

HAVEN MESSENGER

God is able
to provide you with every
blessing
in abundance,
so that by always having
enough of everything,
you may share abundantly.



HAVEN MISSION STATEMENT

(adopted 2/26/06 by Haven Church)

*"To honor God, to reach out with love to our members
and the community and to share the gospel of Jesus Christ."*

November 2021

WORSHIP SERVICE IN-PERSON & FACEBOOK LIVE

Sunday mornings at 9:30 am

Worship Service with Communion in person in the church sanctuary

Worship Service LIVE on the Haven Facebook page

(<https://www.facebook.com/Haven-Lutheran-Church-134647913268366>

or access by clicking the 'F' icon in the upper right corner of the Haven website

www.havenlc.org)



Daylight savings time ends on November 7th

Make sure to set your clocks back 1 hr. Saturday night (6th)
so you don't miss our All Saints Sunday Worship Service.

Pastor's Musings

In the Spring of 2001, Florissant and other neighborhoods in St. Louis, Missouri, were hit with a devastating hail storm. The hail was huge, powerful and did great damage. All our cars had shattered windshields and dents upon dents. The apartment complex where I was living, had buildings that looked like those I had seen in pictures of bombed out cities in World War II. It was my first spring in St. Louis. When I went into the church office, I fearfully asked if this was what I should expect every spring. I was glad to hear it was not.

The sanctuary at The Lutheran Church of the Atonement had twelve slender, beautiful windows high on each of two walls. One side was the apostles and one side Old Testament prophets. The hailstorm shattered the twelve windows of the prophets and rain had blown into the sanctuary. People from the congregation came with shop vacs. Others were working to dry off the wooden church benches. While no one was hurt at church, it was hard to view. How quickly and unexpectedly we can find our normal, regular lives turned upside down.

Twenty years later, I returned to Atonement Lutheran Church to preach as they celebrated 70 years of ministry. At the conclusion of each worship service I was presented with a gift. It is a stained-glass cross. It is beautiful in itself. But what made it even more precious was that the pieces of glass used in the cross were from those 2001 shattered windows. Out of something broken came something whole and beautiful. It wasn't what it had been but it was something unexpected, new and lovely.

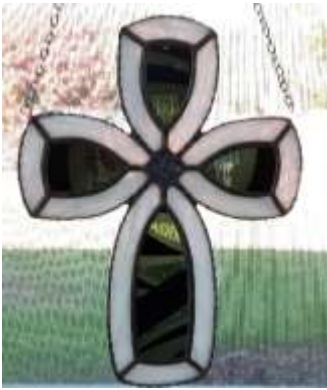
I look at that cross and see hope and possibilities. Our lives and church has been tossed and blown, upturned and unsettled by COVID and all its devastation, uncertainty and unrest. We are about to have our second Thanksgiving that will likely not be as "usual." We can't help but wonder if there *is* a normal or regular that will resume. Instead, I wonder if the Spirit isn't inviting us to think of this unfolding future to be like that stained-glass cross. Our lives and church ---not what they used to be but whole, beautiful and useful in new and unexpected ways. We, as people and a church, need to trust that our Lord will help us to take the shattered pieces of routines, traditions and "normal" to shape something surprising, pleasing and life-giving. Call it a "new normal" or maybe it's a "calling" to deepen our faith (trust) in God's goodness and promises, in God's power over chaos and a tomb.

You, I and Haven are being re-shaped, re-formed as we travel this COVID changed and changing world. Sometimes it may seem like that church with shatter windows, ponds of rain and soaked wood. But, in God's hands, with our eyes open and our faith strong, we are becoming something new, beautiful and capable of blessing and being blessed. This image and gospel truth is my offering to you this Thanksgiving and Advent. What wonders is the Lord bringing about with all those loose, scattered, unsettled pieces we feel, see or sense? Keep awake. Be open. Listen to the call of the Spirit calling us to new life.

Your pastor and partner in ministry,
Linda M. Alessandri

A PIECE OF THE PAST TO SUPPORT HAVEN'S FUTURE

The cross near the western (Gathering Room) entrance of the building needed to be taken down when the wood at the base of the cross became so damaged it was dangerous. How fortunate we were that Adam Tice chose to replace the cross as his Eagle Scout project. We saved the wood from the original cross.



We wondered if it could be used in a future project. And, it has.



Last year, the Education Ministry Team and Pastor Alessandri were able to enlist the help of Ken Tice and Ken Myers to re-use the cross wood to make Advent “logs” ---- a centerpiece that could hold four Advent candles and one white Christ candle. Due to a variety of circumstances, the Team decided to hold off on distributing the Advent logs last year.

NOW, it's a new year. We have made it through another COVID year AND put up new roofs and a restored steeple. Soon, according to the church calendar, we begin a NEW YEAR on November 28, the FIRST SUNDAY of ADVENT. Let's use the beautiful wood from our past to help us pay for the beautiful, refurnished steeple that announces all are welcome here, all are loved by our most gracious Lord. There are 19 of these advent logs to be distributed, used and treasured.

But then we worried. With only a limited number of these Advent logs available, how do we make their distribution impartial and fair? With the Council's approval, we will sell raffle tickets to see who gets them. (One winner per household no matter how many tickets purchased or drawn.) ALL PROCEEDS will go toward the cost of the STEEPLE and roofs. Starting November 7, raffle tickets will be sold before and after worship, \$2 for one ticket or \$10 for 6 tickets. Persons worshipping at home may call (301-733-5056) or email the church office (havenoffice@havenlc.org) to reserve your tickets and either mail-in or drop-off the donation. One ticket for \$2 or 6 tickets for \$10.

The winning tickets will be drawn on November 28th, the first Sunday of Advent. Again, to distribute the logs as fairly as possible, there will be only one winner per household, no matter the number of tickets bought or drawn.

Yes, we know Haven usually does not do "raffles." We hope you will extend some grace as we do our best to offer these limited pieces of Haven history and woodworking as fairly as possible. AND, while reducing our steeple & roof debt, we can build some excitement and have some fun.

In case you are wondering, fun and excitement are not "un-Lutheran"! When you know the Lord loves you now and into eternity, you can live in the joy of anticipation and the assurance of God's acceptance.... and it's as free as God's grace.

However, these Advent log tickets?.... They are one for \$2 or six for \$10. Join the fun.

COUNCIL

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

November 21, immediately after worship to vote upon THE 2022 FINANCIAL PLAN FOR MINISTRY (a.k.a. "The Budget") In-Person and on ZOOM

According to Haven's Constitution, our congregation is to meet the Sunday before Thanksgiving to vote upon the following year's Financial Plan for Ministry, also known as "The Budget." You can find a copy of the proposed 2022 Financial Plan for Ministry in this newsletter.

Again, this year we have the challenge of how to include as many voting members as possible, including those who are staying at home for health reasons. We also need to have a quorum to complete any business, which means at least 50 voting members participating.

We hope as many members as possible will be at worship on November 21.

Additional enticement ---- On November 21, the fabulous Hagerstown Sunday School Orchestra will play at 9:00 am and we will worship at 9:30 am, with the Bell Choir adding its enriching beauty. But if you cannot be present in the sanctuary, we ask you to PLEASE join us via ZOOM, an internet meeting site that you can access by computer, cell phone or land-line phone. We will be publishing in upcoming bulletins and e-messages the internet link and phone numbers you need to connect. We will try to remember all we learned from last year to provide good sound quality and to allow you to ask questions.

As I said to you last year at this time, we WILL not let COVID keep us from our ministry! I know you well enough, dear people of Haven, to know that you are not afraid of a challenge and you are committed to be God's Hands doing God's Work. Be brave. Let's have a great "turn out" for our meeting on November 21.

PASTOR ALESSANDRI WILL BE OUT OF THE OFFICE November 8-16, enjoying a peaceful vacation on the coast of Massachusetts with her seminary classmate, Ann. If you would wish a pastor's care in her absence, please call Pastor Lee Brumback, pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Funkstown. His phone number is 1-540-335-1710. Please keep Pastor Alessandri in prayer, that her travels be safe and she return refreshed and renewed for our shared.



HAVEN REGULAR OFFERINGS --- WE'RE STUMPED! All 2019, during a pandemic, our offerings were strong and we did not fall behind the amount we projected for that year's Financial Plan for Ministry (also known as "the budget.") That seemed rather miraculous and such an affirmation of our generosity and care for our church.

From January to June of 2020, we were also on the mark. Even though we had started our Faith Building Together debt reduction program, there was **not** a decrease in our offerings. Again, it seemed amazing. We were honoring our weekly or monthly offerings and promised donations toward our roof and steeple debt.

Then, Bam! In the July Financial Report, we were behind our projected offerings by \$4, 214.25. We let the congregation know in the bulletin and newsletter. In the August Financial Report, we were \$3,374.05 behind our projected offerings. Still behind but improving. Again, we let the congregation know. When we got the September Financial Report, the Council saw we were now behind \$5,189.85! Fortunately, our projected spending this year is also "behind", thanks to our fiscally thrifty staff and teams. But the drop in giving is puzzling.

The Council has been trying to figure it out. Are folks redirecting their regular offerings toward their promises to the debt reduction? Are folks going out more than they when were in shut-down or semi-shutdown and household spending has increased to the extent that folks don't feel they can give as much? With the "Covid fog" many of us sense ("what day of the week is it?"), are folks forgetting to mail or bring their offering regularly? Were stimulus checks the primary source of giving rather than regular household budgets? Well, as you see, we couldn't come up with an explanation for the *very sudden* change. We are stumped.

What we do know from the past is that Haven responds to a financial challenge. In previous years, when we announced such a deficit, people responded and were able to make it up before the end of the year. So we are letting you know --- we are \$5,189.85 behind in our offering.

If you have fallen behind your weekly or monthly offering, please do what you can to catch up. If you are faithfully mailing or bringing in your donated offering, thank you. Haven is the church God has put in our hands. We are doing well in challenging times to worship, care for one another and continue helping our neighbors. Let's stay on that healthy track, giving honor to our Lord with our time, talents and treasures, trusting in our generous God.

EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY

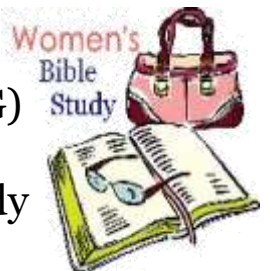


Attention God Squad Explorers and Parents!

As you can see from the attached photos, our God Squad Explorers had an awesome kickoff adventure. Georgia, Rayleigh, Daniel and Ethan followed clues to locate special places in and around the church, painted their offertory boxes and bonded over games, songs and treats. Join the God Squad Explorers for an exciting **Adventure in Thankfulness** on Sunday, November 7 at 10:45 a.m. in the God Squad Explorer camp in the Sunday School room.



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY – will meet for the third session of our study of the Holy Spirit on **Monday, November 22** (NOTE CHANGE IN MEETING DATE DUE TO THANKSGIVING) at **10:00 a.m.** Meeting location to be announced. All women are invited to join us for this fascinating & informative study. The study outline is included in the November issue of Gather magazine. Copies are also available from Elaine Michael.



FAITH BUILDING TOGETHER



As of October 24, we have received **\$62,311.90** toward retiring our \$100,000 property project.

Reminder. When sending in or dropping off your donations towards this project please use a separate envelope marked Roof/Steeple Project OR a separate check to help the money counters easily keep track of all Roof/Steeple contributions. **IF** you really prefer to use one check, PLEASE write on the memo line the amount that is offering and the amount that is for the roof project. You can also make an electronic donation towards the project directly from your checking account by contacting our Administrative Assistant, Mary to arrange it. Thank you for your prayer filled donations!

FINANCE TEAM

	2019 Actual	2020 Actual	2021 Budget	2021 Projected Totals	2022 Proposed Budget	% increase over 2021 Budget
Income						
Church Offering	199,099.02	201,041.00	200,000.00	196,584.55	201,350.00	0.7%
Other Income						
Flowers (offset in expenses)	2,650.15	1,880.75	2,400.00	1,769.70	2,400.00	0.0%
Rent Big Brothers/ Big Sisters	5,400.00	5,400.00	5,400.00	5,400.00	5,700.00	5.6%
Facility Use	1,395.00	610.00	412.00	485.00	800.00	94.2%
Rental Income CFPG	1,500.00	3,500.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.0%
Sunday School	0.00	1.00			15.00	0.0%
Vacation Bible School	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.0%
Offering Envelopes	0.00	183.00	184.00	128.00	130.00	-29.3%
Interest Income	276.07	101.23	200.00	4.00	0.00	-100.0%
Total Income	210,320.24	212,716.98	212,096.00	206,371.25	213,895.00	0.8%
Expenses						
Church Council						
Del. - MD. Synod (#901)	12,000.00	12,000.00	12,120.00	12,060.00	12,250.00	1.1%
Building Reserve Special Gifts	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.0%
Synod Assembly (#903)	851.08	0.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	0.0%
Total Church Council	21,851.08	21,000.00	22,220.00	22,160.00	22,350.00	0.6%
Church Buildings Expense						
Cleaning Church (#895)	6,825.00	4,550.04	7,210.00	7,208.40	7,210.00	0.0%
Maintenance Church (#897)	6,304.50	7,918.84	8,500.00	5,878.32	8,500.00	0.0%
Maintenance Supplies (#896)	463.96	345.12	500.00	293.04	500.00	0.0%
Electricity Church (#892)	11,375.08	10,393.51	11,500.00	10,492.90	11,000.00	-4.3%
Water/Sewer Church (#894)	807.31	829.42	2,500.00	1,741.48	2,450.00	-2.0%
Lawn Care (#899)	3,904.72	664.70	1,550.00	664.35	1,960.00	26.5%
Snow Removal (#898)	1,160.00	665.00	1,500.00	1,475.00	1,500.00	0.0%
Maintenance Parsonage (#890)	286.88	180.00	500.00	180.00	500.00	0.0%

Electricity Parsonage (#891)	1,211.74	1,650.91	1,300.00	1,291.79	1,450.00	11.5%
Water/Sewer Parsonage (#893)	436.25	457.87	570.00	529.36	570.00	0.0%
Insurance (#900)	7,714.86	8,336.47	8,000.00	8,340.00	8,000.00	0.0%
Total Church Buildings Expense	40,490.30	35,991.88	43,630.00	35,823.80	43,640.00	0.0%
Pastoral Ministry						
Pastor Compensation	52,458.96	54,033.12	55,384.00	54,710.04	57,600.00	4.0%
Supplemental Compensation	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.0%
Pension & Insurance (#865)	24,991.00	22,153.96	15,470.00	17,256.29	15,116.00	-2.3%
Housing Equity	2,599.56	2,599.56	2,600.00	2,601.78	2,600.00	0.0%
Auto Allowance (#864)	2,507.04	833.09	2,370.00	914.44	2,000.00	-15.6%
Continuing Education (#866)	230.51	314.27	900.00	687.28	900.00	0.0%
Total Pastoral Ministry	82,787.07	79,934.00	79,724.00	76,169.83	81,216.00	1.9%
Payroll Expenses						
Administrative Assistant	15,252.00	16,469.80	16,747.00	16,613.90	17,418.09	4.0%
Organist / Choir Director	18,870.00	21,435.92	19,922.00	21,680.96	20,718.88	4.0%
Bell Choir Director	1,944.00	1,167.81	2,052.00	334.00	2,134.08	4.0%
Youth Director	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	-100.0%
Taxes Payroll	2,746.65	2,797.87	3,116.00	3,202.00	3,082.96	-1.1%
Total Payroll Expenses	38,812.65	41,871.40	43,837.00	41,830.86	43,354.00	-1.1%
Church Administration						
Office Supplies (#870)	2,151.16	2,493.58	2,850.00	2,912.17	3,000.00	5.3%
Office Machine Lease (#874)	3,962.34	3,248.38	3,800.00	3,380.51	3,800.00	0.0%
Postage (#871)	900.80	742.20	1,100.00	1,281.60	1,100.00	0.0%
Telephone & Internet (#873)	1,986.59	2,145.26	2,100.00	2,168.13	2,500.00	19.0%
Offering Envelopes - net (#875)	48.42	228.60	250.00	215.68	225.00	-10.0%
Total Church Administration	9,049.31	8,858.02	10,100.00	9,958.09	10,625.00	5.2%
Worship Ministry						
Flowers - offset income (#812)	2,472.95	1,597.30	2,400.00	1,440.80	2,400.00	0.0%
Choir Music (#811)	535.96	243.50	500.00	282.50	500.00	0.0%
Choir Robe Cleaning (#818)	272.80	0.00	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.0%
Worship Resources (#817)	1,064.05	1,298.05	1,555.00	1,596.96	1,550.00	-0.3%
Maintenance Instruments (#814)	175.00	175.00	350.00	0.00	350.00	0.0%
Worship Supplies (#813)	505.56	1,054.15	750.00	801.95	750.00	0.0%
Supply Pastor (#888)	1,132.76	729.08	1,470.00	566.00	1,500.00	2.0%
Supply Organist (#881)	375.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	600.00	20.0%
Music Dir. Continuing Education	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.0%
Seminarian Mileage	0.00	282.48	750.00	200.00	750.00	0.0%
Total Worship Ministry	6,534.08	5,379.56	9,025.00	4,888.21	9,150.00	1.4%
Educational Ministry						
Education Supplies (#820)	90.73	184.83	200.00	183.07	200.00	0.0%
Vacation Bible School (#821)	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.0%
Sunday School (#822)	86.14	225.63	350.00	226.00	350.00	0.0%
Catechetical (#823)	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.0%

Daily Devotional Material (#825)	224.00	224.00	200.00	168.00	200.00	0.0%
Youth Group (#829)	22.60	0.00	100.00	14.18	100.00	0.0%
Total Educational Ministry	423.47	634.46	2,450.00	591.25	2,450.00	0.0%
Parish Life						
Cards of Caring (#835)	22.00	0.00	90.00	0.00	90.00	0.0%
Funeral Support (#833)	0.00	0.00	20.00	0.00	20.00	0.0%
Holiday Decoration (#832)	41.40	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.0%
Kitchen Supplies (#831)	78.17	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.0%
Fellowship (#830)	349.58	88.30	400.00	100.00	400.00	0.0%
Total Parish Life	491.15	88.30	710.00	100.00	710.00	0.0%
Other Haven Ministries						
Outreach Programs (Hunger)	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.0%
Evangelism General (#840)	0.00	103.82	200.00	104.00	200.00	0.0%
Stewardship	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.0%
Total Other Haven Ministries	0.00	203.82	400.00	204.00	400.00	0.0%
Total Expense	200,439.11	193,961.44	212,096.00	191,726.04	213,895.00	0.8%
Net Income	9,881.13	18,755.54	0.00	14,645.21	0.00	

PARISH LIFE

HAVEN'S BOOK CLUB – When we meet on **Thursday, November 18th** at **2:00pm** we will be discussing *A TREE GROWS IN BROOKLYN* by Betty Smith. This classic novel written in 1943 is the story of a young girl's coming of age during the early 20th century. It's beautifully written, insightful & Francie's story is timeless. Come join us for a lively discussion. - Joan Schupp



P.S. In December we are reading *CHRISTMASTIME* by Linda Mahkovec.

PROPERTY



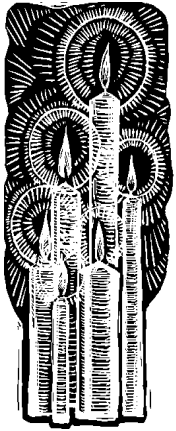
The Property Team has organized several Clean Up Events to maintain OUR property this year. On **Saturday, November 13** starting at **9:00 am** will be interior cleaning, primarily what we didn't get done on Sept. 11th plus some outside work.

Saturday, November 20 starting at **9:00 am** will be an outside cleanup day.

WE NEED YOUR HELP both inside and out. To save money we have not been paying our custodian to do detail cleaning in these areas. That's why we have these cleaning parties to do things that need to be done a few times a year. So, pick one or more dates and sign up on the sign-up sheet in the Vestibule.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING CLEAN UP OUR HAVEN.

WORSHIP



All Saints' Day

NOVEMBER 7th ALL SAINTS SUNDAY is one my favorite church festivals. The sanctuary is adorned in white. We name aloud those who have joined the Church Triumphant and those who were baptized since last November. We remember that nothing can separate us from the love of God or our deceased loved ones since we are united in Christ. And this year, we remember that whether we worship on-line or in-person, we too are united as one in Christ.

I imagine us all with the saints who have gone before, safely together and excited to lift our praises to God on All Saints Sunday. We celebrate that our beloved ancestors sing along with us and add their “amens.” What a great cloud of witnesses surrounds us, cheering us on to faithfully follow in the ways of our Lord. While we bring our grief for those we deeply miss, we also give thanks for them and the Lord who holds us all eternally in love. Worship at 9:30 am this Sunday, in-person or on-line. Imagine being part of a wonderful crowd of God’s beloved children and saints.

NOVEMBER 21st CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

*The last Sunday of the Church year.
The following Sunday we start a
new church year and Advent.*



HAGERSTOWN SUNDAY SCHOOL ORCHESTRA Sunday, November 21 at 9am in the Gathering Room

The Hagerstown Sunday School Orchestra will bless the **third Sunday of each month** with seasonal music for 20 minutes or so. This orchestra of talented musicians has been playing for local churches for over 50 years!





THANKSGIVING AT HAVEN We celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday with worship on **Wednesday, November 24, 7 pm**. We will sing and praise with gratitude. Everyone gets a small loaf of pumpkin bread. We celebrate Thanks-living as disciples 365 days a year. We can give thanks in all circumstances when we believe in the goodness, love and grace of God. Living in gratitude is living in hope, builds our resilience and keeps us aware that we depend on our Lord who is faithful and generous.

I give thanks for each of you. I give thanks for the community of Haven and its earnest efforts in Christ's name. I give thanks for the care and support you so freely give to your pastor. I give thanks for the Lord who has brought us all together in this place and time so that we can spread the love and hope we have found in our Lord. Happy Thanksgiving. Happy Thanks-living.

NOVEMBER 28th FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

In a year when it is still difficult to remember what day of the week it is, let Advent give you a fresh perspective. *Advent* is the beginning of a new church year. Advent is the season in which we prepare for the celebration of Christ's coming remembered at Christmas and Christ's coming at the end of human time, when all creation will be healed, whole and holy. While holiday plans may still be "unusual," lean into this season with daily prayer*, looking at each day with grateful eyes and wondering what we can learn this year from Mary, Joseph, angels, shepherds, magi and a King who laid in a manger. (*Look for copies of the devotional Heaven and Nature Sing to enrich your Advent prayer and preparations.)



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS Purchase your Christmas Poinsettias by filling out an order form/envelope, found on the tables in the narthex. Please fill out all the information on the envelope and submit it to the church office or place it in the offering plate by the deadline. If you prefer to order via phone (301-733-5056) or email (havenoffice@havenlc.org) please let us know who the flowers are in memory/honor of, your name and how many you would like to order then bring or mail your payment to the church with memo line: Poinsettias.

Poinsettias are \$8.75 each. Deadline is Sunday, November 28.

WORSHIP READINGS

November 7	1 Kings 17:8-16, Psalm 146, Hebrews 9:24-28, Mark 12:38-44
November 14	Daniel 12:1-3, Psalm 16, Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25 Mark 13:1-8
November 21	Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14, Psalm 93, Revelation 1:4b-8, John 18:33-37
November 28	Jeremiah 33:14-16, Psalm 25:1-10, 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 Luke 21:25-36

WORSHIP LEADERS & HELPERS SCHEDULE

<u>Assisting Minister</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
Nov. 7 Danny Kiblinger	Melita Kaplan	Kathy Wright, Kim Pile, Scott Rhodes
Nov. 14 Aura Wiles	Austin Suchy	Amy Mason, Marge Cunningham, Kathleen Kline
Nov. 21 Terry Trovinger	Danny Kiblinger	Bob Snyder, Elaine Michael, Susan Strobl
Nov. 28 Marge Cunningham NEEDED		Kathy Wright, Kim Pile, Will Seilhammer

Securing the Building in November: Scott Rhodes, Doug Wright

MICAH'S BACKPACKS – Micah's Backpacks Good news!
Earlier this month, I had prepared an article telling the congregation we are preparing only 9 backpacks for what looked like the year. As of this writing, October 26, the school has notified us that they are able to help 12 students if we can provide them. The answer is YES, we can. Thanks to all who help with the program by packing, delivering or contributing funds for the program! Linda Clark



THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Friends of Holly Place,

On behalf of the residents, staff, and the Board of Directors of Senior Living Alternatives, Inc., I would like to thank you all for the very generous \$100.00 donation to Holly Place. We truly appreciate your continued support! Because of you, we can continue to serve at risk seniors, and provide them a loving, safe, affordable place to call home... **Sincerely, Melanie J. Davis, Ex. Dir.**

My Haven Family,

Thank you so much for all your love and support for my Mom, Dolores Carson for so many years. Thank you to the choir for a perfect song at the funeral. Thanks to all the Haven ladies that helped with the food. She will be sadly missed but know she loved you all. Thanks Judi Wilson

(All notes in their entirety are posted on the bulletin board in the hall by the restrooms.)

COMMUNITY EVENT

WOMEN'S CLUB FALL FEST & HOLIDAY BAZAAR, Friday, Nov 5 & Saturday Nov 6, 9:00am-1:00pm each day. Our traditional Apple Dumplings \$5, Chicken Corn, Vegetable Beef, Vegetarian Minestrone, Ham & Bean Soups \$8 qt, \$5 pt. 8" pan Cookie Bars – Pumpkin, Lemon, Coconut Pecan \$5 ea. pan. Tasty ham sandwiches \$5. Pre-order, pre-pay. Checks to Women's Club Foundation. Credit Cards accepted. Shop our amazing selection of bargain-priced holiday decorations when you pick up your food at 31 S. Prospect St. To place an order, call Linda at 301-739-0870 (9-1 Mon-Fri) or contact Joan Schupp at 301-797-7536. Thanks so much for supporting our mission of providing safe, affordable housing for single women.

Sacred Listening Circles is only on Zoom (no in-person meetings as of now). Please contact Ed Poling for details at elpoling1@gmail.com.



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<https://www.antietamentertainment.com/christmas-experience>

Activities: 60 mins.
(Activities not available for matinee)

Wagon Ride, Animal Stable, Bonfire & Marshmallow Roasting, Horse Rides, Live Nativity

Show: 100 mins.

Dinner & Live Music: 45 mins.
(Menu subject to change)

Adult Menu: Oven Roasted Chicken & Honey Glazed Ham, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli Cheddar Soup, Cornbread, Chocolate Brownie & Ice Cream

Kids Menu: Chicken Nuggets & Pizza Bites, Tater Tots & Applesauce, Green Beans & Mac & Cheese, Chocolate Brownie & Ice Cream

LOCATION:
9745 Garis Shop Road
Hagerstown, MD

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Look who's celebrating special days this month!!!

BIRTHDAYS

Meredith Reynolds 11/01
Eric Meredith 11/06
Julie Faith 11/09
Kathy Yaraghi 11/09
Diana Staley 11/14
Morgan Faith 11/15
Elaine Michael 11/16
Doug Wright 11/18



Kathryn Suchy 11/20
William Webb 11/20
Richard Reynolds 11/23
Phyllis Kerns 11/24
Daniel Kiblinger 11/26
Ann Conrad 11/30
Owen Schupp 11/30

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Karl & Patricia Pile
11/07
Gary & Misti Grimmer
11/14



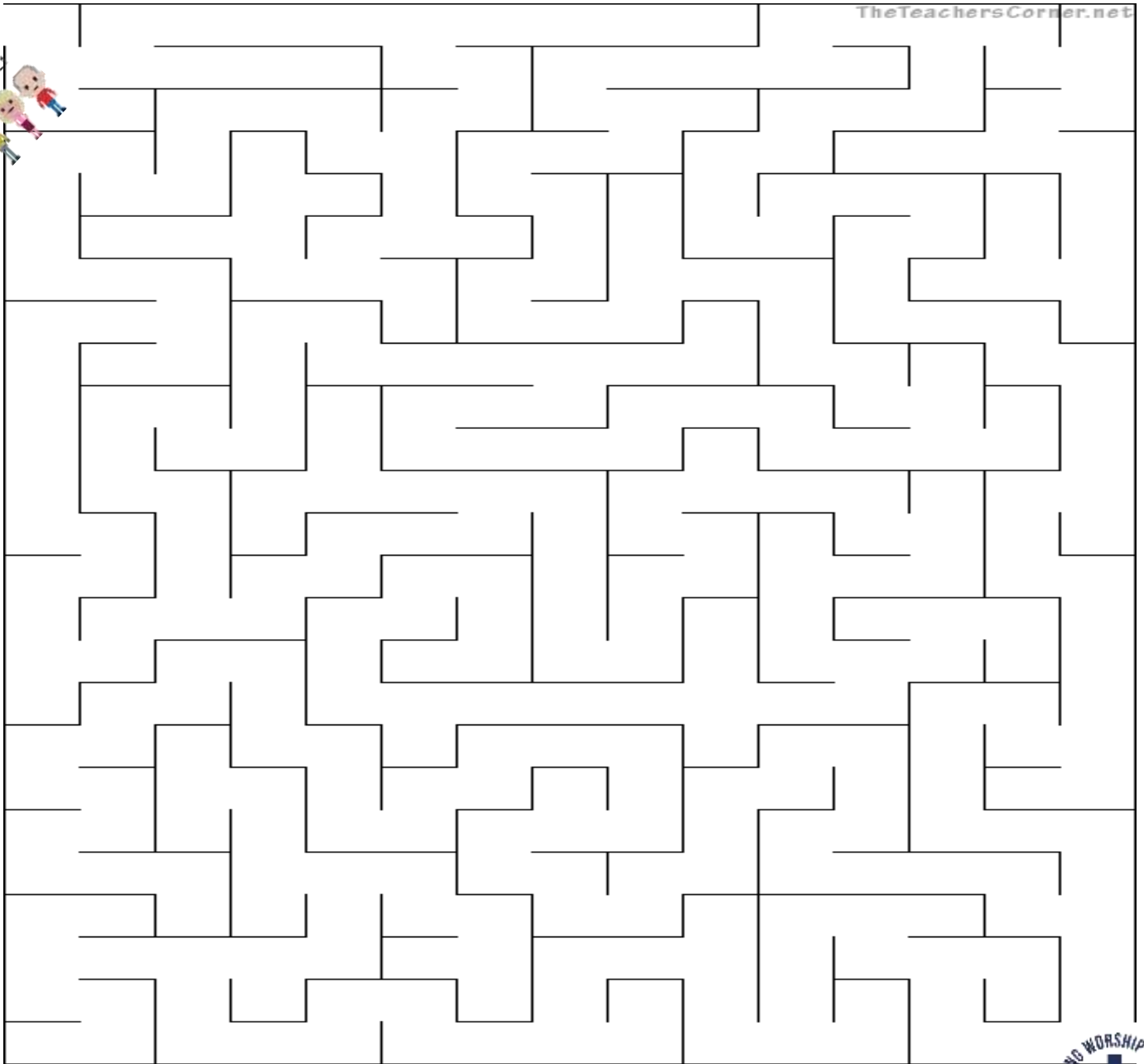
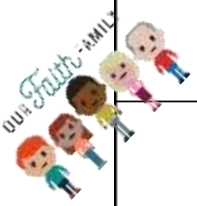
Don & Kristin Andrews
11/22
Wilford & Joanne
Seilhamer
11/28

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

Katie Muse 11/01
Brandon Defriece 11/18



Dallas Defriece 11/18
Emma Huguenin 11/18
Bob Hart 11/27



After you help the church family find their way through the maze to Thanksgiving Worship Service write 3 things below you are thankful for.



1. _____
2. _____
3. _____



November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:00 Bell Choir 6:30 Boy Scout #103 7:00 Property 7:00 Barbershop	2 1:00 AFG 6:30 Friends in Service	3 10:00 Bible Study 6:30 Cub Scout #103 7:00 Choir	4 5:00 BBBS Big/Little Activity Night 6:30 CoDa	5 5:30 AFG	6 12:00 AFG
7 (Noisy/Hunger offering) Daylight Savings Time Ends 9:30 Worship In-person and Live on Facebook 10:45 God Squad Explorer Event 11:00 Adult S. School 12:00 Confirmation	8 6:00 Bell Choir 6:30 Boy Scout #103 7:00 Worship Team mtg. 7:00 Barbershop	9 1:00 AFG	10 10:00 Bible Study 6:30 Cub Scout #103 6:30 Woodlands North HOA 7:00 Choir	11 Veterans Day 5:00 BBBS Board Mtg. 6:30 CoDa	12 5:30 AFG Sat. Nov. 13th 3pm Memorial Service for former DE-MD Synod Bishop, George Mocho, Ascension Lutheran Church, Towson MD	13 9:00am Church Clean-Up 12:00 AFG
Pastor Alessandri will be on vacation from Nov. 8 – 16. Please contact Pastor Lee Brumback (St. Paul, Funkstown) during this time at 1-540-335-1710 for pastoral care in her absence.						
14 ----- 9:30 Worship In-person and Live on Facebook 11:00 Adult Sunday School	15 ----- 6:00 Bell Choir 6:30 Boy Scout #103 7:00 Barbershop	16 ----- 1:00 AFG	17 10:00 Bible Study 6:30 Cub Scout #103 7:00 Choir	18 9:30 ZOOM Ed. Ministry Team Mtg 2:00 Book Club 5:00 BBBS Big/Little Night 6:30 CoDa	19 5:30 AFG	20 9:00am Church Clean-Up 12:00 AFG

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21 <i>(Holly Place offering)</i> 9:00 Sunday School Orchestra plays <i>(Gathering Room)</i> 9:30 Worship In-person and Live on Facebook <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Annual Congregational Meeting </div> 11:00 Adult Sunday School	22 6:00 Bell Choir 6:30 Boy Scout #103 NO Council MTG 7:00 Barbershop	23 1:00 AFG	24 10:00 Bible Study 6:30 BBBS Board Meeting 6:30 Cub Scout #103 7:00 Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service 7:30 Choir	25 Thanksgiving 2:00 Book Club 5:00 BBBS Big/Little Activity Night 6:30 CoDa <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> THANKSGIVING OFFICE CLOSED November 25-26 </div>	26 5:30 AFG	27 11:00 am Wedding 12:00 AFG
28 First Sunday of Advent 9:30 Worship In-person and Live on Facebook 11:00 Adult Sunday School	29 6:00 Bell Choir 6:30 Boy Scout #103 7:00 Council 7:00 Barbershop	30 1:00 AFG	DECEMBER 1 10:00 Bible Study 6:30 Cub Scout #103 7:00 Choir	2 5:00 BBBS Big/Little Activity Night 6:30 CoDa	3 5:30 AFG	4 12:00 AFG

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