

The Christian Caller
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Sunday school: 9:00 AM.
Worship 10:30 AM.

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Secretary: Cheryl Rice



Our Mission Statement

To help one another grow in Christian faith through worship, witness, fellowship, and service to our community and the world.

November 20 Caller



Prayer Concerns

In the hospital:

Local Concerns: Louise Morrison, Maxine Wescott, Fred Eisele

Continuing Concerns: Nadine Timmons, Louise Kelsey, Clara & David McCluskey, Howard Svaty, Marvin & Mardina Gregory, Wayne Sircoulomb, Bob Compton, Evelyn DeCou, Diane Carver, Linda Shue, Evelyn Tarter, Lois Ramsey, Charlie North, George Chapman, Margaret Shinkle, Emagene Walton, Carol Turner

Our extended family: Jimmy Kieth, John Siewart, Steve Martin, Joleen Smith, Jerry Rice, Rita Renfro, Bill Ward, Debbie Sunthimer, Brenda Firr, Sharon Heien, Chuck Baker, Maxine Wilson, JR Schwarz, Justin Voorhies, and our uniformed men and women serving our country at home and abroad. All storm and wild fire victims as well as shooting victims.

Please call the church office (378-4118) with information or updates related to illnesses, hospitalizations, crisis, or immediate family deaths, so that care can be offered.

Financial Report

Sunday

Nov. 10 \$1840.73

Nov. 17 Not available at this time.

To have a good friend is one of the best delights of life; to be a good friend is one of the noblest and difficult of undertakings.

My email has been worked on and is hopefully working properly. If you are not able to get the Caller through email go to the website www.fccfredonia.org to read it. If any of you have changed your email address let me know. I can't send your Caller if your email isn't current.



Happy Birthday!

Nov. 22 – Linda Ensminger

Dec. 04 – Nate Huser



Happy Anniversary!

Nov. 26 – Cary & Paula Hutton
(42 Years)

Bulletin Covers

I need the person who said they were sponsoring the five assorted bulletin covers to contact me 378-4118 or come by the office.

***Church Board meeting December 11th at 6:00 p.m. Please note the time.**

A little oil of courtesy will save a lot of friction.



Called to Serve – Nov. – Dec.

Sunday, November 24

Table Elders: Carl Thornton & David Rogers
 Home Communion: Darin Vaughn
 Deacons: Pat & Jess Reed
 Deaconesses: Becky Ramsey
 Greeter: Delores Kempinger
 Usher: Marilyn Compton AV. Merlyn Ramsey
 Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey
 Lay leader: Mike Jeffers

Sunday, December 01

Table Elders: Todd Harrelson & Nancy Rogers
 Home Communion: David Rogers
 Deacons: Don Vaughn & Neal Bernauer
 Deaconesses: Lois Ramsey & Mary Shue
 Greeter: Carol Bernauer
 Usher: Claudia Marr AV. Cary Hutton
 Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey
 Lay leader: Jess Reed

Sunday, December 08

Table Elders: Marvin Gregory & Merlyn Ramsey
 Home Communion: Todd Harrelson
 Deacons: Zac Ramsey & Susan Voorhies
 Deaconesses: Lois Ramsey & Mary Shue
 Greeter: Doris Claiborne
 Usher: Ron Black AV. Jess Reed
 Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey
 Lay leader: Cary Hutton



Decorating Our Sanctuary

Any one that would like to buy a poinsettia and bring it

to help decorate our sanctuary is welcome to do so. We will be purchasing four and any you would like to bring are welcome. They need to be here at the church no later than December 4th. Preferably sooner. Those who are sharing kindly let the office know so we can acknowledge you.



A Message from Pastor Shue

Thanksgiving Day will be here before you know it. I am very blessed when it comes to Thanksgiving and Christmas. I say this because I have great memories of both these holidays growing up as a child. We always had great food and good people to share holidays with. Since I became an adult I have had some pretty special memories as well. As I become older and I hope a little wiser the one thing that can never be taken from me are these great memories that I have been blessed with. However, just as important as my old memories are to me I am blessed to be making new memories every day. These memories that I am making with my grandson Brendon will be his old memories someday. I hope they will be something he can look back on later in life, and that they being a smile to his face. It is my hope each of you will make some new memories this holiday.

Those of you planning on picking up items for the Christmas baskets, I encourage you to do so soon. We have to place our order for items we don't have in the very near future. The five items we are asking be brought to fellowship hall are boxed dressing, cans of vegetables or fruit, cakes mixes and frosting, and boxes of Mac and Cheese. Anything you donate will be put to good use. Thank you for your help in this great community project.

I hope each of you have a truly blessed week.

Your Servant in Christ,

Pastor

Claude



The most overburdened, desperate people are those who can see no burden but their own.



Time to Start Gathering Food for Christmas Baskets

Once again it is time to gather items for the Christmas food baskets. Many items are on sale around Thanksgiving and that is a good time to buy a little extra to donate.

Items needed:

1. canned vegetables
2. canned fruit
3. boxed stuffing
4. cake mixes and frosting
5. boxed potatoes
6. mac & cheese
7. spaghetti dinner or equivalent
8. boxed dinners/Hamburger Helper
9. canned meat
10. cereal
11. soup

There is a table in Fellowship Hall for you to deposit your donations on.



Thanksgiving day! How sweet the sound,
Sweet music to the ear.
Its birthplace is the U.S.A.
And it reappears each year.

To many people that I know,
It's just another day.
To them the only difference is,
Instead of work they play.

The golfer jumps into his cart,
The hunter grabs his gun.
They seem to think this day was named
Exclusively for fun.

Our loving God again has blessed
This land with precious wheat.
This furnishes the "Staff of life"
And other things to eat.

Now surely you can spare one day
Just set aside to praise;
And show your thankfulness to God
For the food He's helped us raise.

So please my friend, just rest a while
To think, and praise, and pray.
And give to God your best, your all,
On this Thanksgiving Day.

~Arthur J. Stair



When the summer's drought was broken,
Did you thank God for the rain?
When the crops were safely garnered,
Did you thank Him for the grain?

When you watched fall's flaming beauty
Clothing all the forest land,
Did you thank God for the picture
From the Master painter's hand?

When you read of ragged children
 Begging for a crust of bread,
 Did you thank the Heavenly Father
 That your own were clothed and fed?

When death dealing bombs were bursting
 And the war planes zoomed afar,
 Did you whisper, "Lord I'm thankful
 That our land is free from war?"

Have you counted all your blessings,
 Tried to name them one by one,
 Friends and health and work and shelter?
 See! You've only just begun.

Blessings, yes, we have so many,
 We could never name them all;
 Let's lift our hearts in glad thanksgiving
 For all blessings, great and small!

~Bina T. Sarver



Counting Our Blessings

Counting our blessings is good practice. It makes us get along with people better. It makes us look around us instead of within us. It makes us more considerate, and sympathetic. It causes us to live for others not just for ourselves. It makes us a blessing instead of a burden. It corrects our perspective of life. It strengthens our inner resources of faith and hope. It increases our confidence for living and it increases our awareness of God.

Some Thanksgiving Humor



Which side of the turkey has the most feathers?

The outside

Why did the turkey cross the road?

Chicken's day off.

If Pilgrims were alive today, what would they be most famous for?

Their age

What kind of music did the Pilgrims like?

Plymouth Rock



On Our Calendar

- Nov. 20 - 9:00 a.m. Prayer Group
 No Exercise Group today
 5:30 – Cadet Girl Scouts
 7:00 – Choir
- Nov. 21 – 12:00 – Thrift Shop Appreciation Luncheon
- Nov. 25 - 9:00 -10:00 a.m. Exercise Group
- Nov. 26– 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Homeless Matters
- Nov. 27 - 9:00 a.m. Prayer Group
 No Exercise Group
 5:30 – Cadet Girl Scouts
 No choir practice
- Nov. 28 – Thanksgiving Day
- Dec. 02 - 9:00 – 10:00 Exercise Group
- Dec. 03 -2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Homeless Matters
- Dec. 04 - 9:00 a.m. Prayer Group
 9:00 – 10:00 Exercise Group
 5:30 – Cadet Girl Scouts
 7:00 – Choir
- New Caller

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