

Jimtown OpenLine



*Building Bridges To The
Families Of Our Community!*

Volume 19 issue 11

November 2017

Inside this issue:

Birthdays	Page 2
Thank you's	Page 2
Committee Reports	Page 3
Volunteers	Page 4
Quiz	Page 4
Camp News	Page 5 & 6
Calendar	Page 7

CHURCH STAFF

- **Steve Loft**
Pastor
- **Steve Allen**
Choir Director
Music Director
- **Pam Allen**
Organist
- **Sharon Shinn**
Administrative
Assistant
- **Geri Angel**
Custodian
- **Andrea Loft**
Children's Ministry



THANK YOU

I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.
Philippians 1:3-6 NIV

One of the most significant things about November, for citizens of our country, is Thanksgiving. The historical significance of this holiday is remembering the gratitude of the pilgrims for God's provision through the first year of their living in America. When Andrea and I meet with our extended families for Thanksgiving we spend time in prayer thanking God for a variety of blessings.

We thank God for the bounty of the food we are about to eat (or are in the process of eating as people are prone to starting early with dessert or other snacks). Many times we thank God for family members including those who have gone on before us. At different times and in different circumstances, we can be thankful for a variety of things.

I am thankful for the church. I am thankful for the individuals who are a part of Jamestown United Methodist Church. I am thankful for those who invest in the life of the church by their prayers, their presence, their gifts, and their service. It would take quite a bit of space to highlight all of these areas, so let me choose two.

I am thankful for those who pray for the church. Some people have been active in attendance and service in the life of the church in the past and are not as able to do so now. We have several people who are not able to attend, but they continue to pray for the church. It is always encouraging to hear that people have been praying for their church even though they can no longer regularly attend worship. I am thankful for their prayers and for the prayers of all who pray for the ministry carried on here.

I am also thankful for those who invest in the life of the church through their service. There are a number of people who serve the church in a variety of ways. Some serve on the council or different committees. Others serve by helping with a variety of tasks including visiting people, working on the church building and grounds, or helping with a project or a gathering at the church. There are several people who serve in the church on Sunday mornings, including choir members, ushers, acolytes, sound and video technicians, fellowship servers, greeters, communion stewards, and the list goes on and on.

I may not say it often enough, but thank you – every one of you – for your investment in the life of the church.

May you be blessed by all the ways you invest in the kingdom of God. I thank God for you! Thank You!!

Sincerely,

Pastor Steve

1	Kirk	Weesner, SR
2	John Michael	Moore
4	Heather	Denton
	Gail	Greenlee
6	Jacob	Koets
7	Tammy Sue	Moore
10	Jackson	Cook
	Paul	Slabaugh
11	Bob	Tierney
12	Hilary	Ward
13	Mike	Vogel, JR
	Jim	Eggleston
16	Erin	Miller
18	Lana	Berg
23	Clint	Pontius
	Jane	Rapp
24	Tim	Leatherman
25	Bentley	Young
27	Sarah	Miller
	Elise	Stewart
30	Mike	Vogel, SR



Air/Heat Replacement	\$14,170.79
Building & Improvements	\$ 3,756.04
Club 52	\$ 123.12
Evangelism & Growth	\$ 770.92
Electronic Sign	\$ 6,511.01
Families in Need	\$ 1,177.58
Church Music Dept	\$ 773.00
Audio/Video	\$ 1,358.46
Carpet - Sanctuary	\$ 6,881.52

Many thanks go out to the following persons who helped make the Community Harvest Bonfire such a success. Pastor Steve & Andrea, Gail Greenlee, Jill & Jake Biller, Rita Peat, Connie Starkey, LuAnn Pontius, Steve & Roberta Mann, Gary & Becky Buss, Steve Allen, Steve Squibb, Jeff Clark, Larry and Paulette Brown, Warren Allender, Nate Koets, Randy & Deb Beehler, Erin Miller & Hannah & Adri Skibbe. Thank you also to everyone who helped by donating various foods, without all of you, we couldn't have had such a great harvest!!
Marcia Cook and the Hospitality Committee



6	Carl & Jane	Lechlitner	1966
18	Warren & Susi	Allender	1978
19	Jim & Connie	Starkey	1983
21	Mark & Angela	Cook	1998

November 11th



Dear Friends,
Thank you for your gift to the ministry of Samaritan's Purse. Your support equips us to minister to people who are walking through the darkest times in their lives – whether they are military veterans suffering from physical and emotional wounds, mothers in South Sudan struggling to feed their children, or hurricane victims facing the daunting task of rebuilding their lives. Samaritan's Purse is working in these and many other situations to meet practical needs and share the comfort found only in Jesus, the Good Shepherd. "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me' (Psalm 23: 4). We are deeply grateful for your prayers for this ministry. May God bless you.
Sincerely, Franklin Graham

Dear Friends in Christ,
Thank you for your gift of \$500 to Faith Mission of Elkhart. Because of your generosity, we are able to impact more lives in our community.
Thanks so much, Rob



LoveWay provides therapeutic horse experiences for over 300 people every year with a variety of disabilities who come to a weekly morning, afternoon or evening session. LoveWay has around 200 volunteers and always needs more, to help with the classes or do maintenance or office work. For more info visit www.lovetwayinc.org or talk with Deb Beehler who volunteers at LoveWay.

CO-LABORERS

Match the two people below who worked together in an endeavor.

1.	Aquila	a. Sapphira	Acts 5: 1-10
2.	Barnabas	b. God	2 Corinthians 6: 1
3.	Moses	c. Herod	Matthew 14: 6-10
4.	Christians	d. Priscilla	Acts 18: 26
5.	Rebekah	e. John	Matthew 4: 21
6.	Abraham	f. Paul	Acts 9: 26-31
7.	Ananias	g. Eli	1 Samuel 2: 11
8.	Joshua	h. Lot	Genesis 13: 1-5
9.	Samuel	i. Caleb	Numbers 14: 30
10.	Herodias	j. Jacob	Genesis 27: 6-10
11.	James	k. Aaron	Exodus 5: 20

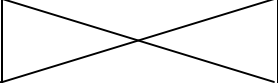
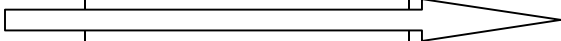
NAME _____

Return Quiz by November 24th

Answers for "Actions": 1. D, 2. E, 3. F, 4. K, 5. L, 6. J, 7. H, 8. G, 9. K, 10. A, 11. B, 12.C

Those that were up for a challenge were: Marcia Clark, Marta Clark, Arletah Hochstetler, Jane Lechlitner.

NOVEMBER VOLUNTEERS

	5th	12th	19th	26th
Welcome Center	Jan Slabaugh	Keith Berg	Irene Cook	Gary Buss
Liturgist	Lana Berg	Lana Berg	Keith Berg	Keith Berg
Greeters	Jeff Clark, Margaret Pierce, Doug & Clo McIntosh	Rita Peat, Jill Biller, Jan Bender & Karen Miller	Bob & Pat Vogelzang	Al & Joan Stealy, Mark & Carolyn Landis
Acolytes	Irene Cook, LuAnn Pontius	Marie Moleski, Doug Cook		Mark & Carolyn Landis
Children's Message	Pastor Steve	Steve Allen	Deb Beehler	Kristin Farwig
Cookie Fellowship	Dick & Joan Briggs, Mike & Vici Vogel	Al & Joan Stealy, Jim & Geri Angel	Mark & Robin Wrathell, Ray Hochstetler	Tim Farwig, Mark & Carolyn Landis
Nursery	Sharon Hirstein	Becky Buss		Lana Berg
Children's Church		Marcia Clark		
Ushers	Jim Angel, John Beggs, Tom Cook & Paul Slabaugh			

TRUSTEES

October 19th, 6:00 p.m.

Cleaning: Carpets, branches cleared, straw from playground, bell tower & sprinkling system winterized.

Security for church: Committee will report to Church Council soon.

Sound System: Motion to buy wireless microphone and digital board, Ipad from New Precision Board for \$4,200. Carried.

Parking Lot Lights: Waiting for LED light from Swartz Electric.

Parsonage Septic System: completed

Air Conditioner: turning off soon

Chair Lift Permit: Motion to take out of service. Carried. Checking to see if permit still needed.

Incorporation: Lawyer to process for \$750

Teen Center: Storage rental, \$125 for 6 months.

Fire Extinguishers: Will check these once a month.

Storage: Spot for Preschool to store snacks, cleaned out for them.

Outside Lighting: Not working, Bruce C. checking

Snow Removal: Checking with John Moore
Next meeting Thursday, November 16th.

NOVEMBER COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Thurs	9 th	6:00 pm	Finance
		7:00 pm	S/PPR
Mon	13 th	6:30 pm	Nominations/Leadership
Thurs	16 th	6:00 pm	Trustees
Thurs	30 th	7:00 pm	Church Council

SENIOR LUNCHEON

Our next meeting will be November 7th at Noon. It's Oyster stew month. Bring a dish to share and enjoy some good fellowship time.

UNITED METHODIST MEN'S BREAKFAST

Men you are all cordially invited to come and enjoy a wonderful breakfast and male bonding experience prior to the uplifting worship service. We meet the First Sunday of every month at 7:00 a.m.



STAFF/PASTOR PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE

is seeking an energetic, fun-loving Youth Director.

If you or someone you know is interested, please send your inquiries or resume to Jamestown UMC.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Our November loose coin offering will go to Christ is Life Ministries, Lynn Williams Missions. The offering of \$89.26 went to C.R.O.P. Walk. Thank you for your generosity with these projects.

Susanna's Kitchen: We are in need of two volunteers to help once a month. If you can help, please call **Kathleen Stout at 584-4130**.

Here are the dates for the rest of 2017:

November 20th

December 18th

Thank you to everyone that has volunteered this year!

Feed the Firemen: We need people to sign up to provide a meal for our Baugo Firefighters the night of their training session. We usually feed about 15 people. You can sign up for Nov. 6th or Dec. 4th. Take your course to the Fire station by 6:30 p.m. Thanks for all you do.

CHURCH COMMUNITY SERVICES

This month we are encouraging each family to bring any CANNED VEGETABLES OR FRUIT. Remember, we will take any non-perishable food item you bring. Let's work together to show God's love to our community.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Our next meeting is November 26th at 6:45 a.m.

UMW is sponsoring

Soup – Sandwich – Euchre

Sunday, November 12th at 11:30 a.m.

\$5.00 for light meal

\$5.00 to play Euchre

Euchre will start about 12:15 p.m.

Church Kitchen Shower

Thursday, November 16th at 6:30 pm

You may purchase items for the church kitchen and/or your own kitchen. Appetizers & desserts will be served. If you cannot attend our event you may also order online: www.pamperedchef.biz/cherihughey
List Becky Buss as the hostess. Hope to see you then!

Christ Our Feast


Christ is not only a remedy for your weariness and trouble, but he will give you an abundance of the contrary, joy and delight. They who come to Christ do not only come to a resting place after they have been wandering in a wilderness,

but they come to a banqueting house where they may rest, and where they may feast. They may cease from their former troubles and toils, and they may enter upon a course of delights and spiritual joys.

—Jonathan Edwards



Jamestown United Methodist Church
 59218 CR 3
 Elkhart, IN 46517
 Phone: (574) 293-3905
www.Jamestownumc.org
 "Building Bridges To The
 Families Of Our Community!"





GIVE THANKS TO GOD

God gives us many blessings every day. How can we thank him?

Directions: To complete the Bible verse below, follow the code and fill in the blanks.



A=1, B=2, C=3, D=4, E=5, F=6, G=7, H=8, I=9, J=10,
 K=11, L=12, M=13, N=14, O=15, P=16, Q=17, R=18,
 S=19, T=20, U=21, V=22, W=23, X=24, Y=25, Z=26.

" _____ will _____ 1 _____ 9 _____ 18 _____ 5
 _____ , _____ name in _____ 19 _____ 14 _____ 7
 and _____ 7 _____ 12 _____ 15 _____ 18 _____ 9 _____ 6 _____ 25 _____ 8 _____ 9 _____ 13
 _____ 20 _____ 6 _____ 1 _____ 14 _____ 11 _____ 19 _____ 7 _____ 9 _____ 22 _____ 9 _____ 14 _____ 7"