



November 2023

Leadership

Lead Usher

Mike Pyle

Audio/Visual

David and Lynn McDonald, & Jill Hauswirth

Offering Counter

Sandy Brecht & Peggy Pyle

Kingdom Kids

Volunteer Needed

Transportation

Volunteer Needed

Please be in prayer for the following:

General Prayer Requests

Dale Scott

Cancer Treatment

*Chris Atkinson
Matt Thomas*

Health and Healing

*Nick Tate
Jim Greene
Jean McDonald*

Military

*Staff Sergeant Jim Weter
Nathan Harralson*

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You're Invited!

November Events

- November 5 Daylight Saving Time Ends "Fall Back"
- November 14 Family of Christ Women 11 am at Panda House
- November 23 Thanksgiving - Office Closed
- November 26 Advent Begins

Upcoming Events

- December 24 Christmas Eve Service
- December 25 Merry Christmas - Office Closed

Wednesday Activities

Come to the Table at 5:30 pm
Family Kids Club
from 5:30-7:30 pm

NOW OPEN

10:30 am - 4:30 pm
Monday - Thursday
Lynn McDonald
Administrative Assistant

A note from

PASTOR DONNIE

Dear Church Family,

Woo hoo! It's Turkey Month!

Your one time per year of mandatory thankfulness.

Just kidding; hopefully you have had many days of thankfulness throughout the year.

The Scriptures are filled with examples of thankfulness. Abraham, David and others gave God thanks for material blessings, Jesus gave thanks before meals (e.g., before the feeding of the multitudes and announcing the New Covenant at the Last Supper), several gave thanks to God for healings, Daniel gave thanks to God for wisdom and power, others gave thanks for God's laws, salvation, safety, Christian fellowship, spiritual gifts, etc.

Sometimes, however, we feel like there is nothing to be thankful for. Or, maybe, we are aware that there are things to be thankful for, but we just don't have an "attitude of gratitude". The following 4 things may help you:

1. Thank God for His goodness. Psalm 136:1 says, give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures forever.

2. Thank God for His lovingkindness.

"With praise and thanks, they sang this song to the Lord: "He is so good. His faithful love for Israel endures forever!"

Then all the people gave a great shout, praising the Lord because the foundation of the Lord's Temple had been laid." Ezra 3:11.

3. Thank God for the Family Of Christ church. In Colossians 3:15-17 God instructs us to be thankful for the gathering of His people, letting the message of Christ dwell richly among us as we encourage each other with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude.

4. Thank God for everything. Well, that pretty much covers it. Ephesians 5:20, "always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Even in the midst of an evil society that dishonors Jesus, in the midst of a world gone mad with war and hatred, and in the midst of personally struggling with the effects of sin and sorrow, there is much to be thankful for. If you are not sure, read this article again. Better yet, read the Bible!

Thankful for all of you and with much affection,

Pastor Donnie

CAPS FOR KIDS

Caps for Kids is a ministry in which we make all cotton surgical caps for kids. They are donated to Mercy Kids in Springfield.

There are jobs for all levels from cutting circles, cut elastic, run the elastic, and sewing the caps.

Caps For Kids will meet on an as needed basis Marion Belanger will let you know when Caps will meet.

Mustard Seeds

Planting seeds in faith

The Mustard Seeds are doing a study titled:
"Jesus Calling: Putting Jesus First" by Sarah Young

"This Jesus Calling Bible study is designed to help individuals and groups meditate on the words of Scripture and hear them not just as words said to people long ago but as words said to us today in the here and now. The goal is to help the heart open up and respond to what the mind reads - to encounter the living God as He speaks through the Scriptures." Sarah Young

The Mustard Seeds can be found after Sunday morning Worship in Room 103. It's a casual, multigenerational small group.

Walk-ins welcome!!

Women Of The Word!

Women of the Word started the study: "Revelation: extravagant hope" by Margaret Feinberg.

"Revelation is a survival guide for the suffering, a book of promises for the persecuted, a banner of hope for the Beaten down. Not just for John in his time and his age, but for every church in every age, including you and me." Margaret Feinberg

There is still time to join us books are \$15 at the office.

Family of Christ Women

TO: ALL LADIES of the CHURCH:

Our October meeting had 8 ladies at the Red Barn. Our business included sharing that we had the bank work for our new name completed; we are donating \$50 to our Food Pantry; and we are taking Wednesday Dinners to: Kay and Dale Scott and Shirley and Jim Greene.

Ann shared a wonderful devotion.

***Our November meeting will be:
Tuesday, November 14th at 11am,
at the Panda House.***

FAMILY OF CHRIST WOMEN

All ladies are welcome to come - Looking forward to see you all.



Thank you for your generosity with our
“Cash For Backpacks” collections.
Our October “Cash For Backpacks” collection brought in \$27.00.

Our next Cash for Backpacks collection is
Sunday, November 5th.

You can also bring your donation anytime to the Church office.

We will continue the Cash for Backpacks collections on the first
Sunday of every month. We need your help to make this a
successful ministry.

BIRTHDAY

- 1 Mason McKinzie
- 9 Steve Brecht
- 11 Shannon McKinzie
- 18 Martha Bartelsmeyer
- 23 Marion Belanger
- 28 Jeanne Jones
- 30 Lilly Belanger

HAPPY Anniversary

16 Craig & Jean Duwe



**Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday,
November 5th.**

**Remember to set your clocks back one hour
on Saturday, November 4th.**

NOVEMBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 No Wednesday Evening Activities	2	3	4
5 -Fall Back- Daylight Saving Time Ends Leadership Team after Worship	6	7 Women of the Word at 6 pm	8 Sewing Club 9am- 4pm Come To The Table at 5:30 Family Kids Club until 7:30	9	10	11
12 Praise Team 8 am Mustard Seeds after Worship	13	14 Family of Christ Women 11 am at the Panda House	15 Come To The Table at 5:30 Family Kids Club until 7:30	16	17	18
19 Praise Team 8 am Mustard Seeds after Worship	20	21 Women of the Word at 6 pm	22 Sewing Club 9am- 4pm No Evening Activities	23 <i>Happy Thanksgiving</i> Office Closed	24	25
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Cash for Backpacks
November 5th



No Evening activities on Wednesday, November 22nd
Office is Closed on Thursday, November 23rd.

