



UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF KEOKUK  
 "The Church by the River"  
 Honoring God in Word and Deed

# RIVERSIDE CURRENT

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## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

### Liturgists:

- Oct. 3 — Craig Potratz
- Oct. 10 — Ann Harshbarger
- Oct. 17 — Jean Montgomery
- Oct. 24 — Thomas Montgomery
- Oct. 31 — Rebecca Bliss

### Greeters & Ushers:

- Oct. 3 — Dena & K.J. Cannon  
Kim Terry, Bruce Brandt
- Oct. 10 — Craig & Michelle Potratz
- Oct. 17 — Dustin & Jennifer Briscoe  
Bill & Sara Shaffer
- Oct. 24 — Barb & Larry Robertson  
Jana Hausch, Bruce Brandt
- Oct. 31 — Kim Terry, Angie Peterson

### Acolytes:

- Oct. 3 — Anthony & Elizabeth Potratz
- Oct. 10 — Bailey Brooks  
Molly Montgomery
- Oct. 17 — Gracie Briscoe, Emily Fuller
- Oct. 24 — Abby & Gabby Brooks
- Oct. 31 — Drew Hymes,  
Ethan Marshal

### Nursery Helpers:

- Oct. 3 — Sara Shaffer
- Oct. 10 — Kay Floyd
- Oct. 17 — Barb Robertson
- Oct. 24 — Sara Shaffer
- Oct. 31 — Open

Elder Host: K.J. Cannon



*If you are unable to serve as listed, please find a substitute and inform the church office.*

*If you'd like to serve in one of these areas, please let us know! Thanks!*

## Welcome to our new Church Secretary!

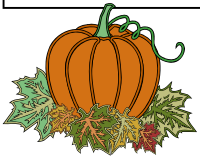
Our new Church Secretary, Kathy Royer, began on September 14th. Kathy grew up in Keokuk and now lives with her husband, Tom, in Hamilton. She enjoys reading and spending time with her family and friends. She spent the past nine years working for the Keokuk Community School District in Kid Zone. We are excited to have Kathy in our church office! Please take time to stop in and say hello!



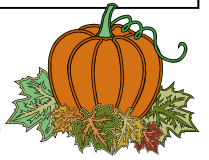
## New Photographs on our Web Site




Christina LaMaster-Doty took some beautiful pictures of our sanctuary as an anniversary gift for her parents, Larry and Gayle (Melson) LaMaster, who were married here on January 24, 1970. She kindly shared the pictures with us. You can see more of her pictures on our web site at [www.churchbytheriver.org](http://www.churchbytheriver.org).



# October Events



Please Mark Your Calendar for the  
**Fall Clean-Up Day**  
 October 3  
 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.



**EVERYONE CAN HELP!**

Mark your calendars!

## Homecoming Sunday October 10th

Bring your family for this  
 special service, followed  
 by a carry-in dinner!

### Congregational Meeting October 10th

There will be a congregational meeting immediately following the worship service on Sunday Oct. 10th to elect two Elders to fill unexpired terms.

Our **STAR** for  
 October

(Spontaneous Thanks And Recognition)

We select a different individual or family each month to receive our STAR! Our STAR for October is **Bruce Brandt!**

Bruce and his wife Gretchen live at 2115 Crestwood Lane in Keokuk

We want to get creative and heap STARS on him! Here are some ideas:

- ☆ Send a card
- ☆ Bring a treat
- ☆ Deliver a meal
- ☆ Give a gift certificate
- ☆ Wrap up a small gift
- ☆ Call to let him know he is loved and appreciated
- ☆ Ask how you can pray for him




## CROP Walk October 17th 2:00 P.M.

This year's CROP Walk will start at First Baptist Church. Participants will walk to Main Street, here to United Presbyterian for a skit and refreshments, and then back to First Baptist.

**Registration will begin at 1:30**

# October 2010

October 2010							November 2010						
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	28	29	30				
31													

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday						October 1
						9:00am Clean Up Day
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 11:40am Deacons Meeting <b>World Communion Sunday</b>	7:00pm Christian Education Committee	6:00pm Adventure Club	6:00pm Worship & Music Committee 7:00pm Finance & Property C	5:00am Hospital Auxiliary Pie Day (Fellowship Hall)		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship	<b>Columbus Day</b> 	7:00pm Session 6:00pm Adventure Club	6:00pm Worship & Music Committee 7:00pm Finance & Property C	5:00pm Wedding Rehearsal Riverboat Buffs	5:00pm Rose-Quimby Wedding	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 2:00pm CROP Walk		Newsletter- Deadline 8:30am Keokuk Ministerial Meeting 6:00pm Adventure Club				
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship	6:30pm Mission & Outreach	6:00pm Adventure Club	10:30am - 12:30pm Food Pantry 5:00pm Loaves & Fishes			
31						
9:30am Sunday School						

# Church Family News

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 \* **PRAYER CONCERNS** \*  
 \* \*  
 \* Melody Burke \*  
 \* Olive Davis \*  
 \* Billy Jutte \*  
 \* Dorothea Kultala \*  
 \* Bonnie McLaughlin \*  
 \* Amber Myers (Bobby Myers' daughter) \*  
 \* Kevin Peterson \*  
 \* Chris Wright \*  
 \* Jo Anne Yoder \*  
 \* 832nd Engineer Company in Afghanistan \*  
 \* Missionaries around the globe \*  
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# October Birthdays

- 1 Bob Bank  
John Swan
- 3 William Potratz
- 6 Lori Cannon
- 15 Carl Hausch
- 19 Glenn Shultz
- 22 Charlotte Hilmer  
Pearl Washburn
- 23 Kathy Royer  
Abigail Smith  
Austin Smith
- 24 Gabe Welker
- 25 Fred Hausch
- 26 John Brooks



## FINANCIAL REPORT

August 2010	
<b>Deposits</b>	
Contributions	\$ 7,559.55
Investments	1,492.85
Other Income	0
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$9,052.40</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Pulpit Supply	75.00
Organist	241.00
Building/Maintenance	9,482.50
Property Insurance	2,370.00
Utilities	1,741.64
Postage	0
Telephone/Internet	117.06
Copier Lease	39.48
Supplies	0
Sunday School	0
Deacons	15.75
Outreach	37.00
Payroll	3,943.85
Other	0
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$18,063.28</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-\$9,010.88</b>

# Anniversaries

- 21 Steve & Cindy Dunn



# Food Pantry Needs Your Help!

Our food pantry shelves are looking empty! You can help us meet the needs in our community by donating non-perishable food items, personal care items, or by giving a special offering to the Food Pantry. Thank You!



# Christian Education

## YOUTH DIRECTOR MESSAGE

With the resignation of Pastor Bob and Debbie Lane, the youth program was left with a huge void, and we will miss them. We pray that their future is rewarding and we wish them the best wherever God leads them. That being said, Christian Ed had a meeting to regroup and make a few adjustments. We've combined Sunday school classes that started in September and we are still looking for an Adult Sunday school leader. Our youth groups on Wednesday have been combined, and we will not be serving meals this year. We are trying Pre-K – 5<sup>th</sup>, and we will split that group into two groups when older children come. Then we have the Middle and High school group combined. We could use more volunteers with all of these groups, so please pray about this, and if you can spare an hour on Sunday or Wednesday to work with our youth, please let me know. Our Sunday school teachers this year are: Lisa Brooks, Michelle Potratz and Dena Cannon. Joann Cramer and Karen Wetzel will fill in when necessary. We will again be using the "We Believe" series for our Sunday school curriculum. Our youth groups meet on Wednesdays from 6-7 p.m. For Adventure Club, we are using material from the Sermon4kids website. This is a terrific website designed to give a short presentation based on selected bible verses. They give game, craft, and song ideas to go along with each topic. This young group will learn about the love of God through their weekly adventures. Michelle Potratz, Joann Cramer, Jean Montgomery and Amber Terry will be leading these children. The Middle/High school group will focus on Church, Community, and Creativity. We are starting to brainstorm ideas and we are excited to see how this group will grow in their faith. Dena Cannon and Lori Cannon are leading this group. Please keep the youth in your daily prayers. They need your guidance and support as they grow up in the church.

**1Peter 5:2-4 says, "Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, serving as overseers – not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not greedy for money, but eager to serve, not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away."**

Submitted with Love,

Dena



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Don't miss out on all the fun!

**Come to Adventure Club this week!**

Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.

