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Coffee Fellowship, 11:15 a.m.
Children's Music and Church School, 10:20 a.m.

Our Mission:

**Sharing Christ with our community
through service and relationships.**



Look for us at:
www.hazelwoodchurch.org
We are constantly building and adding to it, so check back often! You can also contact us through the Website. Check out the home page.

NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE

December 5 & 19

Items to be published in the Newsletter are due in the office the Monday prior to publish date. Thank you!



HAZELWOOD LEAVES

November 21, 2019

*And now we thank you, our God,
and praise your glorious name.*

1 Chronicles 29:13



Happy Thanksgiving

BUDGET UPDATE

Offerings Received for Week Ending 11/12/19: \$3,582.00
Offerings Received for Week Ending 11/19/19: \$6,814.12
Average Offering for Last Five Weeks: \$5,140.14
Average Weekly Need: \$5,151

Jan.-Oct. 2019 Offerings Compared to Budget: (\$18,080.82)*
**Reflects the amount received UNDER Budget*



- ♦ Sympathies to Wanda Quinn Isenbarger and family on the passing of John “Jack” Isenbarger on October 26. Services were held November 7 at High Street United Methodist.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

“Special thanks to Don & Cheryll Crose, Cheryl McCoy, and Kelly Heavilon for their donations to the Silent Auction at Hazelwood’s Fall Bazaar. I couldn’t put it all together without the generosity of people like you.”
~Mary Ann Matchett

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering Envelopes for 2020 are ready for pickup. You will find them on a table just outside the Sanctuary.

December Birthdays

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| 6 Wanda Strauch | 19 Judy Thomas |
| 9 Mary France | 20 Leah Ritchie |
| Mariangella Glaze | 21 Marianna Gill |
| 11 Ruth Griffey | 22 Kelly Heavilon |
| 12 Susan Cartwright | 28 Mary Alice Lanning |
| 13 Annie Yingst | 29 Carolyn Starnes |

If your name has been inadvertently left off, let us know!
Call the church office at 765-282-5969 or send an email to hazelwoodchurch@gmail.com.



My cousin has a daughter who gave me a Thanksgiving tour. She was about three or four at the time, and I sat down next to her while Thanksgiving dinner was being prepared. She asked if I wanted to see her room. I said yes, and she took me by the hand and led me to her room. She then started showing me all the things in her room. “This is my stuffed animal. This is my tea set. This is my toy piano. This is my pillow.” This stretched on for many minutes, and I think she could have gone all afternoon, too. The food on the table took us away from her tour, but if it hadn’t she could have shown me many more things.

It was cute because she’s a little kid, and I didn’t mind. She was showing me the things that were important to her: her toys and room and things. She wanted me to see these things, and she wanted my attention. It’s no challenge to give attention to a cute little kid, but I wonder how often I listen to someone tell me what’s most important to him or her. How often has someone wanted me to listen to what’s most important? Probably plenty of times. How often have I really listened? Probably not enough.

There’s a verse from James I often quote. It says we should be “quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to become angry” (1:19). Those are good words to live by, and when we do, we might be giving another the opportunity to describe what is most important. Someone, when you gather for Thanksgiving, might have something to tell you. It may not seem like much, but you could give a beautiful gift just by listening.

Grace & peace,
Jason Jones

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The annual congregational meeting was held Sunday, November 17. The budget for 2020 was presented and passed, along with the slate of officers for 2020. Names are posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

BOOK CLUB

The next meeting of the Hazelwood Book Club will be in Sulanke Commons at **7 p.m. on Thursday, December 12**. Rather than a book discussion during this busy time of year, we will be watching a holiday movie and enjoying snacks and fellowship with fellow our book-lovers.

If you have any questions, or are interested in joining in on the fun, contact Shirley Bookout at (765) 744-1207.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

If you would like to distribute Christmas cards to your Hazelwood family without postage, two wooden boxes have been given to us for that purpose. You may drop your greeting cards in the box, using the alphabet dividers. The boxes will be in Sulanke Commons on December 1. This is an easy and economical way to share greetings during the Christmas season. Our thanks to Bill Ritchie for the creation of these beautiful boxes.



ADVENT AT HAZELWOOD

December 1: First Sunday of Advent

Lighting of the Hope Candle, Hanging of the Greens Worship Service, 10 a.m.

December 8: Second Sunday of Advent

Lighting of the Peace Candle, Worship Service, 10 a.m.
All-Youth Fellowship, Christmas Box Shopping, 11:30 a.m.

December 15: Third Sunday of Advent

Lighting of the Joy Candle, Worship Service, 10 a.m.
All-Youth Fellowship, Christmas Box Wrapping, 11:30 a.m.
Christmas Caroling, 1 p.m.

December 19

Pack Boxes for Christmas Box Project, 6 p.m.

December 21

Arrival of Perishable Food for Christmas Box Project, 8 a.m.
Deliver Christmas Boxes, 8:30 a.m.

December 22: Fourth Sunday of Advent

Lighting of the Love Candle, Worship Service, 10 a.m.

December 24: Christmas Eve

Church Office Closes at Noon
Christmas Eve Worship Service, 7 p.m.
Reception Following Worship

December 25: Christmas Day

Church Office Closed

DISBURSEMENTS

- ♦ \$300 to Salvation Army



NURSING HOME GIFT LIFT

We are in need of people to “adopt” a nursing home resident. We have 50 names this year. There are 10 names left for “adoption.” If you are interested in helping, please contact Shirley Bookout at (765) 744-1207.

Reminder to those who have already taken a name: Gifts need to be brought to the church **UNWRAPPED** with **NAME ATTACHED** no later than Sunday, December 1.

HAZELWOOD ANGELS

Thanks to the following volunteers who helped with Christian Ministries’ Food Pantry on either November 6, 7, or 8: Don & Cheryl Crose, Jay & Mary Ann Matchett, Dick & Marcia Miller, and Carol Schussler.

~Blessings & Gratitude from the Missions & Benevolence Team



CHRISTMAS BOX PROJECT

This service project brings joy to all– from the families in Delaware County who might otherwise not have a merry holiday season, to all those who participate. You can see this for yourself. Watch the youth shop for Secret Santa gifts and wrap presents- their faces light up as they anticipate the surprise and wonder of the child who opens their present. See the cheerfulness of those who gladly drag boxes around to the food stations as they fill them with much-needed food for the families. Listen to the wonderful stories from those who deliver the boxes; the joy they feel overflows when families weep tears of joy and gratitude for what has been given to them.

This project is about celebrating Advent with these families. We bring them more than boxes of food and gifts for children; we bring HOPE, JOY, PEACE, and LOVE to these families in many wonderful ways. Please consider helping this project continue through your monetary support, donations of gift wrapping items (bows, ribbons, scotch tape, and labels), and volunteering your time. Your monetary gifts and donations can be dropped off any time in the church office. Let us all come together in service to others this holiday season, following the perfect example Jesus set for us.



Preschool News



Bazaar

Thank you to everyone for your help in making the Bazaar a huge success! Special thanks to the Preschool Team for all of your hard work. As you know, the Bazaar takes months of preparation. Everything from vendors, donations, signs, food preparation, and volunteer sign-ups was strategically thought out to ensure a successful Bazaar. Great job, Preschool Team!

Thank you to the many volunteers, clean-up crew, and Hazelwood staff for your hard work as well. Many thanks to the Hazelwood congregation for your love and support. It was good to see so many of you come out and support the Preschool. Thank you to the Delaware County community for coming and participating in our Bazaar.

Many Blessings

“Thanksgiving is a special time in our home as we gather around the table and share all the many blessings God has so generously provided. This Thanksgiving I would like to thank each and every one of you for allowing me to serve as your Preschool Director. It has been, and continues to be, a blessing to be a part of such tradition here at Hazelwood. I love to see the many families who return year after year for quality education for their preschoolers.

In closing, I would like to say thank you to each one of the teachers and assistant teachers for loving the precious children and families we serve. God has chosen you specially, for a very important role, to share the good news of Jesus Christ into the little minds of the children we care for. Have a safe and bountiful Thanksgiving.”

~Angela Lopez, Preschool Director

Looking Ahead

November 25	Thanksgiving Feast, 4-5 Year-Old Classes, 11 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
November 26	Day of Giving, 3-4 Year-Old Classes, 10:30 a.m. & 2 p.m.
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Break - No School
December 13	Christmas Program, All Classes, 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 23-Jan. 5	Christmas Break - No School
January 20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No School
January 27	Chapel, 4-5 Year-Old Classes, 9:10 a.m. & 12:40 p.m.
January 30	Chapel, 3-4 Year-Old Classes, 9:10 a.m. & 12:40 p.m.



November 24-30, 2019

SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Band, 8:15 a.m., Sanctuary• Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary• All-Youth Fellowship, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall
MONDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CWF, 2 p.m., Morrison Woods, Room #101
TUESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NEST Study, 7 p.m., Moser’s Home
WEDNESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Happy Thanksgiving! Church Office Closed
FRIDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Church Office Closed

December 1-7, 2019

SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Band, 8:15 a.m., Sanctuary• Hanging of the Greens Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Elders, 5:30 p.m., Conference Room #108• Choir, 7:15 p.m., Sanctuary
THURSDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preschool Team, 1 p.m., Conference Room #108



LOOKING AHEAD...

December 8, 2019

All-Youth Fellowship and Christmas Box Shopping, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall

December 11, 2019

Choir, 7:15 p.m., Sanctuary

December 12, 2019

Book Club, 7 p.m., Sulanke Commons

December 13, 2019

Preschool Christmas Program, 6:30 p.m., Sanctuary

December 15, 2019

All-Youth Fellowship and Christmas Box Wrapping, 11:30 a.m., Cartwright Hall
Christmas Caroling, 1 p.m., Meet in Cartwright Hall