**Bulletin Inserts – October 2017**

**October 1**

As we place our coins in our **B**lue **B**oxes today, let us remember all those affected by hurricanes Harvey, Irma, José and Maria. As we watch the devastating flooding in so many areas, we pray that God will send relief to those in need. Their faith has been tested, but dear God help them to overcome the challenges they face and look beyond them. Help them to put their lives together and once more believe in your mercy and grace.

**October 8**

I will open my mouth in a parable;

I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.

That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers have told us, \*
we will not hide from their children.

We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, \*
and the wonderful works he has done.” [Psalm 78: 2-4]

Isn’t it wonderful that, through the ages, people are still sharing with their children the wonders and marvels of God’s deliverance that they themselves have witnessed or that their forefathers heard and passed down from generation to generation? Can we too share in our **B**lue **B**oxes today?

**October 15**

Many of us when praying for something realize that Christ’s mediation is the only thing that makes us worthy to even ask, and yet we see again and again that God does grant our prayerful requests. If only we could always remember that God is more ready to hear our prayers than we are to offer them, our lives would be so much better and closer to the wonderful life God desires for us. May we always hold onto the knowledge of how much God loves us, be mindful of and thankful for our blessings and pass those blessings to others. Match your blessings with your coins in the **B**lue **B**ox.

**October 22**

“Let us remember that, as much has been given us, much will be expected from us, and that true homage comes from the heart as well as from the lips, and shows itself in deeds.” (Theodore Roosevelt) What true homage did you pay today? Show your good deeds by placing a monetary offering in your **B**lue **B**ox this day.

**October 29**

It is cold outside. And for some, that is home; a cold home. We see our neighbors on the street and we pass by and think, “That would never be me”. They are all God’s children. They were all made in his image. They were placed among us for a reason. Do we stop to offer a nickel, a dime, a quarter? No we don’t. How about offering a nickel, a dime or a quarter daily in our **B**lue **B**oxes to help those (God’s children) we do not know, as we pray “Thank you God that I have a warm place to live”.