



The Branch

2022

Bunkertown Brethren Church— Independent Fellowship



AUTUMN BLESSINGS

Autumn brings to the soul relief, as hot Summer days slip to an end
God sent the season for weary heart to restore, repair, and mend.

Unlike the Autumn trees, that shed their changing leaves
God sent the season for failing hearts to adhere, embrace, and cleave.

Just as with the Autumn winds, there comes a new refreshing rain
God sent the season for fraying hearts to increase, grow, and gain.

The Autumn sun is slow to climb and dips much earlier into the night
God sent the season for sleepy hearts to rise, shine, and unwind in His light.

God gave to us the Autumn season, so we could have a respite and rest
for it is the season for our beset souls to see how much we are blessed!

HARVEST HOME

Children & Adults are encouraged to help celebrate the bounty of the Lord has given us by bringing in items for the Juniata Food Pantry from October 30—November 20th



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ends on Sunday, November 6th Be sure to set your cloths back one hour on Saturday, November 5th before going to bed!

PASTOR'S CORNER...

I thought I was Kirk Cameron....in Left Behind

We had a parade here in town a couple years ago and our church had a float in the parade. The theme was Garden Party and the float was decorated like it was an outdoor “garden setting” for a party dinner and a family was gathered around. They had several banners of different scriptures relating to heaven and the big side banners said “Come home to me and I will throw the biggest party that Heaven has ever seen. Jesus was on the float and he was receiving the Prodigal Son home. About a dozen of us were walking along with the float greeting people and handing out little cross necklaces, and scriptures. We were the picture of “The” Church doing the work of the Lord. When we reached the end of the parade route the Float began to move away from us even faster, surely they’ll stop for us we thought, they disappeared around the bend. I understand them leaving without the others...but I’m the Pastor.... The last thing I saw was Jesus holding out His arms like this.

We thought we were with the float, but we weren’t on the float. Jesus was gone and we were left behind.

Pastor Wes

UPCOMING EVENTS



Christmas
Concert

ERNIE HAASE + SIGNATURE SOUND, Thursday, December 15th at 7:00 p.m.

TICKETS REQUIRED



LIVE NATIVITY. There will be a meeting for anyone who has an acting part in the live nativity right after church on Nov. 6th in the FLC. There will also be Christmas cards on a table in the FLC. We are asking for help to fill them out with a message inside. These Christmas cards will be given to the visitors of the live nativity. If you have any questions please talk to Darlis Strawser, Georgia Wynn, or Deedre Mitchell. Please continue to pray for this event.



Read Through The Bible

Reading God's Word keeps us in contact with our Creator and Savior. God reveals His plan for all creation and specifically your life in the pages of Scripture. Through continuous Bible reading we become familiar with the history of the world and with the plan of Salvation and restoration in Christ, but we also learn how to live our lives each day through the practical application of Biblical truth. If you are not in God's Word, You cannot fully experience God's wonderful plan for your life!

Read the passages listed on the day they are associated with. If you miss a day, just move on to the current day. Trying to "catch up" may become overwhelming and cause you to give up. Start reading today and get ready to worship in the Word! If you would like a yearly copy, please ask Lisa to print you one out.

Nov 1 Matt 20-21
Nov 2 Luke 18:15-19:48
Nov 3 Mark 11, John 12
Nov 4 Matt 22, Mark 12
Nov 5 Matt 23, Luke 20-21
Nov 6 Mark 13
Nov 7 Matt 24 Nov 8 Matt 25
Nov 9 Matt 26, Mark 14
Nov 10 Luke 22, John 13
Nov 11 John 14-17
Nov 12 Matt 27, Mark 15
Nov 13 Luke 23, John 18-19
Nov 14 Matt 28, Mark 16
Nov 15 Luke 24, John
Nov 16 Acts 1-3
Nov 17 Acts 4-6
Nov 18 Acts 7-8
Nov 19 Acts 9-10
Nov 20 Acts 11-12
Nov 21 Acts 13-14
Nov 22 Jas 1-5
Nov 23 Acts 15-16
Nov 24 Gal 1-3
Nov 25 Gal 4-6
Nov 26 Acts 17-18:18
Nov 27 1 Thes 1-5, 2 Thes 1-3
Nov 28 Acts 18:19-19:41
Nov 29 1 Cor 1-4
Nov 30 1 Cor 5-8

2022 SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION/ PRAYER VIGIL WISDOM /DISCERNMENT / THANKSGIVING

1. James 1:5
2. Proverbs 1:7
3. Ephesians 5:15-17
4. Colossians 3:16

NOVEMBER MESSAGES

Nov. 6..... One in the SpiritActs 2:1-4 & 41-44
Nov. 13..... After the Election ...Luke 12:13-15
Nov, 20.....Thank You Lord.....Ecclesiastes 2:22-24
Nov. 27.... The Baptized Believer.. Acts 2:38-39



Our Church Family

Remember those with Health– Related issues..



Gary & Ethel Lentz
Austin Parker
Maxine Kerstetter
Donna Jean Barth
Lawrence Fronk

Sandy Hunter
Lydia Grace Swartwood
Bruce & Bonnie Campbell
Lawrence Benner

BUNKERTOWN SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES , BIBLE STUDIES & ACTIVITIES

Children's Classes—Stephanie Freyermuth , Pauline Hummel, Jen French

Teaching a curriculum which is Answers in Genesis is produced by the founder of The Creation Museum and the Ark Encounter. The curriculum brings the Bible to life in the class.

YOUTH— Jr. High— Mike Swartz

Senior High— Sara Steele— Sara's class studies scripture through lessons that provide critical thinking, challenging students to consider personalities, character, and culture to better understand what scripture means and how it is meant to guide our relationships, our decisions, and our lives.

COLLEGE & CAREERS— Will be Joining the study of Revelations.

ELECTIVE 2- Dave Hummel- This class is studying Revelations.

ELECTIVE 3 - Chad Heister- - will be joining Dave's class and studying Revelations.

SENIOR ADULT CLASS— Dave Varner The class uses the Standard Sunday School Quarterly .

SMALL GROUPS—Small groups are the foundation structure of the church body and meet to study God's Word from discussion points of the previous sermon, spend quality time in prayer, and to provide accountability. Small groups meet the first & third Sunday evenings.

OTHER CHURCH MINISTRIES:

Wednesday Evening Prayer & Bible Study—Book of John. ■ Monthly Prayer Vigil ■ Thursday morning Men's Prayer Group ■ Senior Supper ■ Young Family Night
Mentoring

KIDS MINISTRIES:

Family Resources ■ Nursery ■ Children's Church ■ Sunday School ■ AWANA ■ VBS
■ Volunteer - links for anyone that needs clearances

MEN'S MINISTRIES:

Men's Breakfast ■ Men's Bible Study ■ Men's Small Group

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES:

Women's Small Group ■
Post Grad. & Young Women's Bible Study

*If you want more information contact the church secretary .

CELEBRATING THIS MONTH

1-Connie Hesford
 4 - Avery Knouse
 Amanda Reichard
 6- Sabrina Martin
 Sherri Sheaffer
 Aria Miller
 7- Keri Hackenberger
 9- Melinda Fritz
 Lynxton Rowles
 10 - Carl Eaton
 12 – Sara Steele
 13- Anna Hockenberry
 15- Ryan Swartwood
 Jim Haubert
 Zechariah Barge
 16 - Clark Shirk
 17- Brent Speece
 18- Kole Boop
 - Elliott French
 19 - Samuel Helwig
 Andy Carvell
 Allyson Imes
 20- Olivia Ehrisman
 Charles Griffith
 Gary Sheaffer
 21 - John Kahley
 Hayden Burns
 22 - Martha Phillips
 Shirley Osenga
 30 - Robert Stong
 Jonathan Eia
 Lucas Fitzwater



1 – Rod & Andrea Knouse ('13)
 2 - Aaron & Bobbi LeFevre ('02)
 4 - Dan & Cindy Houtz ('72)
 - Ed & Sue Truitt ('78)
 14- Ron & Janice Hornberger (59)
 22 - Fred & Sharry Longenecker ('80)
 23 - Justin & Jennifer French ('05)
 Michael & Tricia Swartz ('91)



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Happy Thanksgiving



As we express our gratitude we must
 never forget that the highest
 appreciation is not to utter words, but
 to live by them.

NOVEMBER HELPERS

	Instrumentalist	Closing Hymn, postlude	AV Techs	Worship Leader
Nov. 6	Chris Kline	Chris Kline	Ben Hummel, Nic Hummel, Caleb Eia	Dave Hummel
Nov.13	Donna Fritz	Donna Fritz	Justin Reed, Levi Zeiders, Gibson French	Dave Varner
Nov. 20	Chris Kline	Chris Kline	Justin Reed, Ryan Stahl Matt Heister	Jim Ritzman
Nov. 27	Donna Fritz	Donna Fritz	Elly Heister, Justin Reed, Kathryn Peachey	Steve Osenga

NURSERY

Nov.6	Heather Reed/ Debby Stanton
Nov. 13	Kim Stuck/ Judy Flanders
Nov.20	Hannah Bashore/ Kathy Sheaffer
Nov.27	Heather Reed/ Lois Varner



WC SERVANTS

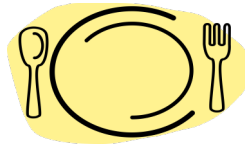
Nov. 6	Merv & Darlis Strawser
Nov.13	Harry & Hannah Bashore
Nov.20	Rodney Knouse
Nov.27	Greg & Heather-Colyer

Ushers	Jon Hummel, Chief Mark Peters, Roger Shallenberger
Greeters	Dennis & Paula Colyer
C/D Ministry	Mike Swartz
Jail Ministry, 4th Sunday	
Counting Committee	Tim & Jodie Burris/ Kim Stuck
Bethesda Mission - 1st Saturday	

UPCOMING EVENTS

Men's Breakfast

Will be held Saturday, Nov. 5 at 7:00 a.m. All are welcome. Please sign up by Sunday, before the breakfast.



Come share in our Senior Supper on November 14 at 5:00 p.m. 55 & up are welcome.



If you are interested in becoming a prayer warrior for one of Miss Steph's cherub's, please contact with Steph and she will connect you with a child.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH EVENTS



YOUTH SMALL GROUP—Youth Small group Nov. 6 & 20th 6:00 p.m. Look forward to seeing all youth there!

LOOKING AHEAD

1ST ANNUAL YOUTH CHILI COOKOFF KICKOFF— Mark your calendar! Sat. Nov. 19th More details will come.

SENIOR SUPPER— Make & Serve Senior Supper Dec. 12.

CHRISTMAS PARTY & CAROLING— Dec 18th at 12:00 p.m.



DON'T MISS THIS! YOUTH CHRISTMAS COOKIE BAKE SALE

Saturday, December 3

Cookies can be picked up from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 or until supplies last. Enjoy Coffee & Hot Chocolate as you shop for your Christmas cookies.

AWANA NEWS

It is that time of year again, that we will be packing shoeboxes for operation Christmas Child. There are many ways you can participate in this exciting ministry.

1. Donate—As we look forward to our packing party, we are still gathering donations in hopes of packing boxes together.
2. Come to our packing Party— This year we will be packing boxes at the church on November 6th at 11:30 a.m. This is a wonderful time to learn more about the ministry as you pack boxes with friends & family.
3. Sponsor or pack your own box.

* No AWANA Sunday, November 27th





SNACK SCHEDULE

Nov. 6– Darlis Strawser, Kim Stuck, Sue Truitt, Gina Imes, Jenn Rohrer, Cindy Noss

Nov. 13– Hannah Bashore, Janice Hornberger, Shirley Osenga, Evie Heister, Tricia Swartz, Sandy Reed, Ashley Eia

Nov. 20– Louise Hummel, Pat Sierer, Jen Hummel, Pauline Hummel, Mandy Brown, Kelly Frymoyer, Georgia Wynn

Nov. 27– Teresa Forry, Ruth Ann Kahley, Lois Varner, Peach Yeater, Jamie Shiffer, Kathy Lehman

MISSIONS

NOVEMBER MISSIONARY

offering is Shepherd's Fold October offering was Heartbeat Community Services an offering of 539.00 with one Sunday left to give.



THE December newsletter deadline is **Sunday, November 20**
The **DEADLINE** for the weekly bulletin is each Wednesday at noon.



Monday– 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday—7:00 a.m. –12:30 p.m.

Wednesday– 7:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Thursday-7:00a.m.—11:00 a.m..

JUST A REMINDER that the weekly bulletin is now available online. Go to the church website, click on the news tab, then look next to the worship icon.

2022 BOARD MEMBERS

Tim Burris- Chair

Neil Swartz- Vice-Chair

NURTURE COMMISSION

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Suzie Shallenberger– Secretary

Jeff Ritzman

STEWARDS COMMISSION

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Andy Carvell– Vice Chair

Pam Master– Secretary

Dennis Colyer

WITNESS COMMISSION

Neil Swart-Chair

Barry Stuck-Vice Chair

Dave Brubaker- Secretary

Kimi Fitzwater

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
Social Time	10:00 a.m.
Sunday School	10:30 a.m.

CHURCH STAFF MEMBERS

Pastor	Wes Stahl
Associate Pastor	Steve Osenga
Secretary	Lisa Krall
Treasurer	Sue Truitt
Church Clerk	Sara Steele
Moderator	Dave Hummel
Preschool teachers	Annette Kantz- Lori Alderfer