



**Perpetual Endowment Fund Update**

When you give to the Perpetual Endowment Fund (PEF), your donation remains in the fund permanently, forming a stable, long-term funding base. Gifts are invested and just the earnings and interest income are distributed. This distribution occurs once a year, and the interest is allocated virtually to four groups at SCC, namely: World Outreach and Community Service; Evangelism and Membership; the Operating Budget; and Buildings and Grounds/Capital Improvement.

The funds are available for the use of these groups to carry on the work of the church. Until such time as the funds are requested, however, the monies stay invested, continuing to earn interest and grow. As of September 30, 2024, the PEF has received over \$12,000 in gifts this year, a remarkable sum.

You may donate to the PEF at any time. Some persons choose to indicate a gift in memory or honor of someone. Questions? Contact Ann Hammer, 317-727-9679.

Below is the updated 2025 SCC Board & Committee members. This slate was approved at the SCC board meeting on November 12, 2024.

**2025 SCC Board & Committees**

- Moderator:** Patrick Kiser
- Vice-Moderator:** *Open Position*
- Secretary:** Christy Morris
- Treasurer:** Rick Haug
- Trustees:** Jason DeLisle, Chuck Bennett, Tom Smith, Tommy Holmes
- Christian Education:** *Open Position*
- Membership & Evangelism:** *Open Position*
- Stewardship & Finance:** *Open Position*
- World Outreach:** Amy Ostrander
- Public Relations:** *Open Position*
- Personnel:** Bob McColgin
- Property:** Don Heller
- Worship & Fine Arts:** Laura Tice, Susie Golden-Bishop
- IT Ministries:** Allen Percy, Joe Edmiston
- Senior Elder:** Melanie Heaviland
- Elders:** Holly Cecil, Stephen Dietzer, Marge Graham, Bill Harting, Rose Hunter, Christy Morris, Dick Schrock, Tom Smith, Laura Tice, Ray Tice (*4 open positions*)
- Senior Deacon:** Angie Smith, Amy DeLisle
- Deacons:** Kim Bennett, Sandy Feely, Dennis Hammer, Rick Hammer, Don Heller, Kristin Holmes, Tommy Holmes, Patrick Kiser, Becky Shoemaker, Amanda Pryor, Jon Pryor, Susan Whitlow, Angela Holton, Matt Holton
- Perpetual Fund Trustee:** Ann Hammer, Dick Schrock, Bob Parke
- Youth Representative:** *Open Position*

**Stewardship—Full Moon Of Giving**

**November stewardship focus**  
**All Saints — Memorial Fund—Legacy Gifts**

When you give this month for stewardship focus think of two items...

- ~ Give in honor or memory of to the Speedway Christ Church Memorial Fund.
- ~ Give in honor or memory of to the General Operating Fund.

If you have any questions or comments regarding our 2024 stewardship campaign, please reach out to Chuck Bennett and/or Kim Bennett, Stewardship Chairs @ 317-441-5678 or cbennett@speedwayschools.net

In Service, Chuck and Kim Bennett



## Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Even though we haven't yet celebrated Thanksgiving, I wanted to introduce to you where we are headed for Advent this December. By the time the next issue of the *Spirit* is printed, we will be in the middle of the journey.

*See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.* Luke 7:27b

We are so often focused on the destination in our travels. "Where are you going?" is the most common question upon hearing that someone is heading out of town. While the destination is perhaps the impetus for deciding to "go," it is often the journey itself that offers the most memorable moments—frustrating or delightful. This Advent season, we will pay attention not just to the destination of Christmas, but also to the places where events occurred that led to a starry night on which a child was born who would change the world. And we will ponder our own milestones—the progress and the potholes "on the way." together we will consider:

**Rome: A Place of Longing (Hope)**  
**Jerusalem: A Place of Waiting (Peace)**  
**Nazareth: A Place of Simplicity (Joy)**  
**Bethlehem: A Place of Humility (Love)**  
**The Manger: A Place of Care**  
**Persia: A Place of Return**

This worship series has been developed by Marcia McFee, of Worship Design Studio, and is inspired by the book *On the Way to Bethlehem: An Advent Study* by Rob Fuquay.

There will be a discussion about the book *On the Way to Bethlehem* during the Adult Sunday School hour following worship during December. If you would like to have a copy of the book, please let me know so that we can get them ordered. Please note, having a copy of the book is NOT required to attend the Sunday School discussion. A guided journal connected to the series will also be available as well.

Back to Thanksgiving for a moment. SCC will host the Community Thanksgiving service this year on:

**November 24, 2024 at 4pm**

It will be a time to join with our wider community in prayer, in song and in fellowship. There will even be a few pastoral words given to address some of the stress often associated with Thanksgiving. A light reception will follow worship. Come and connect with the wider body of Christ as we enter into the holiday season.

See you in church,  
Rev. Kyle



## News and Updates from Reverend Katie

Do your kids have an upcoming sports game, performance, or other extracurricular activity? Katie would love to come and support them! Please send your schedule to [kgriffin@speedwaychristian.org](mailto:kgriffin@speedwaychristian.org).

Our youth will be sending care packages to all of our college students this fall in time for their final exams. In addition to the gifts from the church, you are also invited to write them a short note – just something to let them know they are loved and we are praying for them as they enter this tough time in their semester. Please see the display in the Hall of Light, which will be available for the next few weeks.

One of the highlights of youth group is our dinners together. We would be so very grateful if you could help provide one of our meals. We are also in need of more sponsors for youth group. Rev Katie plans the activities and discussions, so we are just looking for people who can help out during our meetings and perhaps participate in our discussions. If you are available to serve our youth in providing meals or as a sponsor, the week-to-week sign ups are available on our website at [www.speedwaychristian.org](http://www.speedwaychristian.org). Christy Morris and Angie Dinwiddie have graciously volunteered to help with these efforts, so please see Christy about meals, Angie about helping out, and/or Rev. Katie with questions about either of these service opportunities.

Rev. Katie



## Christmas (Music) is Coming!

On **Sunday, December 15** SCC will hold our Annual Chili Cook-Off after worship, but this year you will be in for a special holiday treat! Before lunch we will enjoy a Christmas Music Celebration presented by SCC children and adults. The children will present "Twas the Night Before Christmas," a short Christmas pageant that shares the Christmas story through carols and a fun script. We will also enjoy Christmas music provided by the instrumentalists of SCC. This is open to anyone who currently plays any instrument or to anyone who has played an instrument in the past and hasn't touched it for years. Get those instruments out of the closet, dust them off, and get your fingers or lips back in shape so you can be a part of this fun ensemble; all ages are welcome! More information will be forthcoming about rehearsal dates and times.



Blessings, Paula

## Looking Ahead to Advent

### Sunday, November 24

- 9:15am Worship service
- Christmas Giving Tree in Hall of Light
- 4:00pm Community Thanksgiving Service (service will be hosted at SCC)

### Thursday, November 28

- Thanksgiving - No Worship service

### Saturday, November 30

- 8:00am Hanging of the Greens

### Sunday, December 1

Theme: Rome, A Place of Longing, Hope

### Sunday, December 8

Theme: Jerusalem, A Place of Waiting, Peace

### Thursday, December 12

- Indiana Region - Regional Christmas Open House 2:00-4:00pm

### Sunday, December 15

Theme: Nazareth, A Place of Simplicity, Joy

- Opportunity Day Preschool Celebration Sunday

### Following 9:15am Worship in Fellowship Hall:

- Christmas music and play presented by SCC children & adults
- Chili Cook-off

### Thursday, December 19

- 6:30pm Blue Christmas service

### Sunday, December 22

Theme: Bethlehem, A Place of Humility, Love

- Caroling with the Youth (all welcome) - Time (TBD)

### Tuesday, December 24

#### Christmas Eve Services

Theme: The Manger, A Place of Care

- 4:30pm - Family service. (All are encouraged to wear their pajamas)
- 8:00pm - Traditional candle light service

### Thursday, December 26

- No Worship service

### December 29

Theme: Persia, A Place of Return



## Please keep in Prayer

Don Bosma, Jean Hunter, Joan Gossett,  
Andrea Baetsle, Bobbi Jones,  
Hayes Desper (great-grandson of Ann Oliver)  
Barb Jones (Dean Heaviland's sister)  
Kim Clark (Verna King's sister)  
Samantha Swan (Verna King's niece)  
Becky Parke (Bob & Gayle Parke's daughter-in-law)

## Our Sympathy and Prayers to the family and friends of

**Juanita Fox**  
who passed away on November 3, 2024.



## Our Sympathy and Prayers to the family and friends of

**Art Vermillion**  
who passed away on November 16, 2024.

## Our Sympathy and Prayers to the family and friends of

**Keith Kaiser**  
who passed away on November 19, 2024.

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## Christmas Families

We have started working on our annual Christmas help to families within our Speedway schools community. The Christmas Giving "Ornaments" will be set up in the Hall of Light soon. Each ornament will have a Christmas wish of a Speedway school child.



## Stewardship/Finance—October 2024

October 2024 Funds Received	\$	24,148
<i>Funds xferred to unbudgeted expenses</i>	\$	85,775
October 2024 Expenses	\$	124,574
October 2024 <b>Income less than expenses</b>	\$	(14,656)

## 2024 Year to Date (January—October)

2024 YTD Funds Received:	\$	337,582
<i>Funds xferred to unbudgeted expenses</i>	\$	95,007
2024 YTD Expenses:	\$	436,771
2024 YTD <b>Income less than expenses</b>	\$	(4,182)



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### **Crop Walk**

Thanks to our generous congregation, we surpassed our goal and raised **\$2,203 for the CROP Walk** - supporting CWS and helping families who are struggling with hunger. Thank you to all who donated and special thanks to Alice McColgin, Christy Morris, and Paula Nichols who joined me (and my mom!) on a beautiful fall day for the actual walk through the campus of Butler University.



~ Melanie Heaviland, World Outreach Chair

*Happy Thanksgiving*

SPEEDWAY COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24 4 PM  
HOSTED BY SPEEDWAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED FOLLOWING WORSHIP  
CHILDCARE AVAILABLE  
WORSHIP LEAD BY THE SPEEDWAY MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

**Share the Warmth!**

Please bring any kids-size hats, mittens, and gloves to be given to our local schools.

Join us for our November WOWW giving

