

## November 2023

JOIN US!

SUNDAY

9AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

6PM BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY

6PM MISSION KIDS/YOUTH/BIBLE STUDY
(UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE IN THE CALENDAR)

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#### FROM PASTOR JEFF

"So then, while we have opportunity, let's do good to all people, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith." - Galatians 6:10

Stephanie and I just want to take this opportunity to say a big THANK YOU! You guys have made October to be one of our favorite months of the year. All the encouragement, prayers, and gifts have once again overwhelmed us and reminded us of how blessed we are to be here with you.

It is truly an honor and joy to be your pastor and everyday I am reminded of how blessed we are to serve Ramsey. You have made Ramsey home for us and we feel as if we are one of you. Even through the difficulties and joys of the past several months, there is no other place we could imagine being than here.

I also feel incredibly blessed to have the opportunity to serve side by side with Pastor Matt. His enthusiasm and joyful spirit energize me each day. I am excited for you all to really be able to see what I see everyday in this upcoming month while I am out. I completely trust his wisdom and ability to serve you with the same leadership and passion which he does with our kids and youth each week.

He, Jenn, Olivia, Owen, and Oakley have been a huge benefit to our church family and we look forward to what the Lord has in store for us in the future. Thank you for accepting them so easily and praying for them regularly.

For those who do not know, I will be unavailable for the month of November because of surgery on my ankle. While the surgery is not real serious, the recovery will be long. Stephanie and I would definitely appreciate your prayers during this time. (She will probably need them more than me.)

I look forward to being able to return (hopefully in December) and celebrate with the incredible arrival of our Lord through the Christmas season.

Following Him,

Jeff







# YOUTH ENCOUNTER 2023 IN MARION THANK YOU PASTOR MATT, JENN AND BILL FOR YOUR DEDICATION TO OUR YOUTH!!













#### Youth/MISSION KIDS











#### It was a warm one, but you can never go wrong with a day @ the Patch!

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

Mission
accomplished!! 105
boxes were packed
with necessities, love
and care and are
headed to their next
destination across the
ocean (several stops
along the way). Pray
this mission reaches
those in need and their
hearts may be filled
with joy and the
knowledge of Jesus
and his love!

#### **FROM PASTOR MATT**

Luke 14:11 says, "For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." As Jesus sat in the house of a Pharisee, He noticed the pride and arrogance of the people. He calls for humility as the created towards both the Creator and other created humans. Followers of Jesus should always be living in humility for what God has done and will continue to do.

In October, the Youth Group enjoyed good discussions on Wednesday nights and a good time at several events. Youth Encounter in Marion with around 600 people it was a wonderful time of games, illusions, worship, and God's Word. Field of Faith in Vandalia with around 50 students was also a wonderful time of games, fellowship, and God's Word. Lighthouse was a blast as we laughed, played games, and enjoyed talking about faith.

Mission Kids in October has been learning about serving the Lord and others. Mission Kids, along with the Youth Group, packed boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Continued prayers for our volunteers, students, and for the Miller's as they enjoy their new daughter, Jordan.

As Thanksgiving and Christmas approach, the calendar is getting full of various activities. For the Youth Group, in November the girls are going to the Awsom Girls Conference in Decatur on the 3rd and 4th and Lighthouse will take place on the 10th. Both Mission Kids and the Youth Group will meet every Wednesday night except the week of the 22nd at 6:00pm. Mission Kids will be discussing faith and mission, and the Youth Group will be discussing being thankful.

Please continue to prayer for all the students in Ramsey, that they would know Jesus personally and grow in an active relationship with Him!

#### **Pastor Matt**









### Babies, Babies, Babies

Our church family is growing!!
Congratulations and Welcome the world little ones!

Jordan Jane Miller daughter of Isaiah &Ashley



Avery Ann and Andie Jane Deming daughters of Macey & Dalton





#### Plan ahead SNF It's a soup supper November 5th, 6pm!

#### November Birthdays & Anniversaries

1 John & Charlotte Beck

8 Linda Gillman

15 Joe Hill

18 Shane & Jill Hadley

19 Oakley Philbrick

23 Janie Steele

25 Delbert & Carol Jo Roberts

25 Delbert Roberts

6 Will & Candi Hayes

14 Orrin Oller

17 Sheila Seaton

19 Gracie Branning

21 Joe & Shelby Eddy

25 David Carruthers

28 Macey Deming

November Food
Pantry
large boxesinstant potatoes
stuffing mixes
canned:
sweet potatoes
pumpkin
milk
cranberries
green beans
cream of mushroom soup

Deacons' Meeting Nov. 5th @ 5pm

Business Meeting Nov. 8th @ 7pm

Office Hours Adjusted Nov. 6-10 8-1:30 Hours resume 8-3 Nov. 13

Office Closed Nov. 23&24 for Thanksgiving

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NOVEMBER 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
			All activities 6pm		Awsom Girls Conference in Decatur	Awsom Girls Conference in Decatur
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Sunday School 9am Morning Worship 10am Deacons' Mtg 5pm SNF 6pm	Men's Bible Study Mondays @ 7:15am Women's Bible Study Mondays 6-8pm	FCA 7:30am in Mr. Eddy's room	MK/Youth 6pm Bus. Mtg 7pm		Lighthouse 6:30-9pm	Veterans Day
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Sunday School 9am Morning Worship 10am Bible Study 6pm		Ramsey School District Open House	All Activities 6pm			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Sunday School 9am Morning Worship 10am Bible Study 6pm		FCA 7:30am in Mr. Eddy's room	No pm activities	Thanksgiving Day Office Closed	Office closed	
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
Sunday School 9am Morning Worship 10am Community Service @FBC 6pm			All Activities 6pm			