ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Book Club will meet on Thursday, Nov. 20th at 7pm at the church. The book selection is <u>When</u> <u>Madeline Was Young</u> by Jane Hamilton. Contact Pat Perkins for further information.

Please join us for coffee before church each Sunday. If you would like to take a turn preparing Sunday Morning Coffee and Treats- Just sign up! There is a sheet on the table.

The Deacons are collecting canned goods for the Least of the Brethren Food Pantry. Please bring cans only. Fruit, vegetables, soup, etc.

Pinckneyville Hospital is offering an exciting new Smoking Cessation program this month at the hospital. Full details are on the flyer on the bulletin board in the hallway.

Our yoked church partner, FPC of M'boro, is holding a monthly Christian Ed class with a meal on the 2nd Wednesday night of each month. The evening begins at 6:30pm with a light meal, followed by a video presentation by two prominent theologians, and a lively discussion that utilizes the video and a study guide. All are welcome to join in! Contact Pastor Charles if you would like further info, or if you would like the study guide (\$20 each).

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS & FRIENDS:
Grace Hubler-Pinckneyville Health Care Center
Virginia Richart

Gertrude Smith Kay West

PRAYER LIST:

Conflicts in Syria, Ukraine, Afghanistan, & Iraq Lou McCombs-breast cancer Craig Shrum – cancer Julie Shute-breast cancer

Transformation for all of us

Presbytery of S.E. Illinois

Those who are homeless

Don Collier

Family and Friends of Jo Anne Kirkland

Cy Keller - joy!

Jimmy Amos

Jim covert

Tom Perkins (recovering from blood-borne infection)

Olivia & Benjamin Walden

Preaching: Pastor Charles Walden Organist: Cathy Cunningham

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GATHERING Informally greet one another and prepare our hearts and minds for worship

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*GATHERING HYMN Come, Christians, Join to Sing PH 150

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from *Psalm* 107)

L: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever.

R: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so – those He redeemed from trouble,

L: and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and the south.

R: Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to an inhabited town. Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

L: Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and He delivered them from their distress.

R: He led them by a straight way, until they reached an inhabited town.

L: Let them thank the Lord for His steadfast love, and for His wonderful works to humankind.

ALL: For He satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry He fills with good things.

*OPENING HYMN When the Roll is Called Up Yonder NCH 497

*GREET AND SHARE THE PEACE OF CHRIST

DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH Louise/Sandy

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison) Eternal God, Our judge & redeemer,

We confess that we have tried to hide from You, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from You. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed.

In Your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose Your Will, and obey Your commandments – through Jesus Christ our Savior...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Gloria Patri Glory Be to the Father PH 579

* **HYMN** I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me PH 369

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PASTORAL PRAYER
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
LORD'S PRAYER(using debts & debtors)

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE Matthew 23: 1-12

Leader: *This is the Word of the Lord*. **Response: Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

MESSAGE **The Last Shall Be First** Pastor Charles

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from *A Brief Statement of Faith*) {in unison}

In life and in death, we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks, and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying: "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord!

TITHES AND OFFERING

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*DEPARTING HYMN My Hope is Built on Nothing Less PH 379

*BENEDICTION

*Those that are comfortably able may stand.

PH = Blue hymnal NCH = Brown hymnal