



An octopus has eight legs. Octagon means “a polygon of eight angles and eight sides” according to Merriam-Webster dictionary. “Octo” means “eight” in Latin. But what about October? As we know it is not an eighth month of the year, but tenth. Why is that so? In the ancient Roman calendar, October was the name of the eighth month of the year. According to the University of Chicago, “Roman calendar originally was determined by the cycles of the moon and the seasons of the agricultural year. Beginning in March in the spring and ending in December with the autumn planting.” But even after Romans changed the calendar to twelve months and October became tenth month, the month’s name was stuck.

When John Wesley and his friends formed “Holy Club” in Oxford University, people laughed at their methodical way of life. But that stuck as the name of the movement. That’s why we are called “Methodist” ever since.

When there was a great persecution in Jerusalem, the disciples scattered all over the places around that area. Some of them went to Antioch and spread the Gospel to the Greeks. There, the disciples were called, “Christians” (Χριστιανούς), which means “followers of Christ.” That stuck to those who believed until now. It is interesting that no matter where you were born and raised, what language you speak, how much you have or accomplished, the only way that we earn the name, the Christians, is when you believe and accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior.

Then a question arises. Are we living up to our name? If Jesus asks us the same question, how can we answer? There are no titles like pastors, committee chairs, or teachers before God. The question will be “Did you actually follow Jesus?” Did we really tried to act like Jesus, to talk like Him, or think like Him? Have we followed His footsteps to grow every day?

In October, we will share about God, children whom Jesus taught people to be like to enter the kingdom of God, and Reformation. All of them are deeply related to follow Jesus. Come and join us in worship each Sunday, and let us honor God and grow together!

In Christ,

Pastor Kim

Worship in October

Sunday Mornings at 10:00 am.

In person: 8760 Kill Creek Road, De Soto, KS 66018

Online, Facebook Live or later—www.facebook.com/desotounitedmethodist/
later on YouTube—[desotounitedmethodistchurc8790](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8790)



6 th	World Communion Sunday	Genesis 1:1 “Our God is bigger than big”
13 th	21st Sunday after Pentecost	Psalms 139:1 “Our God is closer than close”
20 th	Children’s Sabbath	Mark 10:14 “Like a little child”
27 th	Reformation Sunday	Ephesians 2:8 “By Grace through Faith”

PRAISE AND PRAYER GATHERING

At 9:15 am, we will gather up front on the 2nd and 4th Sundays to hear the WORD, sing a couple of praise songs, listen to a simple faith-based message (from a member of our congregation) and lift each other up in prayer and praise.

Please join us October this month. If you would like to share a message of your personal Faith experience for this bi-weekly praise, please let Pastor Kim, Avery Noble, or Shelly Coker know and they will assign you a date. **Bring Your Friends!**

NEW MEMBER WELCOMING

Sunday, October 6th in Worship service.

Laurie Plumb, Michael & Karleen Novak

Laurie has come to our church with her granddaughter since last summer. She was impressed by welcoming of our church and felt at home. She said, “the first time I walked in the door I was welcomed by so many people.” She enjoys knitting and drawing and is willing to help if needed. She wants to continue to grow in her faith with us.

Michael & Karleen also felt welcomed in our church. Mike likes to play golf and keeps busy doing whatever needs to be done, preferably outside. Karleen said, “there are only so many meals in a good woman, but I still enjoy cooking and entertaining.” Karleen also likes to read and play bridge. They walk together every day and try to get a game of Cribbage in as time allows. They both enjoy fishing and traveling, and make a joint effort to stay informed on important issues. Their family, friends and acquaintances are the focus of their lives as they attempt to be good Christians.

2024—FULL OF BLESSINGS AND GRACE

OCTOBER

2	Wed	10:00 am	Coffee @ Cause Coffee	15	Tue	11:00 am	Reading Circle
		6:00 pm	Choir rehearsal	16	Wed	10:00 am	Coffee @ Cause Coffee
4	Fri	7:00 am	Rotary			6:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
6	SUN	9:00 am	Sunday School	18	Fri	7:00 am	Rotary
		10:00 am	Worship	19	Sat	8:00 am	United Methodist Men
		4:00 pm	Bible Explorers	20	SUN	9:00 am	Sunday School
7	Mon	6:30 pm	Agape Circle			10:00 am	Worship
7-8	Mon-Tue		Emmaus Communion Team	21	Mon	7:00 pm	Finance & Trustees Teams
8	Tue	5:30 pm	D.A.R	23	Wed	10:00 am	Coffee @ Cause Coffee
9	Wed	10:00 am	Coffee @ Cause Coffee			6:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
		1:30 pm	Hillside Village service	24	Thu	6:30 pm	Administrative Council
		6:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	27	SUN	9:00 am	Sunday School
11	Fri		Linda Patton's last day as Admin.			9:15 am	Praise & Prayer Gathering
12	Sat	2:00pm	Girl Scouts			10:00 am	Worship
13	SUN	9:00 am	Sunday School			3-5:00 pm	Trunk-n-Treat @ DUMC
		9:15 am	Praise & Prayer Gathering				Lower Parking Lot
		10:00 am	Worship	28	Mon		Orders & Fellowship—Pastor Kim
		11:00 am	Pumpkin Patch Adventure	30	Wed	10:00 am	Cause Coffee
14	Mon	1:00 pm	Silver Circle			6:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal

October

October Happy Birthdays

2 Piper Guzman	4 Alex Tiedeman	4 Gavin Tiedeman
8 Carson Carpenter	8 Lane Hileman	10 Jimmie Thomas
12 Kelly Young	3 Penney Buehler	18 Doug Tiedeman
	31 Wes Raines	

October Happy Anniversary

12 Doug & Kim Bedford	14 Larry & Mary Cox	15 Max & Star Atwell
15 Cody & Jessica Simmons	23 Jason & Kate Guzman	30 David & Darlene Bedford



Mission and Outreach

October Food Pantry is continuing the request for soup.

Children, Youth, & Family Ministry NEWS

Sunday School 9:00-9:50 A.M.

Nursery Care Continues



PreK - 2nd Grade

6th - 12th Grade

3rd - 5th Grade

Adults

Snacks are always part of Sunday School.



Bible Explorers for Upper Elementary

Begins This

Sunday

October 6

4:00-5:30 pm

Hey 3rd, 4th, & 5th graders—Bible Explorers is for YOU! Join us 4:00-5:30 pm once a month on a Sunday, October through May for a light meal and fun, explorative ways to learn about the Bible and what it teaches us as we grow as disciples of Jesus. Our meeting dates for 2023-2024 are:

October 6

February 2

November 3

March 2

December 1

April 6

January 5

May 4

Invitations to Grow through Study, Fellowship and Mission

De Soto United Methodist Men

On the 3rd Saturday of the each month, UMM Fellowship Breakfast and devotional study meets in **Fellowship Hall** at 8:00 am. Come: **October 19, 8:00 am**

De Soto United Methodist Women Circles

The Methodist women are busy with numerous projects - programs promoting mission and service. Contact Gayle Moriarity if you want more information regarding the group: gaylemoriarty@gmail.com 913-304-4901

AGAPE CIRCLE— Next meeting is October 7th, 6:30 pm when we will discuss “Mothers and Daughters of the Bible” by Shannon Bream. Linda Rumsey’s home, 27545 West 89th St., Lenexa, KS 66227 (913) 522-6919.

SILVER CIRCLE—Studying “The Bad Girls of the Bible”. October 14th, the 2nd (second) Monday, 1:00 pm at the Valley Springs Clubhouse.

READING CIRCLE—reads and discusses a group selected book each month, 3rd (third) Tuesday of each month October 15th, from 11:00am-12:00pm, when we will discuss the series we read by Joseph F. Grizon We then meet at KJ’s after the meeting for pizza!

Oct. 27, 3-5 pm

DE SOTO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

8760 KILL CREEK ROAD

LOWER PARKING LOT



Wear your costumes and join us for **trick-or-treating, fun, games and crafts**. Members of the church will have decorated trunks and hand out **treats**.

Plus, NWC Fire District Truck



Pumpkin Patch Adventure

11 am Sunday, October 13

Pumpkins • Hay Maze

Free Admission

Schaake's Pumpkin Patch

www.schaakespumpkinpatch.com

1791 North 1500 Road

Lawrence, Kansas 66046 785-843-2459

Bring a friend.

Bring your lunch.

Families of all ages and stages are invited to join us as we caravan from church to Schaake's Pumpkin Patch following 10 am Worship.

Questions? Contact Lisa Carpenter @ 913-620-1800.



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Sundays

9:00am Groups for All Ages

10:00am Worship

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