

## ON THE JOURNEY

**G** - Thank **GOD!** Call out his Name!

1 Chronicles 16:8 The Message

**I** - I am thanking God, who makes things right.

Psalms 7:17 The Message

**V** - Now in a single **VICTORIOUS** stroke of life, all three - sin, guilt, death - are gone, the gift of our Master, Jesus Christ. Thank God!

1 Cor. 15:57 NIV

**E** - **ENTER** with the password: Thank You!

Psalms 100:4 The Message

**T** - Let us come before him with **THANKSGIVING!**

Psalms 95:2 NIV

**H** - **HIDE** me in the shadow of your wings.

Psalms 17:8 NIV

**A** - Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, **AND** be thankful!

Colossians 3:17 NIV

**N** - Give thanks to God. Call out his **NAME!**

Isaiah 12:4 The Message

**K** - **KEEP** me as the apple of your eye!

Psalms 17:8 NIV

**S** - **SING** to him, **SING** praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts!

1 Chronicles 16:9 NIV

**GIVE THANKS!**

Submitted by Jan Yoder

### CALENDAR

<b>Wed 11/21</b>	9:00 am	Moms In Prayer
	7:00 pm	Music Practice
<b>Thur 11/22</b>		<b>Office Closed</b>
	All Day	Fellowship Hall Reserved
<b>Sun 11/25</b>	9:00 am	Johanna Sutter Preaching
		Karen Niimi sharing during Sunday School
	6:00 pm	MYF
<b>Mon 11/26</b>		Health Department
	6:00 pm	Ladies Exercise
<b>Wed 11/28</b>	9:00 am	Moms In Prayer
	5:30 pm	Outreach Commission
	6:00 pm	Discovery Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Music Practice
<b>Sat 12/1</b>	3:00 pm	Fundraiser for Tom & Eva Kurtz
<b>Sun 12/2</b>	9:00 am	Phil Preaching
	6:00 pm	MYF

<b>Mon 12/3</b>	5:00 pm	POPS Advisory Board
	6:00 pm	Worship Commission
	6:00 pm	Ladies Exercise
<b>Tues 12/4</b>	6:30 pm	Commission Chair Mtg. w/Ike Walther
<b>Wed 12/5</b>	9:00 am	Moms In Prayer
	6:00 pm	Discovery Bible Study
	6:45 pm	Food Pantry Advisory Board
	7:00 pm	Music Practice

#### Administrative Assistant Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 9:00 am-2:00 pm

Closed Friday

- All newsletter submissions need to be in to Maribeth by noon on Tuesday.

## November Birthdays

Marilyn Bontrager 22

Noah Frye – 22

Bob Rhodes – 22

Ernie Wingard – 24

Kody Bontreger – 26

Sharon Wyse - 28

## WORSHIP

**Focus statement:** If you have ever wondered what the impact of just one MCC Gift Packet can be, this Sunday you have the opportunity to find out. Johanna Sutter grew up in Germany during WWII. Her family was poor, and their lives were devastated by the war. One year, Johanna received a Christmas Bundle from MCC, and that gesture of kindness completely altered the course of her life. Johanna will be here at FMC this Sunday to tell us her story. Johanna's story is only one story, but certainly there are thousands more like hers, we just have not heard them. Come and hear Johanna's amazing story, and let's allow her story to inspire us to generously share with those who are suffering and in need in our world.

**Background scriptures:** Galatians 6:9-10

### Coffee Prep Volunteers

This Sunday: Janelle Walther

Next Sunday: Dave Graber

### Welcome Center

This Sunday: Verna Weirich

Next Sunday: Shari Graber

## ADMINISTRATION

### Stewardship Report for November 18:

Money Given to Budget \$3,548.00

Amount Needed Weekly for Budget \$5,565.25

Year-to-date Money Given to Budget \$59,923.00

Amount Needed Year-to-Date for Budget \$66,783.00

**The Administration Commission** met in November and heard updated attendance and financials. Telephone and internet service are changing from Frontier to Comcast at our CR16 property. The food pantry bookkeeping has been handed off to the food pantry treasurer. We are waiting for appraisals on our rental houses. Kerry will confirm we have a contract for snow plowing this winter. Robin reported she has been advised on the CR16 playground area will need repair this spring. Kerry is going to get a better idea of what

we need to do for a new HVAC system and then request estimates.

## COMMUNITY LIFE

**Save the date-** Women's Retreat will be on Feb. 8th and 9th. More information will follow at a later date.

**From Community Life Commission:** Our next communion will be on December 30th.

-We will have home baked cookies available between church and Sunday school during the Advent season. A signup sheet for volunteer bakers is on the CLC bulletin board.

**The family of Ed Miller** would like to thank everyone for the cards, visits, prayers, and food for a family gathering during this time of grieving. Brad & Cheryl Miller/Bob & Maribeth Rhodes

## DISCIPLING

## OUTREACH

**FMW's** next project is collecting items for MCC hygiene kits. Contents (**new** items only) are 1 adult-sized toothbrush (in manufacturer's packaging), 1 large bar bath soap (leave in wrapper), 1 nail clipper (good quality), 1 hand towel (medium weight, dark or bright colors; approx. 16 in x 26 in), and 1 wide-toothed comb (6-8 in). They will also be putting together fruit plates for the shut-ins.

**MCC Great Lakes** is hosting an Engagement Day on December 8th at Belmont Mennonite Church located at 925 Oxford Street, Elkhart, IN 46516. Throughout the day MCC will showcase interactive learning tools around mass incarceration, Doctrine of Discovery and viewpoints of guns in America. The day will culminate with a keynote address by Juan Sebastian Pacheco Lozano on Immigration. You are welcome to participate in one workshop or the whole day. This would be a great opportunity for small groups, youth groups or Sunday School classes to participate together. You can find more information at [mcc.org/gl-engagement-day](http://mcc.org/gl-engagement-day).

Please direct any questions to Brooke Strayer at  
brookestrayer@mcc.org or 574-534-4133.

**Give a kit for Christmas!** From hurricanes and flooding to conflict and drought, MCC is responding to many disasters around the world. This Christmas, why not gather your family and pack a relief kit as a gift to other families whose lives have been disrupted by war or disaster? For more information about relief kit contents and how you can get involved, visit [mcc.org/kits/relief](http://mcc.org/kits/relief).

