



Celebrations at SCC

Christina McArthur
was baptized on 11.9.25

Sophie Anne Dosch,
daughter of Colton & Mackenzie Dosch
was dedicated on 11.9.25

Brothers and Sisters In Christ,

At the November 4, 2025 board meeting, Rev. Katie Griffin resigned as Associate Minister of Speedway Christian Church. Rev. Katie's last day in the church office will be December 4, 2025. Please hold Rev. Katie and the church in prayer in this time of transition. Following is a copy of her resignation letter.

Dear Members of the Board,

After six years of serving as your Associate Minister, I have discerned that it is time for me to step away from my role at Speedway Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). This decision comes with a full heart – full of gratitude, love, and deep respect for the ministry we have shared.

Together, we've sought to nurture faith in young hearts, to create spaces of belonging and wonder, and to live the gospel with open minds and open hands. It has been one of the greatest privileges of my life to walk beside this community – to learn, laugh, and grow together in God's abundant grace.

As I step into a new season of calling, I do so trusting that the same Spirit who has guided us will continue to lead both myself and this congregation forward in courage, creativity, and compassion. Please know that you will remain in my prayers and in my heart as you continue to embody Christ's wide and welcoming love.

With deep gratitude and peace,
Reverend Katie Griffin

To everything, there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die: a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-2

Calling All Instrumentalists!

On December 21 we would like to have an instrumental ensemble accompany the Christmas carols that we will sing in worship. There will be parts for wind and string instruments and all ages and skill levels are welcome. Rehearsals for that Sunday will take place at 8:00 PM, following Chancel Choir rehearsals, on December 4, 11, and 18.

Also, if you enjoy more contemporary Christian music and would be interested in playing guitar, keyboard, or drums in a praise band, please let Paula know. If there is enough interest, we would like to share a different style of worship music from time to time with the Speedway Christian family.



Email Paula at pnichols@speedwaychristian.org.

Blessings, Paula

Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

To everything (turn, turn, turn). There is a season (turn, turn, turn). And a time to every purpose under heaven.

In October of 1965, for three weeks in a row, The Byrds found themselves at the top of the Billboard Hot 100 music chart for the song *Turn! Turn! Turn! (To Everything There Is A Season)*. The first lines of the song opened this column.



It might have been the snow that continued to fall and accumulate in early November, but it sure does feel like that seasons are in fact changing. This past Sunday I chuckled as Coach Smith promised me that when the Speedway Girls Basketball team left the church on Saturday, they had raked and bagged all of the leaves that were on the ground (thank you, ladies). I know this to be true because I have seen the bags and was able to watch a fun video of team members jumping into the raked up piles. Not twenty four hours later, another storm developed that covered the ground with leaves and then added a fresh layer of snow on top of them seasons... *turn, turn, turn* indeed.

We are in the midst of some changing seasons here at the church as well. The next season of SCC will look different. With pastoral staff transitions it might feel like everything around us is spinning beyond our understanding. I hope that you might find some comfort in the conclusion of the opening lines of The Byrd's song. They remind us *And a time to every purpose under heaven*.

As we greet the new season both outside and within, may we also make room for God's presence. After all, the seasons will continue to *turn, turn, turn*.

Shalom, Rev.

Kyle

2026 SCC Board & Committees

Moderator:	Patrick Kiser
Vice-Moderator:	Bill Harting
Secretary:	Rose Hunter
Treasurer:	Rick Haug
Trustees:	Chuck Bennett, Tom Smith Tommy Holmes, Jason DeLisle
Christian Education:	Open Position
Membership & Evangelism:	Christy Morris
Stewardship & Finance:	Open Position
World Outreach:	Amy Ostrander
Public Relations:	Open Position
Personnel:	Open Position
Property:	Don Heller
Worship & Fine Arts:	Chesney Carter
IT Ministries:	Allen Percy, Joe Edmiston
Senior Elder:	Open
Elders:	Holly Cecil, Ray Tice, Tom Smith, Laura Tice, Rose Hunter, Melanie Heaviland, Alice McColgin Bill Carter (4 open positions)
Senior Deacon:	Christina McArthur
Deacons:	Sandy Feely, Dennis Hammer, Don Heller, Kristin Holmes, Tommy Holmes, Susan Whitlow, Angela Holton, Matt Holton, Jim Murley, Chesney Carter, Wilma Heller (4 open positions)
Perpetual Fund Trustee:	Ann Hammer, Dick Schrock Joe Edmiston
Youth Representative:	Open Position

*By volunteering,
you are not doing the
church a favor,
you are saying yes,
to an opportunity to
serve God.*

~ Rev. Katie Griffin

*Can you spot all the fun fall items?
Special thanks to **Kelley Ward** and
Hannah McDonald for their work on
the display cases outside of the
wooden triple doors on 14th Street.*



Working Together at the Food Pantry

Sixteen people from three generations of Speedway Christian Church families, worked alongside students from the Wayne Township 4-H Junior Leader Club and other longtime Storehouse Food Pantry volunteers Sunday evening, November 2. We filled 400 boxes of non-perishable food items for distribution to west side families before Thanksgiving.

We came together to help feed the hungry and came away filled with a sense of awe in how much basic food it takes to do this...and how quickly, working in a well-organized way, we were able to get it boxed in about two hours.

May God bless the families who receive the food and know they are never alone. Amen

~A Reflection from Alice McColgin about Sunday November 2nd's service opportunity at the Storehouse Food Pantry.



Please keep in Prayer

Jim Hittle, Paul Edwards, Andrea Baetsle, Jim Hollis,
Mary Houldson, Gayle Parke,
Becky Parke (Bob & Gayle Parke's daughter-in-law)

World Outreach News

In this season of Thanksgiving, I want to let all the congregation know how much you have helped World Outreach out this past year. We have been busy in the community serving Wheeler Missions both Men and Women's shelters, The Storehouse Food Pantry, Morning Light Abby Bruce Hunt Home, Backpack/School Supplies, Sheltering Wings.

Speedway Christian Church has made a difference and a positive impact in our community. I feel were able to show our neighbors in need Jesus through our actions and love for them. Jesus loves us and we were able to show our neighbors in need that Jesus and his church also love them.

I also want to sincerely thank the 16 volunteers who helped with The Storehouse Food Pantry pre-pack 420 food boxes to be given away during the Thanksgiving Distribution. This was a huge help to the regular pantry volunteers during a very busy month.

November WOWW

Collection of Hats, Gloves/Mittens, and Scarves for local school kids.

December WOWW will be the Giving Tree for local Families in need through the Speedway Elementary Schools

More information coming soon in the newsletter and Sunday announcements

Amy Ostrander, World Outreach Chair

Stewardship/Finance—October 2025

Oct 2025 Funds Received	\$	26,748
<i>Funds xferred (unbudgeted expenses)</i>	\$	16,799
Oct 2025 HVAC repl. Expense	\$	16,799
Oct 2025 Operating Expenses	\$	26,984
Oct 2025 <i>(expenses greater than income)</i>	\$	(236)

2025 Year to Date (January—October)

2025 YTD Funds Received:	\$	319,736
<i>Funds xferred (unbudgeted expenses)</i>	\$	106,841
2025 YTD Expenses:	\$	451,100
YTD <i>(expenses greater than income)</i>	\$	(24,523)

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Matthew 2:11

G - Giving
I - Is
F - Faithful
T - Thanks/giving

On coming to the house,
they saw the child with his mother Mary,
and they bowed down and worshiped him.
Then they opened their treasures and
presented him with gifts of
gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Men's Bible Study

The Men's Bible Study group meet **every other Monday at 7:00pm in the Bethany Room.** A

Zoom link is also available. Contact Bob Parke at rparkeatt.net he will send the zoom link to you prior to starting the group study. Please join us!

