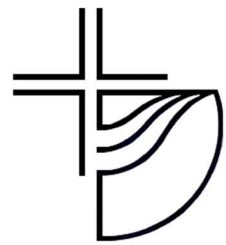


Montezuma Today



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Fall Church Business Meeting is November 7

Montezuma will meet for its fall business meeting at 11:30 a.m., Sunday, November 7. The meeting will include calling leadership for the coming years, approving a 2022 budget of \$262,280 recommended by the church board, consider a recommendation from the Executive Committee to purchase two stained glass windows for \$102,000 a piece, and vote to affirm the ordination of Linda Waggy. A packet of reports, YTD 2021 financials, the proposed 2022 budget, and slate of leaders is available at this time. Your participation in this meeting is important. Only members present at the meeting may vote, but active participants in the congregation are encouraged to be there and join any discussions.

Open Doors Shelter Meals November 8-12

Montezuma continues its ministry with the Open Doors shelter. Since the beginning of the pandemic, local congregations no longer host the shelter in their buildings and all services have been transferred to the old Red Front building. Montezuma will provide supper and breakfast items for the week of November 8-12. All five meals are accounted for, but we are still looking for some servers for the meals. See Mary Frances Heishman, Carol Lena Miller, or Ralph Rohrer.

CROP Walk November 7

The Bridgewater/Dayton Area Crop Walk is Sunday, November 7 at 2 p.m. The walk begins at the Bridgewater Community Center and walkers will be able to select from a variety of walk distances. Walkers collect sponsors and turn in those funds to support Church World Service's hunger-fighting programs in 80 countries around the world. 25% of the proceeds from this walk come back to fight hunger in our own community. Walking for Montezuma are Ed Johnson and David Miller. You may give contributions to either one of them by Sunday morning, November 7. Make checks payable to CWS/CROP. Thanks.

Advent Begins November 28

The First Sunday of Advent is November 28. Pastor Ron Wyrick is preaching. Tom Miller and David Skelton plan to set up the Nativity scene in the front yard of the meeting house to highlight the birth of the Christ Child for passersby to see. The congregation is looking forward to a Christmas Eve service that will be planned by the Nurture Commission and partners.

Pastor David Miller's last Sunday is November 14

Montezuma will bid farewell and best wishes to Pastor David Miller, and family, Carol Lena, Jonas, and Zeb, on Sunday, November 14. There will be a traditional worship that morning and a reception for the family at Montezuma Hall from 2 – 4 p.m. Pastor Miller and family came to Montezuma March 16, 2006. The Millers express their deep appreciation to the Montezuma congregation for the friendship and love they have experienced during these fifteen and a half years.

Glick and Wyrick to serve as Interim Pastors

J.D. Glick and Ron Wyrick will share interim pastoral responsibilities in the coming months. Their term of service begins in mid-November. Generally, J.D. will preach the first two Sundays of each month and Ron the latter two Sundays of the month. At this point, Wednesday is the day they plan to have office hours – 9 a.m. to noon, or longer – with J.D. taking the first half of the month and Ron the latter. They will provide pastoral care in hospital or emergency situations, anointings, and memorial services. Church Deacons will provide support to home bound members. J.D. will work with the Church Board.

Both J.D. and Ron have long experience as pastors. Among other congregations, both have pastored the Harrisonburg First Church of the Brethren, and J.D. was the founding pastor of the Sunrise congregation. Ron pastored the Montezuma congregation from 1982-87. Contact information for both pastors will be made available in the days ahead.

District Conference Downsized to November 6

The Shenandoah District Conference is being downsized from its Friday/Saturday format to a Saturday morning event that will include only delegates and district personnel. This meeting will be held at the Rockingham County Fairgrounds in the Livestock Barn. Montezuma delegates are Ethan Dakin, Ramona Evans, Mary Frances Heishman, Dorita Webster, and David Miller.

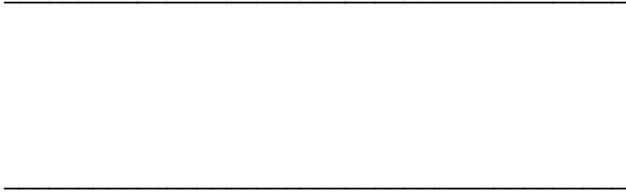
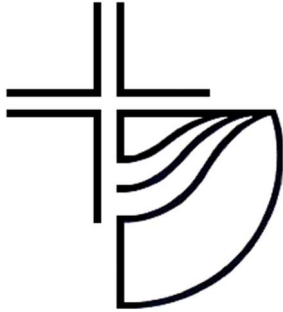
November Outreach Offering: CWS Blankets

November is Blanket month at Montezuma. Our outreach offering supports Church World Service and its blanket ministry. Ten dollars buys a warm, durable blanket that gets used around the world. Let's have a good month supporting this ministry.

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November Birthdays:

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| 1 Angela Andrews
Katie Jackson
Garrett Cash
Arleigh Mason | 14 Jill Brashears
Shari Payne
Jackson Healy |
| 2 Cortland Andrews
Scott Showalter | 15 William Grady
Corey Shull |
| 4 Larry Carpenter
Calvin Lokey
Ezra Barnhart
Ethan Dakin | 16 Delmas Harper
17 Mike Bazzle
19 Cody Airey
Edith Burger
David Harback
Denise Harper |
| 6 Jeff Harper
9 Gloria Horne
Sam Rohrer
Doug Tumer
Titus Smiley | 21 Barbara Keller
Mila Rhodes
22 Jordan Smiley
24 Yolanda Waggy
Katelyn Will |
| 10 April Payne
Drew Richard | 25 Lisa Moran
26 Mason Shull
Hayley Daubert |
| 11 Chris Click
Katie Richard | |
| 13 Jennifer Prawdzik | |

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| 27 Austin Shifflett
Rick Kiser |
| 28 Sarah Craun |
| 30 Jared Ross |

November Anniversaries:

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| 4 William & Louise Grady |
| 9 Roy & Juanita Swartz |
| 10 Delmas & Denise Harper |
| 11 Gene & Joyce Sheffer |
| 14 David & Shelby Click |
| 18 Thomas & Jill Brashears |
| 19 Russ & Kathy Veal |
| 21 David & Carol Lena Miller |
| 25 Ken & Sue Miller |
| 26 Scott & Heidi Mason
Ray & Marsha Shank |

Our Stewardship for October 2021

Attendance			
	Worship	Sunday School	Regular Offering
Oct 3	92	45	\$4,840.00
Oct 10	87	52	\$3,720.00
Oct 17	99	38	\$4,150.00
Oct 24	87	--	\$9,329.49
Oct 31	95	36	\$3,845.00
Oct average per Sun.	92	43	\$5,176.89
Last 12 mos. average per Sunday			\$5,468.41

Special Giving for October 2021

Backpack Program	\$490	Sadie Rose Foundation	\$1,100
Heritage Festival	\$16,299.17	Window Fund	\$1,915
Heritage Festival Vendor Fees	\$165	Youth Cookbooks	\$30
Library Fund	\$5		