certainly a likelihood of an ordained candidate making application. I also note that the Leadership Team in hiring a Director would generally plan to have a separate search committee. Electing this particular committee, at this time, affords us the option as we move forward in search of a candidate – we can consider people who would have title of either “Youth Director” or “Youth Pastor.” For clarity, there is neither a job description nor a budget change being made or planned for this position. Please be in prayer as we begin the process for this search!

Mark Wurm, Church Chair

Church Life Update



Baptisms:

Jonathan Dietrich, Emory Espinosa,
Lyla Shaffett

Birth:

Zander Elijah, son of Shane & Courtney
Dowsett, August 14.

White Rose:

Ava Roberts

Blessed

August 2023 Attendance (includes online)

	Christian Formation	Worship
August 6	—	498
August 13	—	592
August 20	—	595
August 27	—	639

August 2023 Giving

August 6	\$34,630.00
August 13	\$27,065.18
August 20	\$21,454.47
August 27	\$22,617.25
Total Y-to-D	\$828,782.80
Giving vs Expenses Y-to-D	\$-8,406.81

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Countryside Covenant Church is a body of believers with a heart for Jesus Christ.

This Month at Countryside

Worship Services at 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Christian Formation, 9:45 a.m.



SEPTEMBER EVENTS

2, 9, 16, 23, 30	Women's Coffee Connection
4	Labor Day/Office Closed
5 & 16	Widows' Connection
5, 12, 19, 26	Men's Coffee
6, 13, 20, 27	Time of Prayer
6, 13, 20, 27	Celebrate Recovery
9	Sharing Saturday Women's Ministry Brunch
10	Christian Formation classes begin
11	Worship Choir begins
12 & 26	MOMs Group
19	Leadership Team Meeting
24	Ministry Coordination Council Meeting
24	Crescendo Mystery Tour
25	Sew & Share
27	See You at the Pole

Have a safe Labor Day



Countryside Staff

Pastor Jon Black, Lead

Pastor Jeremy Bower, Associate

Pastor Lynn Black, Adult Ministries

Kelly Morrow, Student Ministries

Amy Brunk, Children's Ministries

Connor Gibson, Worship Arts

Linda Totman, Church Administrator

Kim Goering, Office Assistant

Tiffani Eilrich, Children's Ministry Assistant