

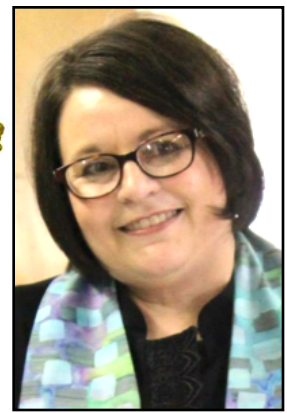


The Tree of Life was planted on each side of the River, producing twelve kinds of fruit, a ripe fruit each month. The leaves of the Tree are for healing the nations.

Rev 22:2



## HAPPY FALL Y'ALL!



I cannot believe that it is already October and later this month young people along with their families will be out and about in neighborhoods around the city saying, "trick or treat". We are making plans here at Dawson with the Trunk or Treat event on October 31. I am hopeful that you and maybe some of your neighbors will join us in the church parking lot.

As a child I used to love Halloween as that was a time when our neighborhood would come alive and we all would enjoy a great time together. Each year my siblings and I would enthusiastically plan what we would wear and carefully map out our route in order to get the best treats in our allotted time. Some houses for sure were high priority as those neighbors were our favorites, they were the most welcoming and had the reputation for offering the best treats. Of course there were some whose porch lights remained off as they chose not to be hospitable on one of the greatest nights of the year.

In our neighborhood, Dawson has an opportunity to be a central hub of hospitality to welcoming our neighbors. This past week I happened across an article that asked, "if your church closed today would anyone notice?" Of course, many of us would notice as there many loving, caring people in our congregation who are working very hard to make our church the "best kept secret in the South City". Most people today will visit a church not because of a pastor or a beautiful building but because someone took the time to personally invite them. There are just some things that should not be kept a secret. Now is the time that we become intentional in offering hospitality to our neighbors, friends, co-workers and family members to join us and grow with us in faith and fellowship. Throughout October we have various family oriented events for people of all ages and stages in life to come on over and get acquainted with one another. These events include the rummage sale, Pancake Breakfasts, 3D Wednesdays, Tuesday morning bible study, the Block Party, Trunk and Treat all in addition to our weekly worship service. Please be sure to keep your church calendar close so you don't miss anything! Also, don't be shy, treat those around you by offering them the sweetest opportunity around any neighborhood...an open invitation to be a part of a church family, who is waiting to welcome them with open arms. See Y'All soon...I'll leave the light on!!

Pastor Amy

## Choir Rehearsals:


**Every Wednesday @ 7 PM**

### A Call For Help

Are you my neighbor?

Anderson Elementary has needs for volunteers, such as listening to readers or to help with "math facts", for an hour or so each week. Also on an occasional basis during vision, hearing or dental checks and picture day this fall and or spring semester. Pastor Amy has volunteer applications available.

### THE GIVING TREE



After visiting with the Assistant Principal and teachers from Anderson School last week during Back To School Sunday, we asked what their kiddos really needed for the coming school season. They suggested socks and underwear for students Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade (size 4 to 14 and children's size socks.)

Our Giving Tree" for these students will be placed in Findley Hall where items can be placed and then taken to the school.

### NEW BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study Group which meets every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. has begun the Book of James. This chapter in the Bible gives us great insights in building up Christian characteristics. Everyone is welcome to join us anytime.

Come Grow With Us!

You can now get a digital copy of this newsletter on our webpage at:  
<http://www.dawsonumc.org/Newsletter.htm>

We keep an archive of recent newsletters on the website so if you would like to look back at something from a couple of months ago you will be able to.

### **Weekly @ Dawson**

**Sunday** - Sunday School @ 9:30 AM  
Morning Worship @ 10:45 AM  
**Monday** - All Scouts @ 7 PM  
**Tuesday** - Bible Study @ 10 AM  
**Wednesday** - 3D @ 5:45 PM  
Choir @ 7 PM



Don't forget the Prayer Breakfast  
at Jimmy's Egg - October 13th @ 8:30 AM  
**EVERYONE WELCOME**

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# 3D WEDNESDAYS

3D Wednesdays began on September 16th.

Dawson's Dinner

and Discipleship evenings are off to a great start .. and you can be a part of all the fun, fellowship, learning and worship. The evenings begin with a light supper, followed by a brief time of intergenerational worship. After worship the kids have their program utilizing the "Deep Blue Kids" curriculum. Adults are encouraged to enjoy good conversation and fellowship in Findley Hall. There is still opportunities to help with the Children's ministry. All you need to have is a willingness to help out with this tremendous ministry.



## Neighborhood Block Party

Time to Get Acquainted

Saturday, October 10, 2:00-5:00 PM



Fun for the whole family! It's going to be a great afternoon. If you or your family is willing to sponsor a game or activity or just help out for the afternoon, please let Pastor Amy know as soon as possible.



**Don't forget ... it's  
GARAGE SALE time.**

**The Dawson Church  
Garage Sale is October  
1st - 3rd.**

The Good Times Squares invite you, your family and friends to an ice cream social and introduction to the fun and fellowship of square dancing on Tuesday, October 20, 7:00pm at Dawson United Methodist Church, 2741 S Laura, Wichita. For more information or to RSVP call David Myers at (316)990-4549.



# Trunk or Treat



This years Trunk or Treat will be October 31st from 5 - 6:30 PM in the church parking lot.

From last years attendance we are expecting about 150 Trick-or-Treaters. Creatively decorating your car trunk is highly encouraged but not mandatory. The church can help provide treats if you can only bring your car .. or if you can help with some treats but cannot bring you car that would be helpful too .. but if you can bring your trunk and some treats that would be fantastic! This was a great time last year and the visiting kids and their parents had a lot of fun too.

The bad weather plan will be to move into the church hall, foyer and gym.



## THE RETURN OF THE PANCAKE FEED

Yes friends, this popular event is once again scheduled to begin again.

It all starts on Saturday October the 17th from 8 - 10 AM.

Pancakes, Butter, Syrup, Sausage, Coffee, Yum Yum.

## JOIN US FOR THE BEST PANCAKES

## THIS SIDE OF WASSALL STREET

## THEN AFTER PANCAKES .....

Join us as we spend a little time fixing up, trimming up, sprucing up, cleaning up, putting up .. a few things around the church grounds and building that need a little attention. We will try to get started around 10 AM after the pancake feed (but if you get done eating early and want to get started that will be fine too.) We will work for a couple of hours or until we get done and we will have a list of things to do or if you see something or know of something we may have overlooked then by all means let's get it done .. if we all chip in it will go fast and be a fun day!!

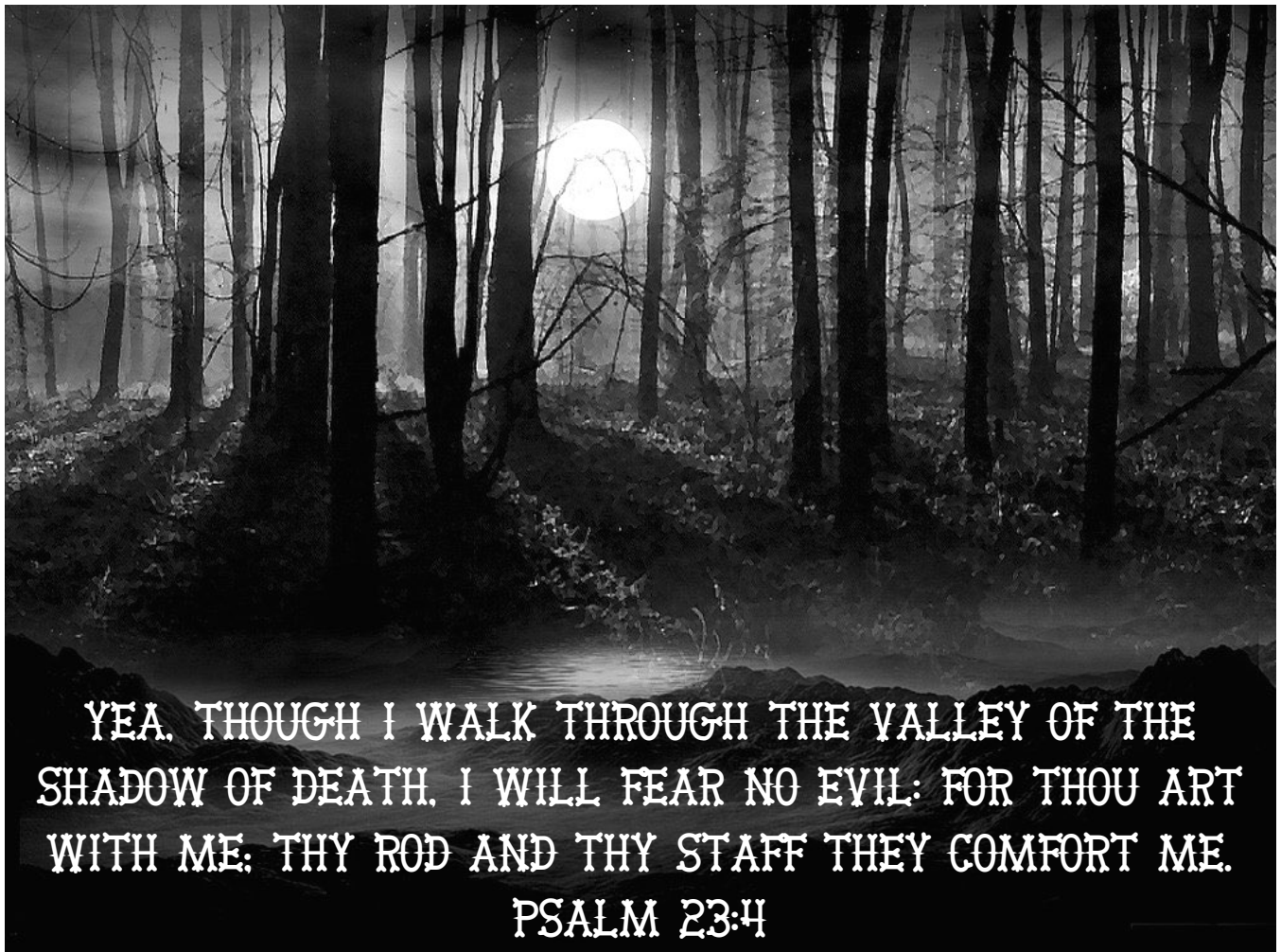
You're not getting by with anything. Every refusal and avoidance of God adds fuel to the fire. The day is coming when it's going to blaze hot and high, God's fiery and righteous judgment. Make no mistake: In the end you get what's coming to you—*Real Life* for those who work on God's side, but to those who insist on getting their own way and take the path of least resistance, *Fire!*

Romans 2:6-8 from: The Message

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YEA, THOUGH I WALK THROUGH THE VALLEY OF THE  
SHADOW OF DEATH, I WILL FEAR NO EVIL: FOR THOU ART  
WITH ME: THY ROD AND THY STAFF THEY COMFORT ME.  
PSALM 23:4