

Hillcrest Calling

Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise
your glorious name.

1 Chronicles 29:13



Hillcrest Calling—Thanksgiving Edition

Community Thanksgiving Dinner Fellowship Center

Thursday, November 22

Serving is from 11:30 a.m.— 2:00 p.m.

**Join your community to
celebrate this day in the true
spirit of Thanksgiving**

**Turkey and trimmings at
NO charge!**



September Financials

Beginning Balance	\$ 2,771.99
Increase	\$ 5,122.77
Ending Balance	\$ 7,894.76

Building Fund Loan Balance	
9/4/18	\$323,318.82

Please make sure you are up to date on your giving. You can drop off a check or go online to www.hillcrestpcs.com anytime to get up to date!



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Hillcrest will ring bells for the Salvation Army on Saturday, November 24th at the Market Door of Walmart at Kearney and Glenstone. The hours are from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM. Fred has the sign-up sheet for volunteers.



2018
CROSSLINES
COAT DRIVE

Crosslines will again collect lightly to moderately used coats for both children and adults in need of protection against the cold this winter. We will take the coats to Glo cleaners for free cleaning prior to delivery to Crosslines. If you have any questions see Rae Jean



Hanging of the Greens

On November 25th we will have our traditional Hanging of the Greens. We will decorate everything but the Sanctuary. A light lunch will be provided.

On December 2nd we will be having a Hanging of the Greens Service. The decorations for the Sanctuary will be hung as part of the worship service.

We would like to decorate the tables in the Fellowship Center with Gingerbread houses again this year. If you would like to participate please bring your creation November 26th or later.

Secretary Snippets



- The sacrament of Communion will be celebrated on November 4th.
- The Men's Breakfast is November 10th, 8:00am at the Golden Corral on North Kansas.
- The stated Session meeting is November 8th at 6:00pm.

The church will be serving dinner at the Cox Ronald McDonald House on Monday, November 12th.

Book Club will meet November 20th at 7:00pm to review "Still Me" by JoJo Moyes

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



Thank You

I was blessed by the get well card signed by my church family. I am grateful for your prayers of healing and wholeness.
Grace and Peace,
Kent



Hillcrest Presbyterian Church,
Thank you so much for conducting the "Live on the Lawn" concert series! We are very happy to learn that Blue Plate Special selected Ozark Greenways as their

cause!
Sincerely,
Mary Kromery, Executive Director



Hillcrest Family,
Thank you for your support of the Celebrate Dinner. I'm so grateful for all you do in our community.
Thank you,
Christine



Dear Sir or Madam,
Thank you for your support of the Alzheimer's Association. Your donation of \$100 in support of the Walk to End Alzheimer's is appreciated now more than ever. Alzheimer's is the only cause of death amount the top 10 in America without a way to prevent it, cure it, or even slow its progression.
Your gift allows us to continue in our mission to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of

dementia through the promotion of brain health. Each day in your community and across the country, the staff and volunteers of the Alzheimer's association are joined by passionate supporters like you who share in our vision of a world without Alzheimer's. Your contribution today and every day is greatly appreciated by all of us. Please accept our heartfelt thanks for your continued support.
Sincerely,
Stacy Tew-Lopez, Chapter President, Greater Missouri Chapter



Hillcrest Presbyterian Church,
On behalf of the Humane Society of Southwest Missouri, we would like to thank you for your generous support of our organization and mission. We have served our community for nearly 60 years as an "open door" facility, taking in any dog or cat in need and helping families find the right companion to make their family complete. Now, as a NoKill shelter, support is needed more than ever. The journey from being sick, injured and homeless to being a healthy pet is a long and costly one, so thank you for making their second chance a reality. Speaking on behalf of our board, the staff, volunteers, our adopters, as well as the dogs and cats who patiently wait for their forever home, we thank you for your caring gesture.
With sincere appreciation,
Human Society of Southwest Missouri
Sue Davis, Executive Director



This year the Crosslines Toy store will be held on Saturday December 15, 2018, at the E-Plex on the Springfield Empire Fair property.

Hillcrest will again collect toys for distribution to the eligible children.

The congregation may bring unwrapped new toys to church anytime until Sunday December 9th. We will take the toys to the E-Plex on Monday, December 10th, for the Saturday distribution.

Each child will receive 3 toys, a small, a medium, and a large and two other gifts (knit items, books, or games). Please do not remove the price tag to make the grouping easier. A small gift is less than \$10, a medium gift is around \$15 and a large gift is around \$25.

If shopping is not convenient you may give money to Sammy, Rae Jean or Fred to allow Crosslines to purchase toys in age or gender groupings that do not appear to have sufficient numbers.

A toy wish list will be included in the bulletin around the middle of November.



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“Adopt-A-Food Item”



Outreach wants to thank everyone for contributing to the food pantry. We serve between 6 and 12 bags of groceries every week.

There is a lot of need out there. We are so blessed to be able to feed those who are struggling.

We struggle to keep on hand some key items for the pantry. We may find ourselves with an abundance of spaghetti sauce, but no spaghetti noodles or we have plenty of peanut butter, but we are out of crackers.

As a solution to that problem, we would like to try an "Adopt A Food Item" program. It would work something like this:

You will sign up to bring in a specific food item every week. A sign up sheet will be passed around in church one or two Sundays in January.

Every time you go to the grocery store, pick up that item and bring it to church on Sunday.

If we are running low on that item, we will send you a note asking you to pick up some extra, if you can.

Of course, you can still bring in other items when you see a good sale! :)

We are a generous church and Outreach thanks you for all your donations and help!

Commitment Sunday

This year we will not be having a “pledge card” for the stewardship campaign but rather a “Commitment Card” without a place for a dollar amount. Our Commitment to the Church of Jesus Christ here at Hillcrest is about our total commitment, which includes our passion, abilities, assets and creativity. So as faithful followers of Jesus, our task between now and commitment Sunday is to prayerfully reflect on and discern where the Holy Spirit is leading us on our commitment. Is it time to increase your financial giving to the church? Can I take just one more step in moving toward sacrificial giving? Is it time to become active in an area of ministry through the work of a committee? Where is it that you are being lead?

The date for commitment Sunday will be announced in early November.

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