

WELCOME TO THIS WEEK'S EDITION

of the Weekly Email Update/News & Notes for November 24, 2024

THANKSGIVING SUNDAY!!!

<u>CHRISTMAS BAZAAR #2</u> is this Saturday, November 23!! Doors open at 9am!!! All hands-on deck! If you are bringing baked goods or soups to sell that day, please do your best to have them at church by no later than 8:45am! All volunteer workers are asked to park in the lower lot and enter by the kitchen door in the alcove off the Bell Courtyard. Please arrive by 8:45am. Thanks!

Attached please find the Worship Resource for this Sunday. It is intended for your use at home on your own or by joining us through our **Facebook Live** broadcast.

- > Our service is broadcast live on Facebook at <u>https://www.facebook.com/ruth.hainsworth</u>
 - Do note that sometimes our technology does not cooperate and we are unable to broadcast the service. Keep checking back!!!
- In recognition of Thanksgiving, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion! Kindly note that all who find meaning in the sacrament are welcome to partake of our elements, GF bread and "new wine" (aka grape juice).

THE CHURCH CALENDAR for the weeks ahead

- > THURSDAY, November 21, 1-3pm REV. RUTH'S COMMUNITY OFFICE HOURS
- SATURDAY, November 23, 9am 2pm CHRISTMAS BAZAAR #2
- SUNDAY, November 24 @ 9:45am Thanksgiving Sunday with Communion & Rev. Ruth preaching
- > THURSDAY, November 28 Thanksgiving Holiday, office closed.
- > Saturday, November 30 REMINDER! NO BAZAAR!
- SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1 1st Sunday of Advent Hanging of the Greens!!!
- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7 3rd and Final Bazaar!!!!

KINDLY NOTE! CHANGE OF PLANS FOR NEW MEMBERS! THEY WILL BE RECEIVED ON SUNDAY, DEC. 8. Please join us for a brief meeting after worship this Sunday, Nov. 24, in Pastor Ruth's office.

Our annual Christmas "Adopt-A-Family" Mission project continues!! We have agreed to provide Christmas gifts for a family with six children through Operation Fresh Start. Thanks to the wonderful response last week, only a few tags are still available. They can be found in the Christmas Basket on the baptismal font. Deadline for all gifts to be returned is Sunday, December 15. Thanks!

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO TURN IN A PLEDGE!! Pledge forms for our 2025 budget year are available near the offering plates!!!!

HELP us update the church member database! Kindly complete the data form in the back of the sanctuary and return to Jerin in the office in the envelope provided! Thanks!

Take care and please know even when we can't be with each other on Sundays, we are always close in prayer and in each other's hearts!

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