

• NOVEMBER •

HAPPY THANKSGIVING





# The Church Mouse



## *Running with Rhonda*

November, 2021

“Make a Joyful Noise Unto The Lord”



What a joyful noise was sung at the Weirsdale Presbyterian Church this past Sunday. The choir was back in their normal place in the Choir Loft. They were outstanding along with the new Choir Director Helen. ‘Amen’ to how it felt to hear the choir sing again. There is still more room if anyone wants to join them.

Mark your calendar each Tuesday for Tuesday Time Out. They have great food and excellent desserts and fellowship. They would love for more people to attend.

November is upon us. November 21<sup>st</sup> is Memorial Sunday as we remember all of the members of the Weirsdale Church that have joined the Church Triumphant during this past year. The last Sunday of November will begin the season of Advent within the life of the Church. Where has 2021 gone?



**Rev. Rhonda Link-Cummings, who is the Area Coordinator 2 of the Presbytery, is available for pastoral care and can be reached at 352-875-3002.**



## October Session Snippets by Angela Pecor (Clerk of Session)



### **Getting Ready for the Holidays**

Wreaths are being refurbished. Poinsettias are being ordered. Turkeys are almost in the oven. We have got a lot coming up and very soon. There will be a Thanksgiving potluck at the church **Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup>**. That's the Sunday before Thanksgiving Day. The turkeys, gravy, and mashed potatoes will be provided. We need to bring in the rest!

The **Harvest Table** will be up in front of the church that Sunday too. People donate Thanksgiving-type perishable foods and canned goods. (Fresh vegetables, fruit)

That Sunday is also the last day in the church year. We will sing The Lord's Prayer and honor those belonging to our church who have passed away since last November.

After the service, there will be the feast and the greening of the church. (We will not be putting up the tree again this year. Maybe next year)

The first Sunday of Advent is the following Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **Fellowship and Crafts**

We have some leftover crafts from our last bazaar. We are going to display them during fellowship and Tuesday Time Out in Douglas Hall. They can be purchased at that time.

Pie Sunday will be the Sunday after Christmas, not after Thanksgiving this year.

### **Membership**

If you know someone that would like to join our church, please have them call the office and tell Linda Spatta or Pastor Rhonda Link-Cummings.

Once we have some folks on our list, Rhonda will have a new members class at the church, Session will approve them, and we will receive them into our Congregation.

**Membership pads** are back. Please fill them out every Sunday to help us build our attendance record.

### **Did you know?**

**Tuesday Time Out** started September 14<sup>th</sup>. Our numbers are a little low, so come on out next Tuesday.

### **Choir Update**

We have been practicing some very pretty songs. It has been so great to hear our voices together at last to praise our Lord. Thank you, Helen! We have a lot of new faces and some you have seen in our choir loft before. I don't want to call them old faces. That just doesn't sound right. We are even working on a Christmas Cantata. Hope you will come out and enjoy it!

*Angela*



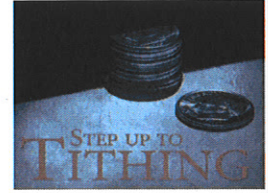
**FIRST SUNDAY EACH  
MONTH IS  
"FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY"**

The Community of Gratitude thanks you for your support. They always need nonperishable items. Bags of food can be left in the Narthex or in the box in Douglas Hall.



**STEWARDSHIP MONTH**

November is Stewardship month. By now, most of you have received your request letters and pledge cards. If you do not have a card, you may find one in the Narthex. Please consider tithing and have your pledge cards turned in to the church office by Nov. 28th.



**TTO IS BACK!**

Tuesday Time Out is cooking but not many are eating yet! Attendance is low -- why don't you bring a friend and come for a home-cooked meal; try it out! It is only \$5.00.



The menu for November is:

- Nov. 2: Chicken Pot Pie
- Nov. 9: BLT's
- Nov. 16: Roast Pork with Hashbrowns
- Nov. 23: Turkey & Mashed Potatoes
- Nov. 30: Turkey Tetrizzini

Come at 11:30 for the singalong for the first 3 weeks and for Bingo on the 4th Tuesday of each month. Lunch is served at noon.

The **SENIORS GROUP** will meet this month at Sam's St. John's for a seafood dinner on Nov. 17th at 5PM.

For a reservation, call Gary Spatta at 561-929-6210.



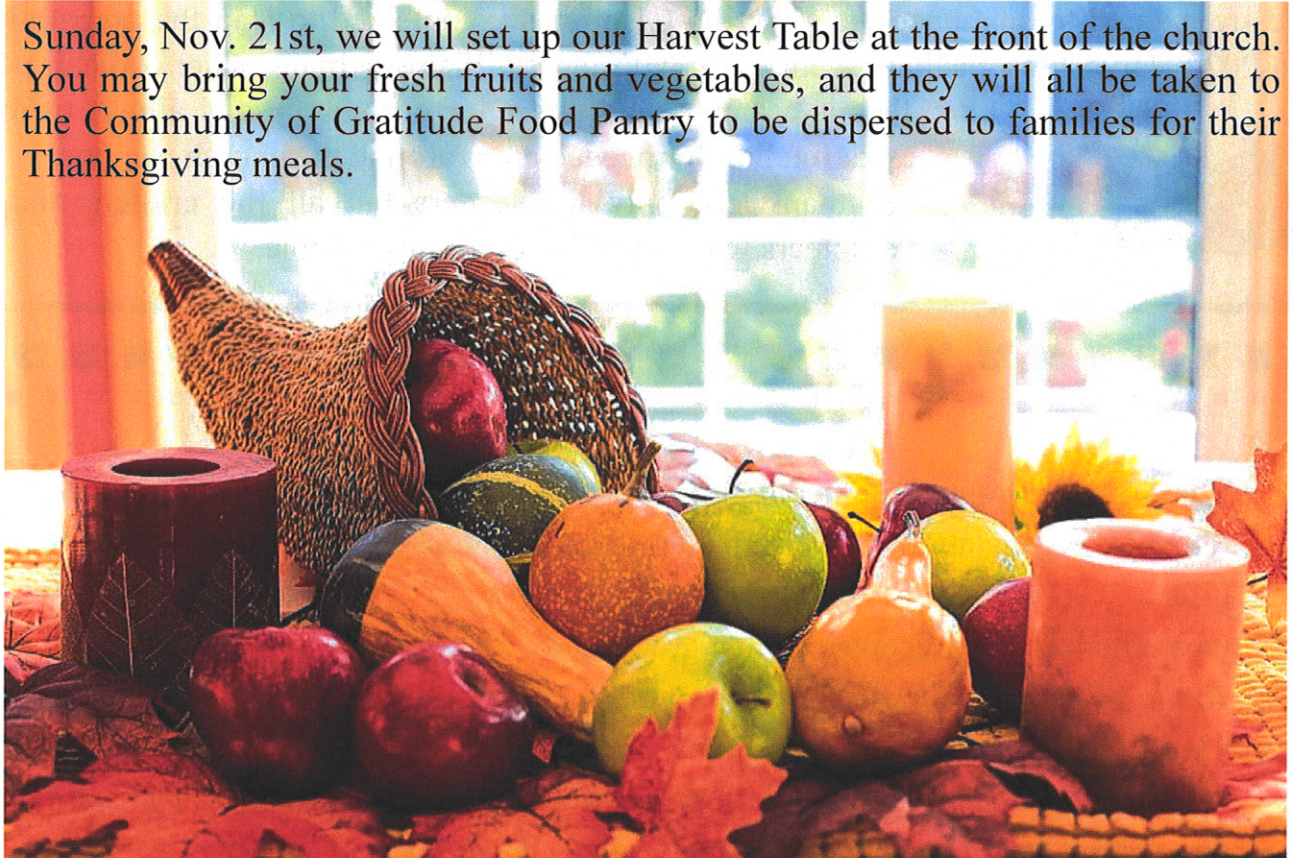
**CHECK THE CALENDAR ON THE LAST PAGE.**

**We are entering our busiest season and you do not want to miss anything.**



## THE HARVEST TABLE

Sunday, Nov. 21st, we will set up our Harvest Table at the front of the church. You may bring your fresh fruits and vegetables, and they will all be taken to the Community of Gratitude Food Pantry to be dispersed to families for their Thanksgiving meals.



Fellowship on Nov. 21st will be a Thanksgiving dinner. The Fellowship Committee will furnish the turkey and mashed potatoes, and they ask for you to bring a special dish of your choice to complete the meal. This will take the place of our usual Thanksgiving dinner that we have had at the church in the past on Thanksgiving Day.

We hope you can join us in this holiday celebration.



## HARVEST HAPPENINGS HAS LEADERSHIP!

We are excited to announce that Priscilla Olson has volunteered to lead the preparation for our 2022 Harvest Happenings event along with Jane Williams helping as her co-chair person.



This is a major fund raiser for our church and allows us to have extra funding for needed areas around the church campus.

We thank not only the leaders but all the crafters and other volunteers who make this craft fair possible.

### OPERATION SHOEBOX

The Sewing Group for Operation Shoebox receives letters of gratitude from the Shoebox organization as well as from the individual soldiers who receive their gifts.

One letter recently received from a group said:

*To the Women of Weirsdale Pres. Church,*

*Thank each of you for what you have done for all us serving overseas. The ditty bags were great. I used mine to keep my charger cord together. The soldiers were all picking their favorite design. The (?) to all for your support.*

*Thanks.*

*CW4 White*

*& all members of*

*BC0230th BSB*

*NCARNE Dunn NC*

*Deployed Kuwait*

The Operation Shoebox Sewing Group has changed the times for meeting from Mondays to the first and third Saturdays of each month from 9AM to NOON effective immediately. This month they will meet Nov. 6th & 20th.

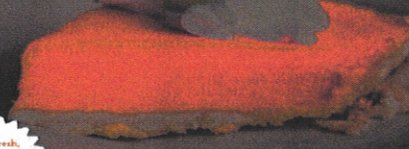
There are 7 sewing machines, 1 cutting table and 1 assembly table so there is plenty of room for more help! Come by and see!



# SPECIAL HOLIDAY EVENTS OUTSIDE OF OUR CHURCH

OUR ANNUAL PIE SALE IS BACK!

## 2021 THANKFUL PIE FUNDRAISER



*We use fresh, local eggs and homemade pie crust!*

**\$25 e/a or 3 for \$60**

- Chocolate Chess Pie
- Citrus Cream Tart
- Bourbon Pecan Pie
- Sweet Potato Pie

MONTGOMERYCENTER.NET

## ORDER FORM

The deadline to order is Tuesday, November 16th  
Delivery dates are November 22 through 24  
**\$25 e/a or 3 for \$60**

TYPE	QTY
<b>Chocolate Chess Pie</b> Dark chocolate- evaporated milk custard, Firepower Roasters espresso, rum	<input type="text"/>
<b>Citrus Cream Tart</b> Yuzu-lemon light curd filling, raspberry jam, citrus zest	<input type="text"/>
<b>Bourbon Pecan Pie</b> Freshly shelled pecans, local cane syrup, laced with pure maple syrup & bourbon	<input type="text"/>
<b>Sweet Potato Pie</b> Fresh sweet potato puree, cultured buttermilk, malted milk powder & fall baking spice	<input type="text"/>

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
CHURCH: \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery to your home church will be  
from November 22 to the 24.

Include  
payment  
payable to  
"Montgomery  
Center"

88 SE 75th St Starke, FL 32091  
office@montgomerycenter.org  
(352) 473-4516

Try a home baked pie from Montgomery Center. Orders need to be to Montgomery Center by Nov. 16th.

There are several options for ordering:

1. Call your order in to Montgomery Center at 352-473-4516 and pay with credit card over phone by Nov. 16th.
2. Bring your order form and check to the church office by Wednesday, Nov. 10th. Please make the check out to "Montgomery Center" and note that it is for pie(s).
3. Mail your order form and check to Montgomery Center, 88 SE 75th St., Starke, FL 32091 so they get it by Nov. 16th.

Extra order forms are in the church Narthex.

The Villages  
**POPS** Chorus  
*A Choral Concert of Popular  
Holiday Songs*

# We Need a Little Christmas

**Monday December 6, 2021  
3:00 & 6:00 PM**

North Lake Presbyterian Church  
975 Rolling Acres Rd, Lady Lake

Tickets: \$15

On sale at all Villages Box Office Locations, online & at the Door  
Part of the proceeds will be donated to All One Family, Inc.  
and other local charities

Jo Ann Hanebrink will be performing with The Villages POPS Chorus at North Lake Presbyterian Church again this holiday season in their presentation "We Need a Little Christmas".  
Get your tickets early and welcome the Christmas season with wonderful holiday songs.



## MAGIC OF BRONZE

Magic of Bronze is taking us back with our favorite Christmas hits. The theme: "We Need a Little Christmas ... NOW! Join us as we rock our way through the most magical time of the year. What a great way to be part of ringing in the holidays! We hope to see you there!



The Congregational Church of Summerfield  
15421 S US-301  
Summerfield, FL 34491  
Saturday, November 20th, 2021 at 4:00pm



Tickets are \$20.00 per person  
Available at the church office - 352-693-4545  
(cash, check, Visa or Master Card)  
or after the Sunday morning worship service.

PROCEEDS HELP THE INFANT & TODDLER PANTRY

The Congregational Church of Summerfield is presenting "Magic of Bronze" as a holiday fundraiser for the infant & toddler pantry.  
You may contact them for tickets if interested.





In all thy ways, acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths. Proverbs 3:6



We send our thoughts and prayers to the families of Theresa (Terri) Warriner, who passed Oct. 8th, and Ester Nichols, who passed Oct. 12th.

### PRAYER CHAIN INFORMATION

If you have a prayer request or are interested in helping on the prayer chain, please contact **Barbara West**.

734-558-1878 (Cell)

Email: [barbwest26@yahoo.com](mailto:barbwest26@yahoo.com)



Remember our friends who are homebound or in a care facility by sending them a card to brighten their day:



Dottie Jones  
2623 Hialeah Ave.  
The Villages, FL 32162-6366

Richard & Sandy Hendren  
11001 Sunset Harbor Rd. #8  
Weirsdale, FL 32195-0644

Robert Lipsner  
800 Lake Port Blvd. Apt C505  
Leesburg, FL 34748

James Stangle  
4680 Bellwether Ln. Apt. 113  
Oxford, FL 34484

### NOVEMBER WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Head Usher: Ilene Newton  
Liturgist: Pam Roland  
Communion Set-up: Jean Cox  
November Lock-up: Linda Spence

### DECEMBER WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Head Usher: Chris Bishop  
Liturgist: Kim Bishop  
Communion Set-up: Carol Everman  
December Lock-up: Linda Spatta



As always, if you are unable to serve as listed above, **PLEASE find a substitute**. And, thank you for your willingness to serve our church!









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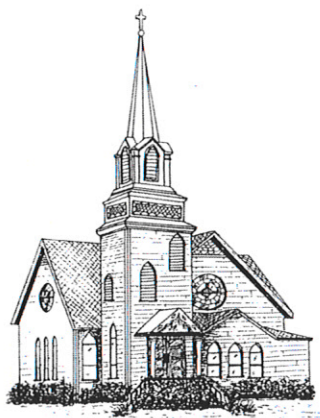
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**Our Mission:**  
**Bring People to Christ**  
**Develop our Discipleship**



**Weirsdale Presbyterian Church**  
**Worship at 10:30AM**  
**Fellowship at 11:30AM**