



The First Word

Elkin

First United Methodist Church

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FOOD COLLECTION
TRI-C MINISTRIES
and
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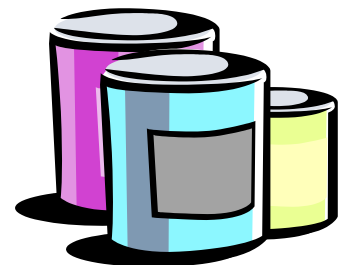
Sundays Nov 4, 11, 18

TRI-C needs: Soup, crackers, canned meat (not tuna), bar soap, canned vegetables, instant potatoes.

BACK PACK PROGRAM needs: flip top canned items or peel off lids (ravioli, spaghetti, soups, fruit cups, pudding), cereal, granola bars, peanut butter, jelly, mac-n-cheese, fruit cups, dried fruit, gummy snacks, popcorn. Wagons and grocery carts will be available throughout the church.

Please give generously.

Items will be dedicated on Sunday, Nov. 18.



ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

UNITED METHODIST STUDENT DAY

Sunday, November 25 is United Methodist Student Day. Gifts help deserving United Methodists students continue their education and their faith journeys as they strive to make a difference in the world and discern what God has called them to do. For more information on United Methodist Student Sunday go to <http://www.umcgiving.org/wcs>.

COLLEGE STUDENT CARE PACKAGES

We are going to send care packages to all our college students. We are asking for your help! We have 28 college students! They would love to get a treat from Elkin FUMC! Will you donate snacks or candy? Bring 28 of what you decide to donate. We will assemble the care packages Sunday evening, Nov. 18 at 5:00 pm in the fellowship hall. You may place your donations on the table beside Cindy Furr's office by Sunday, November 18. Thank you!



Monday, Nov. 12 11:30 am-1pm
Menu: Vegetable Chicken Soup, Baked Apples, **Dessert:** Ice Cream Cost: \$5.00
Program: "African Mission Trip"



Presented by Jon Garing
If you are not able to attend, contact Cindy by Wed. Nov. 7
Contact: Cindy Furr (336-835-2323 or cfurr@elkinfumc.org)

ALL SAINT'S DAY NOVEMBER 4, 2018

In observance of All Saint's Day we are honoring the following Saints;

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| Jennie Brown | Robert Nicks |
| Francis Harris | Betty Tesh |
| Doris Stockton | Ann Graham |
| Laura Gwyn | Rev. Paul McCauley |
| Holly Neaves | Gary Maxey |
| Steve McLain | Tom & Pat James |
| Rita & Jake Schot | |

YOUTH FUNDRAISER



SOLID ROCK CAFE

WED. NIGHT FELLOWSHIP MEAL

Nov.28 6:00 pm

**Breakfast Casserole, Grits, Baked Apples,
Mini-Pancakes Yeast Rolls**

**Proceeds & Donations will benefit the Youth's Mission
& Winter Retreats**

ON THE MOVE DAY TRIP



Thursday, Dec. 6 10am-2:30 pm

Ardmore Moravian Church-Candle Tea Tour

Brunch at Cloverdale Kitchen

(tour is free, please bring money for brunch)

Register by Wednesday, Nov. 28

Contact: Cindy Furr (336-835-2323 or cfurr@elkinfumc.org)



PRAYER REQUESTS

Church Family: Zack Trexler, Paulette McCauley, Libbi Parks, PJ & Emad Elkhaiat, Ray Fencil, Larry Johnson, Walt Pettit, Bill Amburn, Ercel Carter, Dan & Sallie Park, Gary Conrad, Tim & Jennifer Brown, Jerre Boren, Donna Thompson, Avery Neaves, Rev. Steve McLain, Family of Doris Stockton, nursing home residents & homebound

Extended Care: Mary Cockerham, Iris Amburn, Mary Neil, Bliss Vanderpool

Extended Family: Ann Green (Linda Erlandson's sister), Priscilla Smith, Marc Bishop, Buck Freeman, Lorene Newman, Dennis Staley, Robert Miller, Joan Shuford, Dr. Gladys Campbell, Nan Boyd, Lonnie Snider, Teresa Shook, Millie Joyce, Martha Key, Kidd Family, Phyllis Lowe, Abe Heath, Betsy Robertson's Mother, Connie Partin, Jeff Wishon, Brian Wilkenson, Keith Stanley, Rick Smoot, Linda Caudill, Tom Medlin, Steve Plummer & Family, Carol MacDonald, the Fortney family & Joe Hicks

All of our military personnel and their families

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

November 1 - Jean Harris
 November 2 - William Allen III
 November 3 - Halle Garing
 November 5 - Betsy Duncan
 November 5 - John Sapper
 November 6 - Marian Green
 November 7 - Tanner Edwards
 November 7 - David Fencil
 November 7 - Michael McDowell
 November 8 - Kristian Chatham
 November 8 - Charlotte Guyer
 November 9 - Linda Maxey
 November 11 - Bonnie Chatham
 November 12 - Jacob Bellia
 November 13 - Matthew Brown
 November 13 - Steva Bledsoe
 November 16 - Emaline Cockerham
 November 16 - Emad Elkhaiat
 November 16 - Rozanne Shumate
 November 16 - Cameron Beals

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

November 3 - Christopher & Sally Harrell
 November 5 - Joshua & Laura Oakes
 November 12 - Rick & Sherry Caudle
 October 10 - Bern & Ellen Shumak

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Sunday, November 4

Gathering Music: Amy Tayloe

Lay Reader: Suzie Andrew

Children's Time: Jennifer Brown

Children's Church: Charlotte Guyer

Counters: Dave Johnson, Gardner & Lauren Meek

Greeters: Marian & Bill Green; J.L. & Jane Lowe; Mary, Michael, Lucas & Sadie Keller; Alison & Dave Ackerman; Leigh Freeman

Ushers: Frank Beals, Steve Mackie, John Kennedy

Sunday, November 11

Gathering Music: Amy Johnson

Lay Reader: Eli Powell

Children's Time: Amy Johnson

Children's Church: Jennifer Kleinheksel

Counters: Mike Powell, David & Betsy Robertson

Greeters: Ann & Andy Garner; Steva & Randy Bledsoe, Vickie & Steve Wells; Grace Harrison; Zara & Zena Petrocy, Emaline Cockerham, Martha Maier

Ushers: Steve Wells, David VanAntwerp, J.L. Lowe, Charlie Bellia

Sunday, November 18

Gathering Music: Tonya Smith

Lay Reader: Martha Smith

Children's Time: Kristi Gaddis

Children's Church: Stacey Carter

Counters: Frank Beals, Andy & Ann Garner

Greeters: Carol & Alex Snyder; Betsy & David Robertson; Steve Mackie, Rande Dent; Gerald Combs; Jennifer Brown

Ushers: James Freeman, Henry Freeman, David Poindexter, Danny Freeman, George Crater

Sunday, November 25

Gathering Music: Jill Bellia

Lay Reader: Ercel Carter

Children's Time: Amy Johnson

Children's Church: Jennifer Brown

Counters: Gambill Aldridge, Margaret Tucker, Steve & Vickie Wells

Greeters: David Poindexter; Gina & Rob Peterson; Gambill Aldridge; Joseph, Kristi, Wyatt & Hadley Gaddis; Randy, Yvonne, Ashley & Kelly Hunsucker

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STONE'S THROW CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES-UPDATE

Greetings,

We want to use this letter to thank each of you for your support and prayers over the past year. Your commitment to Stone's Throw Christian Ministries and our Savior Jesus Christ has allowed us to do several things. Here are a few examples of what's been going on at STCM:

April-STCM trucks and trailers made 18 trips moving supplies.

May - Our volunteers worked 375 hours.

June - We assisted 22 families in need, 5 agencies were helped with their request, -37 queen mattresses and 29 full mattresses were delivered to Lumberton to help Hurricane Matthew victims.

July - 2 beds and 6 mattresses were distributed to friends, There were actually 7 request for beds that we were not able to fulfill.

August - 80 people from 25 different churches assembled 400 blessing buckets in less than 3 hours!

So, it looks like we have been very busy, and we have! But Stone's Throw Christian Ministries is all about something way bigger than the numbers listed above. We feel that each one of these numbers is a seed planted and an encouragement for the lost and saved alike to seek a deeper relationship with Christ.

Partner With Us In Prayer·

*Praise God for our faithful financial and prayer supporters Praise God for our faithful volunteers and friends.

*Pray that the seeds planted will fall on good soil.

*Pray that God will provide additional churches to support our ministries.

*Pray for guidance as we minister to hurricane affected areas.

