

## NEEDS THIS WEEK

**All Saints Day:** On Sunday, November 1, St. John's United Methodist Church will celebrate All Saints Day. If you have a family member who passed away this year, you are invited to send us their picture to be put on a special honor table and displayed during our virtual worship service. You may either send a picture electronically or mail/deliver a hard copy to the church office by October 26. The picture size must be no bigger than 8x10. It can be framed or not framed. Please call the church office for more details at 281-342-6631. Because this ceremony will be on Facebook Live, you may also want to invite others in your family to click in and be part of our worship on this day.

**Shopping Bags:** We need LARGE reusable or paper shopping bags (not small plastic shopping bags). If you have any to donate, please drop them off in the white multipurpose collection box located outside of the Wendt Hall doors.

## FOCUS THIS WEEK

**Bulletin:** Please visit the link below for a printable copy of this week's bulletin or view the PDF attached to this email – [October 25](#).

**Jalapeño Jelly:** If you are interested in purchasing Fall-themed jalapeño jelly, please stop by the church office during business hours. 4oz jars are \$3.00 each and 6oz jars are \$5.00 each. Please make checks payable to St. John's UMC. All proceeds support mission projects at St. John's.

## MISSIONS & OUTREACH

**Jelly Jars:** It is jalapeño jelly time and we are looking for 4oz and 8oz jars. If you have some to donate, please drop them off at the church.

**Smith Elementary Christmas Store:** Please drop off items at the contactless drop-off box located at the Wendt Hall doors. We are also in need of monetary donations. If you would like to make a contribution, please mail a check to the church (and mark it "Christmas Store" in the memo line). We are collecting the following items:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mugs                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Long lipsticks   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fuzzy socks                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Nail polish (full size bottles)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Playing cards                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Medium size gift bags  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Men's caps                      | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>16oz</b> jars (glass or plastic-peanut butter, jelly, picante sauce, pickle jar, etc. - just needs a lid that will not pop off) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Men's socks (dress or athletic) |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decorative emery boards         |   |

**Military Care Packages:** We are collecting items to send to the military members on our prayer list. If you would like to donate items, please bring them by the church office by Monday, November 23rd. Suggested items include but not limited to:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Hand sanitizer</li><li>● Pretzels</li><li>● Snacks (Cheez-its, peanuts, fruit cups, granola bars)</li><li>● Baby wipes (unscented only)</li><li>● AA batteries</li><li>● Christmas cards</li><li>● Puzzles</li><li>● Card games</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Word search books</li><li>● Dominoes</li><li>● Books</li><li>● Face masks</li><li>● Fun socks</li><li>● Mailing Stamps</li><li>● Gum</li><li>● Non-chocolate candy</li><li>● Powdered drinks</li></ul> |
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- Cookies
- Sunflower seeds
- Beef Jerky

## ADULTS

**Office Hours:** Starting Monday, November 2 the church office will be open from 9:00am to 4:00pm on Mondays and Tuesdays. The church office will be CLOSED on Monday, November 9.

**Advent Boxes:** We need volunteers on Monday, November 2 and Tuesday, November 3 to help fold pizza boxes. No special skills required. If you would like to help, please sign-up via the link below. Masks will be required on work days.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090B45A9AE28AAF85-advent1>

**Women's Book Study:** The November book is *Gods of Jade and Shadow* by Silvia Moreno-Garcia. Copies from the public library are available to sign out from the church on Monday and Tuesday mornings during office hours. Discussion will be via Zoom on Saturday, November 14 at 9:30am. Please contact Kay Harlan [kay-harlan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kay-harlan@sbcglobal.net) if you are interested in participating.

**Reminder:** Please help to keep us informed. If you know of someone in the hospital or who is ill, please call the church at 281-342-6631, or email the church at [church.office@stjohnsumc-richmond.org](mailto:church.office@stjohnsumc-richmond.org).

**Virtual Worship Volunteers:** If you are interested in helping with worship, please sign up via the link below. We are following safety precautions when you come into the building to help for the health and safety of everyone!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090B45A9AE28AAF85-at-home1>

**Online Worship:** You can view worship services online on our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/stjohnsumcrichmond>) or <http://stjohnsumc-richmond.org>. Live worship is Sunday at 11am on our Facebook page. After the live service, the video can be viewed on our Facebook page or the website anytime.