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Staff Appreciation Gifts for Christmas						
7pm - "Siberian Solstice - Concert @ 7 pm	6:30pm - Spiritual Council	Fellowship Hall - Reserved SHALOM Delivery in am 4:30pm - SHALOM Food Pantry	10am - Staff meeting 6pm - Handbells 7pm - Sanctuary Choir	10am - Bible Study 1:30pm - Vancrest Service 6pm - Decorating Team Meeting 6pm - Finance Team		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Fellowship Hall Reserved -	Fellowship Hall Reserved -	Fellowship Hall Reserved -	6pm - Newsletter Articles Due		12pm - Return of corrected proofs -	
Staff Appreciation Gifts for Christmas						
9am - Sunday School 10:15am - Worship/Communion	6pm - Deacons/Elders 6pm - Spiritual Council Meeting 7pm - Consistory		6pm - Handbells 7pm - Sanctuary Choir	10am - Bible Study 12:30pm - Newsletter proofs by 9		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Staff Appreciation Gifts for 9am - Final Copy of Newsletter to 9am - Sunday School 10:15am - Worship 10:15am - Youth Christmas 11:30am - CEB meeting	9am - Newsletter printing	Fellowship Hall - Reserved SHALOM Delivery in am 9am - Newsletter mailing 4:30pm - SHALOM Food Pantry	6pm - Handbells Practice 7pm - Sanctuary Choir	10am - Bible Study 7pm - Blue Christmas		1pm - Fellowship Hall Rental
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9am - Sunday School 10:15am - Worship			OFFICE CLOSED 6pm - No Handbells Practice 7pm - Christmas Eve Service with 7pm - No Sanctuary Choir Practice	OFFICE CLOSED -- Merry Christmas		
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
9am - Sunday School 10:15am - Worship			6pm - No Handbells Practice 7pm - No Sanctuary Choir Practice			



## PRAYER CHAIN CONTACTS

Contact the Prayer Chain if you have any needs.  
This Prayer Chain has been updated; they will  
faithfully pray for you. Contact one of the following persons:  
Betty (Don) R. at 419-264-4321 Kay A. at 419-966-2389  
Church Office at 419-264-4401

## PLAN AHEAD FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS

See Calendar on Inside Mailing Cover

## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Deadline for news articles to appear in the **JANUARY**  
Newsletter is— **Wednesday, December 10, 2025, at 10:00 A.M.**  
Please leave your article in the folder in the wall file  
on the South Wall (Directly across from the door)  
of the church office marked Newsletter



## DECEMBER MISSION

## THE CHRISTMAS FUND (Veterans of the Cross)

St. John's is a member of the Northwest Ohio Association of the Heartland  
Conference United Church of Christ. Information and resources are available at  
[www.nwoa.org](http://www.nwoa.org), [www.heartlanducc.org](http://www.heartlanducc.org) and [www.ucc.org](http://www.ucc.org).

## The Sentinel

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**DECEMBER 2025**

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Church Website: [www.stjohnsuccholgate.com](http://www.stjohnsuccholgate.com)  
SHALOM Food Pantry open the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays 4:30 to 6:00 P.M.

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 A.M. - WORSHIP SERVICE 10:15 A.M.  
**Wednesday Evening Activities**  
Bell Choir 6:00 P.M. - Sanctuary Choir 7:00 P.M.

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Pastor  
Jeff's  
Desk...

## THEOLOGY OF THANKSGIVING

*"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."*  
(Matthew 6:21 NRSV)

The origins of the Thanksgiving holiday in the United States are more complicated than most people think. Was the first Thanksgiving meal in Massachusetts, complete with buckled, wide-brimmed hats, in 1621? Or was it an English celebration on the shores of Virginia, in 1619? Or how about a Spanish gathering in what became Texas, in 1598 — or Florida, in 1565?

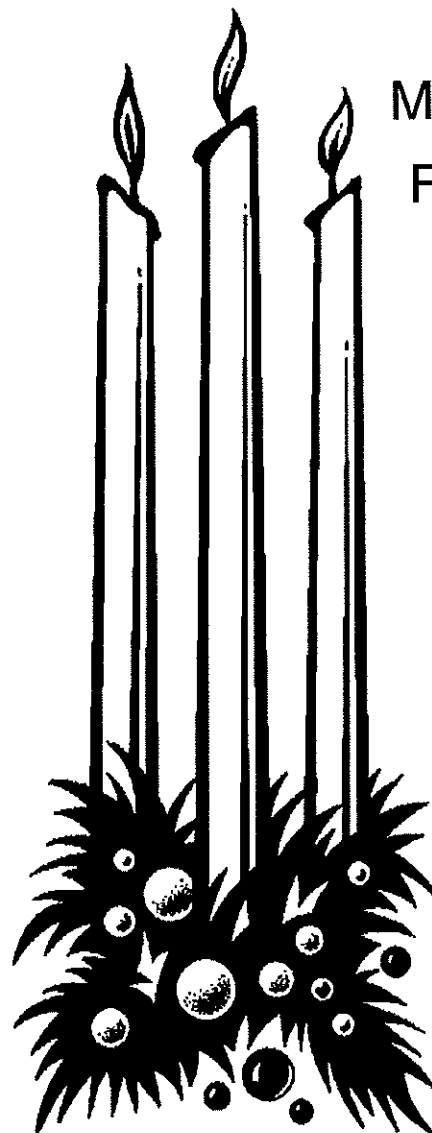
The reasons for those celebrations varied. The English colonists in Virginia, for example, declared the day a commemoration of their arrival, thanking God for safe passage across a forbidding ocean; likewise, the Spanish explorers thanked God for survival. On the other hand, after a 1637 massacre of Native Americans, the governor of Plymouth wrote that Thanksgiving Days would be "in honor of the bloody victory." In 1789, President George Washington declared a national Day of Thanksgiving to thank God for the birth of a new nation.

The holiday we inherit today and call Thanksgiving is complex. My question is, how will we celebrate Thanksgiving this year?

Here is a suggestion. Perhaps there is no better day than Thanksgiving to reflect on the power of gratitude to commit ourselves to cultivating it more intentionally in the coming year.

If we think of gratitude primarily as a kind of duty to do something such as write a "thank you" note, we are missing the boat entirely. Effectively, we reduce one of life's wonders to mere good manners. On the contrary, gratitude is a vital force in the world, an act that builds relationships, communities, and healthy human hearts.

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## Merry Christmas From The Staff At St. John's

Pastor Jeff McCarn

Peggy Schulte

John Hahn

Carl Dettmer

Ruth Ann Durham

Greg Nelson

Sheri Plotts

Sue Abshire

Lynne Long

Cody Coppes



## DECEMBER

12 - 1	Rob Lawson	12 - 22	Sheri Plotts
12 - 1	Jack Clady	12 - 22	Keith Winnie
12 - 2	Carol Medina	12 - 22	Kristi Pontious
12 - 2	Marsha Lambert	12 - 23	Kennedy Hall
12 - 2	Bill Snyder	12 - 24	Alexa Brown
12 - 6	Jim Rettig	12 - 24	Kelsey Rettig
12 - 8	Rachel Brinkman	12 - 26	Judy English
12 - 12	Brian Fry	12 - 26	Abigail Stevenson
12 - 13	Garrett Sidle	12 - 26	Lisa Haldy
12 - 17	Pastor Jeff McCarn		
12 - 19	John Hahn		
12 - 19	Terry Crawford		
12 - 19	Emma Rees		

This is the list of birthdays that are recorded in the church office. If we have missed anyone, please contact the office so we can add his or her name to our list.

If anyone, for personal reasons, does not want his or her name and birthday listed, please contact the church office and make your wishes known.

(See the Kids Corner pages for the children and youth birthdays.)



## THEOLOGY OF THANKSGIVING

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I like what one of my favorite websites *The Salt Project* says about gratitude, "The science on this subject is overwhelming: in study after study, gratitude has been shown to lead to stronger relationships, better sleep, lower blood pressure, fewer trips to the doctor, fewer depressive symptoms, more patience, and more perseverance, among other benefits. In one particularly intriguing study, gratitude turns out to be a powerful antidote to the 'Headwinds/Tailwinds Asymmetry,' our all-too-common tendency to focus on the obstacles in our lives (headwinds) and overlook blessings (tailwinds), an imbalance that over time leads to feeling aggrieved and resentful. In short, focusing on headwinds breeds bitterness; focusing on tailwinds breeds appreciation — and the act of thanksgiving helps call our attention to the winds at our backs."

Gratitude is powerful — but how do we make more of it in our lives? It turns out that some of the most effective tools for increasing gratitude are also some of the simplest and most familiar. First, the basic act of not just counting our blessings but also recording them in a form we can revisit later — such as in a journal or notebook — has been shown to significantly enhance feelings of thankfulness over time.

Second, another simple action has been shown to be even more effective: writing a letter of thanks to a friend, family member, acquaintance, or even a stranger. That is right — thank you notes can change your life! Indeed, we should write the humble thank you note not merely as a way to inform others about how grateful we are, but also as a way to help strengthen how grateful we are in the first place.

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## THEOLOGY OF THANKSGIVING

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A third practice isn't only effective, it is downright fun: connecting with a friend once a week for coffee, lunch, phone, online or a walk and intentionally devoting at least part of the conversation to sharing what we are thankful for these days. When it comes to gratitude, just saying it out loud to someone we like and respect is a powerful step toward noticing and experiencing the blessings in our lives.

The power of these practices makes sense. One of our most precious treasures is our time-and-attention and how we spend that treasure will directly determine the health of our hearts.

Prayer is a kind of spoken gratitude journal, an intimate thank you note or thankful conversation with God. And so is worship.

In the end, we are all "pilgrims" after all. Start a gratitude journal. Try writing a simple thank you note. Connect with a friend for coffee. Recommit to a practice of prayer. Let this year's Thanksgiving be not just a day of gratitude, but a springboard into a new life of gratitude.

*Grace and peace,  
Rev. Jeff McCarn*



### "Senior Saints" Our 80+ Members

#### **William Snyder**

will celebrate his  
90th Birthday  
on December 2

14224 Co. Rd. L2  
Napoleon, OH 43545



#### **Roland and Janice Rettig**

will celebrate their  
65th Wedding Anniversary  
on December 23

1162 Chelsea Ave.  
Napoleon, OH 43545

### Save The Dates

**November 30** - Siberian Solstice 7:00 p.m.

Appetizer reception 5:45 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

**December 14** - Youth Christmas 10:15 a.m.

**December 18** - Blue Christmas Service 7:00 p.m.

**December 24** - Christmas Eve Service 7:00 p.m.

## News From The Cemetery Association



The **Cemetery Foundation** pour project has been completely funded! Thanks to a donation by an anonymous donor and a donation in memory of Herb Fruth given by his children, Rick Fruth and Sandy Fruth. The Cemetery Association has been able to pay off the debt for the new foundations. These new foundations assure that the cemetery can serve our members and former members well into the future.

It is heart warming to see that our Faith Family cares about this sacred space. Donations are always welcome. When we receive donations, the monetary gifts are used to help us maintain our cemetery and make it a pleasant, peaceful place to visit.

*Thank you from the Cemetery Executive Board*

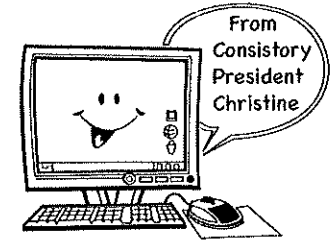
## PARDON OUR DUST!

Thanks to the wonderful donation of Gib and the late Dona Sonnenberg, the office, Rev. Jeff's study and Rev. Jeff's restroom are being renovated.

During the time of the renovation, the temporary office location will be under the balcony. Meetings will need to be held in the Cornerstone Room or in the Chapel.

For the safety of the staff, the church doors will be locked during normal office hours. Please call ahead and let Peggy know that you will be coming. If you do come to church and use your key to get in, please let Peggy know that you are in the church. Thank you. Church phone number is: 419-264-4401.

## REMEMBERING



### *A December to Remember...*

Let me take you back to 1974. Jim and I attended Christmas Day worship here at St. John's. That was our first Christmas together, as husband and wife, as we had only met in March of that year. Yes, I know that was a short engagement!

During the time prior to our marriage, I had been attending services here at St. John's with Jim and heard much about the history of the church. One of the stories was about the lightning strike in the summer of 1956, which resulted in a fire that destroyed the church building. He told me that the folks of St. John's worshipped in the parking lot that fateful Sunday morning and supported each other as they looked to the future of the church.

St. John's in their usual response to need rallied around each other and over the next several years, worshipped wherever they could find space. Finally, after a successful building project, there was a beautiful new church with a spacious sanctuary for worship.

On that Christmas Day in 1974, I saw all that history flash before me. Pastor Bebler was facing the congregation during the Communion service, when suddenly flames shot up as the Advent wreath on the altar caught fire. The congregation got pastor's attention, and pastor calmly picked up that wreath, carried it outside, and came back in to finish the worship service. All I could think of was, oh no...this is a disaster happening again for this church. Luckily, all that occurred was Pastor Bebler having some singed hairs, and a destroyed Advent wreath.

I will never forget my first Christmas Day here at St. John's, and how grateful I was that we all were spared a tragedy that morning. My prayers were of thanksgiving for everyone's safety, and that this beautiful church was not damaged.

Luke 1:14 "And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth."

As we celebrate Christmas, 2025, let us all have joy and gladness, and rejoice at the birth of our Savior.

*Christine Rettig*





## *Positive Things Seen and Heard from the Congregation and Consistory*

1. A big thank you to all who helped prepare the office for renovations.
2. Thank you for the Cemetery Foundation pour project.
3. Thank you to the Clady family for coordinating the soup/dessert luncheon.
4. Thank you to all the cooks for the delicious soups and desserts on November 9.
5. Thanks to Kevin and Tammy Vajen for their work to keep the Fall colors alive despite the cold and snow.
6. Thanks to the ladies who are making blankets and mats for the homeless at Washington UCC and to Linda for delivering them on November 30.

## Fundraisers for 2026

A reminder about fundraisers for the 2026 calendar year: If you or a group at the church are planning a fundraiser(s), they must be approved by Consistory. Please submit the information to the church office, and it will be forwarded to Consistory. Information needed includes; The type of fundraiser activity/event, the person in charge, the intended recipient of the funds raised, date and time.

*Thank you from the Consistory*

For those watching our **worship service online**, the announcement slides and gathering music begin 15 minutes before the start of worship.

You can watch our service at

<https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsUCCHolgate>

## Make A Christmas Ornament



We have a unique opportunity on **December 15 at 10 am**. Bobbie McCarn and Maggie Prigge will teach us how to make one of the two ornaments above for Christmas. The ornament on the left is quilted while the one on the right is woven.

Free-will offering will be accepted to cover the cost of materials.  
See Insert to register

If there is enough interest, we may offer a series of classes.

## INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS

Installation of new Consistory members and CE Board members will be Sunday, January 11, 2026, during worship.

## Volunteers Needed

Do you want to bring joy to our children on Christmas Eve? For many years, Carolyn Clady and Anita Sidle have prepared treat bags for our children to receive after the Christmas Eve service. Carolyn and Anita have retired from their duties and are passing the torch to new volunteers. Two volunteers are needed to purchase candy items, oranges, and bags to hold the items. You will be reimbursed for the expenses, and it would just cost you the time to shop and make up the seventy-five bags. If you are willing to do this, please let the office know. Our children look forward to these treats every year, and we hope the tradition can continue.

*Thank you from the Consistory of St. John's.*





## ATTENTION CHAIRPERSONS AND SCRIBES

The newsletter deadline for articles in the January edition of the Sentinel is moved ahead to **Wednesday, December 10 at 6:00 P.M.** This is to allow time for the newsletter to be drafted, proofed, printed and ready to mail before Christmas. Thank you to everyone for your cooperation.

## ***Hold the Date*** **ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING JANUARY 25, 2026S** **FOLLOWING WORSHIP**

**POTLUCK MEAL**  
**MEAT, BREAD, AND BEVERAGES PROVIDED**  
**PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE**

**ANNUAL MEETING WILL BEGIN AFTER MEAL**  
**Your presence will be especially important**



## **Spiritual Council**

### **Meeting Excerpts**

**November 3, 2025**

Those present: Pastor Jeff McCarn

Bob Rettig (25)

\*Kay Armbruster (26)

Christine Rettig (27)

Mike Haldy (25)

Rolie Rettig (26)

Kirk Fruth (27)

- The meeting was called to order by Pastor McCarn at 6:30 p.m.
- Devotions and prayer were led by Kirk Fruth.
- Pastor's Report was reviewed and accepted.
- There was discussion concerning the Confirmation program.
- Communion will be served on December 7, 2025.
- Graham Norden, the son of Jacob and Taya, will be baptized on November 9, 2025.
- A community Thanksgiving worship will be on November 23 at 7:00 p.m. with a meal beginning at 5:30 p.m.
- A Blue Christmas worship service will be offered on December 18, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.
- Christmas cards and a \$25 gift card will be sent to college students and those serving in the military from the Spiritual Council.
- Pastor will be attending Camp Christian in Marysville on November 15.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m., and Pastor led in prayer.
- Next meeting will be Monday, December 8 at 6:00 p.m.

*Bob Rettig, Scribe*



## CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

**November 10, 2025**

- The office has been cleared and readied for renovation.
- Reconstruction, painting, installation of cabinetry and flooring are scheduled.
- Kirk Fruth was voted to become Consistory chair in 2026.
- Reorganization of Consistory officers will be in December.
- Siberian Solstice will perform on November 30 with helpers from the church needed for various tasks.
- The gift box for monetary gifts for the staff will be in the narthex on Sunday mornings.
- The name of the Pastoral Relations Council is now changed to Pastoral Relations Team.
- Volunteer(s) are being sought to provide Christmas treats for the children.
- Durable Slate has replaced missing or damaged slates on the roof according to contract and reports that the roof is in good condition.
- The name of the routine maintenance account is changed to minor maintenance (expenditures of \$1,500 or less). No changes to major maintenance.
- Outside lighting issues are being addressed by the Trustees.
- Thanksgiving meal and worship service will be on Sunday, November 23, with the meal from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. and worship at 7:00 p.m..
- All fundraisers for 2026, need Consistory approval prior to the event.
- The Annual Meeting is planned for January 25, 2026.

*Bob Rettig, Scribe*



Our Nursing  
Home Ministry

*VanCrest of Holgate  
Worship Service*

*Thursday, December 11  
at 1:30 P.M.*

*Angel Choir Needed*

## *Baptism*

**Graham Lee Norden  
November 9, 2025**



Parents: Jacob and Taya Norden

Grandparents: Lee and Sheila Franz  
Tim and Linda Norden

Sponsors: Kyle Norden  
Chevelle Franz



Thank you to Pastor Jeff McCarn and family for the visits to Wauseon and Fort Wayne Park View Hospitals during my knee surgery and other virus problems I had during my time of illness. Thanks to all who said prayers and sent get well cards during my illness and surgery. Thank You all for love, support, thoughts and cards.

Larry and Darlene Hockman and family  
It means so much



## FINANCIAL SUMMARY OCTOBER 2025

### ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Operating Fund Revenue and Expenses

	Oct. 2025 Actual	2025 Year To Date	% of Year Budget Complete	Actual YTD
<b>OPERATING BUDGET INCOME</b>	\$17,043	\$175,859	\$238,988	74%
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
<b>BUILDING &amp; MAINTENANCE</b>	\$4,562	\$37,078	\$46,996	79%
<b>MINISTRIES</b>	-\$130	\$4,065	\$9,500	43%
<b>MISSIONS-OPERATING</b>	\$540	\$5,400	\$6,480	83%
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>	\$5,053	\$58,010	\$79,909	73%
<b>PASTORAL</b>	\$8,023	\$74,539	\$96,853	77%
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	\$18,047	\$179,092	\$239,738	75%
<b>NET OPERATING TOTAL</b>	-\$1,004	-\$3,233		

#### Non-ordinary Operating Fund Items of Note:

Prize Check of \$500 for parade float placed in Ministries as negative expense.  
Moved expense related to heating system maintenance from Restricted Fund to Operating - \$2,010

#### Mission and Restricted Fund Activities of Note for October:

	GIVING	EXPENSE
Cemetery Fund:	\$360	
Major Maintenance:	\$475	\$5,000
Shalom Food Pantry Giving:	\$710	
Mission of the Month - Neighbors in Need:	\$475	
Technology Team Fund:	\$542	
Undesignated Memorials:		\$1,414
Love Gift	\$20	\$447



## DEACONS' BENCH

November 10, 2025  
Amanda Rettig, Scribe

#### Deacons:

Jared Clady (25), Ben Thomas (25)  
Linda Arreguin (26), Janice Rettig (26), Mark Vajen (26)  
Amanda Rettig (27), Rory Prigge (27), Jay Slagle (27)

#### Members Present:

Jared Clady (25), Ben Thomas (25), Linda Arreguin (26),  
Janice Rettig (26), Rory Prigge (27), Amanda Rettig (27)

#### Old Business

- ♦ Church insurance—An update with the current rates has been received. Options are being reviewed to lower the premium.
- ♦ Durable Slate has been paid and work has been done. They will need to be contacted in early Spring to schedule work for 2026.
- ♦ Outside lighting—The trustees are currently working on solutions for outside lighting that either is not working or places it is needed.

#### New Business

- ♦ A recommendation to Consistory was made to change the name of Routine Maintenance to Minor Maintenance.

## CHIEF RECEIPTS

In this 2025 calendar year, we totaled \$125,573.99 in Chief receipts submitted. Our checks for these receipts totaled \$1,255.74. What a great way to help our Shalom Food Pantry! And it doesn't cost us anything.

We appreciate Chief allowing us to do this as a fundraiser, so keep those receipts coming in!

Carol Lulfs, Tabulator

## DECEMBER WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

	ACOLYTES	DEACONS
Dec. 7	TBA	Janice Rettig Jay Slagle
Dec. 14	Bella Rettig	Jared Clady Rory Prigge
Dec. 21	TBA	Ben Thomas Rory Prigge
Dec. 24	Mason Franz	Amanda Rettig Jared Clady
Dec. 28	Bella Rettig	Linda Arreguin Mark Vajen

## Shalom FROM THE SHALOM FOOD PANTRY

### FROM THE PANTRY REPORT - OCTOBER 2025

#### INCOME

St. John's September Giving	\$ 960.00
Pleasant Bend UMC	100.00
Individual Donations	457.30
Memorial - Jeffery Brown	25.00
Memorial - Bernard Zimmer	780.00

**Total \$ 2,322.30**

*Submitted by Norma Nagel*



Remember Those Who Are Ill,  
Undergoing Treatment,  
In Grief, Or Are Recovering  
With Prayers, Cards, And Visits

### *Within the Fellowship:*

- Let us pray for those of St. John's Faith Family who are dealing with health issues or other changes in their lives.
- Let us pray for the church and its leaders and people.
- Let us pray for our service men and women and their families.

### *Sympathy to:*

**Natalie Borck** - "Papa" Brian Roth passed away October 26, 2025.

## Births



**IT'S A BOY!**

**August Franklin Moyer  
Violet Joan Moyer**



**It's a Girl!**

**Twins born October 31, 2025**

**Parents - Taylor and Ashley Moyer**





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### *Within the Fellowship*

*Please hold the following persons in your daily prayers...*

**Sheri Plotts** recovering from surgery  
**Ruth Medina** home following surgery

- \* **Mary Brubaker** chemo treatments for cancer
- \* **Christine Imthurn** chemo and radiation for cancer
- \* **Homeless person** needs prayers - starting a new job
- \* **Pee Wee Stevens** recovering from surgery
- \* **Josh Barry** recovering from surgery
- \* **Lori Jordan** health issues
- \* **Muriel Murchek** (Pam Marcher's mother) health issues

(\*Non-member family and friends)

Other Members of our Faith Family who are dealing with illnesses

Please pray for our **members and others who are isolated at home or in care facilities**. They would welcome a phone call or card

Prayers for those in areas of conflict and disasters throughout the world

Those who are anticipating procedures, testing,  
and/or test results, or recovering from procedure

## CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS 2025

Due to a lack of follow-up and communication by the floral shop, we will be unable to order poinsettia plants for this Christmas season. Information received on November 11 indicated that a severe crop failure on the poinsettia crop with their supplier, and they were still as of Nov. 11 trying to find a supplier. That put us in a difficult spot to secure the poinsettia orders in a workable time period.

You are welcome to furnish your own plant for the Christmas Eve Service. Please have your name labeled plant to the church by 10 a.m. on **Wednesday, December 24**.

If you desire to have your name and any names of memorial/honorariums for your plant, Please notify the office by December 11 to be included in the Christmas Eve bulletin.





## Kid's Corner



## DECEMBER

12 - 4 Adalynn Borck  
12 - 7 Cassidy Houchins  
12 - 11. Carter Franz  
12 - 16 Emma Franz  
12 - 21 Emmeline Haver  
12 - 23 Bradlee Roberts  
12 - 24 Ashton Vajen  
12 - 26 Lexington Eberly  
12 - 28 Joseph Coppes



Remember With  
Prayers, Cards and Visits  
Those Not Always With Us  
Especially For Services

### NURSING HOMES

**GENACROSS LUTHERAN SERVICES**, 1036 S. Perry Street,  
Napoleon, OH 43545

**Sue Mohr - #126**

**Don Huber** - Cards or notes may be sent care of his daughter  
Dawn Boozer, PO Box 420, Jarales, NM 87023-0420

### ASSISTED LIVING

**GENACROSS LUTHERAN SERVICES**, 1032 S. Perry Street,  
Napoleon, OH 43545

**Gib Sonnenberg - #413**

**TRUSTWELL LIVING AT KINGSBURY PLACE**,  
245 West Rosewood Ave., Defiance, OH 43512

**Rose Marie Durham - Apt. 142**

**HOME** - Send a greeting to these folks or drop by and visit!

Peggy Franz	15396 St. Rt. 281	Holgate, Ohio 43527
Anita Sidle	665 W. Maumee	Napoleon, Ohio 43545
(Call before visiting)		
John & Shirley Tobias	10011 Co Rd Y	Hamler, Ohio 43524