



**OUR MISSION**: Pointing People To Jesus

**OUR VISION**: To build disciples of Christ that will develop disciples of Christ and to be a church that is pursuing God, extending compassion and building community.

Deacons & Elders
will meet
November 7th
6:30 PM & 7:00 PM

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM & Friday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM - (540)949-8670

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West Waynesboro Witness

2023

## **Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Gifts**

www.operationchristmaschild.com

All the materials and information you need are available on a table in the lobby. Drop off your shoebox gifts in the church lobby **NO LATER than Noon on Sunday, November 12**th.

Since 1993, more than 209 million boys and girls in over 170 countries and territories have experienced God's love through the power of simple shoebox gifts from Operation Christmas Child. Samaritan's Purse works with local churches and ministry partners to deliver the gifts and share the life-changing Good News of Jesus Christ. **HOW DOES IT WORK?** 

Use your own shoebox or the ones supplied by the church (located in the lobby). Choose to pack for a boy or girl and decide on the age category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14. Pick up the brochure which contains the "tags" for the boxes.

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Select a quality "wow" toy such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, or stuffed animal. Fill the box with other toys, hygiene items, and school supplies. Children also love flashlights! Be sure to include extra batteries. Do not include Candy, Toothpaste, food, liquids, nail polish, glass containers, used or damaged items, or war-related toys.

A **donation** of \$10 is suggested to cover project costs which range from collection and shipping to training and distribution. You can put this in the box using the envelope in the brochure or you can give online through **Follow Your Box** to receive a tracking label and discover the destination of your shoebox gift. **Pray** over your box and for the child that will be receiving it. If you packed this with your grandchildren or children pray over your box with them. Include a personal note or photo.

# Harvest Dinner Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 PM

A special evening to bring your favorite Thanksgiving dish to share with your church family and friends.

If you can help with set up and clean up, please sign up at the Mickey Center.

\*Please indicate what you will bring on the sign-up sheet.

\*We need 3 people to bring a turkey.



Don't Forget Daylight Savings begins on November 5<sup>th</sup>. Set clocks back 1 hour.

Ecclesiastes 3 reminds us "that there is a time for everything and a season for every activity under heaven". This includes struggling and thriving as well as being a church that is growing or about to close its doors. It is sometimes difficult to know what time we are in, but I want to remind all of us that we should not fear any of these times. They are all in the hands of God. In our midst of struggle, we have to be able to see the bigger work of God and the greater efforts of His kingdom. We as individuals need to ask ourselves the hard questions of what God is doing, in and through you. Ecclesiastes 3:1-22 is a good reminder that what we feel in the moment, is not forever. It is also a much needed wakeup call, reminding us that nothing in this world will last. We have to be ready to let go when God tells us that it is time, and to be clear, my heart hasn't heard God say anything about giving up yet. Our faithfulness is not dependent on our situation. Our church is called to be one that continues to love God and others regardless of where we find ourselves. A lot of wonderful people have refused to stand idle and have stepped way out of their comfort zones to lead the good fight of faith. James 1:12 says, "Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him". I want to encourage all of us to join them in the fight of faith, despite how you feel our struggle is going. Struggle is one of the many ways that God draws us nearer to Himself.

**Struggle Draws Me Nearer** 

Debbie

# Sr. Minister Job Search Update

- ① So far, we've received 5 inquiries about the position.
- ① A Ministry Prospects Questionnaire has been sent to all.
- ① None have been returned as of the printing of this Newsletter.
- We are hoping to receive them soon!

Any additional questions, please see an Elder.

For the Elders, Albert Taillon Chairman



## **Baptism**

Whether you are just deciding to follow Christ or have been following Christ for years, if you have never been baptized, baptism is for you! If you would like to take this next step, come forward during the invitation at the end of the service, email office@westwaynesboro.com, call the church office or indicate your desire on your connection card.

Acts 2:38, "...Repent and be baptized every one of you...



### **Children's Ministry!**

All Elementary children are invited to participate in Children's Church.

They will be dismissed as a group to go downstairs, before the sermon.

Wee - Worship for all Pre-school children meets during the entire service.\* Please check your kid(s) in at the station in the lobby.



A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who contributed gift cards for our Grundy Mountain Mission School Christmas collection.

We collected \$1,245.00 in gift cards and donations!



## Caring Connections-Grief Support Group

Will meet on Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> @ Applebees @ 1:00 PM.

Questions? Contact Judy Forehand

The office will be closed on Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> in observance of Veteran's Day and Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> for Thanksgiving Day.





# Our Daily Bread.

# Free Daily Devotional Books

The current quarter of the
"Our Daily Bread" devotional
books are available at the Information
Counter in the lobby. For a daily blessing from
God's Word, pick one up
and enjoy!



# Helping Hands Food Pantry

Our food pantry is open every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday from 9:30-11:30 AM. Donations can be placed in the bin, located by the restrooms.



## **Missions Meeting**

Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 PM



## **Spiritual Growth Resources**

<u>Christian Standard</u>: The Christian Standard is a bi-monthly magazine and is an excellent resource for any believer

desiring spiritual growth, especially leaders.

The current and previous issues of the Christian Standard are available on the resource wall in the church lobby and at ChristianStandard.com.

<u>The Lookout</u>: is a wonderful Bible Study tool for any believer who desires to grow in their understanding and practice of God's Word.

The Lookout is available online: lookoutmag.com



### **Invite Cards**

Blue invitation cards are available to you in the lobby and at the Information Counter, as a tool to invite people to church.

Please pick up as many as you would like and keep them in a convenient place, as God provides you opportunities.



# Ladies Bible Study Group All Ladies Are Invited!

This group meets on Thursdays, from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Questions? Contact Cathy Hawks.



Men will meet @ Golden Corral
Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00 AM.
All men are welcome!
Ladies will meet @ Panera Bread
Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 AM.
All ladies are welcome!



Our prayer room is located downstairs, in Room #101 and is available before and after services, as well as during the week

(office hours Mon - Thurs 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM & Fri 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM).



# Faith Promise Mission Commitments

Thank you to everyone who made a Faith Promise Missions Commitment for 2024.
Total committed is \$23,460.00!

## ONLINE & MOBILE GIVING AVAILABLE

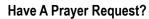
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 Download Gyve from Google Play, the iTunes Store or scan the QR code.







As a church, we would love to join with you in lifting up your request or concern to our Great God! If you have a prayer request, you can call or email the office, or let us know on the back of your Connection Card. Note: If you would like it shared with the church, please check the box,

"I would like this prayer request printed on the weekly prayer list."





#### Stay Connected!

Sermons, updates, newsletters and more can be found on our website: westwaynesboro.com

# November

Sunday School 9:15 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Office Hours
Monday - Thursday 9-3 & Friday 9-12

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# Serving in November: PREPARING COMMUNION

Lelia Bolton

### **USHERS**

Jeff Gurkin

#### **GREETERS**

Ronnie Ball

### NURSERY (Infant - 2)

November 5th: Drema Rickard

November 12th: Barbara Zimmerman &

Miranda Harris

November 19th: Tina Critzer &

Rodney Yankey

November 26th: Angie Critzer

### **WEE WORSHIP (Preschool)**

1st Sunday - Bev Hite

2nd Sunday - Mary Donna Beardsworth

3rd Sunday - Kelly Price

4th Sunday - Brenda Taillon

## **CHILDREN'S CHURCH (Elementary)**

Tracy Dunlap

### **COMMUNION SERVERS**

<u>Team 3</u>: Dick Moyer, Lewis Gurkin, Lawrence Motley, Ronnie Ball

### **Newsletter Preferences**

This newsletter can be picked up at the Information Counter/Mickey Center in the church lobby, viewed on the church website or received by email. To receive by email, contact the church office or indicate your desire on your Connection Card.

