

A Voice in the Pines

Presbyterian Kirk in the Pines newsletter

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Summer book study on Signposts will resume Sept. 22

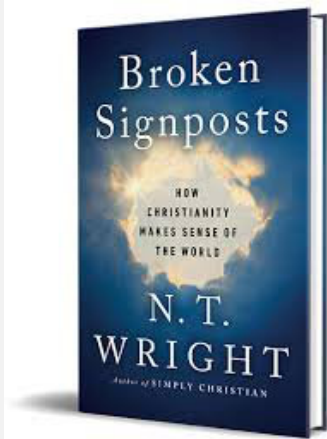
The summer book study of the book *Broken Signposts: How Christianity Makes Sense of the World*, will resume in September. The final two sessions were

canceled because of an increase in covid cases, including among Kirk members.

In the book, Bible scholar and pastor N.T. Wright

identifies seven “broken signposts” – justice, love, spirituality, beauty, freedom, truth, and power.

By studying the Gospel of John, Wright argues Christianity has a unique insight on the meaning of the signposts, their brokenness, and their ultimate repair and fulfillment by Christ’s death and resurrection.



On Sept. 22, Ruling Elder Arnie Holtberg will lead discussion of the chapters on freedom and beauty.

On Sept. 29, Presbyterian minister and former Arkansas Circuit Court Judge Marion Humphrey will discuss justice, truth, and power.

The study sessions will be from 10:30 a.m.-noon in Hoffius Hall. Drinks and refreshments will be served.

The study is sponsored by the Christian Education Committee.

When we meet

Sunday worship service begins at 10 a.m.



Saturday informal service 5 p.m. In Hoffius Hall

Wednesday Bible Study 9-10:30 a.m. Hoffius Hall



For more meeting times see www.kirkinthepines.org/calendar



Take care of yourself in busy days of fall

The Preacher reminds us, “There is a time for everything!” (*Ecclesiastes 3:1-8*). Fall is a busy time for many of us. Even in retirement, our schedules fill up quickly with activities and “to-do” lists.

This is especially true at the Kirk as we are beginning to get back into the swing of things after the pandemic. We invite you to consider joining some of the fall activities, study groups, choir, and meetings that are being planned.

The fall Bible Study will begin at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 7 in Hoffius Hall. We will be focusing on the Prison Letters of St. Paul – Philippians, Philemon, Colossians, and Ephesians.

As always, we will consider the faith he proclaims to these ancient communities and the different problems he addresses in each. We will reflect on the problems these churches faced, the responses Paul gives them, and what guidance they offer to us as Christians today.

Paul’s position as a prisoner plays an important role in all of these letters, as Paul speaks about Christian spirituality and what suffering means in the life of the Christian.

PW will gather on Sept. 12

All ladies of the Kirk are invited to the Fall Gathering of the Presbyterian Women on Monday, Sept. 12. The meeting will start at 11 a.m. in the Choir Room for our time of worship with special guest speaker, the Rev. Carol Clark. Next, we’ll proceed to Hoffius Hall for a sumptuous lunch of potluck salads prepared by everyone. Then we’ll then gather in Circle groups to hear about plans for the upcoming year.

Three Circles have been formed and each has room for more members. Calls will be made to take your reservations. If you don’t receive a call and want to be part of a Circle please get in touch with Ruth Hamilton, 501 915-9015. If you can’t commit to a Circle but would enjoy joining us for the fellowship and luncheon, you are more than welcome. Just let Ruth hear from you too so you can be sure to have a place.

This year PW is putting special emphasis on mission outreach and has joined with the Kirk’s Mission Committee to support the “Shoes, Socks and Soup” initiative they are sponsoring in September. If you are able, please bring a package of socks to the luncheon as your outreach gift to support the homeless through Jackson House. Let’s fill a big basket with sorely needed socks.

The Pastor’s Corner Bill Bailey



All of us will need to monitor ourselves and do those things that we feel are most important. As people of faith, we should also be mindful of those things we believe God thinks are most important.

As you find your calendars filling up this fall, do try and remember to care for yourself, serve others and grow in your faith. Seek to cultivate the habit of “practicing God’s presence” as you go through each day. This way we can balance our lives and not become overwhelmed with the busyness of life.



Kirk Picnic/Fish Fry

5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21

Balboa Pavilion

Cost: \$11 per person; \$13 for guests
All-you-can-eat catfish and chicken

Catered by Riverside

Sign-up to reserve your spot.

For more information, contact Ruth Richards:

email: rmrichards@suddenlink.net

or phone: 922-5421

Kirk's Session stayed busy during summer months

The Session met on Aug. 12 for a regular meeting. We extend our sincere sympathy to the families of members, former members, and non-members who passed away or had memorial services since the last Session meeting. Our prayers are with you.

Members Lost due to death:

June Moore passed away on June 28. A Memorial Service was on July 11 in the Memorial Garden with a reception in Hoffius Hall.

Dr. Dean Kerr passed away on Aug. 1. A Memorial Service was on Aug. 6 with a reception in Hoffius Hall.

Art Volkema passed away on Aug. 4. A Memorial Service was on Aug. 27 with a reception in Hoffius Hall.

Service for Former Member:

Patricia Ruth (Meyer) Mull passed away on Sept. 20, 2021. A private Memorial Service was July 30, 2022, in the Kirk Memorial Garden.

Service for Non-Member:

A service for **Nora Turner**, daughter of Dick and Judith Turner, was July 31. The Turners attend the Kirk.

Members lost by transfer of membership:

Nadean Cannon requested her membership be moved to Westminster Presbyterian Church in Hot Springs. The Session approved the transfer.

Mark and Ruth Smith have moved their membership to Woodlands Presbyterian Church in Hot Springs Village.

Church Statistics:

As of Aug. 12: Members – 254; family units – 169

Interim Ad Hoc Session Action

The Session acknowledged prior approval by the Session for two concerts in the Kirk Sanctuary. The Air Force Wind Quintet was to perform at 3 p.m. Aug. 28, in the sanctuary, with a reception following in Hoffius Hall.

On Sept. 11, Arkansas Symphony Orchestra musicians Kiril Laskarov and Carl Anthony will present their program, "Violin Virtuosos" at 3 p.m. in the sanctuary. This concert will be followed by a reception.

Special Called Session Meeting

A Special Called Session meeting on July 2 discussed an increasing spread of covid. After discussion, it was decided precautions in place were

The Clerk's Corner

Jerral Johnson



adequate and masks would remain optional. The Session encourages participants in Kirk to avoid physical contact between members during "Passing of the Peace."

Committee Reports

Christian Education Committee: Moderator Martha Nielsen said the Pastor's Bible Study would begin Sept. 7. The final two sessions of the summer book study (postponed due to covid) will be Sept. 22 and 29.

Building Committee: Pastor Bill Bailey, reporting for Moderator Bill Worthley, said the women's bathroom at the back of the sanctuary was completed. Work on the sound system is almost finished.

Congregational Care Committee: Moderator Marcia Bauer said a number of members need our prayers and concern.

Communications Committee: Moderator Bob Morrow said a Community Fair will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 14 at Coronado Center. It was proposed the Kirk have a booth. Carol Clark said she will help and four individuals have indicated they will join her. Bob also suggested the Session consider periodically having a new-member and "Kirk Friends" dinner.

Grounds/Memorial Committee: Moderator Priscilla Hayek said work has been done on steps in the Memorial Garden to make them safer. There will be a clean-up session beginning at 8:30 a.m. Aug. 24 in the garden.

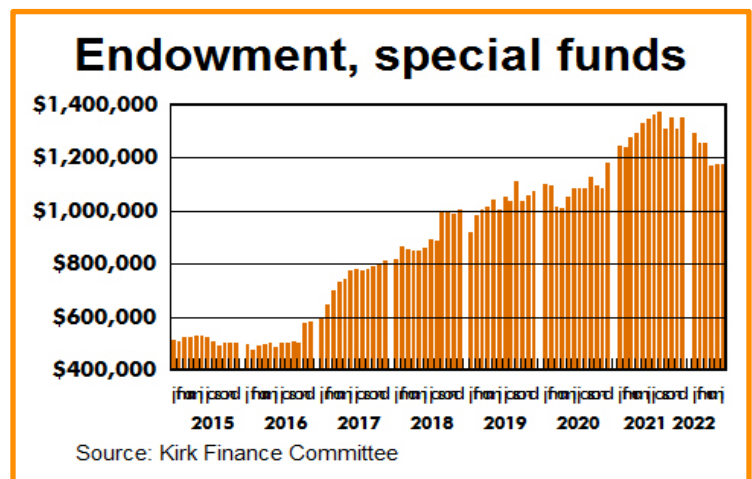
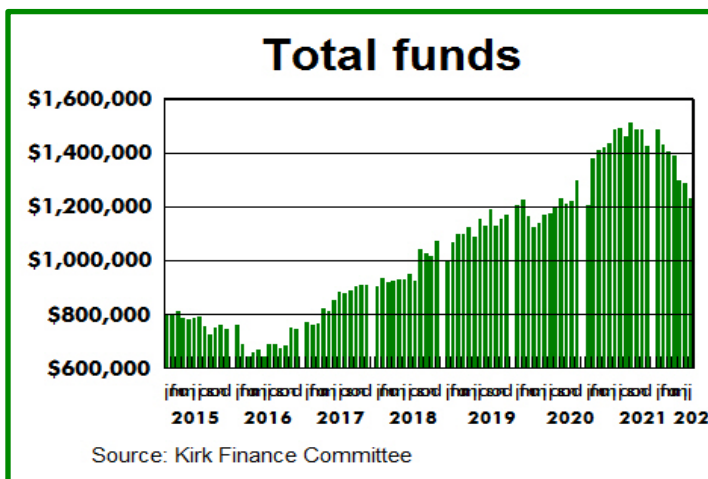
Fellowship Committee: Moderator Ruth Richards, reminded Session of a potluck dinner with a presentation by Genesis on Aug. 24. In addition, the annual church picnic and fish fry will be Sept. 21 at Balboa Pavilion. Future dates include a Chili Cook-Off on Oct. 21 and the Thanksgiving dinner on Nov. 24.

Mission Committee: Moderator Judith Rosenthal said they are conducting a Shoes, Socks, and Soup campaign this fall. Contributions are being collected through Sept. 21. Contributions can be placed in the food pantry boxes in the narthex, Kirk office, and Hoffius Hall, and can be brought to the Kirk picnic.

Kirk in the Pines Financial Report

Year to date as of July 31, 2022

	Month		Year to date	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
General Fund:				
Receipts	\$ 37,974	\$ 63,018	\$ 265,818	\$ 259,588
Disbursements	\$ 37,974	\$ 35,716	\$ 265,818	\$ 210,570
Building Fund:				
Receipts	\$ 4,848	\$ 1,912	\$ 33,936	\$ 23,679
Disbursements	\$ 4,848	\$ 1,585	\$ 33,936	\$ 35,003
Total all Funds:				
Receipts	\$ 42,822	\$ 64,930	\$ 299,754	\$ 283,267
Disbursements	\$ 42,822	\$ 37,301	\$ 299,754	\$ 245,573
 Checking Balance				 \$ 131,138
Special Funds:				
Memorial Fund				\$ 65,131
Luke 12:48 Fund				\$ 260,901
Programs Fund				\$ 32,934
Endowment Fund				\$ 685,974
Maack-Ormsbee Fund				\$ 55,924
Total Special Funds (as of June 30, 2022)				\$ 1,100,864



\$297 for Mission

Thank you for generously supporting our Mission Dollar campaign by placing your single dollar bills in the offering plate. A total of \$297 was collected in July.

If you wish to give more than a dollar, please use the envelopes in the pew racks. We are always grateful for your generous gifts and prayers.

Thinking of you ...

Each Saturday and Sunday the Congregational Care Committee asks Kirk members to sign a beautiful card to be mailed to a church member who has not been able to attend services due to illness or disability.

Please add your signature to these cards and join the congregation in wishing others well. Thank you.



Organist and Kirk choir member Fran Stroud. (Bob Morrow photo)



The Mail Corner

Kerr family thanks Kirk for food, loving care

The family of Dean and Lorna Kerr would like to thank the Rev. Bill Bailey, Randy and Donna Toney, the Kirk choir, the Memorial Reception Committee, Head Shepherd and Shepherd Group 6 who fed us so well, and every member of the Kirk who made such a loving family for our parents and for us as we prayed, said our goodbyes and kept our parents' memories close.

Hot Springs Village was their home longer than any other, and the Kirk filled their time there with grace, a place to serve, friendships and love.

Our heartfelt thanks for being an important part of our parents' lives.



Choir Notes

Dotty Rector

Fran Stroud shares her many musical talents with the Kirk, its choir

Occupying center stage in the Kirk's Lloyd Collins Room, generally known as the choir room, is a beautiful Kawai grand piano. One of its ivory keys sports a brown stain. Fran Stroud has a hunch as to the stain's origin.

"It had to come many years ago from one of my sons. And I suspect it's chocolate milk," she said.

Fran is in the best position to know, since this was the piano on which, years ago, she taught music lessons, often with one of her sons on her lap.

The piano was a gift to the Kirk from Fran and her husband Abe. It replaced an old spinet, which "wasn't much," Fran recalls.

Occasionally, Fran is asked to substitute for Donna Toney and play her beloved Kawai once again. She also sings in the Kirk choir, so singing with it makes her happy, she says.

Music has been a major part of Fran's life from her youth. Her first job, at age 17, was as organist for a Methodist church in Perryton, Texas. She had only a month of organ lessons at the time and didn't know how to operate the bass pedals, so she learned to "fake it." Since then she has been employed as an organist until she retired and moved to Hot Springs Village.

Fran's college degree, from the University of Texas in Austin, is in Music Education at all levels. She taught music at various high schools and colleges in Texas. She also did some acting. Among other roles, she played Sister Hubert in the Nunsense musicals.

Fran was hired as the Kirk's interim choir director some years ago when Larry Bradley retired. More recently she was the accompanist for the Village United Methodist Church choir. She also has sung in or directed several choral groups in the Village.

These days, she says, "I spend my days tending to five dogs, husband Abe, son Blair, and sub occasionally for organist friends," and we note, sings soprano in the Kirk choir.

We thank Fran for her generosity and for sharing her talents with the Kirk.



Improvements in the Memorial Garden

Work improving walkways in the Memorial Garden continued in August with the completion of new concrete steps. The steps replace a hazardous slope in the walkway, and, in addition to newly installed hand rails, should greatly improve safety. (Priscilla Hayek photos)

Opening Prayer and Thanksgiving

O God who brought me
from the rest of last night
to the new light of this day
bring me in the new light
of this day
to the guiding light
of the eternal.
Lead me O God
on the journey of justice.
Guide me O God
on the pathways of peace.
Renew me O God
by the wellsprings of grace
today, tonight and forever.

*From Celtic Prayers from Iona, 1997,
J. Philip Newell, Iona Abbey, Scotland*



PW Coffee Closet having clearance sale in Sept.

The PW Coffee Closet will be selling coffee and tea at reduced prices in September as a leadup to the Closet closing.

With sales falling off over the past few covid-filled years, PW will no longer be buying the free trade coffee and tea to sell to the congregation.

Now is the time to stock up on coffee and tea at lower prices. Call Carol Clark, 501 915-8497 with any questions.

You can also still support Equal Exchange coffees and teas by purchasing products online at: <https://shop.equalexchange.coop>.



A stand-up men's chorus, directed by Randy Toney and accompanied by Donna Toney sang an inspiring rendition of *How Great Thou Art* for worship on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 6 and 7. (Jamie Federick photo)

Kirk Choir returns on Sept. 4; new singers are invited join in all the new music events

The Kirk Choir will return to sing in worship on the first Sunday of September. We would welcome anyone who loves to sing to join us for the first rehearsal at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 31, in the choir room.

On behalf of the congregation, I want to thank all the volunteer singers who contributed their talents for our summer worship services. We are fortunate to have such a large number of talented and willing musicians.

Plans for the fall music schedule are taking shape.

In addition to some of your favorites, we will be singing new arrangements of *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*, *How Firm a Foundation*, and *The Promised Land*.

You will also hear some motets from the Motet Choir that recently sang in worship. Motets were some of the



Choir Notes

By Randy Toney

earliest multiple-part pieces of music, usually embellishments on a single chant line.

Lastly, on behalf of the choir, we say "Thank You" to our congregation for their love, support, and encouragement.



Carl Anthony



Kiril Laskarov

Two Symphony stars to perform Sept. 11 at Kirk

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra musicians Kiril Laskarov and Carl Anthony will present a program of Violin Virtuosos at 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11 in the Kirk sanctuary. The free program will include pieces by Kreisler, Tchaikovsky, Massenet, and Brahms. The concert will be presented by the HS/HSV Symphony Guild.

Kiril Laskarov is in his 24th season as concertmaster of the Arkansas Symphony.

A true virtuoso, Laskarov is a native of Bulgaria who received a bachelors degree from the State Academy of Music in Sofia and a master's degree from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.

Laskarov has appeared as a soloist with the Arkansas Symphony and many other orchestras. He has performed at the Kirk in the past.

Carl Anthony is a retired Professor of Piano and

Theory and theory program coordinator at the University of Central Arkansas, a position he has held since 1978. That same year, he joined the Arkansas Symphony as principal keyboardist.

He received his bachelor's degree from Bucknell University and earned a master's degree in piano and a doctorate in music theory from the University of Arizona.

Always in demand as a chamber musician, Carl performs frequently with resident and guest soloists and ensembles at UCA and with other artists throughout the state.

This exceptional concert will be followed by a reception in Hoffius Hall. Both the concert and reception are free to attend. Donations will go toward the Annual ASO Children's Concert that will be presented in Hot Springs this fall.

Kirk invited to visit University of the Ozarks

The University of the Ozarks invites Presbyterian Kirk in the Pines members and friends to spend a day on campus on Tuesday, Oct. 18, to attend chapel in Munger-Wilson Memorial Chapel, dine in the campus cafeteria, and enjoy an afternoon campus tour.

We will be carpooling to the university in Clarksville, leaving at 8:30 a.m. and returning around 6:30 p.m. Please let us know if you are interested in attending, and if you can drive or if you prefer to ride.

Contact Martha Nielsen, Christian Education Moderator, at 501 922-0672 for more information.





Happy dates



Birthdays

Sept. 1	Beverly Bongard	Sept. 10	Donald Webb	Sept. 21	Jane Garison
Sept. 3	Mary Ann Reynolds	Sept. 12	Rosemary Claveau	Sept. 22	Barbara Fuquay
Sept. 4	Gene Heath	Sept. 14	Jim Chaffin		Peggy Trent
	Jane Vance	Sept. 15	Gerald Allen	Sept. 23	Beverly Raskin
Sept. 8	Gloria Hepner	Sept. 18	Barron Gage		Karen Meek
Sept. 9	Lorraine Berry		Ed Russell	Sept. 29	Beverly McFadden
	Lesley Case	Sept. 20	Donn Allison	Sept. 30	Marjorie Carlisle
Sept. 10	Bob Foster		John Davis		
	Gail Salmen		Joyce Leeming		

Anniversaries

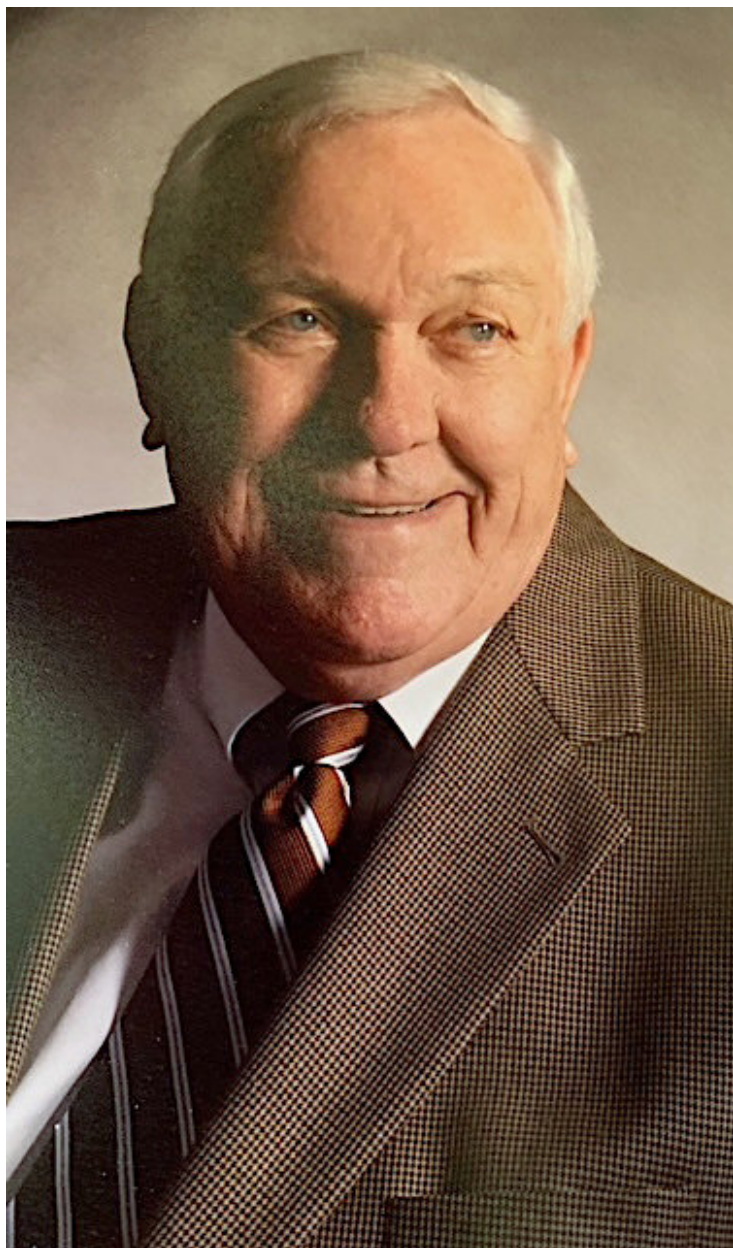
Sept. 1	Marci and Bill Drews	33 years	Sept. 19	Kelle and Ken Wolf	64 years
	Katy Hill and Stan Luczkowski	4 years		Barbara and Bill Worthley	23 years
Sept. 5	Barbara and Walter Fuquay	57 years	Sept. 20	Lucy and Gerald Allen	19 years
	Pat and Mel Kuntz	58 years	Sept. 27	Mary Ann and Bruce Dale	19 years
Sept. 11	Judy and Bob Corwin	63 years	Sept. 30	Eve and Donald Webb	6 years
Sept. 15	Rita and Tom Martick	60 years			



A tasty exchange

Shepherd group 6 held a "cookie exchange" on Thursday, Aug. 18. More than 12 dozen cookies were donated for use in fellowship, particularly for Saturday evening and Sunday coffee hour. Tony and Barbara Booth, shown here, coordinated the event which included root beer floats and plenty of fellowship for members of Shepherd Group 6. (Bob Morrow photo)

Art Volkema, former Air Force pilot and Kirk elder, passed away on Aug. 4



Arthur Volkema

Arthur Volkema, an Air Force pilot and officer for 22 years, died Aug. 4, 2022. He was 91 years old.

Art was born Aug. 7, 1930, in Denver. He attended college in Grand Rapids, Mich., until he joined the Air Force in 1953. He went to Language School until he was accepted into flight training in 1954.

He served in Korea, Vietnam and throughout his Air Force career he was stationed in Texas, Missouri, Kansas, Louisiana, Newfoundland and the Panama Canal. Art retired as a major in 1971.

Art married Martha Mae Newman in the Whiteman Air Force Base chapel on Jan. 26, 1957.

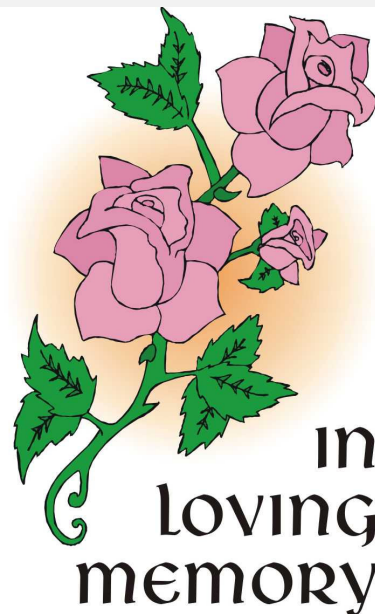
After his retirement from the Air Force, the Volkemas moved to Colorado, but after a brief stay, they moved to Missouri for 16 years to work for Defense Mapping and then transferred to San Antonio to finish out the last four years before he retired.

In 1992, Art and Marty moved to Hot Spring Village for their retirement. Art was a member of the Presbyterian Kirk of the Pines for 30 years and was installed as an elder in 2001. He enjoyed playing golf.

Art was the son of Henry and Gretta Volkema and brother of Jane and Frederick. He is survived by his wife Marty and daughter June Marie Brandes; grandson Nicholas Arthur Brandes, and his sister Jane VanZytveltd.

He was also cherished by four nephews, two nieces and his sister-in-law AnnaBelle.

A memorial service was at 10 a.m. Aug. 27, 2022, at the Kirk.



Honored educator Dean Kerr dies at 93

Rolland Dean Kerr, an educator at the high school and college level, died Aug. 1 at CHI St. Vincent Hospital in Hot Springs. He was 93 years old.

Dean was born Oct. 9, 1928, on the family farm near Mahaska, Kan., to Robert Henry and Gladys Lillian (Morey) Kerr. Growing up on the family farm, Dean fondly remembered the excitement of the wheat harvest when all of the neighbors and relatives participated. The Morey family gatherings were great fun, especially at Thanksgiving with his aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Dean attended a one-room country school at Centerdale for grades one through six, Mahaska District 73 for grades seven and eight, and then Mahaska Rural High School where he graduated second in his class of 10 students in 1946.

In high school, Dean participated in basketball, plays, music contests, and performance banquets, but he also remembered getting a quality education.

A week after high school graduation Dean began classes at Kansas State University where he got his initial degree in mathematics in 1949. After college, he took a teaching position in Waterville, Kan., for a year before marrying the



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love of his life, Lorna Lee Livingston, in 1950.

The couple briefly moved to Narka, Kan., then returned to nearby Mahaska where Dean taught and coached sports at Mahaska High School.

As their family grew, Dean and Lorna relocated to Osborne, Kan., where Dean taught, coached, and eventually became principal at Osborne High School.

Dean continued his education at Fort Hays State University, obtaining his master's degree in school administration in 1959. Dean then began working on his doctorate in secondary school administration, which resulted in moving the family to Columbia, Mo., where he completed his degree in educational administration at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Dean taught at Missouri until he and Lorna moved in 1976 to West Monroe, La., when Dean became Department Head of Administration, Supervision, and Foundations in the College of Education at Northeast



Dean and Lorna Kerr

Louisiana University (now the University of Louisiana-Monroe).

Dean was highly respected in his field, working with the North Central Association to evaluate high schools in Missouri. He was one of the organizing members of the Louisiana Association of School Executives, served as its president for many years, and was honored by LASE upon his retirement.

The University of Louisiana-Monroe named him a Professor Emeritus upon his retirement.

He was proud of the successes his sports teams had, sharing stories with his family of the accomplishments of several of the individuals and groups he coached. Dean wanted to be remembered as a teacher and coach who came to class well prepared and gave his students full measure.

Dean was a loving son, husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He especially loved his wife of 69½ years, Lorna, and his four children. He was active in his church in West Monroe, Highland Presbyterian, and his church in Hot Springs Village, the Presbyterian Kirk in the Pines, serving as an Elder in both churches.

He sat beside Lorna for many years in the church's choirs and sang with the Village Men's Chorus and the Chanticleers and the Senior Edition barbershop quartets in the Village.

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Pat Mull enjoyed travel, golf and bridge

Patricia Ruth Mull, 94, died peacefully with her family at her side on Sept. 20, 2021, at St. Anthony's Care Center in Waco, Tex.

Pat was born Dec. 13, 1926, in Pittsburgh, Pa. She married Mervin F. Mull on Sept. 6, 1947. They followed Merv's career all over the country, living in Indiana, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Illinois, California, Michigan, Texas and Arkansas, before Pat moved back to Waco, Texas in 2017.

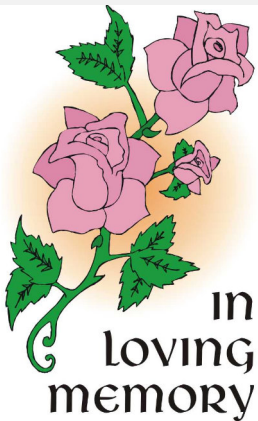
She and Merv traveled extensively before his death in 2011.

Pat loved playing golf and bridge, and particularly loved playing cards and dominoes with her grandchildren.

She had a wonderful and blessed life, and she will be missed greatly by her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. Pat was predeceased by her beloved husband, Merv, on April 6, 2011, by her brothers, Arthur A. Meyer, Jr., and William N. Meyer, and by

her sister, Nancy Peterson.

She is survived by her sister, Joan Treat of Wildwood, Fla.; her daughter, Pamela A Mull and her



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Pat Mull

partner, George Caton, of Blaine, Wash., and Tucson, Arizona, and her son, Randall D. Mull and his wife, Sara, of Waco; her four

grandchildren, Meredith (Ekansh) Aggarwal, Lindsey (Josiah) Newton, Rebecca (Daniel) Janes and Ryan (Elisa) Mull; her five great grandchildren, Gwyneth, Fortlage and Ira Newton, Shaan Aggarwal, and Caroline Janes; her brother-in-law, Merle (Donna) Mull; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pat was interred with her husband in the Kirk's Memorial Garden.

Dean Kerr loved teaching, sports and travel

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He and Lorna greatly enjoyed traveling with their family, striking out on long voyages with the camper in tow to explore from New Mexico to Quebec or backpacking the trails of Colorado and Wyoming. Later, they broadened their horizons by taking trips or cruises, exploring Scotland, Austria, Alaska, Hawaii, the Caribbean, and the Panama Canal along the way.

Dean was an avid golfer, playing until he was 89, and a rabid consumer of televised sports, especially collegiate sports. He was also a source of wisdom, dry humor, silly and profound stories, quiet joy, and acceptance of all. He loved everything about his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Dean was preceded in death by his wife, Lorna; his brothers and sisters-in-law, Wendall and Vesta, Kenny and Eleanor, John and Edith, and Charles and Mary Jane Kerr; his sister-in-law Dona and her husband Kenneth

Kennedy, sister-in-law Carolyn Brown; brother-in-law Dutch Machamer; his niece Janet King; and his nephews Steve Kerr, Richie Kerr, and Hoyt Kerr.

He is survived by his daughter Marla (Terry Lawson) Kerr-Lawson, sons Michael (Cathy) Kerr, Kerry (Ruth) Kerr, and Kelly (Jill) Kerr; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren as well as numerous nieces and nephews who remember him fondly.

A memorial service was Aug. 6 at the Kirk. Memorial donations may be made in Dean's name to the Presbyterian Kirk in the Pines, 275 Asturias Drive, Hot Springs Village, AR 71909.

The family would like to express their appreciation to the doctors, nurses, and staff in the ER and ICU at CHI St. Vincent Hospital in Hot Springs, especially Jill in the ER, and Tara and Michael in the ICU. Your kindness towards Dean and his family was immeasurable.

'Socks, Shoes & Soups Project' goes until Sept. 21

By John Davis

Imagine not having shoes and socks to wear, or not enough to eat. This is a reality for many in our community served in Christ's name by missions we support.

Your Kirk Missions Committee is committed to supporting these ministries not only with dollars but with much-needed donations and has launched the "Socks, Shoes, & Soups Project" benefiting the clients served by Jackson House and the Jackson House Thrift Store.

New or gently used socks and shoes for both women and men will be collected at worship (both services) each weekend through Sept. 21 (coinciding with the annual Kirk Picnic).

Each Kirk member is asked to share their love for the Lord by

donating one pair of socks, one pair of shoes, and one can of soup toward this compassionate project. Cans of soup with pull-tab lids are ideal.

The preferred style of shoes is open-toed slip-on without toe dividers, and no heels, but not house slippers. "Crock" style or canvas slip-on designs are also suitable.

Recommended shoes for women range in sizes 5 thru 10 and sock sizes 9 thru 11. Recommended shoes for men range in sizes 8 thru 12.5 and sock sizes 10 thru 13.

Please attach size tags or labels to socks and shoes. Connect shoes to avoid a mix-up in sizes among similar-looking designs.

Those unable to attend worship or the picnic may deposit their donations in the Food Pantry boxes located in the breezeway at the entrance to the Kirk sanctuary, in Hoffius Hall, or the hallway to the church offices.

"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me"

– *Matthew 25:40, NIV*

John Davis is a member of the Kirk Missions Committee.



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Donna Toney – Organist/Pianist
Congregational Care Coordinator – Carol Clark
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Beverly Schaumburg – Business Administrator
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