



**Jeff Smith**  
Admin. & Discipleship  
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As we move forward into the fall, I'm grateful that we were able to reopen our church's Worship Center on September 28th and worship God together again in that familiar space. Moving our worship services from the Worship Center to the gym and back again was no easy feat! Thankfully, the renovation stayed on schedule, and I appreciate our dedicated contractors and the help of our members who prayed, moved pews, arranged chairs, built staging, set up equipment, cleaned up, and performed countless other tasks to get us ready for the big day.

I'm especially grateful to you for your flexibility over these past two months. You have been so understanding and patient as we worked through the challenge of moving our worship services. We knew it would be especially challenging to coordinate the renovation while we were launching ministries for this fall. I'm so proud of our staff, who have worked hard and rolled with all the changes that were required during the renovation. If you have the opportunity, please take the time in the coming weeks to show appreciation to them.

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I also want to thank all of you who have supported the church financially through the RENEW campaign. With your support, we reached our goal of \$2.5M early, and with every RENEW gift now given, we have more funds to renovate old classrooms on the second floor sometime next year. That project will improve and expand our capacity to teach God's Word and care for people through our Sunday School and other group ministries.

Finally, let us praise the Lord for all he's doing in our church during these days. Our church building is temporary, but the gospel work we do in and through this building is eternal. It's all for God and for his Kingdom that he has given to us through Jesus Christ. May every space in our building be used to help invite people into a growing relationship with Jesus through the good news. To God alone be the glory!

God bless you,  
Pastor Jeff

"Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

Ephesians 3:20-21 ESV

## October Birthdays

**October 1:** Joshua Whisenant  
**October 3:** Brian Green  
**October 4:** Julie Coffman, Dan Williams  
**October 5:** Deborah Claypool, Barbara Reynolds, Kathy Baumbusch, Marilyn Shaffer  
**October 6:** Sandy Duffy  
**October 7:** Ella Coffman, Scarlett Eatherly, Jonathan Heffley  
**October 9:** Dominic D'Etorre, Allison Haley  
**October 10:** Adalyn Gowans, Michael Bates  
**October 11:** Nathan Baird  
**October 12:** Miriam Whisenant  
**October 15:** Jackson Salyers, Paul McGalliard, Caedmon McGalliard, Seth Smith  
**October 16:** Mandi Patterson-Alford  
**October 17:** Vickie Monroe, Harriett Hutcherson, Christine Price  
**October 18:** Greg Barnes  
**October 19:** Hallye Oliver, Mary Grace  
**October 20:** Matt Williams, Carolyn Svoboda  
**October 21:** Wayne Milligan, Nate Eatherly, Douglas Claypool, Chelsey Coleman, Luke Tavelli  
**October 22:** Merynn Butler, Brian McChesney, Linda Gibbs  
**October 23:** Isabella Aguiar  
**October 24:** Fely Rogers  
**October 25:** Nannette Hooker  
**October 28:** Quaid Leverett  
**October 29:** Kevin Miller, Susie Toler, Rachel Nations  
**October 30:** Simon Whisenant, Hannah Baker  
**October 31:** Margaret Blankenbaker, Emmaline Reynolds, Whitney Bruce

## November Birthdays

**November 2:** Ela Reid Still  
**November 3:** Violet Pellum  
**November 4:** Carol James  
**November 5:** Hulse Haley, Bill Thomas  
**November 6:** Bill Shanander, Amanda Dreisbach, Olivia Scarbrough  
**November 7:** Diana Grammer  
**November 9:** Reagan Schatz, Eliza Cook  
**November 10:** Emily Galloway  
**November 11:** Maggie Edgar  
**November 12:** Lana Thomas, Kainan Hupp  
**November 13:** Craig White, Francis Wilson, Liz Clark  
**November 15:** Charlie Wilson  
**November 19:** Pat Isaacs, Robert Christy  
**November 20:** Carol Black  
**November 21:** Shelva Barnes  
**November 22:** Sherman Lay  
**November 23:** Jeff Toler, James Mitchell  
**November 24:** Owen Tavelli, Louis Redd  
**November 25:** Leslie Houvenagle  
**November 26:** Hannah Alford, Carol Ann Becknell, Cindy Towles  
**November 28:** Judy Miller, Amanda Guest  
**November 29:** Anna Kolcz Still  
**November 30:** Lynn Milligan, Aspen McDonald



Giving

**Renew:**  
\$2,556,699  
**Eliza Broadus:**  
\$745

**Budget Needed to Date:**  
\$77,096  
**Received to Date:**  
\$53,849