

# OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

#### **WEEKLY EVENTS**

Mondays Small Group- 7:00 PM AA- 7:00 PM

Tuesdays Grief Group- 4:30 PM

Wednesdays
Women's Fellowship12:00 PM, second
Wednesday of the month

Thursdays
Small Group- 1:00 PM
Worship Team Practice 7:00 PM

Saturdays 12 Step (Women's) -10:00 AM

Sundays Worship Service -10:00 AM

# **CONTACT**

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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We have a new small group study beginning- you don't want to miss out! Our new study is called "Discerning the Voice of God," by Priscilla Shirer and will go from October 6<sup>th</sup>-November 17<sup>th</sup>. "If hearing God has seemed challenging, Priscilla Shirer invites you to explore a more intimate relationship with Him, one that can make hearing Him, His will, His heart, and His voice your ongoing experience." Pastor Donna will be hosting the study on Monday evenings at 7 PM and Thursday afternoons at 1 PM (you only need to come to one of the time slots- they will cover the same content each week.)

Women's Fellowship will meet this month on October 1st. All the women of the church are invited. We ask that you bring a sack lunch, but will provide dessert and beverages.

October 11<sup>th</sup> is our Blessing of the Pets. It will take place at the church from 10 AM - 12 PM in the church parking lot. All animals are welcome!

October 12<sup>th</sup> the Women's Fellowship group will host a soup luncheon in the Fellowship Hall after the worship service. There will be a large variety of soups to choose from and desserts! There will be a free offering taken.

November  $2^{nd}$  we are doing baby dedications and welcoming new members. If anyone else is interested in becoming a member of the church, please see Pastor Donna.

Our school supply drive was very successful. We donated 125 headphones, 81 boxes of Kleenex,, 55 containers of Lysol wipes 7,600 sheets of notebook paper, and 89 x 12 packs of pencils to the Fruitport School District. Thank you for your generosity!

The Youth Group is not collecting pop cans at this time. Thank you to everyone who has donated their cans in the past.

Missions: If you know of a specific need in the community or an individual, please put a note in the offering box. All suggestions will be kept confidential.

We have been approached by the Muskegon Rescue Mission to participate in their Holiday Food Basket program. They are providing meals for 500 families and we have been asked to provide 250 of one specific item. But, because we are such a generous church, we said we could take on 2 items! So, between October 1 and October 14, we need 250 cans of green beans and 250 cans of creamed corn. Thank you in advance for donating! OUR CHURCH ROCKS!

### **GET INVOLVED**

<u>LIFE GROUPS:</u> These groups are intended to bring people together to do "life." Join a group of people to fellowship with and grow closer to God! Contacts for each of the life groups are listed below.

Women under 40: Women over 40: Men:

Liz Rick Ruth Deters Doug Shane (616)402-6925 (616)402-0489 (231)955-1244

Mondays, 6PM Monthly 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month, 7PM

<u>HOSPITALITY TEAM:</u> We still need volunteers for greeting and fellowship time. If you are unable to bring baked goods, others will supply them if you help serve and make the coffee. If you are unable to work your assigned day, please make sure to find someone to take your place! Please consider helping!

	Fellowship	Greeters	Nursery
October 5	**NEED VOLUNTEERS*	**NEED VOLUNTEERS**	**NEED VOLUNTEER**
October 12	Soup Luncheon	Sharon Afton, *NEED VOLUNTEER*	**NEED VOLUNTEER**
October 19	Olovson/Feldt families	Sandy Kriger, Jim Feldt	**NEED VOLUNTEER**
October 26	Chappells	**NEED VOLUNTEERS**	**NEED VOLUNTEER**

PLEASE NOTE: If you are greeting on Sunday morning, you will be the first person that a newcomer will see. Please be sure to introduce yourself, let them know where the bathroom and fellowship is, and invite them to come downstairs after the church service.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

October 1- Women's Fellowship, 12 PM, Fellowship Hall

October 6 - November 17- Small Group Study, Mondays at 7 PM or Thursdays at 1 PM

October 11-Blessing of the Pets, 10 AM-12 PM, Church Parking Lot

October 12- Soup Luncheon, Fellowship Hall following the worship service

November 2- Baby Dedications and New Member Sunday

#### 2025 Financials

Budget Revenue 2025: \$120,000 Q1 Q3 to date

Budget Expenses 2025: \$113, 200 Revenue - \$45,094.80 Revenue - \$19,846..00

Missions Budget: \$5,000 Expenses - \$38,452.41 Expenses - \$22,815.33

Youth Budget: \$1,500 Q2

Ramp Budget: \$20,000 Revenue - \$44,397.36

Expenses - \$24,842.12