

From the Pastor

November 2018

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Mark your calendar now for our Annual Thanksgiving Dinner. It will be held following Morning Worship on Sunday, November 18. The Fellowship Team will provide the turkey and fixings. The Congregation is asked to bring veggies and desserts. Watch for a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall.

THANKSGIVING DAY WORSHIP

The Madison Ministerial Association will host a Community Thanksgiving Worship at 10 am on Thursday, November 22. This year the service will be at our church. Our preacher will be Pat Nabers, Pastor of Mt. Nebo Lutheran Church. An offering will be received to support the work of MESA (Madison Emergency Services Association.) We will also be collecting canned goods for MESA's food pantry. The service will follow the annual Thanksgiving Morning Turkey Trot, a fundraiser to support the *Loaves and Fishes* ministry which we share with Hebron Lutheran. Make plans to join your neighbors in this special time to walk and worship!

<u>Messiah</u>

The Madison Ministerial Association will be offering a four part study of the Christmas portion of Handel's *Messiah* during Advent. The studies will take place from 5-6:30 pm each Sunday in December. Soup and sandwiches will be provided. The first gathering will be hosted by Beth Car Baptist on Sunday, December 2.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

The Session held its Stated Meeting on October 9, 2018.

Treasurer's Report

The August financial report totals for income and spending were as follows:

	YTD (actual)	YTD (budget)		
Income	\$109,371	\$93,735		
Expense	\$ 92,599	\$96,957		

Team Reports

Christian Education – began using a new curriculum for the Nursery.

Fellowship - Thanksgiving Dinner will be held following worship on Nov. 18.

Green - Had successful Schuyler Quarry Garden walk on September 29.

Witness - Loaves and Fishes Turkey Trot fundraising run will be on Thanksgiving morning.

Peace and Global Witness Offering was received on October 7. Total was \$604.

Finance - Budget requests from teams need to be turned in to Sam Strahan or Art Pearson.

Stewardship- Talent Show and Dinner will be October 28 following worship.

Personnel – Employee Job reviews are underway.

Old Business - Approval was given for the Boy Scouts to move their shed to a location beside the church mower shed.

New Business - Pastor Review: Kim Barnes and Bill Pattie will undertake the pastor review. The next Stated Session Meeting will be held at 7 pm, Tuesday, November 13, 2018.

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Madison Presbyterian Church Pastor: John Storey				TERIAN	C ¹
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SUNDAY DEC 2nd—

First Sunday of Advent

All are invited to a soup lunch

and

Advent wreath making.

Presbyterian Women Thank Offering

The Thank Offering provides much-needed financial assistance to 20 to 30 worthwhile programs each year. The recipients are always a mix of domestic and international projects, but all meet crucial needs. At least 40 percent of this offering funds health ministries, often helping the most marginalized members of God's community. The remaining percentage supports new or expanded projects and small capital improvement projects.

GIVE TO THE THANK OFFERING

A basket is in the fellowship hall for your much needed donations.

.November Foods of the Month

Families: Canned vegetables and fruit, soup, rice, dried beans, hot and cold cereals, packages of macaroni and cheese, crackers.
Please bring in your donations and place them in the container provided in the Narthex. Donations are then given to Madison Social Services for distribution to those in Need. Thank you!



Breakfast Buzz

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9:00 a.m. Friday Nov. 16th Fun for the arm-chair traveler! We will travel to China with Berta and John Storey. Join ns for Greakfast and stay for an interesting talk.



Have something you want published in our Newsletter? Please contact me by email: gcbc3.carroll@gmail.com

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November's birth flower is the chrysanthemum. A red chrysanthemum means "I love you;" a white chrysanthemum means innocence, purity, and pure love; a yellow chrysanthemum means slighted love.





Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Did you know that each Operation Christmas Child shoebox takes an amazing journey into the hands of a child in need? Let that journey begin with you. Each shoebox gift will bring hope to children and their

families across the world. Help spread the good news of Jesus Christ by giving a shoebox gift. There are plenty of Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring your shoebox gift to church by Sunday, November 18th.

