

Bethlehem Star

November 2021



November Events and Meetings

Nov 1 st	10am Hands at Work
Nov 2 nd	11am United Methodist Women 7pm Men in Christ
Nov 8 th	6:30pm GALS
Nov 11 th	7pm Charge Conference
Nov 15 th	10am Hands at Work 6:45pm Pack Thanksgiving meal bags
Nov 16 th	7pm Men in Christ
Nov 17 th	5pm Thanksgiving Community Meal-Drive thru
Nov 21 st	10am "Orphan Sunday"
Nov 22 nd	6pm United Methodist Men
Nov 28 th	9am Decorate for Christmas 5pm Trustees

Youth meet on Sunday at 4pm. Students 6th-12th grade are invited. Contact Eddie Hendershot at (828) 381-9001 for information.

K5 Blast meet on Sunday at 4pm. Students in Kindergarten - 5th grade are invited. Contact Autumn Canipe at (828) 514-6974 for information. Follow the K5 Blast Facebook page for any changes in schedule.

The Catawba Valley District-UMC will offer a 5 session Lay Servant Training Course, **Introduction to Lay Ministry (Basic Course)**, held via Zoom. Sessions will be 6:45-8:30pm on the following evenings: Nov. 10, Nov. 11, Nov. 16, Nov. 17 & Nov. 18. The course is offered at no cost other than purchase of the book to be used. See the flyer on the FH bulletin board for more info.

Thank You, Lord

*Just this once, Lord, I want to come to **you** with no problems, but simply to say, **Thank You:***

*For **your** forgiveness when I fail*

For the sheer joy of sleep when I'm terribly tired

For the silent strength of humility when pride overtakes me

*For the justice of **your** laws when mean are cruel*

For the remedies for sickness when I am ill

For the simplicity of orderliness when I face confusion

*For the assurance that **you** have made a place especially for me when I feel inadequate among my peers*

For the joy of helping others when I see people in need

*For the earthly evidences of **your** will when I'm trying to find out what life is all about*

*For the reality of **your** world, when I stray too far into fantasy*

For the rightness for reasonableness when I panic too quickly

For the fun that refreshes when everything gets too serious

For the renewal in moments of silence when I'm dizzy being busy in a hectic world.

***Thank you, Lord,** for all these things. But most of all, **thank you** for **your** abiding presence that makes every day I live a day of thanks.*

Our Attendance for October 2021

10 AM Worship Services
(includes Facebook LIVE views)

October 3rd	53
October 10th	62
October 17th	52
October 24th	86
Year to date average	85



NOVEMBER

16th	Rusty & Nancy Williams
	Scott & Janice Hendershot
21st	Ryan & Jeana Link



November is Adoption
Awareness Month

adoptionnetwork.com

November is National Adoption month, a month set aside to raise awareness about the urgent need for adoptive families for children and youth in foster care. Every November, the Children's Bureau leads this initiative by way of a collaborative partnership between Child Welfare International Gateway and AdoptUSKids that supports activities that promote the adoption of children and youth from foster care into permanent, loving families.

Source: acf.hhs.gov/cb/faq/adoption14

Sunday, November 21st, will be recognized world wide as "Orphan Sunday". Catawba County Social Services and Family Builders are requesting churches to pray for everyone involved in the adoption process. The children in foster care, their birth parents, foster and adoptive parents, kinship parents, social workers, court agents and judges all need our prayers and support.



NOVEMBER

1st	Ross Alexander
2nd	Shelly Miller
3rd	Sheila Miller
4th	Carson Lindler
6th	Marlee Miller
	Justin Killian
8th	D.B. Setzer
11th	Ashlie Cole
	Rickey Canipe
	Nancy Williams
16th	Lisa Sherrill
17th	Eli Owen Beatty
19th	Abigail Sigmon
	David Carpenter
20th	Jackson Harris
	Holly Chapman
21st	Anthony McClellan
24th	Phillip (PJ) Chapman
25th	Madilyn Riffle
	Tennille Riffle
26th	Linda Yount
	Angela Dean
	Zackery Whiteside
27th	Quinn Connor

Mission Opportunities

The **BLESSING BOXES** are an on-going mission for our church. Please donate canned foods and other non-perishable food items. Toiletries and laundry items are also needed. Monetary donations are also accepted. Please donate to help those in need.

LOVE PACKAGES collects Christian literature to be sent all over the world to spread the word of God. Gently used Bibles, study books, devotional books and CDs are accepted. (No Guideposts) Containers are in the fellowship hall and old kitchen.

GOOD NEWS SHOES FOR HONDURAS is in need of shoes. This mission project is sponsored by **Men in Christ**. Please bring any new or gently used shoes to the kitchen in the church building. *Last day for donating is November 14th.*

The **Backpack Program** is a program of the Corner Table. There are 34 schools participating with approximately 1300 children are enrolled. All donations are appreciated. If you would like to volunteer please call Sherrie Miller at 828-256-9259.

The **Youth** are working on boxes for **Operation Christmas Child**. Contact Eddie Hendershot for information, 828-381-9001.

The **UMW** is collecting all occasion greeting cards for **St. Jude's Ranch for Children**. New cards (with or without envelopes) and the front of used cards are accepted. *Cards from other charities, Hallmark, Disney and American Greetings can not be accepted due to copyrights.* Thanks for your support.

ECCCM is hosting the **SHARE THE HARVEST ONLINE AUCTION** Oct. 27—Nov 7. To access the auction link, visit www.ecccm.org. You can also support by shopping or donating to the Thrifty Threads & Treasures Store. Shopping hours: Mon-Thu 9am-4pm, Fri 10am-3pm. Donations may be made during shopping hours only.

Winter is approaching and it's time for our annual **Coats for Kids** campaign. New and gently used coats are needed for our children up through high school. There are containers in the kitchen and FLC for your donation through November 28th. Caps, scarves & gloves are also needed. Thanks for your help in keeping our children warm. If you have questions, call Sherrie Miller at 828-256-9259.

Evan Miller is beginning his "Making a Difference" project for his school. Evan chose our **Bethlehem Blessing Box** as his project. Evan is responsible for raising money and shopping for items to fill our Blessing Box. He will stock the pantry and also fill the boxes. He will be raising funds throughout the month of November. If you would like to help Evan in his project, please mark the envelope with your donations. Donations can be given to Evan, his parents, or put in the church offering. Thank you for helping support Evan in this important community outreach. Help him "Make a Difference"!

Tithes

The online giving application Bethlehem uses is **VANCO FAITH**. The mobile app is available at the App Store and Google Play. To use with a desktop, laptop, iPad, etc. go to <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YYSG/home>.

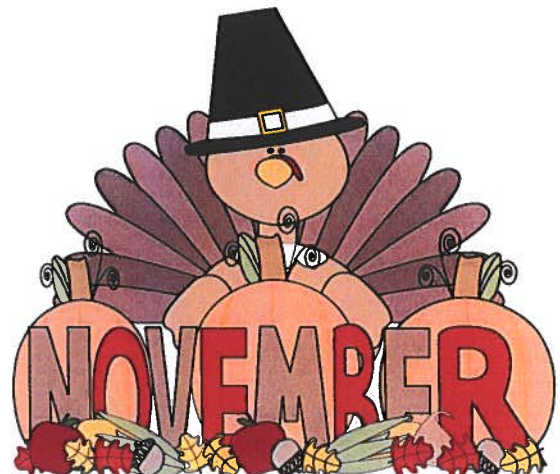
*Remember when giving to a special fund or in honor or memory, please note this with your gift. You have the ability to include this notation if you use **VANCO FAITH**. If you prefer, offerings can be mailed directly to the church at PO Box 233, Claremont, NC 28610.

U's Needed

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| You can't spell Sunday without | U |
| You can't spell Church without | U |
| You can't spell Budget without | U |
| You can't spell Success without | U |

The Church needs **U** to help.

Source: Clip-Art Features for Church Newsletters 2





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Worship Services:

10 AM Worship - Sanctuary

10 AM [Facebook LIVE](#)

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[FM 90.1 in your car](#)