\sim	-	\frown	\sim
 		-	-
 \sim		\smile	\sim

 Trick or Treat TRIVIA
 Q1: Which of the following is NOT a color that pumpkins can be (in addition to orange)?

B. Blue

C. Green

D. Pumpkins can be white; it's a hybrid Martha

Stewart personally created so that it would go with more color schemes.

Q2: The jack-o-lantern is named for whom?

A. A guy named Jack from Ireland

B. John Smith, the first European to discover the native

- American pumpkin
- C. Little Jack Horner
- D. Joe the Plumber

Q3: How much did Americans spend on Halloween last year, including decorations, costumes and candy?

- A. 3 billion
- B. 5 billion
- C. 200 million

D. I'm pretty sure my neighbor spent more on her Halloween decorations than the government spent bailing out banks

Q4: Halloween derives from what ancient celebration?

- A. All Saints'/Souls' Day
- B. The Devil's birthday
- C. Sahmhain, the Celtic New Year
- D. ESPN College GameDay

Q5: Why are orange and black the colors of Halloween? A. Orange represents football, and black represents longer nights/shorter days

- longer nights/shorter days
- B. Candy corn is orange, and bats are black
- C. Orange is for the autumn harvest; black represents death

D. Because the Bengals' record is downright frightening

A: 1) A; 2) A or C, depending on whom you ask ; 3) B;
4) C; 5) C

HILLS we die on

WE ARE COMMITTED TO: Culturally Current Communication

Crossroads is a place that helps connect those who are exploring God's love and truth. The challenge for us is that the Bible was written a long time ago for people in another culture. The fact that we live in 21st century Cincinnati doesn't change the message that God gave 2000 years ago, but it does mean that we need to do some work to connect it to our lives today. Jesus did exactly the same thing when he was teaching. He used the current language and daily life experiences of those around him to communicate truth. That's what we mean by "**culturally current communication.**" (From Ecclesiastes 12:10 in the Bible)

The Seven Hills We Die On are applications of biblical truth expressed through the unique personality of Crossroads. Check out the Info Center to read the rest of 'em.

did you

That Daylight Saving Time ends next weekend?

Don't forget to set your clocks back this coming Saturday night, November 1. If you don't, you might be an hour early for next weekend's services. That's right—"fall back" means that you get an extra hour of sleep. What used to be 9am is now only 8am. If you forget and arrive early, just have some more coffee.

1

LOCATIONS, SERVICE TIMES AND DIRECTIONS AT CROSSROADS.NET.



l'm dressing up as an unabridged, leather-bound edition... with a built-in bookmark.



UNLOCK(ED)

current message series

Sometimes we catch a glimpse of "something more." Like light shining through a keyhole, a world of promise, potential and vibrant life lies just on the other side of the door. Once it's unlocked, we're free to enjoy and fully engage in God's plan for us. Join us in October as we "unlock" the story of God and his plans for his creation.

today

We'll be talking about how the purpose of God's creation is to receive him.

FIRST time here? OR SECOND, OR THIRD, OR TENTH...

Hi.

Just because you're new we won't ask you to stand and shout your name, but that doesn't mean we're not happy you're here. We're as happy as big, fat clams. But as soon as you want to start meeting some people, swing by the Info Center and we'll start the introductions.

Crossroads

in the **KNOW**

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Help distribute and collect food boxes to be given to local churches, so that they can be a blessing to their communities. We'll also ship food to our partner church in Mamelodi, South Africa. Sign up to help us at Oakley and Mason at www.crossroads.net/tfd.

THANKSGIVING AT THE DINER

Help cook and serve hundreds of meals at City Gospel Mission, and deliver meals to those unable to leave their homes. Save the date. Sign up now at crossroads.net/diner.

NEW BEGINNINGS

Interested in serving our community? New Beginnings offers flexible serving opportunities to reach out to those less fortunate. For more info, call 513.731.7400 x388 or e-mail newbeginnings@crossroads.net.

TECHNICIANS NEEDED

Wheels inspects, cleans up and repairs donated vehicles, then gives them to those in need. If you're a certified technician or professional, consider joining the team. Call Brian Collings at 513.731.7400 x584 or e-mail bcollings@crossroads.net to learn more. WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND CROSSROADS 📀

VOLUNTEER FOR ANGEL TREE

Each year we purchase and deliver Christmas gifts for children on behalf of their incarcerated parents, so the kids feel their parent's love from afar. We need Atrium volunteers and gift organizers for both Oakley and Mason. To learn more and sign up, go to crossroads.net/angeltree.

CHILDBIRTH CLASSES

Starts October 28 and meets every Tuesday for six weeks at 6:45-8:45pm at Crossroads Oakley. Join other expectant families to find out about the childbirth process from a certified instructor.

DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS

Don't forget to "fall back" next Saturday night, November 1.

PRAYER

Available after each service in your Auditorium seat. Tuesday morning prayer at 7am in the CSM room at Crossroads Oakley. For prayer requests, go to www.crossroads.net, click "contact us" then select "prayer request" at the bottom of the page. All requests are held in strict confidence.

For more info on things happening around Crossroads, visit www.crossroads.net.

your kids will



this

At Crossroads, kids have their own space called **Kids' Club**. While you're in service, your kids are hearing fun, engaging lessons and participating in small groups where they can ask questions and be themselves. They also have plenty of hang time with other kids and our (background-checked) volunteers. Don't let them tell you all they did was play; they learned something, too. Check out this week's lesson at crossroads.net/kc.

For more information, contact Kim Botto at kbotto@crossroads.net or 513.731.7400 x520.

SERVE HOW TO GET INVOLVED AT CROSSROADS

Start a New Thanksgiving Day Tradition Serving Others

This Thanksgiving Day, you can cook, serve and deliver hundreds of meals to needy families through City Gospel Mission. Opportunities are available in three different locations, and volunteers are needed to serve in a variety of roles. Learn more and sign up at www.crossroads.net/diner.

IT'S JUST LIKE THANKSGIVING, BUT WITHOUT THE RELATIVES!



meet NICK

Nick Furnish is the room leader for Kindergartners at Crossroads Oakley on Sunday mornings at 8:30.

What is your favorite thing about serving? I get to interact with some really cool kids who have a hunger to learn about God, and I meet some amazing parents each week.

Have you learned anything?

You never outgrow God. He still speaks to me through the most unlikely people.

What is the best thing about Kindergartners? They are honest, you can joke around with them, have actual conversations with them, and they have an energy that is contagious!

If you've got questions about Kids' Club or you'd like to spend time hanging out with some great kids, contact Kim Botto at kbotto@crossroads.net or 513.731.7400 x520.



LAST WEDNESDAY

Last Wednesday is a monthly time of prayer, worship and communion that takes place on the last Wednesday of the month at Crossroads Oakley.

OCTOBER 29, 7PM

Childcare's provided. Dinner's not.