

**Linden United Methodist Church**  
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### STAFF

**Pastor Dr. Kelly Krone**  
**Musician/Music Director Paula Fitts**  
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**Custodian Darrell Heath**

### SUNDAY

**9:45 a.m.**                      **Sunday School**  
**10:45 a.m.**                      **Worship**  
**6:00 p.m.**                      **Choir Practice 4th Sunday**



## *Linden Light*

**"Bringing the Light of Jesus Christ to the Linden Community for 168 years"**

## OCTOBER 2021

President Biden and U.S.A

Randy Brock

Louise Burson

Ricky Draper

Ellingers

Mickey Fears

Evelyn Georges

Kenny Hamilton

Red Hamilton

Hennens

Linda Higgins

Sue Hill

Don and Polly Holt

Kaylin Kluge

Marie Knight

L-KCISD

Littlejohns

Mahans

Bill and Vickie Mulvany

Herman Temple

Sandy Wells

Curtis Whatley



Holder family

Cox/Watson family



### September Memorials

Deanna Betts

Joseph Wall

Sharon Bickham

Cathy Watson

Ann Chandler

Jimmie Craver

**HONORING**

Phillip Doss

**Paula Fitts**

Glen Emmons

Stella Ellington

Mary Goode

Bill Hendrix

Raphael Holder

Sam Holder

Pat Keesee

Hugh McCall

Pauline Rudel

John Richard Smith

Janice Solley



**On October 18, Bishop Jones will dedicate the Methodist Children's Center at 11:00. Then he will bless the Lanier Pavilion. Following these ceremonies, a lunch will be served. More details will be announced by Pastor Kelly Krone.**





# THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

The month of October marks the beginning of fall and with it we will soon see those sure signs. The leaves beginning to change color and slowly make their descendant down to the ground. The smell of fires that burn off not only those excess leaves but also to warm our gatherings as we come together around the fire to cook those marshmallows or roast those hot dogs. The Friday nights and the football game gathering close drinking your hot chocolate because of that cold front that radically changes the temperatures. The stores that once proudly declared it was summer now begin their fall transformation, reminding us that holidays are around the corner. Even on television, the commercials are reminding us of the cold weather to come. Fall is in the air.

In 1965, Charles Schultz broke onto the television screen in the masterpiece, "A Charlie Brown Christmas." Peanuts were one of those cartoons that would make it not only into the daily paper but in the Sunday comics. Even in the SRA reading club, there was even a Peanuts collection of books containing the comics from the paper. I even had a Snoopy for President banner in my room.

Following the great success of the Christmas season, it is no surprise that in October of 1966, "It's the Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown" aired for the first time. All of our favorite characters returned to celebrate the yearly celebration at the end of October. Charlie Brown, the eternal optimist, gets the football pulled away once again. Pig-pen and the dust raising ghost going door to door getting candy for a treat while Charlie Brown gets a rock. We are introduced to a WWI flying ace, Snoopy as he fights the Red Baron in that yellow flying doghouse. Through it all, we find one character missing, Linus. He is waiting in the middle of the pumpkin patch for the arrival of the Great Pumpkin who comes a night to give gifts to good little boys and girls. Soon, all his friends have collected their candy and have gone on to Halloween parties. Linus remains, diligent and watchful through the dead of night hoping that the Great Pumpkin will come.

In the month of October, we are going to journey with a Bible character like Linus.

One that will put all he has on the line for his belief in God.

We hear Job is a righteous man but soon his world falls in around him.

The things that once defined him like a falling leave are gone and blown away.

But Job was steadfast willing to hold on to his belief.

James 5:11

**11** *Look at how we honor those who have practiced endurance. You have heard of the endurance of Job. And you have seen what the Lord has accomplished, for the Lord is full of compassion and mercy."*

We have been on a Job like journey through this Covid pandemic. We are hopeful just like Charlie Brown but sometimes we only get rocks. We are determined like Snoopy in his Sopwith Camel doghouse that right will prevail. We are patience like Linus waiting for the new day to come. But we often feel like Job enduring each new chapter.

2 Corinthians 12:9-10

**9** *He said to me, "My grace is enough for you, because power is made perfect in weakness." So I'll gladly spend my time bragging about my weaknesses so that Christ's power can rest on me. **10** Therefore, I'm all right with weaknesses, insults, disasters, harassments, and stressful situations for the sake of Christ, because when I'm weak, then I'm strong.*

Come and join us as we hear the story of a man called Job.





# PUMPKIN PATCH



**Saturday, October 23**  
**10:00 – 12:00 Noon**  
**\$3.00/per pumpkin**

COME & ENJOY THE PUMPKIN PATCH  
WITH YOUR KIDS, TAKE PHOTOS &  
SELECT YOUR HALLOWEEN PUMPKIN.  
COME EARLY FOR THE BEST SELECTION.

PUMPKINS AVAILABLE WHILE SUPPLIES LAST.

SUPPORTING THE CHILDREN'S MINISTRY OF  
LINDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH.

Linden United Methodist Church  
400 East Rush Street \* Linden, TX 75563

**\$3**/each



## Happy Birthday

Oct. 1 Taylor Wells Jones  
2 Donna Early  
Denise Williams  
5 Shawna Early Roppolo  
7 John Hennen  
8 Kristen Clayton  
Debbie Heath  
Denise Mahan  
9 Cadi Belford  
12 Ansley Gibson  
14 Clay Grubbs  
Marsha Thomas  
15 Barbara McMillon  
17 Don Holt  
18 Zane Gilbert  
Bruce Harris

Oct. 19 Beth Belford  
22 Muriel LeGrow  
25 Haylee Smoak  
28 Nancy Belford  
Tommy Lanier  
James McDuffie  
29 Judy Lanier  
Madeline LeGrow  
30 Luke Snowden  
31 Joe Pat McGilvray  
Brandon Morse



## Happy Anniversary

Oct. 15 Ronnie and Jackie Clayton  
30 James and Desiree McDuffie  
31 Stan and Staci Wells



October 14

PRODUCE TRUCK



October 17

Blessing of Hunters

Potluck Lunch with Meat

Provided by

Fishermen's Class

October 20

FOOD PANTRY

9:00-11:00 a.m.



October 24

2:00 p.m.



October 25

6:00 p.m.



ABIDE Team

October 30

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Trunk or Treat on  
Courthouse Square

