



REALLY???

During the week, I come and go to the church pretty much daily...it's very close to my home. A few days ago I came in the door of the Children's/Admin Building and heard the annoying chirp of a smoke alarm with a low battery coming from somewhere within. After a little searching I was able to determine which classroom it was coming from.

It was Chuck's room for the Middle School/High School Youth. This is one of my favorite rooms. (Some of you have never seen our classrooms. You should really make a point of walking thru them.) This one is a great shade of lavender called "Lioness" with accents in the furniture of green, yellow, and magenta. A fun environment for young people.

I lingered in the room for a few minutes after changing the battery and my eyes fell on a calendar hanging from the bulletin board that has not been changed since March 2020. I left it there...It was very poignant. This room, like some others, has not been used since we were blasted by the government with fear-mongering over Covid 19.

Life stopped as we knew it. We were isolated...we couldn't visit friends or family except by phone or thru a window. Churches, restaurants and schools were closed down. Months later, when we were "allowed" to return, we had to make sure we were at least 6 feet away from one another. (Don't even start me on 'remote learning'!) Our future was full of face masks, hand sanitizer, disinfectant sprays, social distancing and vaccinations. No more smiles, hugs, kisses, or handshakes. We weren't even supposed to sing hymns. Social events like our monthly Pot Lucks were out of the question. For two and a half years we have been made to be afraid of each other.

The whole thing is sort of unbelievable now....how could we Americans even allow such an encroachment on our liberties? It's unthinkable...Well, the pendulum has swung and we are finally returning to sanity. The Christian fellowship that we so greatly need is on the way! Don't miss the Ladies Luncheon, Thanksgiving Pot Luck and Christmas Breakfast planned for the next two months. Hope to see you there!

Carol Hill, Editor

Here's What's Coming Up:

- Each Sunday—Sunday School at 9:45 am. Worship Service at 11am
- Each Wednesday—Kid's Meetings 6:30pm
- Nov 5th—Ladies Luncheon
- Nov 6th—Daylight Saving Time Ends
- Nov 8th—Election Day!
- Nov 11th—Veterans Day
- Nov 14th—Christmas Child Boxes Due
- Nov 20th—Thanksgiving Pot Luck
- Nov 21st—Impact Hunger Deliveries
- Nov 24th—Thanksgiving Day
- Dec 4th—Poinsettia Order Day
- Dec 19th—Impact Hunger Deliveries
- Dec 25th—Christmas Day Breakfast
- Dec 31st—New Year's Eve

NOVEMBER 2022

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Kids Mtg 6:30p	3	4 	5 Ladies Luncheon 11:30 a
6 Daylight Saving Time Ends! Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a 	7 	8 Election Day! 	9 Kids Mtg 6:30p	10	11 Veterans Day 	12
13 Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a	14 Christmas Child Boxes Due	15	16 Kids Mtg 6:30p	17	18	19
20 Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a  Thanksgiving Pot Luck	21 Impact Hunger Deliveries Noon—1pm	22	23 No Kids Mtg	24 Thanksgiving Day 	25	26
27 Sunday School 9:45a Worship Service 11a	28	29	30 Kids Mtg 6:30p			

DECEMBER 2022

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Greetings from Pastor Steve and Vona

It's November and Thanksgiving is upon us, but only eight weeks till Christmas. The Psalmist shared in the 100th Psalm verses four and five. "Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise. Give thanks to Him, bless His name. For the Lord is good; His lovingkindness is everlasting and His faithfulness to all generations." We have many things to be thankful for, the life he gives, the joy of knowing Christ and our future home. But also, the trials and tribulations of life which has increased in many areas of our lives cost is rising, and yet, we can rejoice for in Christ who promises to watch over us. Come Nov. 20 and join us for a service of Thanksgiving and looking at the whole 100th Psalm and God's promise to us. Join us following the service for a Pot Lot dinner in the fellowship hall.

The following Sunday we will start the Christmas season with four special messages concerning the Birth of His Son Jesus. Join us for the "Wonder of Christmas". We will have a time of singing Traditional Christmas Corals and a few other surprises along the way Climaxing in a Christmas day special with a Christmas Breakfast and concluding with the Christmas message. Join us in this time:



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| Nov. 27 | The Wonder of Christmas – PEACE - A Shepherd of His People |
| Dec. 4 | The Wonder of Christmas – LOVE – God's Love Sent Jesus
into the World |
| Dec. 11 | The Wonder of Christmas – JOY – The Joy of Christ Birth |
| Dec. 18 | The Wonder of Christmas - HOPE – Hope arrives as Christ is Born |
| Dec. 25 | The Wonder of Christmas – HIS BIRTH – Unto us a Child is Born
Christ Messiah |

As we enter this season of thanksgiving and Joy of Christmas and all that goes with it the Food and Gifts don't forget the reason for the celebration. This is a wonderful time but as Christian let's not forget reason for the season. A Son was born Christ, the Messiah, don't forget to share the story as you celebrate. Enjoy the season and we will see you again on the New Year 2023.

May the Lord bless you Richly this season
Pastor and Vona Miller

Ladies!



You're Invited!

To a Luncheon on Saturday, November 5th, at 11:30 am at the church for an exciting time of fun, sharing and fellowship. We would also like to make plans for some adventures for the next year. All suggestions are welcome and appreciated. (If you cannot come, write them down and give them to Vona.)

Please let us know if you'd like to bring something to eat, drink, or help in some other way.

R.S.V.P. to Vona Miller at 757-239-8780

Voting is a Your Right & Duty. Get Registered & Vote!



Free Rides are Available!

Register/Vote Early at the Registrar's Office

**Vote Election Day,
November 8th,
At Your Precinct
8 am to 5 pm**

Thanksgiving Pot Luck

**Bring Your Favorite Thanksgiving Dish
& Fellowship With Your Church Family!**



Sunday, November 20th After Worship

Questions? See Brenda

Christmas Breakfast

**Join Us on
Sunday, December 25th at 9:45 am
For a Christmas Breakfast
Compliments of Brenda Wallace
Merry Christmas!**



Unto us a Child is Born!



**Good News!
Great Joy!**

*Pack a box. Impact a life.
Due by November 14th*

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& Brooks Wallace

**Standard Hours of Worship
& Meetings**

Sunday Morning
Sunday School 9:45am
Worship Service 11:00am

Wednesday Evening
Kids & Youth Meetings 6:30pm