

NOVEMBER 2011



The Pastor's Corner

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⁹ But I, with shouts of grateful praise, will sacrifice to you. What I have vowed I will make good. I will say, 'Salvation comes from the LORD.' "Jonah 2:9

Giving Thanks

From time to time I can focus on the negative in life. I can look around me and see all that is going wrong. I can turn on the news and be bombarded with bad news, and I can look at the world around me and become discouraged. I assume that I am not the only person that ever falls prey to the temptation of discouragement. In fact I know that discouragement can come in many different forms to different people.

For Jonah the discouragement came from being in the belly of a big fish. Although Jonah had to know that the circumstance he was in was entirely of his own making, for he had tried to run away from God. Jonah still was discouraged and was facing a task that he did not want to undertake. Yet in the midst of all of that Jonah thanked God!

As we quickly approach the Thanksgiving holiday it is appropriate for us to look around and remember that even in the midst of trouble, God is good! God is still faithful to His people and He is still blessing us abundantly. In fact if we look closely God's blessing still outweighs the troubles around us. Take a few minutes over this next month and really look at what God has given to you and give thanks to Him!

Below are the Titles and Scriptures for November's messages. I encourage you to take a few minutes on Saturday evening or Sunday morning each week to take a look at the scripture for the coming Sunday message and see where God's Holy Spirit leads you.

November 6th - "Prepared?" - Joshua 24:14-15 & Matthew 25:1-13

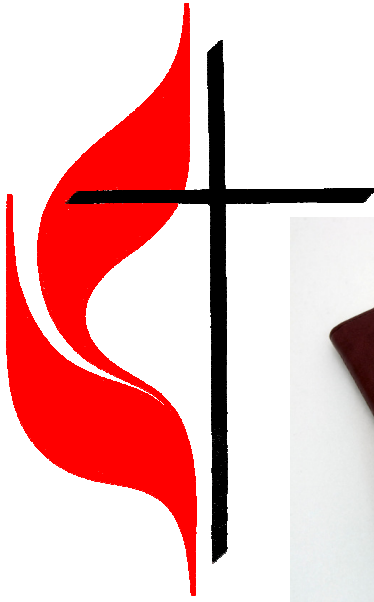
November 13th - "The Journey - Mary" - Luke 1:26-38

November 20th - "The Journey - Joseph" - Matthew 1:18-24

November 27th - "The Journey - Mary's Visit to Elizabeth" - Luke 1:39-45"

**GIVE THANKS
WITH A
GRATEFUL
HEART**





**Marion Salem Free Clinic
Upcoming Dates**

Nov. 14th & Dec. 12th

6 pm - 8 pm

1640 Salem Road

Caledonia, OH

**Available to those with no health insurance
and meet certain guidelines.**

**Please call 419-947-5383 or email
freeclinic@marionsalemchurch.org**

Limited to the first 20 patients

No appointment needed.

Crossroads Youth Update

Crossroads Youth Update

It strikes me funny sometimes how something will come up several times in a short period of time, which makes me wonder if maybe it isn't God oriented. Recently the youth discussed our "Worldview" of various topics. Then I heard a speaker on the radio talking about our worldview of the church. And then, this past Sunday, Pastor Jared spoke on the worldview of God. When we were talking on Sunday evening, the discussion focused on God's "Worldview". That instead of looking at things the way the "world" does, we should look at everything as if seeing it through the eyes of God. Try it! I'll bet it changes the way you look at things. Maybe even yourself.



November

- 6 - Crossroads Youth 7:00 PM
- 11 - 13 - YOUTH EXPLOSION !!
- 13 - Crossroads Youth 7:00 PM
- 20 - Crossroads Youth 7:00 PM
- 27 - NO MTG !!! Thanksgiving Wknd.
- 29 - Planning Team Mtg. - 7:30 PM



December

- 4 - Crossroads Youth 7:00 PM
- 11 - Crossroads Youth 7:00 PM
- 18 - Caroling & Christmas Party
- 25 - Merry Christmas !!
- 25 - No Meeting !! DUH !!
- 28 - NO Planning Team Mtg.



WHO HAS SNACKS ??

- NOV 6 - Springer's
- NOV 13 - Votaw's
- NOV 20 - Hempstead's
- DEC 4 - Marsh'
- DEC 11 - Layton's

CHRISTMAS CAROLING & CHRISTMAS PARTY!

It's December 18th and we will be conducting our usual nursing home visits. After our caroling we will be headed to the Hensel's for food, fellowship and our annual "White Elephant" gift exchange. Start digging out that really cool thing that you never wanted! We will plan to meet at the church at 4:37 and parents will need to pick you up at the Hensel's, around 8:45. We will need a second van driver and may need a few parents to join us and provide additional transportation and to sing along! ... Not to mention what a guitar or two might lend to our singing...

ALIVE 2012

June 20th — 24th

Well, we missed the **OCT 31st** deadline for the \$99 ALIVE 2012 tickets. They will be \$105 until Dec 19th. That's still way less than the \$135 per person at the gate. Soooo..... R U Going???

Work Mission 2012

KEEP LOOKING IN YOUR MAILBOX FOR UPCOMING INFORMATION.
IT'S COMING SOON !!



God never intended for us to go through this life alone. His intention was that we do this together, united with each other and also with HIM!! Life is tough! Sometimes too tough! Seek out a friend to share your struggles with and ALWAYS, ALWAYS, take them to GOD !

GO AND
PRAY...
2KINGS22:13a

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP YET ??



Operation Christmas Child **It's time for SHOEBOXES!**

With one mission: to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world, and together with the local church worldwide to share to Good News of Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6th is our last day to collect.
THANK YOU!

GIFT IDEAS

TOYS

small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky®, etc.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS

toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.

OTHER

Hard candy and lollipops (please double bag all candy), mints, gum, T-shirts, socks, ball caps; sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

A PERSONAL NOTE

In a separate envelope, you may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. (If you include your name and address, the child may write back.)

DO NOT INCLUDE:

Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; out-of-date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snowglobes or glass containers & aerosol cans.

Please share in this ministry this year by filling a shoe box for a boy or girl in need and then trust God that the child of His choice will receive it.

We have more information & a shoebox at Salem if you need one.

THANKS for giving!



Hanging of the Greens — AFTER WORSHIP ON NOVEMBER 27 th

We will have a potluck after the 10:30 worship service and then decorate Salem for Christmas .

Help is needed in these areas: decorating the Sanctuary, Narthex, hallway, Children’s area and the Family Center.

We need people that are willing to climb on ladders to put candles in the windows in the Sanctuary, hang garland in the sanctuary, put up & decorate several trees in various places & hang the wreaths in the Family Center windows.

Would your Sunday School class be interested in decorating as a group?



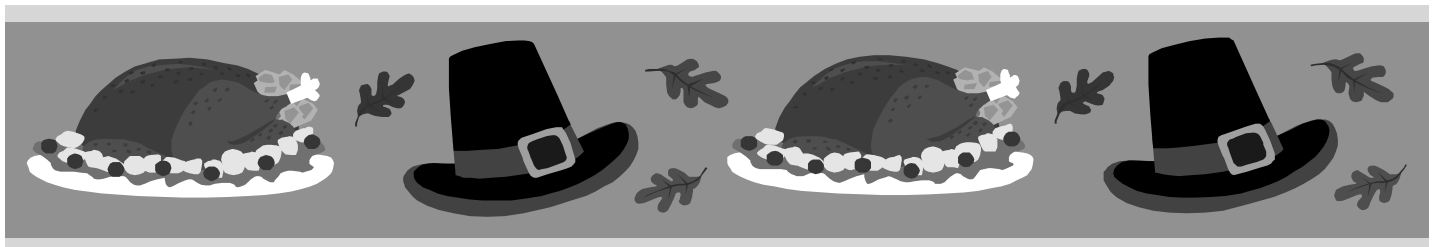
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Salem’s Thanksgiving Dinner hosted by the Genesis Class ~ November 20th, following the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

Please join us in the Family Center to give thanks and have fellowship with our church family.

See Mary Lou Jenkins & Annette VanVoorhis if you can help. Thank you so much.





Marion Salem UMC Relay for Life Team Shopping Night

Avoid the Christmas rush at the mall, and support Relay for Life

**Thursday November 10, 2011 from 5:00-9:00pm
Marion Salem UMC Fellowship Center**

Featuring companies such as Mary Kay, Avon, Thirty One Gifts, Creative Memories, etc.

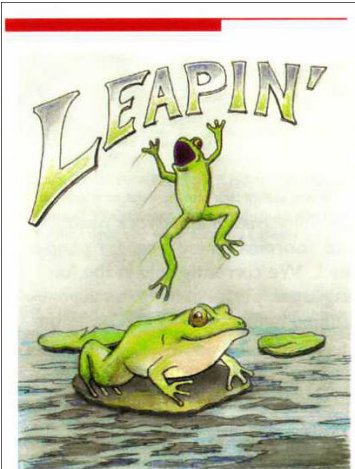
All are welcome to shop anytime. But Ladies, if you would like to give your husband some help shopping, come early, and complete a wish list, and then he can come later!

Part of all the proceeds of everything sold will be donated to Relay for Life.

We are currently soliciting vendors who are willing to set-up a display, and donate a portion of their sales to our Relay team. Vendors can include crafters and bakers who do not represent a particular direct sales company. We would also like all kinds of direct sales.

Please contact Leslie Jordan at 740-225-1509 or Darla Campbell at 740-361-2611
for more information

Let's create more Birthdays!!!!!!



L – Loving
E – Each
A – And Every
P – Person
I – In
N – Need

“Leapin’ Outreach Center” is now a 501c3 Tax-Exempt organization.

LEAPIN’ OUTREACH CENTER

287 South State St. Marion, Ohio 43302 Phone – (740) 387-0131
Hours: Tuesdays 5:30 – 7:30PM & Thursdays 10:00 – 12:00 noon

Brrrrr... Cold weather is fast approaching and we’re in high gear to try and meet the needs of those less fortunate families in the Marion area. And those numbers just seem to continue to increase as we served a record number of 1023 individuals last month alone. As the numbers continue to rise, we are struggling to meet the increased needs. We are in desperate need of socks and underwear for adult men and women and children as well as warm coats for men and kids. It’s nearly time for glove and hats for all as well.

Our Christmas toy giveaway will begin on Thursday, December 1st. If you would like to donate any new or very gently used toys, they would be greatly appreciated. Please bring them to Leapin’ or to the church before Nov. 30th. We were greatly blessed with a donation of 35 reconditioned bicycles from the Marion Correctional inmates. These are to be handed out to persons in need, so if you know if an individual who desperately needs a form of transportation and is willing to pedal, please contact me, Pat Hensel, and let me know.

As always, we are crying out for volunteers, especially persons who are willing to make the commitment to be there regularly on Tuesday night or Thursday morning. We need help in the office, help checking out clients, sorting toddler clothing and working through the donations so that we can get them out onto the racks. A greeter and some prayer warriors would also make great additions to our center. Thanks again for all of your generous donations and to those who are already lending a helping hand, actually two hands! You’re a blessing to us and those we serve.

Colossians 3: 23-24

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters,²⁴ since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

No matter who your boss is, you are really working for God.

A higher calling matters..... Do all your work, unto the Lord.



UMW October 13, 2011

Cheryl Slack led our meeting tonight.

The Inviting Colors of Fall — Devotion read by Cheryl

Prayer Concerns —

Treasurers Report —

Secretaries Report — Read and approved.

Spiritual Growth — Annette, Prayer calendar.

Education & Interpretation.

Social Action — Barb Dendinger. Two Thank You Notes.

Membership — Flo

Nominating Committee — Kathy Purvis

Communications — Linda Van Meter

OLD BUSINESS — Ladies Night Out. Fall District Meeting. UMW Cookbooks.

NEW BUSINESS — Voting for UMW Officers next month. Thank Offering next month.

Business Meeting closed.

PROGRAM — Tierney Bender, Human Trafficking. Reads from the book Sold, By Patricia McCormick.

15 Members present

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Noisy Offering	7 SPR 7 p.m.	8	9	10 UMW 7p Relay Shopping Night 5-9 p.m.	11	12
13	14 Finance 7:30pm	15	16	17	18 Sanctuary Reserved 6	19 Church reserved
20 Thanksgiving Dinner	21 Worship 7pm	22	23	24 Happy Thanks- giving	25	26 Fam. Ctr Re- served
27 Hanging of the Greens	28	29 Planning Team Mtg. 7:30	30 Senior Lunch 11:30 a.m.	Dec1	Dec. 2 Sanctuary reserved 6	Dec.3 Church reserved

NURSERY HELPERS

- 11/6 Amy McGuire & Betty Woodruff
- 11/13 Pam Workman & Miranda Addis
- 11/20 Mariah Stump & Christy Tolle
- 11/27 Leslie Jordan & Heather Townsend

CHILDREN CHURCH HELPERS

- 11/6 Corinna Jaggers & Julie Roth
- 11/13 Megan Pollock & Jon Myers
- 11/20 Amy Strine & Dale Wagner
- 11/27 Dawn Ruehrmund & Cheryl Slack

Sunday School Helpers for Amy's Class

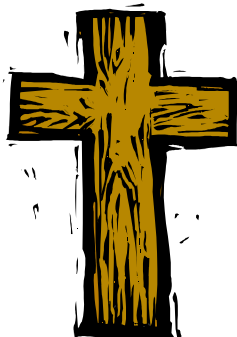
- 11/6 Marcia Burden
- 11/13 Barb Dendinger
- 11/20 Janet Strine
- 11/27 Cheryl Slack



*If you are unable to help on the assigned Sunday, please switch with someone on this list.
Thank you for your time and service at MSUMC.*

Communion Servers for November 6th

- ◆ Shad & Megan Pollock
- ◆ Brian & Kathe Hempstead
- ◆ Dave & Kathleen Miller
- ◆ Jay & Betty Woodruff



**Thank you, Lord for saving my soul.
Thank you, Lord, for making me whole;**

Stay in touch thru E-mail!
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lisa@marionsalemchurch.org
Or call 419-947-5383

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Return Service Requested

Church Office Hours

9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. M-T-W & F

Have you read
your Bible to-



*Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for His compassions never fail.
They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness
Lamentations 3: 22-23*

GRATITUDE

**GRATITUDE IS BORN IN HEARTS
THAT TAKE TIME TO COUNT UP
PAST MERCIES.**

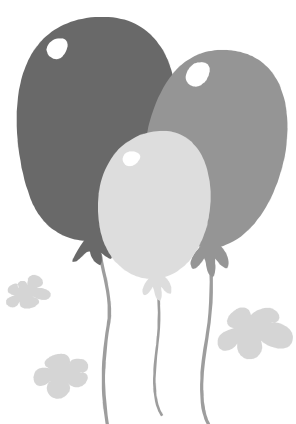




Noisy Offering 1st Sunday of every month, during the 10:30 a.m. worship service. *Thank you! This helps with the*

Birthdays

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| 11/1 | Ron Weisbrodt | 11/27 | Tim Davis |
| | | | Hudson Pollock |
| | | 11/28 | Sydney Graham |
| | | 11/29 | Maggie McGuire |
| | Brayden Townsend | | |
| 11/3 | Marcia Burden | | |
| | Alicia Levings | | |
| 11/4 | Ryan Zempter | | |
| 11/6 | Phillip Leathem | | |
| 11/9 | Robbi Smart | | |
| | Natalie Wagner | | |
| 11/10 | Debby Croft | | |
| 11/12 | Sandy Strine | | |
| 11/13 | Martha Crabtree | | |
| | Gwendolyn Butler | | |
| 11/15 | Dawn Ruehrmund | | |
| 11/17 | Ruth Maher | | |
| 11/18 | Jared Klinefelter | | |
| 11/21 | Shirley Klinefelter | | |
| 11/23 | Tracy Weisbrodt | | |
| 11/24 | Casey Somerlot | | |
| 11/26 | Amy Strine | | |



Anniversaries

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| 11/1 | Paul & Shirley Klinefelter |
| 11/3 | Russ & Mary Wickersham |
| 11/19 | Bruce & Conni McChesney |
| 11/28 | Rich & Robin Snopik |
| 11/28 | Jim & Amy Strine |

Pray Without Ceasing

- **Betty Woodruff** surgery on 10/31
- **Crystall Johnson's newborn baby, Jonathan Paul Gifford**
- **Helen Bender**– broken hip, she is at Heartland - rm. # 304 A
- **Our troops & their families & our nation**
- **Frances Strine**
- **Phil Leathem**- recovery from surgery
- **Samantha McGuire**–Mission Trip
- **Paul Young** (as he prepares to leave for Afghanistan)
- **Jamie Slaughterbeck**-God's healing of cancer
- **Troy Ruehrmund** God's strength, peace & healing.
- **Harold Milligan**
- **Mary Jo Peterman**– lung cancer
- **Kris Fisher**– in Afghanistan.
- **Russ Wickersham**–continued healing
- **Kaleb Leathem**– in the Air Force
- **Paul & Marge McChesney**
- **Anna Mylander**– healing
- **Sammy Johnson**- (Eunice's 8 yr old gr grandson)
- **Wanda Robinson**- complete healing
- **Carson DeWitt**– healing and God's peace
- All of our shut-ins and those who are in Assisted Living and rsing Facilities.

ASK, SEEK AND KNOCK

Matthew 7:7 Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened.

MARRIAGE PRAYER

Lord, Please help us to remember when we first met and the strong love that grew between us. To work that love into practical things so nothing can divide us. We ask for words both kind and loving and hearts always ready to ask forgiveness as well as to forgive. Dear Lord, we put our marriage into your hands. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Our Family

Loving God, Bless our family with your love. Guard us from all danger and harm; deliver us from anger that leads to division; empower us to forgive as we have been forgiven; and send us into the world to witness to your love and grace; in the name of Jesus Christ we pray. **Amen.**

A prayer about our choices Dear Lord, I want to choose well. Help me not to stand in my own way of wholeness and healing. Where habits need to be broken, I ask that You give me the strength to break from them. Help me not to invest in things that erode my heart; instead, help me press into You and draw from Your deep well of wisdom, peace and love. In Jesus' Name, **Amen.**

**GIVE THANKS WITH A GRATEFUL HEART
GIVE THANKS TO THE HOLY ONE
GIVE THANKS FOR HE'S GIVEN**

JESUS CHRIST, HIS SON

GIVE THANKS !!



Senior Lunch & Social Time

**11:30 a.m.
November 30th**



Meetings

- 11/7 SPR 7 pm
- 11/10 UMW 7 pm
- 11/14 Finance 7:30 pm
- 11/21 Worship 7 pm
- 11/28 Ad Council 7 pm

Worship Schedule

- 11/6 Praise Band**
(practice 11/5 @ 9:30 a.m.)
- 11/13 Praise Band**
(11/12 @ 9:30 a.m.)
- 11/20 E Band**
- 11/27 E Band**

Donut Sunday

9:00 a.m. 1st Sunday every month

Seekers Class ---November 6th



Fill the Shopping Cart Sunday

As you know, we maintain a small food pantry at Marion Salem, which is available to anyone in need at our church or in the area. We need your help to keep the shelves full.

The Outreach Ministry Team has designated the 3rd Sunday of each month as "Fill the Shopping Cart Sunday".

VOTE NOVEMBER 8th

OUR PRIVILEGE—OUR DUTY

Romans 13:1-4 " Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. Consequently, whoever rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves. For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and you will be commended. For the one in authority is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for rulers do not bear the sword for no reason. punishment but also as a matter of conscience."

