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A monthly newsletter of Marion United Methodist Church encouraging faith, love, and action.





November 3rd was All Saints Sunday. During the service we held a ceremony, lighting candles in remembrance of those lost throughout the year.





Left: Helping to decorate the church after worship service on November 20th. Pictured are some of the cutest young helpers.

Right: Gail Fogleman and Char Griffee put in many hours patching, painting and coating the old nativity scene.





Left: We were without Bro. Bill and Blake Owen on Sunday, November 20th but had some great fill-ins. Brian Doyle stepped up to make sure our service went smoothly, our very own Beverly Moore delivered the message and Kathy Eide led us with singing our hymns.

Hope for the Holidays Can Drive

Once again the Marion School District collected canned goods for our Hope for the Holidays mission project. The HCGC school joined together and collected roughly 4,200 canned items. The VPC school collected four large boxes. This will help fill food boxes for families in need on Christmas morning and anything leftover will go to our food pantry to help feed those in need throughout the year. Thank you to all those who participated in collecting, delivering and helping stock our shelves. We are on our way to a great Hope for the Holidays.



Thanksgiving Dinner for Seniors

Our youth met Thanksgiving morning to prepare food to be delivered to 50 individuals selected through the Arkansas Council on Aging.



The home-cooked meals were prepared by our youth

with assistance from the kitchen crew. Our MUMC youth, Kolby Jones and many volunteers delivered the prepared meals. A special thank you goes to Bartt & Beverly Vaughn.



Happy Birthday

(1) Megan Bius, Lorelai Kay Harrison, Tinlee Mae Harrison, Collin Wade Knych (2) Les Callan (3) Beth Sutton (4) Anna Caroline Fesmire, Chasity Johnston, David Wallace, Glen Whitmarsh (5) Waverly Kate Gray, Mary-Ann Ford, Taylor Fowler, Mary Inman, James O'Beirne (6) John Griffee, James Williams (7) Wyatt Entrekin, Sallie Streeter (8) Matt Entrekin, Robin Fesmire, Destiny Henderson, Jenny Knych, (9) Chase Chafin (10) Pat Crase, Elizabeth Hardke, Debbie Scola (11) Bill Barnett (12) Lauren Catt, Marty Cooper, Wilson Henderson (13) Brenda Melton (14) Josh Doyle, Lauren Miller, Karen Nelson (15) Lannie Lancaster, Layton Scarbrough, Brooklyn Sims (16) Scott Carpenter, Rachel Vaughn (18) Mary Alice Gerrard (19) Lucas Peyton, Claire Wallace (20) Ryce Smith, Allison Wehrum (21) Tammy Hatley Kramer 22) Jane Hartley, Miller Owen (23) Nathan Castle, Jimmy Williams (24) Vernon Luedke, Samatha McAnally (25) Anna Elizabeth Entrekin (26) Mario Baratti (28) Rachel Coe, Sean Gray, Rick Preslar, Jackson Rawls, Jason Sells (29) Gary Wehrum (30) Stoy Long, Wayne Nelson (31) Ben Gerrard



Total Financial Gifts for November

Budget (General) \$51.792.33

Cap. Improvement

\$8,137.00

Children's Ministry \$0

Hope for the Holidays

\$4,175.00

Memorials \$20.00 **Misc. Fund** \$35,764.89

Missions \$350.00

Youth \$0

Thank you for your generous support for the ministries of our church.

Serving in Worship This Month

USHERS

Ted Archer
Les Callan
Denny East

Tony Gardner
Garrison Hardke
Jeff Schwartz

ACOLYTES

4th Davis Fowler

Troy Cole

11th Jackson Rawls

Lake Laughter

18th Mollie Owen

Sam Owen

CHURCH EVENTS:

TUESDAYS:

• Dec. 6 & 13 **Bible Study Fellowship** / 6:20 pm Education Building - Upstairs

THURSDAYS:

Dec. 1, 8 & 15 Bible Study with our Pastor
Genesis Classroom in FLC / 10:00 am

Dec. 7 WWF / 3:15 pm in the children's area

Dec. 8 Youth Chili-Cinnamon Roll Sale

Dec. 11 Children's Christmas Program

Dec. 18 Adult Choir Christmas Program

• Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

6:00 pm



FAMILY TREE

This year we invite everyone to attach a Christmas card to the family tree located in the narthex. Be sure to sign your name inside the card or attach a family photo card next time you are at the church.

Second Sunday

This month, during Second Sunday, the kids made cards for families receiving Thanksgiving Dinner from the youth. The cards contained scriptures about thankfulness.



Preschool & PDO



To celebrate the letter I, these Indians loved getting their Indian names.

After talking a lot about all these kids are thankful for, they were ready to donate to the MUMC backpack program.

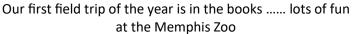




We love it when our preschool graduates, sibling, and former students stop by to read to preschool. Thank you McKenna and Estelle for taking time on your break to read to us.













Thank you to Oliver's dad for being our mystery reader this week and sharing one of Oliver's favorite books with preschool.



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Pam Scarbrough, PDO Director/Teacher

Kristi Stotts, PDO Director/Teacher

Debbie Wallace, Organist

Marcia Sutton, Pianist

Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday (9:00-3:00); Friday (9:00-12:00)

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