



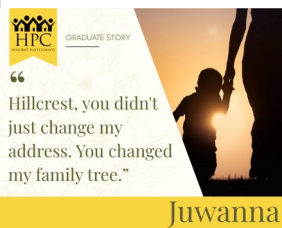
**weston
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church**
(Disciples of Christ)



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Sunday Service | 10:30 am**

Sunday Mornings...

September 6 ~ Dick Emery
September 13 ~ Steve Roberts
September 20 ~ Jeffrey Hon
September 27 ~ Jeffrey Hon



Hillcrest Success Story...

“Hillcrest, you didn't just change my address. You changed my family tree.”

Juwanna

Not long ago, Juwanna and her young son were living in a hotel room. Despite working every day, each paycheck disappeared almost as soon as it arrived, leaving her uncertain how she would afford another night's stay or provide their next meal. She was exhausted emotionally, financially, and spiritually, and struggled to imagine a different future.

Everything began to change when Juwanna decided to believe that a better life was possible. She committed herself to learning new skills, developing healthy financial habits, embracing difficult conversations, and allowing herself to heal from years of hardship. Little by little, she began replacing fear with confidence and self-doubt with purpose.

Today, Juwanna's story is no longer about surviving one more night; it's about building a future. She has earned her GED, is completing her Medical Assistant certification, works two jobs, has a home of her own, and, most importantly, has rediscovered her worth. She isn't simply changing the course of her own life; she's changing what's possible for her son and the generations that follow.

As Juwanna reflects on her journey, she says it best: “Hillcrest, you didn't just change my address. You changed my family tree.”

LAY LEADERS NEEDED...

We are in need of people to volunteer to be lay leaders during this time of interim ministers. This job consists of the following:

Welcome/Announcements

Joys/Concerns

Announce the title of the Opening hymn, page number and which verses.

Lead the Call to Worship

Please contact Gayla Kobialka or Melissa Hickman if you are willing to assist us. Melissa would like to get a rotation for this so please let one of us know if you are interested.

Thank you for any help you can provide.

Best,
Melissa



Micah Ministry at IBCC...

Next Dinner is September 14th at IBCC
~ 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. ~



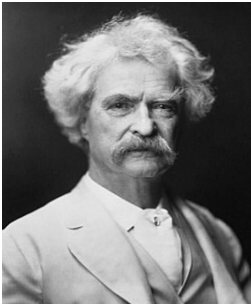
Grace Notes

Greetings,

WCC had a great summer. Our church had many guest musicians doing all sorts of music and are planning an even better fall.

Bristol Manor...

We had a great turnout from WCC when we held our monthly tea party and worship service with the residents of Bristol Manor on Tuesday September 1st. We are grateful for all who support this and look forward to **our next opportunity on Tuesday, October 6th**. See you there...



The two most important days of your life are the day you were born and the day you find out why.

— Mark Twain

The Choir will be returning after their summer break, and we have some new guests coming to share their gifts in Music, Art, and Theater.

The Handbell Choir, the Churchmen, as well as our own WCC amazing musicians. I have organized a Community SingSpiration that will involve all the local churches. It will be hosted at the Nazarene Church and is scheduled for September 27 @5:00. Jonah Vandel, music director for the Methodist Church is helping me publicize this so we are expecting a great turnout. I am currently planning a Contemporary Christian Music Concert which will include Praise and Worship band members from various communities in Northern Platte County.

If you are interested in singing with the choir, providing any type of special selection to share with the congregation, which includes playing an instrument, musical solo or group ensembles, Monologue or a Skit and especially sharing a meaningful moment with a *Nudge from Above*, please just let me know.

Looking forward to the fall!

We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.
As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us.

Our Vision

To be a faithful, growing church, that demonstrates true community, deep Christian spirituality and a passion for justice.

— Micah 6:8

Our Mission

To be and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ, witnessing, loving and serving from our doorsteps “to the ends of the earth.”

— Acts 1:8

Our Confession

As members of the Christian Church, We confess that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, and proclaim him Lord and Savior of the world.



**Dates for September
Apple Dumpling Production...**

Saturday, September 12th
Saturday, September 19th
Saturday, September 26th

It's apple dumping time again. And we need everybody to jump in. There are things happening during the week. And of course, Saturday is the big lift. You can contact people on the Friday team to find out when they are working. On Saturday, join us when you can.

Stay tuned for the October 3rd and 4th sign-ups for working Applefest!



There will be a **Singspiration** on September 27th, at 5:00 p.m. at the Community Church of the Nazarene. This is a community event and all area churches have been invited. Each church is asked to bring 2 dozen cookies to share for fellowship afterwards. We are hoping members of each church will attend and asking if their musicians might like to perform as soloists or ensembles. There will be congregational singing interspersed with different musicians or musical groups in-between. There will be no sermon, but the Ministerial Alliance will take an offering to support their work with community members in need of financial assistance. If you have questions or want to participate as a soloist or in an ensemble, please contact WCC's Music Director ASAP.





 **GKC DWM** 

Fall Retreat

SEPTMBER 17TH - 19TH
THURSDAY - SATURDAY

THEME:
*Lesser-Known Women of the Bible:
You Are Seen and Heard Too!*

 Tall Oaks Camp & Conference Center 



2026 Fall Retreat Registration

We're excited to gather together **Thursday, September 17, through Saturday, September 19, 2026**, at **Tall Oaks Camp & Conference Center** for a weekend of worship, learning, fellowship, and spiritual renewal.

Our 2026 retreat theme is **Lesser-Known Women of the Bible: You Are Seen and Heard Too**. Through inspiring keynote sessions, meaningful worship, and opportunities to connect with other women of faith, we'll explore the stories of women whose lives remind us that God sees, values, and works through each of us.

We are blessed to welcome **Keynote Speaker Dr. Debra Reid, Interim Executive Director of Disciples Women**, who will lead us in inspiring sessions centered around our retreat theme. We will also welcome **Guest Speaker Wanona Rogers Redd, President of the Disciples Women Executive Committee**, who will share a special presentation with our retreat attendees.

Registration and check-in begin at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 17. The retreat will conclude at approximately **11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 19.**

Retreat Registration Costs:

- **Full Retreat (Thursday–Saturday): \$195**
- **Friday Only (Lunch & Dinner): \$60**
- **Friday & Saturday (Lunch & Dinner Friday, Breakfast Saturday, and Friday Night Lodging): \$105**

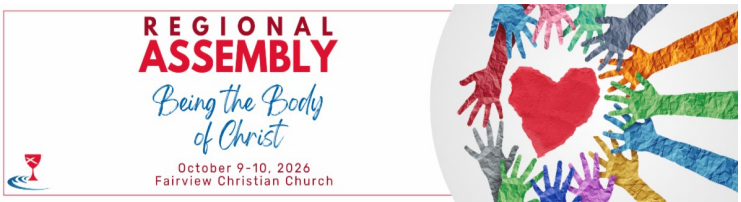
Please complete the registration form below. We look forward to welcoming you for this special weekend of faith, friendship, and fellowship!

📅 **Registration Deadline:** September 1, 2026 @ 5:00 PM CST

Questions or Concerns?

📧 **Contact:** KCDisciplesWomen@gmail.com

📞 **Phone:** 913-703-5881



2026 REGIONAL ASSEMBLY

Every two years we gather as a region for fellowship, worship, regional board elections, and discussion of any other pressing issues for the Greater Kansas City Region of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

2026 is extra special with leadership from our new Regional Minister, Rev. Dr. Lara Blackwood Pickrel and an Installation Service for our Regional Youth Cabinet.

As we reflect on Being the Body of Christ, we're reminded that it takes all of us - lay members, lay leaders, ministers, and regional ministry leadership to do the work of Christ in our congregations and in our communities.

Our Regional Assembly builds on this by offering a laity and family focus on Friday evening with a Regional focus on Saturday.

All sponsors will be given a 6ft table, a 1/8 page advertisement in our event booklet, and free registration for up to two representatives.



Please note: an email about this, with active links for registration and sponsorship, was forwarded to the Congregation from WCC on Thursday, August 27th. Please use that email in order to register electronically for the Assembly.

Scan the QR code for tickets. If you have questions, want to donate or volunteer reach out via email or text!

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14TH NOVEMBER
2026 AT 5:00PM



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Sowing & Reaping...

*Sow an act ~ Reap a habit
Sow a habit ~ Reap a character
Sow a character ~ Reap a LIFE*



Something to Think About...

**"\$3 Worth of God"
Wilbur Rees**

I would like to buy \$3 worth of God, please.

Not enough to explode my soul or disturb my sleep, but just enough to equal a cup of warm milk, or a snooze in the sunshine...

I want ecstasy, not transformation.

I want the warmth of the womb, not a new birth.

I want a pound of the Eternal in a paper sack.

I would like to buy \$3 worth of God, please.

September Church Calendar

Today < > September 2026							Month	Upgrade	Google app	
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT				
30 9:30am Sunday School/Service 10:30am Worship Service	31 6:30am Men's Bible Study 1:30pm Bristol Manor-Tenants' Meeting	Sep 1 1:30pm Bristol Manor-Tenants' Meeting	2 9:30am Wednesday Prayer	3 1pm Women's Bible Study	4	5				
6 9:30am Sunday School/Service 10:30am Worship Service	7 Labor Day 6:30am Men's Bible Study	8 8am WMA - Ministers' Breakfast	9 9:30am Wednesday Prayer	10 8am Ministerial Alliance	11	12 Apple Dumplings Productivity				
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