



THE WITNESS • NOV 2025

Helping tornado victims

WGBC and WGCC JOIN SERVING 50 MEALS FOR TORNADO VICTIMS

How do we serve 50 carry out meals at a time that is so traditional and busy for all of us? We divide and conquer, that's how!

Between our two congregations (WGBC and WGCC) we have divided the needed food to prepare, pack and deliver 50 turkey dinners on Wednesday, November 26, the day before Thanksgiving, to the tornado victims in the Centennial Church/Fountain Park area.

FIRST GOOD NEWS! You do not have to cook a thing! Just buy the items or contribute money for us to buy what WGCC is providing.

SECOND GOOD NEWS! Kenrick's Catering is cooking and deboning the turkey and providing gravy. The cost of turkey and gravy is about \$200

WGBC has the list of food they are providing. They DO have to do some cooking!

We are asking you to donate food, or money to buy what is needed.

The needed food list WGCC is providing is below. Amounts will be on the sign up list available in the hall outside of sanctuary.

Volunteers to help pack are needed also!

Here's the list

Bags of frozen corn

Cans of cranberry sauce

Dinner rolls

Butter patties

Pumpkin pies

Whipped

Bottles of Water

Volunteers needed Tuesday Nov 25 - 10-11 a.m. and Wednesday Nov. 26 - 9-10:30 a.m..

SIGN UP ON THE LIST AT CHURCH FOR QUANTITY TO BUY. OR DONATE MONEY.

Food items **MUST** be at church by Wednesday, November 19, **except for rolls and pumpkin pie.**

QUESTIONS? TALK TO PAT ROSEMAN OR JULIE WOOD

REMINDER: FALL BACK THIS SUNDAY
Daily Saving Time ends on Sunday, Nov. 2,
so remember to set your clocks back!

Disciples Women serve at Fountain Park



The Marthas met in the parlor on Thursday, October 9 at 12:30 with six members attending. The ladies enjoyed good fellowship while eating their sack lunches and enjoying novel popcorn balls and candy provided by Hostess Julie Wood. After lunch, Carol gave the devotional and Bev gave the study, "Women Lead as Mentors" from the study book Just Women. This was the remarkable Bible story about Naomi and Ruth.

The service project was the Isaiah coordinated meal for the Fountain Park neighborhood to be served the next day. Monetary gifts were received and in addition to that the group helped package part of the meal assembly line style while sitting at tables. That was possible due to the ingenuity of Service Chairs Pat Roseman and Janie Joplin!

So far in October, \$235 has been raised! Thank you to everyone who contributed, in person and monetarily.

The next meeting will be Nov. 13 at 12:30 in the Parlor. The hostess will be Anna, devotional will be Jane, and study will be Carol.

In October we had 7 people attending Tabitha. Diane Mark did double duty by leading the study on working toward unselfishness and also providing the delicious dessert. The November meeting will be the 13th: Janie Joplin will host with the dessert and Sally Smith will lead the study.

NO Disciples Women Luncheon in November. The card makers will meet on the first Thursday-- to make cards for Christmas. If you want to join us—come on DOWN!!

- Susan Burney

WRHM shopping list

The Disciples Women's November service is our traditional one for Webster-Rock Hill Ministries. We prepare 10 Thanksgiving bags, 5 from each group. Bring bags to church by Sunday November 9, and take to the front of the sanctuary for blessing. The shopping list follows:

Stove Top stuffing 1
Gravy, can or envelope (no glass) 1
Green beans 2
Corn 2
Cranberry Sauce 1
Sweet potatoes, can 1
Corn bread mix 1
Brownie or cake mix 1
Can of Icing 1
No gift card for turkey (provided by WRHM)

Thank You for giving a Thankful meal!

Room at the Inn is going HOME!

The renovation of our Bridgeton facility is nearing completion and we need help moving HOME.

We welcome anyone who can help us move: physical, supervisory, and logistical support are needed.

The dates and times for our move are below. Please use SignUp Genius to choose a shift, or reach out to Cindy Warren with questions at cwarren@roomstl.org or 314-209-9181.

Friday, November 21, 2025

9:00am- 12:00 pm - [Bridgeton Site](#)

Morning Shift:

Unload the 6 storage units on site at [Bridgeton](#), and place items into appropriate spaces in the building.

Address: 3415 Bridgeland Dr

Bridgeton, MO 63044

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm - [Florissant Site](#)

Afternoon Shift:

Meet at the [Marygrove campus, Drury House](#), 2705 Mullanphy Lane, to load our rental truck, and unload at Bridgeton.

Friday, December 5, 2025 - Moving Clients Day

9:00 am - 12:00 pm [Florissant Site](#)

Meet at [Marygrove campus, Drury House](#), to load client belongings, beds, office furniture, and various items into a moving truck in Florissant and unload at Bridgeton.

OR

Bridgeton Site

Perform light cleaning at Bridgeton before the clients arrive.



DECEMBER 4, 2025

3:00PM - 6:00 PM

**TOURS BEGIN AT
3 PM**

**RIBBON
CUTTING**

**& BLESSING
AT 4 PM**



**3415 BRIDGELAND DR.
BRIDGETON, MO 63044**



**Register for the event with QR code
or call Cindy Warren @ 314-209-9181
or email at cwarren@roomstl.org**

Friday, December 5, 2025

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm [Bridgeton site](#)

Meet at [Bridgeton site](#) to help unload and organize.

We welcome anyone who can lend a hand—individuals, families, congregations, school groups, and corporate volunteers. If you cannot make a full shift, even an hour would be greatly appreciated.

Sign up using the following Sign-Up Genius link or call our office at 314-209-9181 and ask for Cindy Warren to schedule a time.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A49AAAA2FA4F8C43-53475012-help>

With sincere appreciation,

The Room at the Inn Family

Words of thanks for WGCC

Dr. LJ Punch, a trauma surgeon dedicated to community healing, spoke to our congregation on Oct. 19 and thanked us for our support of 314 Oasis.

In the wake of the May 16 tornado his collective effort seeks to bring his knowledge and practice in trauma care to neighbors and neighborhoods themselves, as a model of community health and collective healing applicable to climate trauma in its many expressions.

“The truth is, before receiving word of your incredible donation we were not sure how we were going to continue operations,” he said.

“Much of what drew us to center our efforts in Fountain Park was the long enduring ministry of Centennial and the need to mend the safety net as they did so much to serve the community. So it means so much to have your solidarity and tangible contribution to that work.”



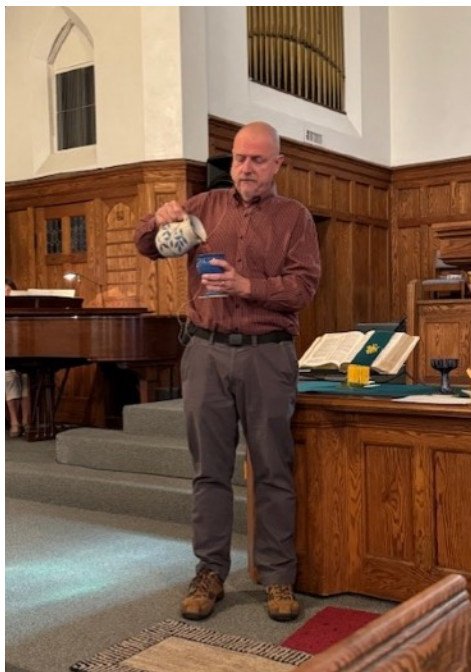
The **Thanksgiving Offering** benefits the Colleges, Universities, Seminaries, and Divinity Houses affiliated with the **Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**.

Higher education has been an important focus for Disciples since the very beginning of the movement.

Throughout our history, Disciples have founded institutions of higher learning to educate students and form leaders to make a difference in the world.

The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is still committed to higher education. Your gift to the Thanksgiving Offering helps support the education of thousands of students at our fifteen colleges and universities as well as our seven seminaries and divinity houses.

Join us for worship at 308 Summit Ave. in Webster Groves



World Communion Sunday was marked on Oct. 5. At WGCC, that date also marked the return of intinction, dipping the Eucharistic bread into the sacred cup.



Isaiah 58
MINISTRIES
nourishing community
for over 50 years



BUY-A-BIRD

HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER



Giving thanks is a holiday tradition celebrated by families everywhere. But for many, this proves difficult due to financial hardships.

Through December 31, 2025, your gift to our Buy-A-Bird campaign will help 700 local families gather around tables overflowing with both food and gratitude.

Each guest will receive holiday groceries and gift cards to celebrate the season abundantly with joy and grace.

\$40 = One Holiday Meal
\$400 = Ten Holiday Meals

Scan the QR code to
make a donation online



or mail a check to:

Isaiah 58 Ministries
2149 South Grand Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63104
(memo: Buy-A-Bird)

Paper drive for WRHM

Webster Rock Hill Ministries is running very low on paper products.

Toilet paper is the most urgent need, but also needed are paper towels, diapers, and incontinence products.

There will be a container in the coat room next to the food pantry bin.

Please help if you can!



Mark your calendar for the Holiday Market

For over 50 years, LifeWise StL has celebrated the spirit of the holiday season through our Holiday Market.

Serving hundreds of families who have participated in programming over the past year, the Holiday Market offers low-cost, carefully curated NEW household and clothing items, as well as age-appropriate toys. Our aim is to strengthen and encourage families who have made progress or achieved goals they set through program participation while connecting them with the generosity of our donors.

This year's Holiday Market will run from December 5-12, 2025 (including set-up and take-down) at the 12th and Park Recreation Center.

WEBSTER GROVES CHRISTIAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:

**Our mission: Following Jesus' teaching
and sacrificially serving the people
who are the most marginalized.**

Prayer concerns for WGCC

For Laura Stuetzer's friend, Ruth, battling serious lymphoma, and for her friend Judy battling breast cancer

For Becky Piening's friend, Liz, who received a Stage 4 cancer diagnosis

For Becky's friend, Jenny, whose husband took his own life, leaving behind Jenny and her daughters

For Donna Wolff-Crump and Norma Redstone, recuperating at home

For Bev Richmond, who experienced a fall

For the son in law of Shah Smith's colleague, battling health issues

For the family and friends of Tyson Knapp, grandson of Max & Vicki Ott, who recently passed

For Robin Woodrome's mother, Grace, facing health concerns

For the granddaughter of Deb Werner's friend, a 17-year old named Brynn who is battling ovarian cancer

For the immigrant families being forcibly taken from their homes by ICE

For our divided nation, and its leaders

For Carolyn Dyess's friend, Becky, battling gall bladder cancer

For Julie DeKinder's friend Angel, battling cancer

For immigrants in this country living with the fear of deportation

For Bill Woodrome

For Jeff Tedford

For Vicki Ott, suffering from MS

For Shirley Arther

For Eulalia (Lee) Arnold Will

Prayers for DeVere and Bev Shoop

For Mildred Baker

For basic needs of food, shelter clothing and healthcare for all.

For the families served by Webster Rock Hill Ministries, and for WRHM as a helping organization

For the MBCC Food Ministry, and neighborhoods of Memorial Blvd. Christian Church.

Giving thanks for the life of Bill Sullivan



Dr. William "Bill" Wallace Sullivan passed away peacefully on October 3, 2025, leaving behind a legacy of kindness,

compassion, and excellence in medicine.

Dr. Sullivan will be remembered not only as an accomplished physician but as a gentle soul whose warmth, humor, and generosity touched everyone fortunate enough to know him.

A private service was held in his honor. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to 4 Paws 4 Rescue or St. Louis Children's Hospital, reflecting his lifelong compassion for animals and his dedication to healing.

For a calendar of church events, go to:

<https://www.mychurchevents.com/calendar/73851247/month>

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The SEGA connection newsletter is available at <http://www.mid-americadisciples.org/>

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