

17th Annual Golf Tournament

We had record number of **20 teams**. Many thanks to the golfers, community partners, and members of our church we were able raised over **\$7600** to benefit Crossroads house, Christmas Outreach, Sleep in Heavenly Peace, and Emily Holt Scholarship Fund.



The Growth Team

- **Bread Sunday Highlights:** Celebrated "Bread Sunday" featuring 6–8 varieties—including sourdough, pretzel, cheddar jalapeño, garlic parmesan, and gluten-free options—sourced from Jacqueline Chamberlain at The Village Homestead in Oakfield. We hold Jacqueline, her daughter Quinn (who is fighting leukemia), and their family in our thoughts and prayers. Special thanks to everyone in our congregation who contributed baked goods, including delicious muffins and sweet breads!
- **Monthly Birthdays:** Continued our beloved tradition of celebrating monthly birthdays together.



Drop-In Sessions & Events: Had four youth drop-in sessions in September with an average of 10–14 participants each week.

We also had one adult event, a Game Night with 10 participants, in September.

Building Use



- **Sleep in Heavenly Peace:** Bed delivery day.
- **Fall Kick-Off:** Celebration of Abundance (held primarily in-church rather than as a community event).
- **Office for the Aging:** Support group meeting, Memory Cafe, and Caregiver Resource Fair.
- **Community Outreach:** Hot dog cookout hosted with St. James Episcopal, and a guided Family Fun Adventure at the county park.
- **Meetings & Groups:** Girl Scouts, and GLOW OUT!
- **Fundraising & Events:** Golf tournament to raise funds for Christmas outreach, and a Social Respite program.

Dementia Respite

- **Theme & Craft:** October's theme centered on Fall colors—discussing colorful leaves and autumn scents—and guests painted wreath plaques decorated with fall foliage.
- **Activities & Socializing:** Introduced new conversation starter cards (like favorite high school classes or memory prompts), walked around the church for exercise, played Bingo, and wrapped up with music.
- **Lunch & Dessert:** Served a delicious vegetable lasagna followed by a chocolate pudding parfait.
- **Community Impact:** Welcomed one new guest who shared that she "can't wait till next month!"



**Sleep In
Heavenly
Peace**

Beds Made: 17 beds
Volunteer Hours: 85
Money Raised:
\$3,025.00

Special Gifts & Donations



- **Regular Offerings:** The congregation generously donated \$8,416 in regular offerings during September.
- **Account Transfers:** Transferred \$10,000 from the Merrill Lynch Investment account (\$8,000 from the Benevolence fund allocating \$5,000 to the HELP fund and \$3,000 for Outreach, plus \$2,000 from General Savings for church expenses).
- **Estate Gift:** Received a \$50,000 unrestricted second distribution from the estate of Mrs. Janet Lee (25% of her residuary estate), deposited into the Merrill Lynch Investment account.
- **Pending Estate Release:** Signed and returned the release notice for Paulene Patterson Canty's generous gift, with final distribution expected in October.
- **GLOW OUT! Grant:** Leadership is actively working on a grant to support their program and the youth using the second floor of the Fellowship Hall.