



Newsletter

For information regarding Senior Ministries events or trips, or if you or a loved one are moving to a care facility, please contact Carli Burton at cburton@springfieldfirst.org or 217-793-9760x111.

"Trust ye in the Lord forever: for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength." Isaiah 26:4

Senior Fellowship: Around the Table Adventure

Hostesses: Carli Burton & Dorothy Gayton

Dominoes

2nd Thursday | 9:30 am-
of EVERY Month | 12:30 pm

Card Games

*September 8th
coffee & sweet
treats @ 9:30*

Games, Fun Activities, Friendship & Fellowship
Hot delicious dinner served @ 11:45am
(Suggested \$7.00 donation)

*For Seniors of
all ages*

Come join us and invite your friends

Trips

Cubs/Cardinals Game | Wednesday, August 3

We will board the bus for Busch Stadium to watch the Cubs and Cardinals. Bus will depart at 2:30pm sharp.

Morning Star Cafe in Salisbury | Wednesday, August 10

A day trip is planned for the Morning Star Mercantile & Café in Salisbury located on Route 97. Cost is \$5.00 for gas. Seating is limited. We will depart from our parking lot at 11:00am with lunch reservations at 11:30am. Following lunch, take some time to shop their little store. Please sign up in the Atrium outside the Sanctuary and leave your check made out to the church in the black box.

Train Ride to Lincoln | Tuesday, September 6

Let's take a train ride to Guzzardo's Italian Pizza in Lincoln, IL! Round trip train ticket is \$6.50. You may check out the menu online. I am going for the schnitzel strips!! Train departs at 4:51pm and arrives at 5:18pm. We will have transportation for those requesting it to the restaurant. It is about 3 blocks away. Train departs Lincoln at 8:04pm arriving back in Springfield at 8:31pm. Please sign up in the Atrium outside the Sanctuary and leave your check made out to the church in the black box. Must have money by August 23rd .

**Annual Senior Ministries' Gala
Friday, October 28**

We are going Country and Gospel this year. Yeehaw!! We have a band secured for our entertainment. Dust off your cowboy hats or boots or kerchiefs, mark your calendar, and come out for a night of fun planned especially for you. Watch for more details.

Tanners Orchard in Speer, IL | Friday, November 4

We will take a day trip Tanners Orchard in Speer, IL, for their Christmas Open House. Our departure time will be 9:00am. We will shop (they have the most unique gift items), sample foods, and have lunch, plus enjoy their outside area if weather permits. Our stop on the way back home will be at Russell Stover's Chocolates in Lincoln. (They have delicious hand dipped ice cream!) Cost is \$10.00 for gas, plus your meal and purchases. Seating is limited. Please sign up in the Atrium outside the Sanctuary and leave your check made out to the church in the black box.

Barn III Dinner Theater | Thursday, December 1

Our Christmas trip will be at The Barn III Dinner Theater where we will have a delicious meal served to us and then enjoy the Show "Christmas: Past, Present & Future." Delve into the sights, sounds, and traditions of the Christmas season with this brand-new holiday revue of music, comedy, and audience participation. Revel in the celebrations of Christmas past, present and future which all lead to the same conclusion, that faith, love, family, and the spirit of giving are universal and timeless! Join us and steep yourselves in the joy of the season. We will take a luxury coach and depart at 4:15pm. Watch for more details.

Deaths

Please hold in prayer the families of:

- Helen Greening 7/5
- Gloria Calovini 7/8
- Waneta Boehner 7/16
- Elizabeth Stone 7/17
- Barbara "Bobbi" Buscher 7/25

Morning Blessing

May the reality of heaven mean more to you than your temporary circumstances on earth. May the promise of God's provision compel you to live generously and with expectancy. May you see the blessing in your battles, fierce as they are. Are you sturdier because of them? Do you have more compassion for those who suffer because of what you have experienced? Even in hardship, Jesus meets us, refines us, and empowers us to change the world. He loves to reward our faith! May you refuse to get tangled up in your regrets from yesterday, your frustrations today, and your fears about tomorrow. May you instead, lift your eyes and look to Jesus. May you live with eternity in mind. Have a blessed, magnificent, eternally minded day! #SusieLarsonBlessings



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WEEKEND WORSHIP EXPERIENCES

Sunday 9:00am Contemporary (CLC) 10:30am Contemporary (CLC) 10:30am Traditional (Sanctuary)