



PACE NEWSLETTER October 22, 2025

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

Isaiah 40:8 — The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God remains forever.

QUOTE

"The only ones among you who will be really happy are those who will have sought and found how to serve." — Albert Schweitzer

UPCOMING LESSON

There will be no class this Sunday, Oct. 26, because Commitment Sunday celebrations. We will all gather in the sanctuary for one service at 10 a.m. On Nov. 2, we will resume our study of the Gospel of John.

PACE TREASURY REPORT: In case you missed it last week, click [REPORT](#) to open the PACE Treasurer's Report for Fiscal Year 2024-2025. If you have any questions about it, please contact Russ Simmonds, PACE Treasurer, at russ.simmonds88@gmail.com. If you have trouble opening or viewing the report, please contact Jim Alexander, PACE MailChimp email admin, at jimalex8115@gmail.com.

CHURCH EVENTS/MISSIONS

Veterans Donation Drive: Oct. 19- Nov. 2. Go to cumc.com/serving_others for a list of items needed. Drop offs can be made at bins in both the north and south entrances of the church.

Commitment Sunday: On Oct. 26 we will have one big joint service at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary where we can make our pledges for annual budget and Capital Campaign. There will be a reception afterward in the atrium. We will not have class on that Sunday.

CONCERNS: Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers:

Ellie Connolly has surgery scheduled for Nov. 10, but will be having several tests beforehand to make sure she is cleared for surgery.

Jan Etheridge: She has nerve damage in her hand.

Shannon Thornton, Tom Arthur's daughter, and her husband have covid, but Tom does not have it.

Jim Alexander: His sister, Debra, has been diagnosed with dementia. Her daughter was able to relocate recently to be with her. His other sister, Carol, is receiving treatment for a cancerous spot on her liver.

Rita Ward: Mara's (her sister) cancer is back, but is not too widespread right now. She will resume chemo at MD Anderson next week.

THE GOOD NEWS

OctoberFest PACE style: click "[Lots of Smiles](#)" photo.

October Birthdays: 2-Sharon O'Neal; 3-Rick Ward; 3-Susan Vaughn; 5- Donna Starnes; 12-Tom Arthur; 13-Duane McGrath; 15-David Mather; 21-Frank Durkin; 25-Ellie Connolly; 26-Floy Rorie.

CLASS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to man the cart and give closing prayers on Sunday mornings. Sign-up sheets are in the classroom. Another way to signup is to use the PACE website Signups page by clicking [here](#).

CLASS ROSTER

Please contact Bill Hartman if you have any changes or updates for the class roster.

Special Note: *If you have a concern, a joy, or an announcement you would like to submit for the weekly newsletter, please email it to Rita by 2 p.m. on Tuesdays.* rita@cumc.com or rnrward@yahoo.com.

