



Welcome

WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE! Thanks for joining us today! We don't want to miss the opportunity of connecting with you. So, whether you are visiting for the first time or are a regular attendee please take a moment to fill out the *Connection Card* in the seat pocket in front of you. Please return it to the seat pocket or leave it on your seat.

If you would like to give toward the ministries of Crossroads Church, please place your gift in one of the Tithes and Offerings Boxes located at each Worship Center exit. Online giving is also available on our website at www.crossroadsefc.com

Looking for more information? If you'd like to learn more about something you heard during Crossroads announcements regarding upcoming events or the ministries at Crossroads, please visit our Welcome Center Kiosk located in the Connection Area or visit our website at www.crossroadsefc.com.

We wanted you to know that...

- Assisted hearing devices are available during our services at the Welcome Kiosk.
- Once a worship service has begun, we ask that all entering and exiting the Worship Center use the east or west doors (not the center, please).
- Misplaced something? If so, please check the Welcome Kiosk for lost & found items.

In order to make our services available online as well as in other locations, and for marketing purposes, photography and video recordings may take place while you're here at Crossroads. Your presence signifies your consent for Crossroads Church to use your image. Thank you for your cooperation.

operation christmas child update...

GRAB YOUR FREE SHOE BOX ITEMS! Stop by the OCC tables today in the Connection Area to pick up your FREE shoe box. While you're there, please take some of the FREE items to start packing your shoe box! Our goal for Crossroads is 500 shoe boxes. Pack a shoe box and make an impact on a child's life for Jesus!

HAVE YOUR FREE PICTURE TAKEN! We're encouraging everyone who packs a shoe box to include a picture in it along with a hand written note. Stop and see Pastor Marc in the Connection Area to have your picture taken and then come back the following Sunday to pick up your free 4x6 picture! Packing more than one shoe box? Simply request a digital copy to be e-mailed to you so you can make more copies! It's that easy! Personalizing your shoe box in this way can make it even more special for the child receiving it.

HELP DURING NATIONAL COLLECTION WEEK! Crossroads serves as a regional collection site. We have several volunteer opportunities during Collection Week (Nov. 18th - 25th). A "needs list" will be e-mailed out to the entire church this Tuesday, November 5th, for you to sign up to help out.



FINDING YOUR WAY

Love, Connect and Serve on the Journey with Christ

sundays at 8:15, 9:45, 11:15 am

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announcements

- We're pleased to announce that John and Carmine Puetz are **new members of Crossroads!** Welcome!
- **New Phone System** - The church office is currently in the process of switching to a new phone system. Our TEMPORARY phone number is (574) 248-4244. We hope to have everything back to normal soon. Thank you for your continued patience as we have our phone service transferred.
- **Upcoming Town Hall Meetings** - Please note that we will have our second Town Hall meeting today during third service in Room 105/107. We will follow up with a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 10th, at 4:00 pm at our Plymouth campus. Please see your bulletin insert for information regarding our 2020 budget, Elder nominees and changes to our Statement of Faith proposal. Budget booklets are available at the TV Kiosk in the Connection Area.
- **Dive Student Ministry small groups are meeting off campus tonight.** Groups are hosting meals and activities in various locations. Small group leaders have already communicated details, but if you need a reminder, call your small group leader or visit crossroadsefc.com/youth and click the Parent Newsletter for more info. Dive will not meet at 6:00 pm tonight due to small group activities.
- **The next Target Group, Dig A Little Deeper**, has been designed to help you put into practice the principles of Bible study you will learn the next couple weeks. Pastor Collin will be leading this Target Group, beginning Sunday, November 10th, and this will be a great place to ask questions, practice and learn together with others. The information/registration form is located in your seat pocket. TODAY IS YOUR LAST OPPORTUNITY TO SIGN UP!
- **Free Blood Pressure Checks Are Back!** On Sunday, December 8th, members of our Faith Community Nursing Ministry Team (FCN) will be available in the Connection Area between each service to do free blood pressure checks. Stop by and visit with our FCN Team!
- **Fall Clean Up For Jefferson Elementary** - Join us at Jefferson Elementary School at 9:00 am on Saturday, November 9th, as we clean up their landscaping. Jefferson Elementary is one of our community partners and this is an opportunity to fill a need they have because they don't have the resources or man-power to do it themselves. A "needs list" was e-mailed out to the entire church a week ago. Please sign up through this list or contact Pastor Marc at mread@crossroads-efc.org or by calling the church office at (574) 248-4244.

sermon notes

connect with us...

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connection card

- 1st time guest 2nd time guest Visiting family/friends Regular Attendee/Member

Name(s) _____

Email _____

Home Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Date _____

Cell (His/Her) _____ I heard about Crossroads

Phone _____ through _____

Please update my information

Serve Opportunity: The Usher Ministry Team is looking for some additional men to serve on the team. This is a great way to serve on a Sunday morning, meet new people and assist families at Crossroads! You'll be assigned to a monthly Usher group and serve once every three months. Training is provided and you'll receive a team shirt!

Yes, I'm interested in learning more: (name) _____

(phone) _____

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Today my next step is to:

- Receive Christ as my personal Lord & Savior (Rom 3:23; 5:8; 6:23; 10:9-10; Eph. 2:8-10) In response to today's message, I plan to: _____

Please send info or contact me about:

- Becoming a follower of Jesus Christ Being counselled through Crossroads
 How to get connected with people at Crossroads Crossroads Connecting Online (cco)
 Baptism - Going public with my faith Being added as a Prayer Warrior
 Become a member of Crossroads Serving opportunities at Crossroads

Comments, Prayer Requests:

Please place completed card in seat pocket. Thank you.

All prayer requests are shared with our prayer warrior group. Confidential for Pastoral Staff and Elders only

Crossroads Annual Congregational Meeting

November 10, 2019 @ 4:00 pm in the Station Room

In preparation for our Annual Congregational Meeting, here are some important items for you to know. Please remember, everyone is invited and welcome to attend this, however, only formal members are able to vote on the proposals.

1. Elder Nominees

The Elders propose **Joel Schumacher** and **Greg Gerard** as Elders to begin serving a three-year term in January of 2020. You can hear Joel and Greg's testimonies at the Town Hall meetings and you will be able to ask questions. Any biblical concerns regarding either of these nominees can be addressed with a current serving Elder. The Elders will be seeking the affirmation of these candidates from the congregation at the annual meeting. Absentee ballots are accepted for Elder nominees. Also, in January 2020, Bob Read and James Stone will be stepping off the Elder Team after completing a three-year term.

2. 2020 Proposed Budget

A booklet outlining the proposed budget for 2020 is now available. A summary page as well as a breakdown for each department is included. The booklets are available at the TV Kiosk labeled "2020 Proposed Budget Booklets". Feel free to pick up a copy and take it with you for review. The Elders will be seeking approval of the 2020 budget from the congregation at the annual meeting. Absentee ballots are not accepted for the budget proposal.

3. Proposed change to our Statement of Faith

This past June at the EFCA One Conference, 79% of the delegates present approved an amendment to Article 9 of the EFCA Statement of Faith (SOF) to read – *"We believe in the personal, bodily and ~~premillennial~~ **glorious** return of our Lord Jesus Christ. The coming of Christ, at a time known only to God, demands constant expectancy and, as our blessed hope, motivates the believer to godly living, sacrificial service and energetic mission."* Each local EFC has been invited to consider updating their SOF to reflect this change. The pastors/elders of Crossroads have reviewed the biblical/theological basis for this change and recommend that we adopt this change to our Crossroads SOF as per our Constitution.

Additional information on the change to the EFCA SOF is available on the resource tables at the back of the Worship Center

4. Town Hall Meetings

There are two Town Hall meetings prior to the Congregational Meeting available for discussion regarding any of these items. The dates are **Wednesday, October 30 at 7:00pm** and **Sunday, November 3 at 11:15am**. Both meetings will be held at the Plymouth campus in **Room 105/07**.

5. Appointed Ministry Team Leaders for 2020

Our Ministry Team Leaders are gifted volunteer leaders in our ministry. They lead various teams to carry out the area of their focus, in effort to accomplish our overall vision of *being disciples who make disciples*. These positions are appointed by the Elders and not affirmed by the congregation. However, we ask the congregation if there are any biblical concerns regarding these leaders. Please review the list below.

Building and Grounds – Jim Jenney

Community Outreach – Racheal Filley

Connection Team – Amy Gerard

Faith Community Nursing – Susie Cook

First Impressions (Plymouth) – Joe Binfet

First Impressions (Culver) – Bonnie Bennett

Global Outreach – Lynn Vernon

Hospitality – **Vacant**

Men of Crossroads – Adam Barden*

Ps92 – Dave and Kim Powell

Safety Team – Ryan Lebo

Setup/Tear Down (Culver) – Geno Price

Ushers (Plymouth) – Doug MacLain

Ushers (Culver) – Bill Surguy

Women's Ministry – Sherry Six

*The Elders will present a proposal to the congregation to permit Adam Barden to serve a fifth year as leader of the Men of Crossroads ministry because it would be an exception to the Ministry Team Leader guidelines put forward in our Constitution and By-laws.

HOW TO PACK YOUR SHOEBOX GIFT



1

Get a standard size shoebox to pack for a boy or girl. Need shoeboxes? Preprinted boxes are available online.

4



Most importantly, **pray** for the child who will receive your gift. Include a personal note and photo.

Select a quality **"wow"** toy such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, or stuffed animal.

2



5



A donation of **\$9** is critical to cover shipping and other project costs. Give online through **Follow Your Box** and discover the destination of your shoebox.*

Fill with other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies.

3



6



Take your shoebox gift to a local drop-off location during **National Collection Week, the third week in November**. Visit our website to find one near you.

To Follow Your Box, visit samaritanspurse.org/occ

Our goal is 500 shoe boxes and you can help us get there!

Stop by our OCC tables in the Connection Area today to pick up a **FREE** shoe box and items to pack in your box!

Don't forget to include a picture and note in your shoe box. Please include \$9.00 to ship your shoe box across the world to a child!

SHOEBOX GIFT SUGGESTIONS



"WOW" ITEM

- outfit
- shoes
- musical instrument
- soccer ball with pump
- stuffed animal
- doll

TOYS

- toy cars
- jump ropes
- yo-yos
- toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)

ACCESSORIES

- socks
- hats
- sunglasses
- hair clips
- jewelry and watches
- flashlights (with extra batteries)

NON-LIQUID HYGIENE ITEMS

- toothbrushes
- bar soap
- washcloths
- combs

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- pens, pencils, and sharpeners
- crayons and markers
- notebooks and paper
- coloring and picture books
- solar calculators

A PERSONAL NOTE

- a message to the child
- a photo of yourself, your family, or group

If you include your name and an address, the child may be able to write back.

QUALITY CRAFTS

- hair bows
- finger puppets
- friendship bracelets

Check out the Operation Christmas Child boards on Pinterest for specific suggestions.



Do Not Include: Candy; toothpaste; used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

For more gift suggestions organized by gender and age, visit samaritanspurse.org/occ

