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THE MESSENGER

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THE REVEREND'S RAMBLINGS

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Darren McMath – 9
David Craft – 11
Samantha Chappell – 16
Beth Henderson – 18
Linda Colton – 20
Eddie Mihilasky – 24
Ed Johnson – 25
Karen Martin – 25

Dear Church Family,

As we enter November, we have much to be thankful for! This month, we will wrap up this leg of our journey through the book of Acts, reflecting on what it means to be a church that follows the Holy Spirit and shares the good news of Jesus. We have spent these past months learning about the early church—how the Holy Spirit empowered ordinary people to share the gospel, build community, and carry the good news of Jesus beyond their familiar surroundings.

We will also begin preparing our hearts for Advent and the celebration of Christ's birth towards the end of the month.

We have several opportunities to worship and serve together this month. On November 22, we will join Royster Presbyterian Church and Ascension Episcopal Church. We will also collect food for our Thanksgiving food drive to bless neighbors in need and begin preparing for our Living Nativity outreach, sharing the story and hope of Jesus with our community. Please be in prayer for these events and put them on your calendar and attend as you are able.

As we look toward the future of our church, I am grateful for your prayers, faithfulness, and willingness to serve. May we continue to give thanks for God's faithfulness, love our neighbors well, and follow where He leads.

With gratitude and hope,
Daniel

PLEDGE SUNDAY

Pledge Day will be Sunday, November 8th. On this day we will dedicate our pledges in worship and renew our support for the many ministries and opportunities offered through the life of our church. Pledge cards have been mailed out. Please bring yours to dedicate in worship on November 8 or mail it back to the church office. If you did not receive a pledge card, please contact the church office.



LIVING NATIVITY

Mark your calendars: This year the Living Nativity will be December 12 and 13 from 6-8pm. Please volunteer by signing the sheets in the hallway or contacting the church office. We will also be building the stable for the Living Nativity on Saturday, November 7th beginning at 8:30am. All are invited to come help us assemble.



THANKSGIVING SERVICE

For many years, Talbot Park has had a combined Thanksgiving service with the Episcopal Church of the Ascension and Royster Memorial Presbyterian Church. Talbot Park will be hosting on Sunday, November 22nd at 10am. This will take the place of our regular morning worship and Sunday School.

OFFICE CLOSURES

The office will be closed on Wednesday, November 11th, in observance of Veteran's Day and Wednesday, November 25 - Friday November 27 in observance of Thanksgiving.

TIME CHANGE

Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour on November 1st.



Order Your Poinsettias

Place your order for Christmas poinsettias using this form. The cost for each flower is $10.00. **Payment must accompany your order.** You may take yours home following the December 24th Christmas Eve Candlelight Service.

Name: _____

Dedication: _____

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Deadline for ordering is Sunday November 29th.



Preschool News

It was another successful season for our pumpkin patch! We have enjoyed welcoming and catching up with families who have come back yet again for our sweet little pumpkin patch on the church lawn. We hosted five groups from three different schools for field trips this year! We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who volunteered for the pumpkin patch events and Fall Festival. Your help is greatly appreciated, and these events would not have been possible without your support. We are looking forward to reciprocating the support by contributing to the Thanksgiving Boxes. Our goal is to collect one full meal per class, totaling seven meals! We will take this time to talk to our students about the beauty found in giving to others and being thankful for all that God has blessed us with. We hope you all are filled with thanks, joy, and peace and surrounded by loved ones as we enter this holiday season.

Holly Costas



PUMPKIN PATCH UPDATE

I want to start out by thanking everyone who volunteered to unload and/or sell pumpkins this year! This fundraiser truly would not be possible without your continued support! As of 10/23/26 we have raised $4,983.32 that will go directly to our preschool! We still have a full week of sales to go! What a great way to kick off the fall and support our preschool!

ALL SAINTS DAY

On Sunday, November 1st, we will observe All Saints Day, during which we will remember all our church members, friends, and family who have died during the previous year.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

The Mission Committee is sponsoring Thanksgiving boxes to provide food for families in need. The boxes will be distributed by The Storehouse Ministry. Lists of needed items are available. They need to be returned by November 16 so they can be distributed before Thanksgiving day. Turkeys will be purchased by the Missions Committee funds.

Here is a list of needed items:

Box of mashed potatoes
Canned cranberries
Canned sweet potatoes
Cake mix
Canned green beans
Canned frosting
Canned corn
French fried onions
Stuffing
Cornbread mix
Canned gravy
Mac and Cheese
Cream of Mushroom soup



You can add extra things that you think would make their day special!



DECORATING FOR ADVENT

On Sunday, November 22, we will meet at 1:00pm to assemble the Chrismon tree and decorate the sanctuary. Come join us as we prepare for the Advent and Christmas seasons.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 10:00am Communion 12:00pm Women's Group	2	3	4	5	6	7 8:30am Living Nativity Construction
8 10:00am Pledge Sunday	9	10	11 Office Closed Veteran's Day	12	13	14
15	16	17 2:15pm Birthday Club @ OceanAir	18	19 7:00pm Church Council Meeting 7:00pm Deacons Meeting	20	21
22 10:00am Service with Royster & Ascension 1:00pm Christmas Decorating Comfort Meals @ Ronald McDonald House	23	24	25 Office Closed Thanksgiving Break	26 Office Closed Thanksgiving 	27 Office Closed Thanksgiving Break	28
29	30					