



## Next Meeting

**Our next meeting will be November 14 at 7:00 PM.  
Zion Lutheran - 101 S. Railway St., Mascoutah, 62258**

### Talent Show and Craft Fair!

**Talent show:** Get your 'acts' together and let me know what it is so I can put it on the program. Remember, this is in a sanctuary, so please have appropriate acts. If you're not sure, just ask.

**Craft fair:** Sell your craft items (and other goodies). Everyone else, bring a bit of cash to spend. If selling, let me know how many 8' tables you need.

Contact **Josh** to let me know your acts and craft needs.

**Other things that night:**

- Graduation meeting at 6:00
- Prayer meeting at 6:00

## Upcoming Meetings

**December** - no meeting (Orch/choir concert on Dec 5 - see below)

**January** - International Potluck.

Pick a country, make a display, bring food to share.

## Field Trips

### Ultimate Ninja in St. Louis

Thursday, Dec. 12 1:00 - 3:00 PM  
140 Long rd Suite 130  
Chesterfield MO

\$10.90 per jumper

DUE DEC 5th

Any age can play, age 3 and under are free, parents jump for free. Must wear closed shoes. Sign up via **email**, text, or in person with payment. Cash in labeled envelope, check or [Paypal.me/Wandacollazo](https://www.paypal.com/US/m0/venmo/Wandacollazo)

## **Autumn Harvest Festival at Eckerts Belleville**

Nov 2 from 10:00-4:00

Apple picking  
Free activities  
Rides for kids

on your own

## **Drama Performances**

### **TLC Drama Class presents The Wizard of Oz**

When: Saturday, November 16th at 10:30 & 1:30

Where: Eastview Baptist Church, 211 Sherman, Belleville

Tickets: \$2 in advance or \$3 at the door

### **Troupers presents The Little Angel Who was Always Late and The Christmas Carol - A Special Request**

When: Fri., Nov 22 - 7:00 PM

Where: Crosspoint Church, 10 N. Railway in Mascoutah, IL.

Seating could be limited

Open dress rehearsals on Wed., Nov. 20 at 2:30 pm and Fri., Nov. 22 at 3 pm

## **Teenpact**

Are you concerned about the direction of our state and country? Would you like to see our young people educated in the principles of our Founding Fathers?

TeenPact is right there with you! TeenPact is a leadership school held in the capitol city of almost every state in the nation. The ministry will bring in a team of dynamic individuals to conduct this 4 day hands-on training course in Springfield, IL, March 23-26, 2020. Check out [teenpact.com](https://teenpact.com) for more details.

How does this work? This is a great question! Fortunately we have been blessed in our area with a solid group of students to travel and lodge with for this event. Our SCCCHE group joins with students from Master's Lyceum to form the Metro East Travel group. If you would like to be put on the list to receive more information about traveling to TeenPact with our group be sure to contact [Annette Kanoy](#).

The Early Bird Discount will be available thru mid January. Also military discounts are available and refer-a-friend discounts can be stacked to make TeenPact super affordable. Fundraising efforts help to make travel feasible and help to build a teamwork mindset leading up to our TeenPact week. Be sure to sign up with [Annette](#) to get looped in with all this info.

Check out this video on youtube: [teenpact promo video](#)  
Browse the [teenpact website](#) for more details.

## Graduation

Senior High Graduation will be having a planning meeting at 6:00 at Zion in Mascoutah, on the Nov 14n prior to talent show. If you have a senior and are wanting to participate in the SCCCHE ceremony it's not too late to sign up. Contact [Brett and Angie Brown](#) for more info.

## Scouting

### Trail Life

Trail Life is a Church-Based, Christ-Centered, Boy-Focused mentoring and discipleship journey that speaks to the heart of a boy. Established on timeless values derived from the Bible and set in the context of outdoor adventure, boys from Kindergarten through 12th grade are engaged in a Troop setting by male mentors where they are challenged to grow in character, understand their purpose, serve their community, and develop practical leadership skills to carry out the mission for which they were created. They meet Monday nights at Community Bible Church, from 6:30-8pm. Contact [Todd Neuverth](#) for more information.

## Parental Rights Amendment

### **Ask Congress to amend the Constitution to include the right of parents to raise, nurture, and educate their children.**

Created by M.R. on October 24, 2019

No one knows a child's interests better than her parents. Yet children's lives are turned upside down by investigators who second-guess reasonable decisions in education, medical care, and supervision. Poverty is too often treated as neglect to justify separating kids from parents instead of providing services. The child-welfare system disproportionately investigates minority children. Parents with disabilities face discrimination as well.

The role of parents in protecting their children is eroding—at great cost to children themselves—throughout the U.S. It's time to protect children by empowering parents. Mr. President, would you urge Congress to amend the Constitution to protect children by preserving the traditional liberty of parents to raise, nurture, and educate their children?

Add your name [HERE](#)

## Support Your Local Missionaries

The Vinson family (Jason, Marta, Olivia, Tymek, Jakub, and Ian) are currently raising support to go to the Middle East long-term for planting churches.

Please pray for this family. If you would like to learn more about their ministry, please email: [jasonavinson@hotmail.com](mailto:jasonavinson@hotmail.com)

Thank you,  
Jason & Marta

## St. Louis Area Homeschool Geography Bee

WHO? Any 4th - 8th grade homeschoolers in the St. Louis area.

WHAT? The 13th annual St. Louis Area Homeschool Geography Bee to qualify a winner for the MO State Bee.

NOTE: If you are an Illinois participant and win the bee, please know that you will be representing the state of Missouri.

WHERE? St. Andrew Church, 309 Hoffmeister, St. Louis, MO 63125  
(Go around to the back parking lot and look for signs)

WHEN? Saturday, January 18, 2020 1:00 p.m.

WHY? To test your knowledge of both US and World geography, and because it's lots of fun! Whole families, including grandparents, are encouraged to attend.

COST? \$5.00 per participant You can use PayPal when you register or send a check made out to SHARE to:

Cathy Mullins 3675 Montana St. Louis, MO 63116

HOW? Just fill out the online registration form and use either PayPal or check to help pay for Geo Bee costs. Also, your student may need to start studying geography to prepare for the bee. It IS a competition, and the contestant who has studied will be better prepared. For more information and Geobee Challenge practice questions, go to:

[www.nationalgeographic.org/education/student-experiences/geobee/study/](http://www.nationalgeographic.org/education/student-experiences/geobee/study/)

[www.wikihow.com/Prepare-for-the-Geography-Bee#Studying-for-the-Bee\\_sub](http://www.wikihow.com/Prepare-for-the-Geography-Bee#Studying-for-the-Bee_sub)

Your library may have atlases and reference materials for you to borrow. Or, you may purchase study materials such as: The National Geographic Bee Official Study Guide and Afghanistan to Zimbabwe.

We'll have refreshments after the bee. Please bring a sweet, salty or healthy snack. We'll provide drinks!

Got questions? Contact [Cathy Mullins](#) at 314.769.7965 with questions.

## English Country Dance

Friday, Nov. 22, 7:00 - 9:30

Turkey Hill Grange  
1375 Hwy 15, Belleville, IL

\$5/person, \$20/family

Contact [Zoe Quinn](#) for more info.

## Christmas Concert

### TLC Orchestra and Choirs

Thursday, December 5, 7:00 PM  
Zion Lutheran Church  
101 S. Railway St. Mascoutah, IL 62258

## Missions

World Vision has come out with their Christmas [Gift Catalog](#), which we always find quite fascinating. There you can order livestock, mosquito nets, medicine, water wells and other items to help those in 3rd world countries who need them. It's a fun way to teach your children about giving to the Lord's work. Please consider this wonderful opportunity.

## Coordinator Article

Last month I quoted 1 John, 3:2

*"Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him for we shall see him as he is."*

I focused on the incredible phrase 'we shall be like Him,' which was the same desire that Satan had, when he wanted to '*be like the Most High*' (Isa. 14:14). However, Satan was thrown down for his selfish desire, but we are glorified through receiving Christ's grace in humility.

It is amazing to think that we mortal creatures could be like God, who simply spoke the universe into existence. How could we possibly have the ability to create anything? Certainly as a carpenter I can make a good many things, but I must have something to work with – I can't remodel a kitchen without materials.

Think for a moment about one aspect of God's creation – plants and animals. Ponder the different ways that animals move: fly, swim, crawl, hop, slither, walk, run, 2 legs, 4 legs, a hundred... Such amazing creativity! And then the plants – Edible, poisonous, medicinal, tall, short, spreading, twiggy, grassy, moldy, pretty, ugly, smelly, useful, etc. Such amazing creativity!

And yet at the top of it all God has one creation which is the crown and pinnacle of everything – something He made in his very image: mankind. I haven't space to expound on our own abilities, so ponder it yourself.

But here is the amazing thing: God gives us a little glimpse of heaven and how “we shall be like him.” We get to help God in the incredible act of creation! He allows us to 'assist' him in the amazing ability to create more creatures in his image. When a husband and wife have a baby, they don't just create a new human – they create a new eternal soul that will live forever. Of course, God does the real creating, but we assist him. He doesn't do it without us.

And so the miracle of birth is a wondrous and glorious thing. Nancy and I are so blessed to have yet another little miracle recently, and we thank you for your prayers, support and love. Little Sven is so cute and amazing! It's a tremendous blessing God has given us! He will be at the meeting on Nov 12, so you can see him then.

But I can't leave you without an action point. The souls we help make are eternal – bound for heaven or for hell. Make sure you are doing your part to train your children up on the Lord, teaching them to obey all that God has commanded us, and train them to fulfill the Great Commission to be seed-spreaders in this evil world.

God Bless you all,

Josh Peterson

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