

## save these dates!

- **CHECK OUT THE MINISTRY THAT IS RIGHT FOR YOU!**  
AFTER EACH WORSHIP SERVICE—NOV 2 & 3

See displays of different ministries and talk to leaders who can answer questions. Get a raffle ticket every time you sign up for a ministry to win a prize! Ministry leaders - please fill out the google form to reserve your spot. Contact Jean Adam, 530-9097 or [jeanadam13@gmail.com](mailto:jeanadam13@gmail.com) if questions.

- **ST. THOMAS ALL-PARISH HAYRIDE!**

SUNDAY, NOV 3, 5-8PM

SHARP'S COUNTRY HAYRIDES, 20915 MISSION RD, BUCYRUS, KS

COST: \$8/PERSON OR \$35/FAMILY OR GROUP OF 5+

Food, Campfire, Yard Games, Fellowship.  
Hayrides at 6 & 6:30pm. For more info contact  
Barbara McCall [bmccall@stthomasop.org](mailto:bmccall@stthomasop.org)  
Sign up with the QR!



- **THANKSGIVING DINNER AT ST. THOMAS**

NOVEMBER 28, 12-3PM

Celebrate Thanksgiving at St. Thomas—come alone or bring the family! We'll have plenty of food for a traditional meal + all the trimmings. We can use help (kids too!) for setup, cooking, serving, cleanup. Sign up with QR or on the display board in the narthex to help and/or if you'd like to bring a dish to share.



### From the Church Office...

A silver (House?) key was found on the kitchen service windows ledge this past Monday (10/21/24). If you're missing a key, please see Justin in the office.

Numerous items remain in the Lost & Found area in the Coat Room (Left of the doors to Nave) - check it out if you're missing something!

## children & youth

- **NO CHOIR REHEARSALS, YOUTH TUTORING, OR YOUTH GROUP ON OCT 27 OR NOV 3!**

COME TO TRUNK OR TREAT THIS SUNDAY, 2-4PM OR THE HAYRIDE NOV 3!

- **KIDS AND YOUTH CHOIR RESUMES NOV 10**

\* Kids Choir (K-5th grade): 4:30-5:30pm in Nave

\* Youth Choir (6th-12th grade): 5:30-6pm in Nave

Contact Ms. Julieanne Stapleton with any questions  
[jstapleton@stthomasop.org](mailto:jstapleton@stthomasop.org)

## community outreach

- **PROVIDE A THANKSGIVING MEAL BOX OF GROCERIES AND HELP FEED OLATHE FAMILIES!**

\* Pick up a Box starting Oct 26 & shop thru Nov 20

\* Dropoff: 1st Christian Church, 200 E. Loula St, Olathe

\* Drop off: Nov 18 through Nov 20

More info in your "Connecting" email!

- **MOBILE FOOD PANTRY - PLEASE SIGN UP TO HELP!**

2nd Saturday—November 9 • 11:30am



Comanche Elementary, 8200 Grant Ave, OPKS

Scan QR for more info and volunteer signups. A link is also included in your weekly "Connecting" email.

- **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

Tuesday, November 19 • 10am-2pm at St. Thomas in Parish Halls 1-3 • More info on display board in narthex and your weekly email!

- **PLEASE SUPPORT HURRICANE RELIEF EFFORTS**

Hurricane Relief Fund forms are located on the welcome desk in the Narthex. Check info included.



## Worship with us this weekend!

**Saturday October 26— 5:30pm**

**Sunday, October 27 — 8:45 and 11:00am**

**Sundays:** Coffee Hours after both services in Parish Hall 1. Children's Church (geared toward ages 3-10) takes place during both services.

Nursery care (6 mos thru 4 yrs), 8:15am-12:15pm  
(or end of 11am service).

Services are live-streamed and available afterward on

[www.youtube.com/c/stthomasop](https://www.youtube.com/c/stthomasop) &

[www.facebook.com/stthomasop](https://www.facebook.com/stthomasop)

### THIS SUNDAY! TRUNK OR TREAT

2-4PM IN THE PARKING LOT. ALL ARE WELCOME for music, fun, and lots of candy—pass out candy from your car or just come and enjoy! Live Band and Ice Cream

## Sunday christian formation

**Children's Godly Play-preschool thru grade 5 • 9:45am—**  
in the Education Wing (north end of church).

**Youth 6th-8th grade • 10am—**Path to Confirmation, Asbly Rm

**Youth 9th-12th grade • 10am—**"Giving Project" in "Mark Ash"  
Youth room (Basement)

**Adult Formation will resume on Nov. 17**

# calendar for Oct 25—Nov 2

Please contact Justin Smith to schedule your meeting or event — [jsmith@stthomasop.org](mailto:jsmith@stthomasop.org) or 913-451-0512.

**Friday, Oct 25:** Thom's Helpers, 10:30am-1:30pm, PH 1, Kitch; Apostle's Garden Cleanup, 1-4pm

**Saturday, Oct 26:** Middle Men's Grp Breakfast, 9am, The Big Biscuit; Prayer Shawl Sm Grp, 10am-12, Narthex; Holy Communion 5:30pm, Nave; Capital Campaign Commitment Packet Pickup

**Sunday, Oct 27:** Capital Campaign Commitment Packet Pickup; Nursery open 8:15-12:15; Praise Band, 8-8:30am, Nave; Holy Communion, 8:45 and 11am; Christian Formation, 9:45-10:45 (locations on front panel); Chancel Choir, 10-10:45, Loft

**Monday, Oct 28:** Thom's Helpers, 10:30am-1:30pm, PH 1, Kitch; Outreach Committee mtg, 6:30pm, PH 1

**Tuesday, Oct 29:** Organ practice, 10am-12, Nave loft; Cap Camp Mgt Team, 1:30-2:30pm, Asbly Rm; Voice Lesson, 5:30-6:15pm, Nave; Walking Mourners Path, 6:30-8pm, Rm 137; Praise Band, 6:30-8pm, Nave; Sword Guild, 7-9pm, PH 1

**Wednesday, Oct 30:** Staff mtg, 10am, Rm 137; Thom's Helpers, 10:30am-1:30pm, PH 1, Kitch; Study Group, 10:30am-12, Asbly Rm; Citizenship prep, 1-2pm, Rm 137; Voice lessons, 2-4pm, Asbly Rm; Voice lesson, 6-6:45pm, Nave; Chancel Choir, 7-8:30pm, Nave

**Thursday, Oct 31:** New Testament Bible Study, 10:30-12, Asbly Rm; Oboe lesson, 3-3:45pm; Nave or Asbly Rm; Cap Camp Prayer Team, 7-8pm, Asbly

**Friday, Nov 1:** Ministry Fair setup, 8:30am-4pm, PH 1-3; Thom's Helpers, 10:30am-1:30pm, PH 1, Kitch; SCA, 7pm, Asbly Rm

**Saturday, Nov 2:** Ministry Fair setup, 8:30am-4pm, PH 1-3; Prayer Shawl Sm Grp, 10am-12, Narthex; Ministry Fair, 4:30-7:30pm, PH 1-3; Holy Communion 5:30pm, Nave

**LOOKING AHEAD: Commitment Weekend is November 9 and 10.** Completed pledge cards will be turned in during services. We will have our regular Saturday service at 5:30pm and ONLY ONE SERVICE ON SUNDAY at 10am. A meal will be provided following each service.

# small groups/study groups

If you'd like to inquire or join a group, please contact Mthr Kelly ([kdemo@stthomasop.org](mailto:kdemo@stthomasop.org)) or leaders below.

## ■ MIDDLE MEN'S GROUP BREAKFAST

Sat, Oct 26, 10am at The Big Biscuit (4th Saturdays)

For men navigating the joys and challenges of faith, work, and family in Middle Life (~30s-50s). Come enjoy breakfast and conversation! Contact: John McCall [jmccall07@gmail.com](mailto:jmccall07@gmail.com)

## ■ PRAYER SHAWL SMALL GROUP

Saturdays, 10am-12, Narthex  
1st Mondays, 7:30pm, PH 1 or Narthex

Knit, crochet, or weave prayer shawls, hats, and 8" squares. Free lessons! Contact Sue Strom for details and about giving a prayer shawl. [susanstrom15@gmail.com](mailto:susanstrom15@gmail.com) or 913-244-6402.

## ■ WEDNESDAY STUDY GROUP

WEDNESDAYS, 10:30-NOON in the Assembly Room

8-week study of God, Theology and Science. Contact Suzie at 785-979-0606 or [suzietm@yahoo.com](mailto:suzietm@yahoo.com).

## ■ NEW TESTAMENT BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Thursdays, 10:30am - 12pm in Assembly Room

The book study is "New Testament Survey" by Kevin J. Conner and Ken Malmin, available at Amazon. Contact: Susan Strom, [susanstrom15@gmail.com](mailto:susanstrom15@gmail.com) or Sheryl Roller, [sljroller@gmail.com](mailto:sljroller@gmail.com)

## ■ LOOKING AHEAD: THE LGBTQIA+ MEETING IN NOVEMBER

will be on Nov 11, 7pm, Assembly Room.

# capital campaign update


## What's Happening this Weekend?

**October 26/27** • Pick up a Commitment Packet in narthex and begin Prayer & Discernment—watch prayer videos daily beginning Oct 28.

**November 4** • Ambassador phone calls begin

**November 9/10** • Commitment Weekend—Sat, 5:30pm and one service on Sun @ 10am. Meal after each service!


Please see your weekly "Connecting" mail for much more info!



**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND...**

*In celebration of Peter and Stacie Gram's 33rd wedding anniversary*

Remember a special occasion, anniversary, birthday, or memorial. Sign up with QR code or by clearly writing your name on the flower chart outside the church office.



- **THE LGBTQIA+ ALLIANCE AT ST. THOMAS** would like to share the significance of the newly painted bench at the "East" entrance. The Progress Pride flag is based on the iconic rainbow flag from 1978, the redesign (2018) celebrates the diversity of the LGBTQ community including representation of trans-gender and black, indigenous, and people of color — and calls for a more inclusive society.



# donating to St. Thomas



Give online securely via the QR code or visit the St. Thomas website—<https://stthomasop.org> and click on the "Donate" tab.