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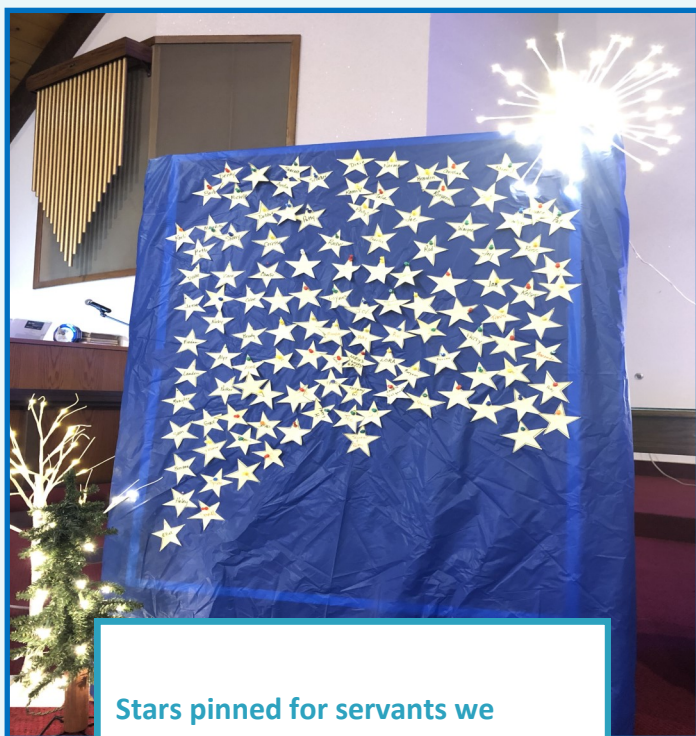
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Stars Were Shining At Clair on January 9!

We gave thanks for 2021 generosity of time, money and spirit



Stars pinned for servants we appreciate



Pastor Cindy helps the children find their names "among the stars"



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Christina Hockaday Joins Clair's Ad Council



I grew up in King City, Missouri, and attended Hammer Memorial UMC. I am currently employed at Mosaic Life Care as a CT technologist in radiology. My two sons are: Drake and Zane Hockaday. I like to spend time with my boys and reading is a hobby of mine.

We have been with Clair Church since 2014. A favorite memory I have from Clair is the support in general that myself and my children received after the passing of my husband. This is not necessarily a favorite but very meaningful. We had not been here all that long nor consistently. The outpouring of support of any kind was beyond words.

Another favorite memory is any meal we do together. It is always nice to be able to gather after worship and share a meal together - socialize and connect. We are a smaller congregation and everyone tries to help as much as they can.

This one is small but I also love children's time. It is extremely important that my children and all children make an attachment to church and be included. It is always enjoyable to watch and I think the adults learn something as well!

I agreed to serve on Clair's board because I have been contemplating ways to be more involved. I was asked if this was something I would be interested in. I think it would be a great way to get involved and be a beneficial member.

Clair's 2022 Ad Council

HARLYN FRITZSON	TALIA GUESS
DUANE KIMBLE	KAREN VULGAMOTT—CHAIR
PAT SCHNEIDER	*BRENDON CLARK
PHILLIP FRANK	*CHRISTINA HOCKADAY
*ROXYANN SCHREIBER	



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MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Cindy Buhman



What a great Sunday we had! It was fun to remember the joys of 2021 and to celebrate the ways God has used us to make a difference in the lives of the folks in our congregation and beyond. Many thanks to Debbie Wells for putting the slide show together!

It was fun to remember and to use those memories as a springboard into 2022. What does God have in store for Clair UMC in the year ahead? Our leaders will be setting goals for us as a congregation, and I look forward to forging ahead with you!

One of my personal goals is to include more people in the planning and carrying out of our missions and ministries. To that end you are invited to be involved wherever you feel called to be. After worship on Sunday folks had the opportunity to sign up to help with work in the areas of worship, education, or mission. Prayer warriors were encouraged to become part of a Prayer Team. And our newly formed “courtesy” committees are welcoming people who are willing to help occasionally with funeral dinners, 2nd Sunday fellowship dinners, and other celebrations throughout the course of the year. The idea is that when we “spread the wealth,” everyone has an opportunity to be included in the blessing of serving others. Good News! It isn’t too late to sign up! Just let me know where you would like to serve.

I am excited, too, to begin a new sermon series around stewardship. I know. I know. Stewardship: YUK! But stewardship applies to much more than the topic of money. Debbie Wells, Michelle Clark, and I spent 2021 involved in a Year-Round Stewardship Cohort sponsored by the Missouri United Methodist Foundation. We studied an insightful book entitled *Beyond the Offering Plate: A Holistic Approach to Stewardship*. Over the next few weeks, I’ll be preaching about stewardship – stewardship of time, technology, money and finances, work, community, spiritual gifts, etc. It seems to me that the beginning of a new calendar year is a great time to consider all the gifts God has given us and how we can be good stewards of those gifts.

Happy New Year, Friends! May 2022 be a special year as we seek to be the best version of Clair UMC that we can be! It is an honor to be your pastor!

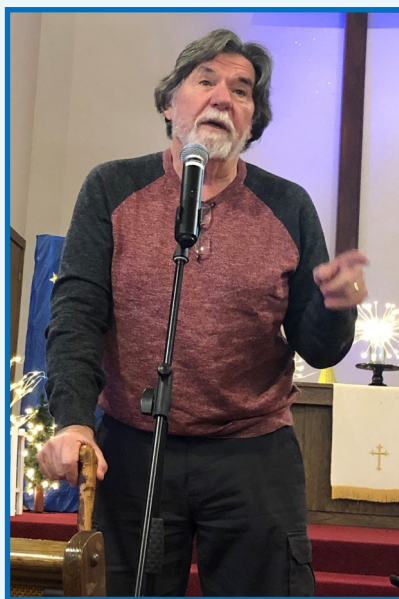
Pastor Cindy



**Mark Your
Calendars!**

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"Those who are wise will shine as bright as the sky, and those who turn many to righteousness will shine like stars forever" —Daniel 12:3



*Free ice cream served for our state's birthday;
men's group activities and treasurer
reporting 2021 apportionments paid!*

Clair's Calendar

Jan. 12—March 9	Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University at Ebenezer 6:30 pm
January 15	Men's Group 8 am at Clair
January 16	Deadline for Bessie Ellison donations: underwear, socks, pants
February 8	Administrative Council 6 pm
February 13	SOUPERBOWL Sunday and Fellowship Dinner
February 14	Starlite (<u>afternoon time to be determined</u>)

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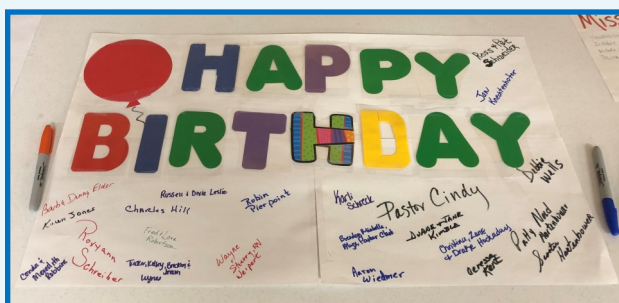
MONEY DONATED FOR
YOUTH BLANKET PROJECT



PROVIDED OVER \$2,800 IN
FOOD AND SERVICES FOR
OPEN DOOR FOOD KITCHEN



MEMORIAL MONIES OF
\$3,130 USED TO LIGHT
STAINED GLASS WINDOWS



Happy Birthday to
Emma D. Grooms!