



# MWC CHURCH

## give thanks *Newsletter*

For The Lord Is Good

### A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR



**November is the month of Thanksgiving, and our church has so much to be thankful for right now!**

- Construction is moving along on schedule for our sanctuary/welcome area renovation. It looks ugly now, but it will be beautiful soon!
- People have enjoyed the “down home” atmosphere of worship in the fellowship hall during the adventure.
- New families are becoming active in our worship and educational ministries—and some are volunteering for new areas of service.
- People have expressed appreciation for the insights from the Financial Peace University.
- New believers are preparing for baptism in December!
- and most of all, God is with us through his Holy Spirit every day, challenging us, strengthening and refreshing us, and helping us love and serve.

We have announced, in faith, the annual Anniversary Service and rededication of the sanctuary for November 22. Please pray with us that work can be completed on schedule, and that all the pieces will come together for a wonderful day. THEN, the real work continues: making sure that more people know that this is a great place to find God and grow in life-changing grace!

We thank God for our connections with YOU!

In the Love of Christ,  
Pastor Dwight T Gregory

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## *Anniversary Sunday*

*On November 22nd we will celebrate the 58th Anniversary of the MWC Church and dedicate the sanctuary.*

*Following the service we will have lunch to celebrate the 58 years.*

*More information about what to bring for the lunch will be announced soon. We ran out of some side dishes last year, so please bring enough to feed eight or more people. The church is providing the drinks and rolls. If you have any questions you may contact Carrie Carlson at 733.8212, Karen Hartzell at 733.2977 or Lori Schroyer at 361.0734.*

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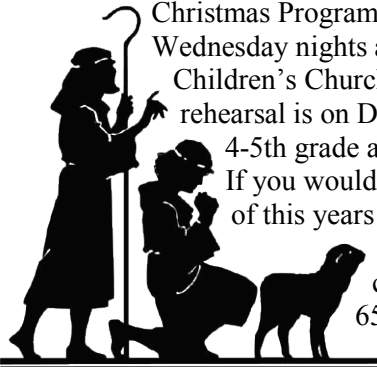
### **Memorials for Sanctuary Renovation**

Over the past few years the church has received special memorial gifts in memory of members who have passed away. The Board of Finance has authorized transferring these gifts to the Building Fund, with a plaque to be prepared to remember these in the renovated building. If you would like to have one of your loved one remembered in our renewed facility, you may designate gifts to the church with clear instructions, in the next two weeks.

# CHURCH and YOUTH NEWS

This year's children's Christmas Program *A Shepherds Story* will be on Sunday, December 20th at 6:30pm.

Christmas Program practice has begun on Wednesday nights and will be during Children's Church on Sundays. The dress rehearsal is on December 19. Children ages 4-5th grade are invited to participate. If you would like your child to be a part of this year's program, they must attend practices. For more info contact Anita Baird at 659.3322, Laura Bosse at 808.0970.



## Senior Adult Luncheon

The Senior Adults will meet Friday, November 13th at the church at 12:30PM. We will have lunch at the Catfish Cove on NW Expressway. Ed and Lori Schroyer will be providing the transportation. Contact Mary Nixon if you have any questions at 974.1250.

## BAPTISM AND CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Please speak with Pastor Dwight, or call the church office, if you are interested in being baptized or becoming a member. We offer a five-week orientation class for persons who want to understand the mission of our church.

## ADULT CHRISTMAS CHOIR

*The Adult Christmas choir meets every Sunday at 3PM in the Chapel. For more information you may contact Laura Bosse at 405.808.0970.*

*"Grief for the Holidays" will be held here at church on Saturday, November 7th @10:00am for anyone who has lost a loved one and needs ideas for coping with missing that special person during the upcoming holiday season.*

*For more information, contact Pastor Paula Farley at 618.9595.*

## DING, DONG GROCERIES AND DITCH

In November our student ministries will be taking groceries to local families in need. The items needed by donation include: stuffing, sweet potatoes, green beans, rolls, pie crust & filling and much more. We need 5 or 6 turkeys.

Please bring donated items to the church by Wednesday, November 18th. Contact Sarah Baird at 640.8228.



## HOLIDAY HOURS and PASTORAL CARE

The church office will be open on Wednesday, November 25 from 10AM-2PM and will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 26-27. If you need pastoral care during the holidays you may call Pastor Dwight Gregory at 778.9460.



# Advent

BE WATCHFUL . BE ALERT

November 29

Please join Erin Smith on Monday, November 23 to help decorate the Church for Advent and Christmas. We need your help and we have a lot of fun. If you would like to help contact Erin Smith at 812.7374.

