

Special Services in November

November 3rd and November 4th All Saints' Day



Saturday & Sunday, November 3rd and 4th, we will celebrate All Saints' Day, a day that has been traditionally set aside by the church to remember the faithful who have died and now are living in the presence of our Lord, Jesus Christ. During the worship

services we will be lighting a candle to remember the lives of those who have passed during the past year.

November 10th & 11th Veterans' Day

A patriotic theme will prevail with a slideshow of veterans in our congregation or connected to those in our congregation.



November 17th & 18th Harvest Sunday



For Harvest Sunday, please bring items for the Food Pantry.

Current needs are:

- Canned meat
- Breakfast Cereal
- Canned pasta
- Condiments
- Cleaning products
- Hygiene products

Daylight Savings

Don't forget to set your clocks back on November 4th at 2am. Better yet, just set them back before you go to bed on Saturday evening, November 3rd!



The office will be closed on November 22nd and 23rd in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Hanging of the Greens



Our Worship Committee will be hanging the greens prior to the first Sunday in Advent, which is Sunday, December 2nd. The date we will hang the greens will be announced in future weekly bulletins.

Poinsettias

The worship committee is currently looking into a new way of doing the Christmas Poinsettias this year. Please watch for more information later in November on what we will be doing for this year.



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Saturday • 5:30pm—Casual Worship
 Sunday • 8:45am—Traditional Worship
 Sunday • 11:00am—Contemporary Worship
 Sunday School—10:00am

Worship

Visit us at gcumc3.org or Find us on Facebook: "Gibson City UMC"

Dreaming Something Big, Unique, Honoring

District Wide Church Conference and Joint Choir

Our District Superintendent Angie Lee has a dream. It is a unique dream: it's a no-previous-example, uncommon, one and only, first-of-its-kind dream to honor God, and seek His Presence and Power together as a whole district.

Angie invites us all to this unique district wide meeting on Sat. November 10, 10:00 at Danville St. James UMC. The Worship Service & Church Conference is from 1:00 to 2:30, and optional workshops are from 10:30 to Noon.

It's a dream that hopes to fill St. James UMC with people called Methodist, vibrant worship, and sharing of successful ministry.

What would that be like if we all set this afternoon together to seek the heart and will of God for the good of the church and our world?

Try to picture this: 86 churches; from Donovan UMC [north] to Arthur UMC [south] to Clinton UMC [west] to Bismark UMC [east]). All coming together in the same sanctuary: Singing passionately, sincerely, robustly, and wholeheartedly. Singing led by voices of the choirs from our district.

The Worship service and Church Conference is to be held at Danville St. James UMC from 1:00 to 2:30. **If you are coming to just the worship service/church conference, you do not need to register.**

In addition, there are four workshops being offered in the morning. **If you are attending a workshop and/or coming for the lunch at noon, you must register in advance by November 1.** The only cost is for those planning to eat lunch. The cost for lunch is \$10.00.

To register go to –

<https://igrc-reg.brtaapp.com/IRD2018ChurchConferenceEvent>.

If you want to carpool, please contact Pastor John or the Church Office.

Let's mark our calendars and dream this dream together with Angie and our fellow Methodist from our Iroquois River District.

~ Pastor John

Workshop 1 – Acts of Violence & Church Security

This training is designed to provide awareness to those persons with important roles in the safety and security of their place of worship. Topics include: Defining an active shooter and learning about their behavior, considerations for security and response plans, key decision factors that will help guide the response of staff and congregation members. The instructor, Sgt. Marcus Beach, is an 18 year veteran officer of the Rantoul Police Department. Sgt. Beach is a nationally recognized instructor in Use of Force and is an adjunct instructor at the University of Illinois Police Training Institute. Sgt. Beach is a certified Master Control Tactics Instructor and Master Firearms Instructor.

Workshop 2 – The Unstuck Church

It's too easy to get "stuck" in our ways, "stuck" in our thinking, "stuck" in our comfortableness, The Unstuck Church workshop will be a discussion to help us understand how and where our churches may be stuck in a way that is limiting growth and health. It is based on a book by the same title, authored by Tony Morgan. It won't be necessary to read the book ahead of time, but if you would like to, contact the District Office to get a copy, or order one from your favorite bookstore. Let's get unstuck!

Workshop 3 - Giving Birth to a Movement

Do you desire to reach more people for Christ? Would you like to hear more about strategies in which individuals and churches are engaging to effectively do so? Attend this workshop to stir your imagination and add fuel to your passion for making disciples. Be a part of giving birth to a movement within the Illinois Great Rivers Conference. Rev. Mike Crawford is the IGRC Coordinator of Congregational Development. He resources the conference in starting new places for new people and for increasing the effectiveness of our existing churches.

Workshop 4 – Budget & Church Financial Policies

Topics include strategies for creating, implementing and monitoring an effective church budget, and creating internal financial control policies. Leader: Doug Abbott is the Director of Church Administration for Faith UMC in Champaign.



Giving Tree 2018

Our church is again sponsoring a Giving Tree for needy children in our area. Each tag on the tree represents a child and will have their sizes and list some needs and wants. Tags will be available by Sunday, December 2nd. **We only put one tag per child on the tree, so you may want to buy several items for this child, such as clothing and a toy.** Also, school supplies and personal items are great to include in the box as well.

Please follow these guidelines:

- Sign out all tags on the sign-out sheets.
- Return gifts to the church by **Sun, Dec 16th**
- All gifts for a child should be placed into one box, wrapped and decorated any way you wish. Attach the tag from the tree to the top of the box.

Same as last year, we will also be collecting winter hats and gloves. As you take a tag from the tree, if you could replace it with a hat or pair of gloves, it will keep the tree decorated. The hats and gloves will be donated to the local police and also the crossing guards. Gifts will be picked up by families on Thursday, December 20, between 8am and noon.

If you are unable to do the shopping yourself, please consider sponsoring a tag. You can select your tag from the tree and donate a monetary amount that can be used by our secret shoppers to shop for the child (suggested amount is \$50 per child). If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

Mission Socks

November's Mission Socks will go to help with our Giving Tree Ministry.



Wesleyana Circle

Wesleyana Circle will meet on Tuesday, November 13th at 1:30 at the Villas of Holly Brook.

Handel's Messiah

Rehearsal Schedule for this year's Messiah: Monday evenings, beginning November 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th, 7pm. First Presbyterian Church, G.C.

Dress Rehearsal: Saturday afternoon, December 1st, G.C. Bible Church.

Performance: Sunday, DECEMBER 2ND, 3 pm, G.C. Bible Church.

Please join us to **celebrate the 75th year** since the first performance in 1944!!

Youth Mission Trip—Fundraiser

The Mission Trip Youth will be having a new fundraiser on November 11th. We will be at the Fannie May store at Eastland Mall in Bloomington from 1pm-4pm. We will receive 30% of all sales that take place during that time period. We invite you to come on in and help us. Thank you for your support!

MMDC Trip



Our next day trip to Midwest Mission Distribution Center will be on Monday, November 19th. We will meet in the parking lot around 6am and usually return around 6pm. Look for the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

PRAYERS, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Birthday!

Blythe Borton	1	Mark Pool	12
Aiden Boundy	1	Krista McCallister	13
Sherrie Knerr	2	Norma Patterson	14
Frank McCullough	2	Brandon Zumwalt	14
Jim Hood	3	Sara Zumwalt	14
Betty Leffler	3	Kara Royal	15
Pam Romshek	3	Mark Overman	17
Kim Elliott	5	Shannon Spangler	17
Jeff Young	5	Jane Tankersley	17
Sarah Swidergol	6	Kyra Kietzman	20
Collins McCullough	7	Kathy Reum	20
John Schertz	8	Jenna Vogel	21
Nancy Davis	9	Denny Tongate	21
Chloe Lupton	9	Carter Endsley	21
Colin Kristensen	9	Lane Elder	21
Kate Kristensen	9	Evan Severson	21
Beverly Nelson	10	Bonnie Clark	22
Ken Seneca	10	Michael Young	22
Terry Bell	11	Henry Hansen	23
Morgan Steinman	11	Cameron Richardson	23
Pam Gee	12	Larry Littlefield	25
Ralph Jones	12	Deonna Sauer	26
		Jeffrey Eckhoff	28
		Tammy Seneca	28
		Brenley Hawthorne	29
		Marilyn Rutledge	29
		Carla Jones	30

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

	Day	Years
Joe & Zach Wier	6	
Phil & Megan Whitehouse	10	11
Wayne & Terri Snyder	18	46
James & Linda Lindelof	19	51
Larry & Kathy Littlefield	19	35
Howard & Marilyn Rutledge	21	56
Don & Janet Jensen	22	69
Delmar & Sharon Heavilin	25	57
Michael & Kim Elliott	27	19
Michael & Ann Young	27	
Delmar & Joan Bedel	30	17

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Offering & Attendance

Jan—Sept 2018 Offering for Budget	\$220,095.09
Jan—Sept 2018 Operating Expenses	\$241,059.99

Weekend	Sat 5:30	Sun 8:45	Sun 11:00
Sept 29th & 30th	9	89	24
Oct 6th & 7th	13	110	25
Oct 13th & 14th	11	97	21
Oct 20th & 21st	15	91	12

Nursing Home Residents

Manor
 Ruth Fisher
 Judy Peters
 Carol Hari
 Bob Hill
 Jane Hill
 Phil Lutz

Health Concerns

Delmar Bedel
 Edith Christensen
 Nancy Davis
 Gabe Fairchild
 Ruth Fisher
 Bob Hill
 Phil Lutz

Servicemen and women

SSG Colton Young
 AB Cody McCoy
 PFC Glenn

Annex

Mary Rosebraugh
 Doug Hager
 Marie Schneck

Paxton Health Care

Bill Dueringer



November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Wednesday Night Fellowship 5:30 pm—Fellowship Meal 6:30 pm—Growing in God (PreK-5) 6:30 pm—Middle School Youth Group 6:30 pm—High School Youth Group 7:30 pm—Sanctuary Choir				1	2	3 5:30 PM Saturday Night Light Worship
4 Communion 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 8:45 AM Traditional Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Contemporary Worship	5 9:00 AM Prayers 7:00 PM Trustees	6 1:00 PM Communion Manor/Annex	7 Wednesday Night Fellowship	8	9	10 Communion 5:30 PM Saturday Night Light Worship Charge Conference— Danville, IL
11 Communion 8:45 AM Traditional Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Contemporary Worship	12 9:00 AM Prayers	13 Newsletter Articles Due 1:30 PM Wesleyana Circle	14 Wednesday Night Fellowship 7:00 PM Pie Night/Manor	15	16	17 Mission Socks 5:30 PM Saturday Night Light Worship
18 Mission Socks 8:45 AM Traditional Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Contemporary Worship	19 9:00 AM Prayers	20	21 NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP 9:00 AM Newsletter Prep	22 OFFICE CLOSED	23 OFFICE CLOSED	24 5:30 PM Saturday Night Light Worship
25 8:45 AM Traditional Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Contemporary Worship	26 9:00 AM Prayers	27 10:00 AM Communion/ Holly Brook	28 Wednesday Night Fellowship	29	30	



NOVEMBER SERVICE SCHEDULE

	Liturgist	Greeters (West, South, North)	Acolytes	Sound Room (8:45)	Projector (8:45)	Projector (11:00)
Nov 4	Craig Kummerow	Mick & Mary Jo Kingley Rick & Becky Young Kent & Jean Bielfeldt	Grace Steidinger	Lonnie Engel	Connor Engel	Phillip Littell
Nov 11	Kathy Eagleson	Mick & Mary Jo Kingley Rick & Becky Young Kent & Jean Bielfeldt	Addison Farmer	Steve Hawthorne	Quinley Family	Kearfott Family
Nov 18	Tom Borton	Shirley Jackson & Jane Tankersley Mike & Ann Young Joe & Zach Wier	Maci Lindelof	Jon Clark	Zander Wier	Katie Steidinger
Nov 25	Angie Woodward	Shirley Jackson & Jane Tankersley Mike & Ann Young Joe & Zach Wier	Maddox Lindelof	Jon Clark	Erin Arsenault	Phillip Littell
Head Usher for November is Kent Bielfeldt						

OUR STAFF

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 Organist—Beverly Nagle Susan Schultz, Volunteer
 Choir Director—Ruth Davis Jessica Schultz, Volunteer



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