



Grace Notes

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2011 Trends

As we begin to approach the end of the year, lets take a look at some of the important numbers we have had in the past 10 months. This will give us a chance to focus on where we are as a congregation and what we need to accomplish before the end of the year.

Attendance:

Attendance has been significantly up this year. With the exception of October, we had at least one Sunday every month that we had over 50 people at church. March 20 was our high point, with attendance at 72. There were four (of 10) different months that had a Sunday of 60+ in attendance. Let's strive to get attendance back up for the end of the year and finish on a high point.

Education:

Sunday School and Bible Study are going well. There are approximately 18 kids and adults at Sunday School on a regular basis. However, this can still continue to improve. Sunday School has been the weak area for us, and if we want to see our congregation grow, Sunday School needs to grow. Church is more than worship at 10:30. Bible Study is still going strong with 2 classes with 12 people. This also is an improvement. There is always room for more though!

Giving:

Each month we include a giving update at the bottom of this page. Currently, we continue to run behind roughly \$3000 per month. The drop in attendance has been noticeable not only during worship, but also in giving. Just a reminder that regardless of whether you are at church or not, the church keeps on going. Our giving is a big improvement over where we were (in 2008 we ran behind almost \$5000 per month), yet it still has a long way to go. How can we change this? Two ways: we give more, or we evangelize more. As hard as it is to do, I would hope both happens. This has been another good year of growth for us, lets keep it up!

Upcoming dates of importance:

Fall Congregational Meeting is November 13

Also, Christmas is on a Sunday this year. We will do something special for worship and we will cancel Sunday School for that day to honor family traditions.

An update on Finances:

September deposits:	\$5594.88
September Expenses	\$12,745.92 (Includes yearly insurance payment)
Total Assets:	\$114,477.89

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In our Prayers

- Ann
- Daniel (Jane's dad)
- Anna (Laurie Schell's mom)
- David Schaeffer
- Brianna (Andrea H.'s friend)
- Scott Sny
- Woody Bailes (Pat M.'s brother)

November 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Bible Study 6:30pm	2 Bible Study 10:15	3	4	5 Fall Bazaar and Luncheon
6 All Saints Sun- day	7 Women's Fellow- ship 7:00	8 Bible Study 6:30pm	9 Bible Study 10:15 Lutheran Men 6:30	10 Council 7:00	11	12
13 Congregational Meeting after Wor- ship	14	15 Bible Study 6:30pm	16 Bible Study 10:15	17	18	19
20 Christ the King Sunday	21	22 Bible Study 6:30pm	23 Bible Study 10:15	24	25	26
27 Advent begins	28	29 Bible Study 6:30pm	30 Bible Study 10:15	Dec. 1	Dec. 2	Dec 3. Women's Fellowship gift wrapping and ADVENT DINNER

Those Who Serve

Date	November 13	November 20	November 27	December 4
Refreshments	Crawley	Donaldson	Zeigler	DeBerry and Morton
Ushers	Bob Faulks Norm Lewis	Rich Donaldson Rich Van Wagoner	John Fancher Melton Roof	John Adderholdt Gere Ablett
Greeter	Bobby Torrence	Barbara Cantrell	John Fancher	Gere Ablett
Communion Assistant	Bob Faulks	Melton Roof	Mary Lou Saville	Bob Faulks
Counters	Gail Brown Norm Lewis	Mary Lou Saville Jim Voris	Rich Van Wagoner Betty DeBerry	John Fancher Rich Donaldson
Altar Guild	Marianne Van Wagoner Bobby Torrence	Kay Otten Mary Lou Saville	Nellie Varner Jane Lewis	Diane Ablett Wendy Zeigler
Lector	Marianne Van Wagoner	Jane Lewis	Gail Hackett	Andrea Holtzer
Nursery	Christine Donaldson	Connie Faulks Patti DeBerry	Carrie Merrell	Connie Faulks Patti DeBerry
Acolyte	Robert Faulks	Taylor Crawley	Hunter Crawley	Taylor Crawley
Crucifer	Isaac Adderholdt	Hunter Crawley	Robert Faulks	Robert Faulks



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Bob Faulks, Property Chair

Jim Voris, Evangelism Chair

Betty DeBerry, Education Chair

Norm Lewis

November Birthdays

Connie Faulks—1

Norm Lewis—24

Lia Faulks—25

Mary Schaeffer—29

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November Flower List:

November 6: DeBerry: in honor of our granddaughter’s birthday

November 13: Hackett: In memory of my dad on his birthday

November 20: Lewis: In honor of Norm on his birthday

November 27: Varner: In memory of my dad on his birthday

September Council Meetings Notes

- The nominating committee is currently finding nominees for 2012 council
- Council looked at the preliminary budget for 2012. We will finalize it on Nov. 10.
- We are awaiting the pledge results from Stewardship Sunday
- Reformation Sunday will also be new members Sunday