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Thanks & Giving

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Upcoming Events

NORTH OF 50 EVENT

Mary Jane's Grill in Cape Girardeau, MO
& a Drive down to the River Area
10:15 am Tuesday, November 1st

COME TO THE TABLE

Wednesday, November 2nd 5-7pm

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

Sunday, November 6th

TRIVIA NIGHT

Sunday, November 13th from 5-8pm

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Sunday, November 20th after Worship

DECORATING THE CHURCH

Sunday, November 20th
After Thanksgiving Dinner

NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

November 24th

HANGING OF THE GREENS

Sunday, November 27th

TRIMESTER BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, November 27th after Worship

LOOKING FORWARD

COMMUNITY TREE LIGHTING

Friday, December 2nd

CHRISTMAS BANQUET

Sunday, December 4th

PASTA WITH SANTA

Wednesday, December 7th



NOVEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

Thanks & Giving

Thanksgiving will be here shortly! Can you believe it? November is already here. The leaves are changing, the cold is building, and the fires are oh so delightful! I love November because of Thanksgiving! I love Thanksgiving because of the atmosphere of "Thanks" & "Giving".

No expectations of presents, no me me me attitude cultivated.
My family would always go around the table with just one question.

"What are you thankful for?"

This provides an opportunity to pause and reflect. An opportunity not often built into our lives.

A needed daily opportunity but often missed. Perhaps we are too busy, perhaps we forget, perhaps we have no one in our life making us pause and asking that question, "What are you thankful for?"

... Take a breath, close your eyes and let your mind be flooded with all you have to be thankful for!

Throughout the Month of November we will be in a new Sermon series called "Thanks & Giving" Focusing on this idea of daily thankfulness and daily giving.

There is so much we have to be thankful for!

James 1: 17

17 Whatever is good and perfect is a gift coming down to us from God our Father, who created all the lights in the heavens. He never changes or casts a shifting shadow.

God has given us every blessing in our lives, how can we go a single day without thanking Him!

John 3: 16

16 For this is how God loved the world: He gave His one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.

God gives us everything. We should constantly be offering up our thanks and praise to God!

But what about giving? It is not just "Thanks" but "Thanks & Giving" so if step one is thankfulness, then step two is giving!

God has given us everything, He gave His only Son for our eternal life. He gives us every blessing in our lives and calls us to bless others with those blessings.

So by "Giving" what do I mean? Well I don't mean money. I mean everything. Thanksgiving is this opportunity to stop and analyze. So how can you be more giving? How can you give more time, attention, affection, energy, and thoughtfulness to those around you. To your family, your church, your community?

Be sure to come out each Sunday throughout November for this amazing Series "Thanks & Giving" Use the atmosphere of thanksgiving to cultivate a permanent attitude of Thanks & Giving!

I thank you for your faithfulness, your support, and your continued prayers. I am so blessed to be on this Journey with you.

With Love - Pastor Nathan



The Christmas Season Is Here!!!

Help us Decorate the Church!

**Sunday, November 20th
after the Thanksgiving Dinner**

After Lunch, everyone is invited to help kick off the Christmas season by decorating the church. The more people that help, the faster everything will get done!

Hanging of the Greens Worship Service Sunday, November 27th at 10:00 am

The congregation will be led through this special holiday service that reminds us of the significance of the decorations which adorn our Sanctuary and building each Christmas season. This is a great service to invite family, friends & neighbors to as we enter the season of our Lord Jesus' birth.

signs and Walnut Street signs. Rental House needed repairs.

Special Events/Kitchen & Dinners: Frances Reiman Served lunch to 35 Carnival workers and 15 volunteers and staff on September 13. All-Church picnic and Ice Cream social to be held immediately after church on Sunday, October 2nd. Next Wednesday night dinner will be October 5. Christmas Banquet will be on Sunday December 4. Cost for adults will be \$15.00 and children \$10.00. Kathie Grob and Barbara Troutman have volunteered to oversee the details.

Worship Ministry: Vicki Ardrey, Tina Evans, Steve Wilkerson, Jacob Kersh Submitted by Jacob: No major feedback from last month. New T-shirts is being discussed for the Worship Team to be worn when not wearing nicer attire to unify team. Added prayer and worship time to Wednesday night dinner. Thinking about new ways to beautify the Sanctuary, new Banner. Have begun planning Christmas services. Services are going well. Sunday Services continues to be aired online on the FBC Murphy Facebook page and on Youtube.

Technology Team: Kevin Penrod. The digital cameras have been used numerous times by Bradley and staff. Bradley has created several video shots with the DSLR. Jacob and Bradley set up the first Wednesday night worship. Plans are for carrying out the set up each month. Jesse, Denise, Nathan and Bradley coordinated easyTithe change over. Go Pro camera used for covering Baptisms. Improvements for its use are continuing. The sound booth has two new volunteers, Caleb and Dominic who are proving to be competent running the camera and audio ops. Canva (an on-line, interactive graphics service) is being utilized for t-shirt, sign and flyer designing. Bradley continues to update the website and is planning improvements for website albums and monitoring the on-line interactivity of the easyTithe user operations. Future Needs: Updated Sanctuary audio (speakers and wiring, maybe new sound board/controller). Analysis of present audio system is being sought.

Need someone to mix the livestream. Need to look at replacing Sanctuary Video Projectors/LED Screens, in the near future. Recommended purchasing a secondary camera and switcher for using both.

Staff Relations: Vicki Ardrey, Anna Pilz Discussed 2023 Budget for staff salaries and annual reviews.

Strategic Planning: Vicki Ardrey, Dan Perschbacher Team discussed updates to the Constitution and additional review.

Nominating Team: Kathie Grob, Linda Wright Council discussed and approved the slate of names for the 2023 Leadership Council Members.

Lead Pastor's Report: Nathan Taking a week of vacation from Monday, September 20 through September 26. Ron McLaughlin and Dan Pershbacher will be leading the Worship service on Sunday, September 25. Next Sunday Service Worship series will be Faith over Fear. Parlor Renovation Team: will meet and discuss ideas/plans.

Ministry Director's Report: Nicolette, Jacob and Jesse are discussing how to organize storage space for the extra sound, audio and video equipment.

Meeting adjourned 8:25

Reminders and Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 18, 2022 6:00 pm

Next Trimester Business Meeting:
November 27, 2022



LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MINUTES SEPTEMBER 20, 2022

Opening Prayer: Nathan Borish

Last Meeting's minutes: August minutes, were approved by consensus.

Ministry Care Team Report: The Care Team met on September 12.

Ministry Team Reports:

Outreach, Evangelism & Missions: Tina Evans, Kristy Dunning Yard signs will be presented to the congregation. Served lunch to Carnival workers on September 13. Kids walked in Kiddie Parade. Renaming Mission Moments to "Results of a Generous Heart". Community Night-out October 4 will have s'mores and the inflatable. Trunk or Treat after Church October 30 and the afternoon and evening Community Event on October 31. Planning a Chicken & Dumpling dinner fundraiser for 2023 Mission Trip. Trivia night Fundraiser for 2023 Mission Trip. Church wide Thanksgiving dinner after worship November 20. Pasta/Pizza with Santa December 7. Continuous Community Improvement.

Youth & Kids Ministry: Jesse Boudet, Dan Perschbacher, Anna Pilz
YOUTH: Pool party was great! Small Groups started back on September 7. Sunday morning MS Small Group had 6 in attendance on September 6. Youth Group and small groups are happening weekly. HS Girls retreat was September 2-6. Laser Tag Lock-In will be September 23-24. Dan will be speaking to the youth on October 12. A Family Bonfire with Kids Ministry will be at Nathan's house on October 26. 2023 Camp Registration is open. Need assistance to move pool table to Youth House. Team members meet regularly to discuss Youth and Kids.
KIDS: TREK Kids Club program and Small Group on Sunday mornings are going great! Baptism was

great! AWANA's Splish Splash Kick-Off was an awesome outreach! AWANA is meeting on Sunday nights. TREK Kids walked in Kiddie Parade. Small group meets with Kathie on Sunday mornings. No Events in September, will have a family bonfire in October. Grant was approved, inflatable purchased. Working on weekday times to have church open.

Adult Small Groups & Bible Studies Ministry: Kathie Grob The Small Groups continue to meet on Sunday mornings. Wednesday evening groups continue to meet as well. Vicki will lead a new adult group starting October 17. Nathan is starting a Journey group for mental health. Nathan is meeting with young parents on Wednesday evenings. Dan and Karen started a MS Small Group meeting on Sunday morning. Girls Scouts will be meeting in the Youth house on Mondays. Working to get more Journey Groups.

Financial and Stewardship: Judy Rawls, Vicki Ardrey Financial Report: Reports for July and August were presented. Reports were approved by consensus. Discussion is ongoing regarding other cuts that can be made to reduce costs/expenses

Building and Grounds: Judy Rawls, Tony Stamm, Jake Miller Replaced ceiling tiles, painted sidewalks, removed overgrown bushes at Youth house, Bus and Van have IDOT # and logos. Youth house has new fans and kitchen light. Rental house exterior brick repaired. Received 2 Bids for resealing parking lot. Received Bid of \$2200 for North side Education wing gutter. Received Bid of \$3500 for Attic insulation. Received Bid of \$220 for Lighting under baptism. Future Projects: New thermostats for HVAC Landscaping needed to hide a/c units in front of church Outside door



Everyone is welcome...bring the whole family...invite your neighbors! The evening will have it all...great food, a time of praise, music, and prayer as well as wonderful fellowship. Put it on your calendar today... "Come To the Table" Wednesday, **November 2nd from 5-7:00 pm.** At 6:00 pm the **Journey Bible Study Groups (the Men, Women, Elevate Youth, and Young Families) will meet.** Want to know more about our Wednesday night groups, contact Pastor Nathan.

OUR GENEROUS GIVING AT A GLANCE September 2022

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|-----------------|---------------------|
| Monthly Need: | \$ 29,115.83 |
| Monthly Giving: | \$ 21,076.87 |
| Difference | \$ -8,038.96 |



The church office will be closed **November 11th** so the staff can observe the Veterans Day holiday. The office will also be closed **November 24th & 25th**, for the Thanksgiving Day Holiday. The Wednesday evening activities will **NOT** take place on **November 23rd**. The staff would like to wish you a happy and safe Thanksgiving! During this season of thankfulness, please remember to count the many blessings our Lord has graciously bestowed upon all of us. Praise God!!





North of 50 is IS ON THE ROAD to CAPE

On **Tuesday, Nov. 1st at 10:15am**, all North of 50 adults are invited to have a leisurely lunch at Mary Jane's Smoke House in Cape Girardeau, MO and then take a drive down to the river area. If you would like to go, the sign up sheet is available on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall or contact the church office to have your name added.

A SALUTE TO OUR VETERANS

On **Sunday, November 13th** there will be a special video that will recognize our veterans and how they served this great country. If you are a part of the FBC or have a veteran or currently serving person in the military, please submit a picture with name, military service, and rank information to Bradley at techsupport@fbcmurphy.org . **The deadline for submissions is Sunday, November 6th.**



YOU'RE INVITED TO
PASTA WITH SANTA!
 DECEMBER 7TH 5:30-7PM
 FBCMURPHY
 401 N 15TH ST. MURPHYSBORO

Bring the family and kick off the Christmas Season! Spend the evening talking with Santa, enjoying a nice dinner, hearing stories, and decorating cookies!

618.687.1769

Faith, Friends, Fun and Fellowship
Journey Group will meet the first
Thursday of the month (Nov. 3rd)
at 6 pm at the Dave & Vicki Ardrey's.

CROSSINGS CAMP
 Registration is OPEN!
2023
KIDS CAMP
www.fbcmurphy.org/kidscamp23



IT'S "TIME" FOR A CHANGE!

Daylight saving time ends Sunday, **November 6th**. Before going to bed on Saturday night, November 5th be sure to turn your clocks back one hour.



Sunday, December 4th

Doors Open at 5pm
Dinner starts at 5:30 pm

Reservations can be made starting November 6th
and no later than November 27th.

Call Kathie Grob at 618-924-7017 if you have any questions.
For Reservations call Kathie Grob or the
Church Office at 618-687-1769.



Cost

Adults: \$15
Kids 5-10: \$8
4 & Under: Free

Music by: Tar & Honey

Menu

Garden Salad
Parmesan Ranch Chicken
Baked Potato
Green Beans
Sorbet for Dessert
Iced Tea/Lemonade



**All Church Thanksgiving
Dinner**
with all the Fixin's
Sunday, November 20th
after Worship Service
Invite your Friends & Family

**LET'S STOCK THE FOOD
PANTRY!**



For the holiday season, the Murphysboro Food Pantry would love to have a holiday food basket for all those who are unable to afford the additional expense of the special meal.

They are asking everyone to bring canned and boxed foods and please include items such as boxed stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, instant potatoes, dessert mixes, canned vegetables and fruits, etc.

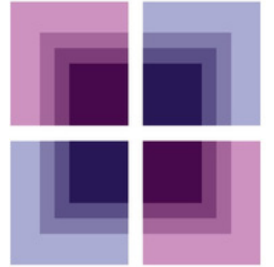
The food pantry is also in need of volunteers to do the many tasks that need to be done. Just two or three hours, one day a week would be helpful.

Your time and generosity will be a blessing as well as a wonderful gift to someone less fortunate.

Mission of the Month

**HELP SAY THANK YOU BY
GIVING TO THE RMMO**

Through our faith in God, and our gratitude for the salvific actions of Jesus Christ we are called to be faithful servants of the gospel and to live out the ministry of Jesus in word and deed. The gratitude that we have for Jesus' gift to us is the seed from which springs the gratitude that manifests toward the people of God. The Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering supports those who have dedicated their lives to God's service by providing emergency assistance in times of need and a thank you check at the end of each year. We hope you will join us in honoring God's committed servants. Donations will be taken through the month of November.



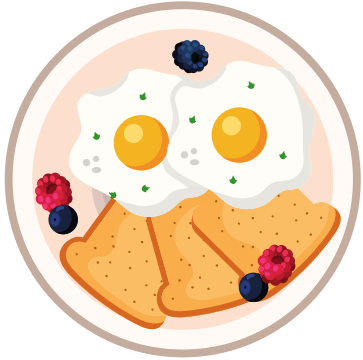
Retired
Ministers+
Missionaries
Offering

TRIMESTER BUSINESS MEETING

There will be a business meeting on **Sunday, November 27th** immediately following the worship service.

The 2023 budget, new officers, MC Team, and LC members are on the agenda.





**THE NEXT FBC JOURNEY
WOMEN'S BRUNCH**

will be held on Tuesday, **November 15th**. They will meet at **Sunny Street Café in Carbondale** at **10:00 am**.

If you are planning to attend or need a ride contact Kathie Grob at 618-924-7017.

GREETERS

November 6

Lou Polsgrove & GlenAnn Kiel

November 13

Matt & Elaine Hardwig

November 20

Anna Jenkins & Robert Heiple

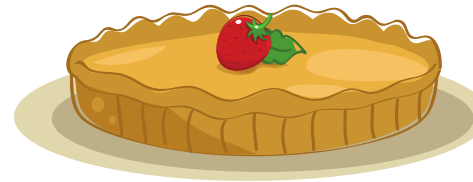
November 27

Buddy & Helen Payne

If you are unable to help, please contact the church office.



HS Girls Group



Baking Fundraiser

You can order:

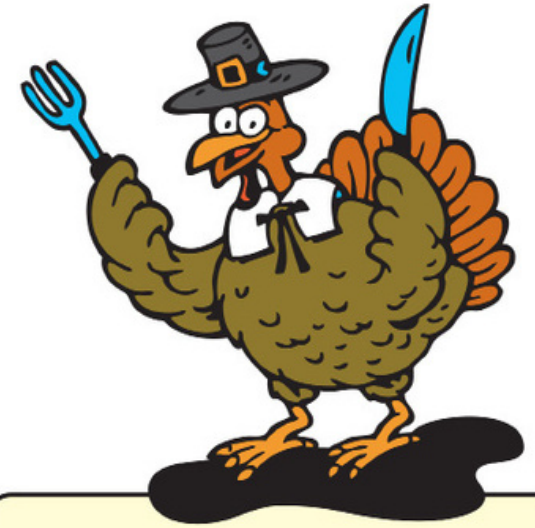
Pumpkin Pies \$15

Chocolate Pies \$15

Pumpkin Bread \$10

Please call or text Tamara Schuman at **618-525-5250** to order!

Orders will be ready the week of Thanksgiving.



November

POST THIS ON YOUR REFRIGERATOR!

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

November 6

Jeff & Linda Wright

November 13

Rhett & Angela Barke

November 20

Matt & Melinda Guthman

November 27

Buddy & Helen Payne

If you are unable to help, please contact the church office

**ORDER A POINSETTIA
IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE**



Envelopes are at the Welcome Center

HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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|----|---------------------|----|------------------|
| 4 | Rita Baltzell | 16 | Adreanna Pilz |
| 8 | Albert Boudet | 17 | Leah Rowe-Brown |
| 9 | Pauline Miller | 19 | Julie Blandford |
| 10 | Linda Wright | 20 | Beverly Eastwood |
| 10 | Joy Borish | 20 | Gabriel Klaybor |
| 12 | Trina Creath | | |
| 13 | Lauren Samuel-Unger | | |
| 14 | Paul Echols | | |
| 14 | Dalton Rose | | |
| 15 | Cathy Porter | | |
| 16 | Bobby Boudet | | |



**BLESSINGS
ON YOUR
BIRTHDAY**

**THANKS TO OUR MANY
VOLUNTEERS**

November 2022

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--|---|--|---|---|-----------|
| <p>30</p> <p>Pastor Appreciation Month</p> <p>8:30am Coffee Hour</p> <p>8:30am Praise Team Rehearsal</p> <p>9:00am Adult Small Groups</p> <p>9:00am Trek Kids-Small Group</p> <p>10:00am Trek Kids Club</p> <p>10:00am Worship</p> <p>11:15am Trick or Treat Parade</p> <p>3:00pm Trunk or Treat Outreach</p> <p>7:00pm Next Gen Small Group</p> | <p>31</p> <p>Pastor Appreciation Month</p> <p>10:00am Ladies Exercise Class</p> <p>5:00pm Halloween Outreach</p> <p>7:00pm D & D Small Group</p> | <p>1</p> <p>10:15am North of 50-Cape Girardeau MO</p> | <p>2</p> <p>5:00pm COME To The TABLE Monthly Dinner</p> <p>5:00pm EVELVATE Youth Wild Wednesday</p> <p>6:00pm Men's Bible Study</p> <p>6:00pm Women's Bible Study</p> <p>6:00pm Young Families Journey Group</p> <p>7:00pm HS Guys Group</p> | <p>3</p> <p>10:00am Ladies Exercise Class</p> <p>6:00pm Faith Friends, Fun & Fellowship Journey Group</p> <p>6:00pm Worship Team Practice</p> | <p>4</p> | <p>5</p> |
| <p>6</p> <p>8:30am Coffee Hour</p> <p>8:30am Praise Team Rehearsal</p> <p>9:00am Adult Small Groups</p> <p>9:00am Trek Kids-Small Group</p> <p>10:00am Trek Kids Club</p> <p>10:00am Worship</p> <p>10:00am Worship with Communion</p> <p>5:00pm AWANA</p> <p>7:00pm Next Gen Small Group</p> | <p>7</p> <p>10:00am Ladies Exercise Class</p> <p>7:00pm D & D Small Group</p> | <p>8</p> | <p>9</p> <p>5:00pm EVELVATE Youth Wild Wednesday</p> <p>6:00pm Men's Bible Study</p> <p>6:00pm Women's Bible Study</p> <p>6:00pm Young Families Journey Group</p> <p>7:00pm HS Guys Group</p> | <p>10</p> <p>10:00am Ladies Exercise Class</p> <p>6:00pm Worship Team Practice</p> | <p>11</p> <p>Office Closed for Veteran's Day</p> <p>VETERAN'S DAY</p> | <p>12</p> |
| <p>13</p> <p>8:30am Coffee Hour</p> <p>8:30am Praise Team Rehearsal</p> <p>9:00am Adult Small Groups</p> <p>9:00am Trek Kids-Small Group</p> <p>10:00am Trek Kids Club</p> <p>10:00am Worship-Salute to our Veterans</p> <p>5:00pm AWANA</p> <p>5:00pm Trivia Night</p> <p>7:00pm Next Gen Small Group</p> | <p>14</p> <p>9:00am Ministry Care Team</p> <p>10:00am Ladies Exercise Class</p> <p>7:00pm D & D Small Group</p> | <p>15</p> <p>10:00am Women's Journey Group Devotional Brunch</p> <p>6:00pm Leadership Council Meeting</p> | <p>16</p> <p>5:00pm EVELVATE Youth Wild Wednesday</p> <p>6:00pm Men's Bible Study</p> <p>6:00pm Women's Bible Study</p> <p>6:00pm Young Families Journey Group</p> <p>7:00pm HS Guys Group</p> | <p>17</p> <p>10:00am Ladies Exercise Class</p> <p>6:00pm Worship Team Practice</p> | <p>18</p> | <p>19</p> |
| <p>20</p> <p>8:30am Coffee Hour</p> <p>8:30am Praise Team Rehearsal</p> <p>9:00am Adult Small Groups</p> <p>9:00am Trek Kids-Small Group</p> <p>10:00am Trek Kids Club</p> <p>10:00am Worship</p> <p>11:15am Thanksgiving Meal</p> <p>12:00pm Decorate The Church</p> <p>12:00pm Walker House Community Outreach</p> <p>5:00pm AWANA</p> <p>7:00pm Next Gen Small Group</p> | <p>21</p> <p>10:00am Ladies Exercise Class</p> <p>7:00pm D & D Small Group</p> | <p>22</p> | <p>23</p> <p>5:00pm EVELVATE Youth Wild Wednesday</p> <p>6:00pm Men's Bible Study</p> <p>6:00pm Women's Bible Study</p> <p>6:00pm Young Families Journey Group</p> <p>7:00pm HS Guys Group</p> | <p>24</p> <p>Office Closed for Thanksgiving</p> <p>THANKSGIVING DAY</p> | <p>25</p> <p>Office Closed for Thanksgiving</p> | <p>26</p> |
| <p>27</p> <p>8:30am Coffee Hour</p> <p>8:30am Praise Team Rehearsal</p> <p>9:00am Adult Small Groups</p> <p>9:00am Trek Kids-Small Group</p> <p>10:00am Trek Kids Club</p> <p>10:00am Worship-Hanging of the Greens</p> <p>11:15am Trimester Business Meeting</p> <p>5:00pm AWANA</p> <p>7:00pm Next Gen Small Group</p> | <p>28</p> <p>10:00am Ladies Exercise Class</p> <p>7:00pm D & D Small Group</p> | <p>29</p> | <p>30</p> <p>5:00pm EVELVATE Youth Wild Wednesday</p> <p>6:00pm Men's Bible Study</p> <p>6:00pm Women's Bible Study</p> <p>6:00pm Young Families Journey Group</p> <p>7:00pm HS Guys Group</p> | <p>1</p> <p>10:00am Ladies Exercise Class</p> <p>6:00pm Faith Friends, Fun & Fellowship Journey Group</p> <p>6:00pm Worship Team Practice</p> | <p>2</p> | <p>3</p> |