

# Hillcrest Calling

Then you shall call and the Lord will answer;  
you shall cry and he will say "Here I am".

Isiah 58:9



## HILLCREST CALLING — FALL EDITION

### CHURCH GARAGE SALE!

#### SATURDAY OCTOBER 6TH 8:00AM—2:00PM

Good people of Hillcrest please go through your treasures and sellable items and bring them to the church starting Monday October 1st and anytime throughout that week. We will store them in the fellowship hall.

Anything vintage or antique looking sells very well!

If you have larger items that you need help with, please call DeAnn at 709-7034 and we will do our best to get it to the church for you.

Please NO adult clothing and nothing broken or non-working. Anything left over from the sale will be donated that afternoon.

Proceeds all go to beautifying our sanctuary and much needed storage organizational supplies.

Let's make it a huge success!  
Thank you!!

#### Popular items are:

Tools  
Fishing equipment  
Home décor  
Children's clothing  
Good Used household items  
such as:

Tables  
Chairs  
Bookcases  
Etc.



### Financials

#### August

Beginning Balance	\$ 1,968.31
Increase	\$ 803.68
Ending Balance	\$ 2,771.99

#### Building Fund Loan Balance

8/4/18 \$324,697.74

Please make sure you are up to date on your giving. You can drop off a check or go online to [www.hillcrestpcs.com](http://www.hillcrestpcs.com) anytime to get up to date!



## Candy Corn Facts

-1880s Candy corn makes its debut. The kernel shape is so popular, candy companies begin experimenting with other vegetable-shaped treats, like turnips.

- The 3 colors of candy corn. The colors mimic the appearance of real corn kernels - the tri color treat was originally called "Chicken Feed". These colors have become iconic symbols of Halloween

- What's the right way to eat candy corn? 47% eat the whole piece of candy corn at once. 43% of people eat the narrow white end first. 10% of people eat the wide yellow end first.

- Candy Corn through the years. This Halloween staple was created in 1880 and has remained largely unchanged ever since, with 8 ingredients and 3 colors.

- Candy Corn all year long. Through product extension, candy corn is produced for various holidays during the year—not July Halloween! Some include Indian corn, reindeer corn, cupid corn, bunny corn, and freedom corn.

- Almost 9 billion kernels will be manufactured in 2018, enough to circle the moon 21 times if laid end to end.

- 1 serving of candy corn is 140 calories. There are 20 kernels per serving so that makes it 7 calories per kernel.

- National Candy Corn Day is October 30th and the most candy corn is sold every year on October 28th.

### Prayers of the People:

Our prayers of consolation to the family of Wayne Zweerink.

Wayne Keltner who is home and feeling better.

Our members confined to their homes: Harold Hiser, John Tranbarger, & Gusta Zweerink.

### Secretary Snippets



The sacrament of Communion will be celebrated on October 7th.

The Men's Breakfast is October 13th, 8:00am at the Golden Corral on North Kansas.

The stated Session meeting is October 11th at 6:00pm.

The church will be serving dinner at the Mercy Ronald McDonald House on Monday, October 8th.

Book Club will meet October 16th at 7:00pm to review "Pigs in Heaven" by Barbara Kingsolver.

Jack will be out of the office October 24th—29th. Kyle Miller will be giving the message on October 28th.

Reminder: Our church premises is weapon free, carrying firearms is prohibited.

The saying "All good things must come to an end" is playing out with the Conway Rest Stop Mission. Bill Covey and his team of volunteers have faithfully manned this event for many years and Bill has chosen to retire it.

Many travelers have been surprised and their spirits lifted by our generous gifts and smiles.

Thank you Bill for your vision and many hours devoted to this project!

Outreach Committee



"You said dress up as a Bible character ... and my character is Leviathan."

## Nancy and Jim's Burma (Myanmar) Mission Trip

Many of you are familiar with the history of our involvement in Burma. Some of you aren't, so here is a short synopsis: Nancy's grandparents went to Burma in 1913 as missionaries. They left just steps ahead of the Japanese invasion and went to India where Grandpa died. After the war (WWII), Grandma and Dad returned to Missouri while Uncle Bill returned to Burma. (He was eighteen years older than Dad.) He raised his family there until the military junta expelled all foreigners in the late sixties. Once visas were available (some as short as 12 hours), Uncle Bill returned every year to meet with the people he worked with to help them stay on track. When Uncle Bill's health started to go downhill, Cousin Marty started to go back to Burma with him. Dad started to travel with Marty when Uncle Bill died. In 2000 Jim and Nancy decided to go with Dad and Marty to see this country they had heard so much about. We were hooked! It was incredible to meet with people whose faith is so strong that they are willing to risk their lives by proclaiming their belief in Jesus (Christians are persecuted more than even the Muslims). We are not so sure that we could do the same.

This will be our tenth trip. We will be checking in with many of the ongoing missions that Uncle Bill started in Taunggyi: the Bible School (picture attached), the Pao churches (hoping to set up a new scholarship fund) and the big orphanage (161 kids). We will also check in with his projects in Loikaw: another Bible School and another orphanage (122 kids). We'll also go to church in Loikaw where we have a scholarship fund set up and that has an orphanage (26 kids) and a guest house for kids from the countryside that want to go to school in the city. In Yangon, we will go to church where we helped set up a free clinic. We will get to go to one of the classrooms that we help support in their Sharing Love Program which works with the street kids. We will also get to meet with one of the recipients of one of our midwifery scholarships. We are going to visit Myanmar Institute of Theology where they have broken ground on a new eight story building which is sorely needed. We are also going to Pinlaung and Naung Shwe to celebrate Thanksgiving with our friend Melanie who is doing great things in Burma (under the guise of an NGO): the farm where the local children come to learn about Jesus and where water filters are made, the coffee plantation where farmers learn to grow something other than poppies, and some new churches that have been established.

There was a time when we carried in a lot of stuff. It seems that they can now get anything they need and at much cheaper prices than we can get. Now we take money. Easier on our old bodies, but still nerve wracking since we are limited to the amount that is legal (\$10,000). But, there is a great need. If you can help us, you can make out a check to The Hackett Mission Legacy. Donations are tax deductible and 100% goes to the mission; we pay all our own expenses. You can give the check to Nancy or Jim or turn it into the church and Sammy will get it to us.

We will be leaving at the end of October and will return in early December. We wish everyone could go with us. Kyle went with us in 2013. Our next trip should be in 2020. If you want to go, let's start working on it.



### PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS SPECIAL OFFERINGS PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION

The Peace & Global Witness Offering encourages the church of our time to cast off anxiety and fear, discord and division, and embrace our reconciling god's mission with those around the corner and around the world, as active peacemakers—at all times in all ways.

A gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the entire church to collaborate in our proclamation of Christ's peace. Congregations keep 25% and mid councils keep 25% to engage in peacemaking and build ministries of reconciliations in their own context around the world.

Some examples of how funds have been used:

- Help fund educational assistance for veterans.
- Donate to programs working toward the elimination of all forms of human trafficking.
- Begin a Senior Companion Program that pairs senior citizens to help with light chores, errands, and transportation to the doctor.
- Support the work of a mission co-worker.

Please give generously

Through your congregation

Text PEACE to 56512 to give or learn more

[Presbyterianmission.org/give/peace-global](http://Presbyterianmission.org/give/peace-global)

The Peace & Global Witness offering will be received and dedicated on Sunday, October 7th.

## Hillcrest Presbyterian Church

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Wednesday, October 31

5:00 pm—7:00 pm

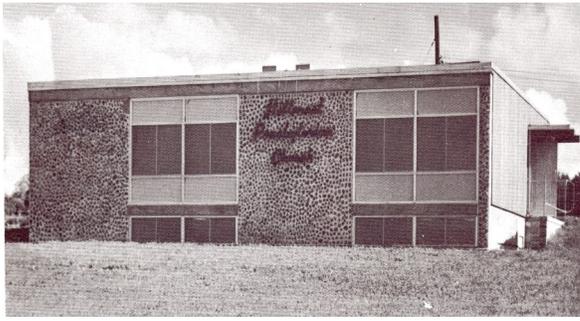
West Parking Lot

The mission of Trunk or Treat is to provide a safe place for children to enjoy Halloween. Last year, over 400 children attended.

Please participate! We dress up in costumes and have lots of fun, probably more than the kids. The evening concludes with pizza and fellowship.

Regina Ice serves as our coordinator for Trunk or Treat. Let her know that you want to help. In case of rain, the event is held in the Fellowship Center.

**Donations of individually wrapped candies will be greatly appreciated.**



## HILLCREST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OCTOBER 5, 1958 – OCTOBER 5, 2018



We will celebrate the 60th anniversary of Hillcrest Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 7th. Our service that day will contain some of the same music and elements of the first service held on October 5th, 1958. We will also recognize the charter members attending that day.

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Dear Friends at Hillcrest Presbyterian,

Thank you so much for your \$100 donation to Safe to Sleep. We budget \$12.91 to shelter a woman for a night. That is not just a place to get inside but showers, bedding, emergency hygiene items, snacks, coffee, breakfast, & transportation to and from the shelter. In addition we help them set goals to get back to normal, get medical treatment, replace lost ID or birth certificate necessary for jobs and help finding housing. You have sponsored a woman for a week—perhaps the one on a walker awaiting disability or the one new to Springfield who already has 2 jobs and is saving for an apartment, or the one working with her pastor in a nearby town where she can live with her 2 kids. Thanks for partnering with us.

Ramona

Dear Hillcrest Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for your generous donation of \$60 in support of the Kitchen, Inc.'s Rare Breed mission to prevent and end homelessness in our community.

The Kitchen operates on the Housing First philosophy by first providing stable housing and then meeting other basic needs. In addition to housing, through case management, we provide our clients with the tools to become and remain productive members of our community.

It is through your continued financial support The Kitchen will provide housing and stabilizing services, the keys to ending homelessness.

Blessings,

Meleah Spencer, CEO

Dear Hillcrest,

Thank you for your special gift of \$250 in support of the ongoing work of the Council of Churches of the Ozarks in support of the 2018 Celebrate Compassion Dinner.

Thanks to compassionate partners like you, we will continue to improve the quality of life in our region by staying focused on serving our neighbors in a spirit of compassion and collaboration.

I give thanks for your compassion and partnership!

In Joyful Service,

Christine Moses

Chief Development Officer

Dear Friends,

On behalf of Harmony House, I would like to thank you for your generous gift totaling \$130 and for your continued support. Your donation makes it possible for us to provide lifesaving and life-changing services to help those impacted by domestic violence.

Safe, secure emergency shelter is the critical first step in breaking the cycle of violence in our community. Harmony House is the *only* domestic violence emergency shelter in Springfield/Greene County. We provide safe shelter, meals, clothing and support services to help victims begin the healing process.

With Gratitude

Lisa Farmer

Executive Director

*(Harmony House and Rare Breed were 2 of the charities chosen by bands in the Live on the Lawn series.)*