



Ad Council has updated some changes here at the church because of new Covid guidelines:

- \*Bible and Hymnals have now been placed back into the pews.
- \* It's up to each individual if you want to wear a mask or not. If you still would like to wear a mask and don't have one, they are available in the fovers.
- \* Hand sanitizer is still available if needed, in the foyers and in the pews.
- \* There is still no greeting with the shaking of hands.
- \* An offering box is placed in the back of the church, as the ushers will not be passing the plates for the offering.
- \* There is no Wee Worshipers or Junior Church during the 11:00 worship service until further notice.
- \*Children's Sunday School Intermediate Dept., and the Men's and Women's Sunday School class and the Word Searchers class have begun.
- \* There are Sunday worship bulletins available each week and you can pick one up from the podium as you enter the Sanctuary.



## Wednesday, Nov. 10 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The Indian Head Church of God Community Luncheon Ministry will be offering

#### **FREE HOMEMADE SOUP**

by <u>drive thru only</u>, while supplies last. Soup will be packaged cold in containers and distributed here in the church parking lot. This event is held the second Wednesday of every month. If you would like to help, contact Bonnie Kimmel or Amy Grimm. <u>Everyone is welcome to come and get some soup!</u>





# Annual Ordinance Service of Holy Communion and Feet Washing

Sunday, Nov. 7 7:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend.



The annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 14, at 9:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary during the Sunday School hour. This meeting is to approve the 2022 proposed budget, have election of officers, and any other church business. There is a copy of the proposed budget in this newsletter, and also copies in both foyers.

# Operation Christmas Child Shoebox News





We will be packing shoeboxes with the items that have been collected all year long. There are two different days for packing the shoeboxes...

Monday, Nov. 8, 4:00-8:00 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, 5:00-9:00 p.m.



If you would like to pack your own shoebox, please fill it and bring back to the church **by Sunday, November 14.** There are boxes in the Indian Head side foyer. Remember there is a donation of \$9 per box to cover shipping, or you can give online and follow the destination of your shoebox.



We will continue to collect items throughout the next year for Operation Christmas child. There is a box in both foyers for I these items.



#### Child Dedication

We are planning on having child dedication at all services on November 6 and 7. If you are interested in having your child dedicated, please contact Pastor Doug.



\*We want to thank all of our church family for their prayers, food, cards, calls, love and support before, through and after Chuck's bypass surgery. God has blessed us through you and continues to show himself in your kindness. We are grateful for you!

Thanks again, Chuck and Jean Pelliccione

\*Your kindness and generosity are so appreciative for the prayers, cards and food.

Thank you again! Dick and Barb Roberts



#### **Drivers Needed**

Church Van Drivers are needed to help drive on Sunday mornings to pick up children for Sunday School. If you would be interested, please contact Dale Bigam.

### **Church Van Replacement**

Our Church Van has served us well, but it is over 15 years old and needs to be replaced. We are considering the purchase of a newer used van, perhaps a 2018 or 2019 model year. The price of a newer van is in the range of \$25,000 to \$30,000. We are asking that you prayerfully consider giving to this fund drive. If you would like to give towards this fund, please mark Van Fund on your envelope.



#### **Church Bulletin**

You are able to see the Church Bulletin each week on our website at: www.indianhead.cggc.org





#### Please note:

The <u>Give Plus app</u> for our online giving has changed its name to <u>VANCO</u>. Current users need to know it is no longer through Give Plus app on their phone but through the Vanco Mobile app.

We implemented our electronic giving in February of this year! We have three options available for your convenience.

- 1. <u>Text</u> your donation to: 888-788-2914
- 2. Give <u>online via our webpage</u> and follow the link.
- 3. Donate through the <u>Vanco app</u> on your phone.

Thank you to all who are supporting the church through these difficult times with your generous donations.

Donations can also be mailed to the church office at:

Indian Head Church of God PO Box 488 Indian Head PA 15446



The worship service continues to be streamed live on our Facebook page at **11:00 a.m**. on Sunday mornings.



Congratulations to **Matthew and Victoria (Culver) Marinchek** who were united in marriage on Saturday, October 23.



The District 14 Sunday School Rally will be held on Monday, November 1, 7:00 p.m., at the Calvary U.M. Church. Everyone is welcome to attend.



## The Choir will present



**Sunday, December 12 7:00 p.m.**In the Sanctuary



Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 7 at 2:00 a.m. Don't forget to turn your clocks back the night before!!!



# Because of YOU, Life Doesn't Stop

Christian and Family Children's Center is hosting a Blood Drive at our North Campus on *November 19th*. It will be held from 1p.m. to 6:30p.m.

Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood. This could be a little girl in the ICU or a mother with Stage 3 leukemia. If you are worried about needles, no need to be! Most blood donors compare the experience to a mild, split second pinch! The entire process is very safe and very fast, and you will feel amazing knowing you potentially saved up to three people.

COVID-19 vaccinated? Great! You are ABSOLUTELY allowed to give blood or platelets if you meet all general blood donation eligibility criteria.

All donors, regardless of vaccination status, are needed for blood donations. To register, contact <a href="mailto:info@champion.org">info@champion.org</a> TODAY to sign up or call us at 724-593-9200 ext. 105 or go to <a href="www.vitalant.org">www.vitalant.org</a> to sign up. Click on the Donate button and search with group code OS010093 for this drive and any time you give blood through Vitalant. By using this code, even at other Vitalant locations, your donation can be attributed to the Champion Christian School community.

Per Vitalant policy, requires masks for all donors, staff and guests. This policy is for all Vitalant blood drives and facilities regardless of vaccination status. Thank you for your understanding.



Notes from the Ad Council meeting on October 18...

\*Our annual Ordinance will be held on Sunday, Nov. 7 p.m. with feet washing and communion.

\*Pastor Ed will be guest speaker the weekend of Nov. 20-21, and Pastor Ben Tobias guest speaker the weekend of Nov. 27-28.

\*Youth Retreat at Camp Sonrise Mountain, Nov. 5-7. Registration fee is \$55.00. The church will pay \$30 of the registration fee for youth from our church and the parents pay \$25.00.

\*Chairpersons of each commission are to have their reports written and copies made before the congregational meeting.

\*Hymnals and Bibles will be put back in the pews and the ropes will be taken down.

\*The treasurer's report each month will be available on the tables in both foyers, and will be put in each church mailbox.

\*Fifth Sunday fellowship meals will be starting back up, either in October or January.

\*The Sunday School Gem handouts have been discontinued and we are looking for hand out materials to replace the discontinued Gems. Any suggestions, contact Dave Bruner.

\*The Live Auction made over \$4,500 for shoebox postage.

\*Shoebox packing will be Nov. 8, 4 to 8 pm., and Nov. 9, 5 to 9 pm.

\*Jane Kerr, from Shoes that Grow, donated 100 dresses for our shoeboxes. Outreach and Missions will donate \$500 towards her trip to Uganda and the purchase of 10 water filters.

\*Fall clean-up for the church will be Nov. 13, 9 a.m, with rain date Nov. 20.

\*The 2022 church budget was approved to be presented at the Congregational meeting for final approval.



## **HOMECOMING**

This is the season when schools hold their "Homecoming" events. It is a special time when graduates and their families return "home". The crowning of a Homecoming Queen and King and a special dance may be the highlights of the event. Perhaps a special dinner or get together will be held for graduates of certain classes from years gone by.

Homecoming is a great time to renew acquaintances, meet new people, and have a celebration party at the place which you hold in common with many others. It is a time to share the news of what has been happening in your life. It's a time to recall memories - good and bad. It's a time of joy and happiness. You remember those who are departed and embrace those who are new. It is simply a great time coming "home".

Did you ever think that every time we gather to worship Almighty God should be a "homecoming" celebration?

Think about it. It's a great time to:

- renew acquaintances, meet new people, and have a celebration party at the common place with many others;
- share the news of what has been happening in your life;
- recall memories good and bad;
- rejoice and be happy;
- remember those who are departed and embrace those who are new.

Now, you may not have been gone from one another for years (hopefully it was only a week or less), but any time we as believers have been apart *IT IS A HOMECOMING* when we gather. ("Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching." - Hebrews 10:25 NIV)

Homecomings are often very happy occasions and we are the ones who determine the attitude/atmosphere of the homecoming celebration. Yet, we are the ones who take the cheer out of it and make a weekly homecoming routine and mundane. This should not be so. Let us instead follow scripture which says: "I rejoiced with those who said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD."" - Psalms 122:1 NIV. And "Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name." - Psalms 100:4 NIV.

Oh, and as you come "home" for the celebration - why not bring a friend with you? They're looking for a home too.

Great Autumn blessings to you!
Pastor Doug





To our dear friends:

Thank you to our church family for your expressions of appreciation and love. We are blessed by you with notes and cards of heartfelt care and encouragement, not just now but throughout the year.

Our deep gratitude for the various cards, notes, and gifts we received from so many of our congregation. Special thanks to the church for the Pastor Appreciation gifts of the Certificate to Sight & Sound, the Oregon Trail game, the bracelet, G&D Market gift card, and the sundry items of cheer.

God has truly blessed us by you, our church family. We pray His continuing blessing of grace and love for you.

With heartfelt love and gratitude,

Pastor Doug & Judy



Saturday, October 30

12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Indian Head Church of God parking lot.



## FAIR TRADE SHOPPING EVENT

Mount Pleasant Church of God

Saturday, December 4, 2021

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Free Admission 18+ yendors/Live music

Complimentary coffee and donuts!! Don't spend all your money on black Friday...BE A BLESSING Our purchases matter - buy gifts that can change a life!

By purchasing fair trade merchandise, you can help artisans and farmers in developing countries to lift themselves out of poverty by providing them with a fair and living wage and sustainable income. The gifts you purchase can change lives on the other side of the world!

Please come and enjoy complimentary coffee, donuts, and live music as you shop for your loved ones. There will be jewelry, accessories, handbags, pottery, coffee, ornaments, chocolate, scarves, wallets, baskets, toys, home decor, candles, soap, aprons and more! Please SPREAD THE WORD by forwarding this invitation to friends or family who may enjoy this special event!

Vendors will include Ten Thousand Villages, Rahab's Rope, Mayan Hands, Project Have Hope, INTO Fair Trade, Apparent Project, Flat Boat Fair Traders, Delicate Fortress Creations, Southwestern Arts/Missions in Motion, REVY Fair Trade, Ornaments 4 Orphans, Mira Fair Trade, Global Mamas, Building New Hope and SERRV.

No need to RSVP. BE A BLESSING this Christmas season! We hope to see you on December 4th!