

THE MUNSEY UPDATE OCTOBER 25, 2020



MUNSEY
WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- ✓ **2 INDOOR, ONSITE SERVICES EACH SUNDAY:**
(Social distancing & masks required. Air hugs only, please!)
 - ★ 8:30am: Traditional Service in our Sanctuary
 - ★ 11:00am: Contemporary Service in our Christian Life Center
- ✓ **ONLINE WORSHIP: (No change)**
Available beginning at 8:30am each Sunday morning via:

http://





ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

We will name and remember those in our congregation who have died in the last year and partake in communion. Communion elements can be picked up at the church Mon. - Fri. from 9:00am-3:00pm or you can use elements you have at home. Homebound members will receive delivery of elements.




Rejoice • Pray • Give Thanks

I Thessalonians 5:16-18

Rejoice, Pray, Give Thanks! is our fall stewardship emphasis. Developing a life of gratitude will be our focus as we practice giving thanks for all the many gifts God offers to us and we share each day.

Here are the resources that will guide our journey:

"Grateful: The Transformative Power of Giving Thanks" will be our sermon series. October 18 - November 22, we will focus on gratitude. Gratitude can transform common days into thanksgiving, turn disappointment into joy, and change ordinary to extraordinary. At www.munsey.org/stewardship you can find:

- **A 7-Day Guide to Gratitude** provides a daily opportunity to develop awareness, practices, and prayer.
- **Table Talk and Reflection Guide** is a condensed version of the 7-Day Guide. Use this yourself and share this gratitude path with others—family, friends or co-workers, social media contacts, or a Zoom group you create.

Trish Patterson and Jamie Johnson are leading our online adult Sunday School lessons with an emphasis on gratitude. You can find it at our munsey.org homepage and our YouTube page (Search: YouTube Munsey Church.) Lessons are posted on Sunday mornings and can be viewed at any time after.

A Wednesday night Zoom small group facilitated by Patty Muse will also draw on the 7-Day Guide themes. This group meets from 6:00-7:00. For more information and to receive the Zoom invitation, contact patty@munsey.org.

ANNUAL CHARGE CONFERENCE

Our annual charge conference is today at 3:00pm. Church council members are voting members for this annual meeting with our district superintendent and other churches from our district that begins our processes of planning for the coming year of ministry. This year's meeting is by Zoom.

HOSPITALITY JOB OPENING

Munsey is seeking an energetic, engaged member to serve as our Ask Me Coordinator. Currently, the primary role is to recruit and train warm and friendly people to provide hospitality on Sunday mornings for our Sanctuary and Journey worship services and other gatherings we may have. As we expand in-person gatherings, this role will also include presence at weddings and funerals. Our Ask Me Coordinator will also help us vision the future, discerning ways to be invitational personally and digitally. The Ask Me Coordinator is part of the Invite Team. This is a paid part-time position with flexibility. For more information or to apply, please contact Patty Muse / patty@munsey.org / 423-956-2336.

COMMUNITY CARDS: DEADLINE EXTENDED

We are still writing notes of gratitude to educators through November 15. (Note: we need 650 more notes for school staff at this time.) Let's show our appreciation!

- 1) Pick up a pack of 10 (or 20) cards outside of worship (Narthex & CLC Lobby)
- 2) Write an encouraging note on the back
- 3) Return cards by November 15 on Sundays. On weekdays, you can bring them to the main office (glass door) entrance between 9:00am-3:00pm. Ring the bell when you arrive.

CARE

RECENTLY IN THE HOSPITAL: Deborah (Eller) Nichols, Dick Smith, Tom Terry

SYMPATHY: to the family and friends of Dr. Gil Rannick who passed away on October 17 in Johnson City; and to Priscilla Ramsey in the death of her brother, Richard Webster, on October 18 in Seattle, Washington.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT: Congratulations to Austin and Maitland Holbrook on the birth of their daughter, Frances Lane, born on October 9, 2020. Proud Munsey grandparents are John and Patty Holbrook; and to Joe and Jacqueline (Hughes) Montileone on the birth of their son, Bowen James, on October 17 in Nolensville, TN. Proud Munsey grandparents are Jim and Gayle Hughes and great-grandmother, Ann Hawkins.

SEND

SIGN UP TO HELP WITH MIATTA'S HABITAT BUILD

Sign up to help landscape Miatta's house. Munsey is scheduled November 11-14. To sign up:

- Go to holstonhabitat.org
- Click on "Volunteer" and "Construction" in the pull-down
- Click on "Volunteer on Miatta's Build"
- Click on "Volunteer" [located on the right side]
- Scroll down to "I" Week 9
- Enter password Munsey [all lower case]
- Unlock shifts

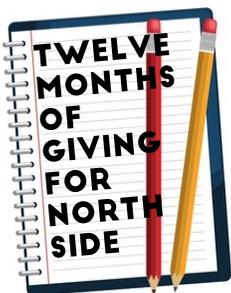
If you have any questions or encounter any problems, contact Steve Wheeler, Missions Coordinator at 423-946-4947 or steve@munsey.org.



October is the month of:

**CLOROX WIPES, KLEENEX,
LYSOL SPRAY,
HAND SANITIZER,
MONEY FOR LICE KITS**

Items can be brought on
Sundays or to the
glass CLC doors Mon-Fri
9:00am-3:00pm.
(ring the doorbell)



SHEPHERD'S BREAKFAST HOSTS:

November 7: Cornerstone Class
November 14: Wesley Class
November 21: Strong Tower Church

All meals will be pre-packed breakfast bags to be distributed. Recipients will take their breakfast bags to go.

To serve or to learn more about our Saturday morning ministry for our downtown neighbors, contact steve@munsey.org.

CHILDREN

TODAY! DRIVE-THRU TRUNK OR TREAT

We hope that our Munsey Church, Munsey Preschool, and North Side families will join us today from 4:00-5:30pm! We invite you to dress up in your non-scary costumes and drive through the Lower CLC parking lot to enjoy decorated trunks, fun costumes, games that can be enjoyed from your car, and treat stops along the way. When you arrive this afternoon, please come up Colonial Way (between the preschool lot and the Annex) and head through the upper CLC lot to drive down into the lower CLC lot. See you later today!

SAFETY UPDATE

We just wanted to let you know that we continue to stay in touch with the Holston Conference and our Three Rivers District office regarding guidelines for children's ministry during this pandemic. We currently aren't able to host Sunday School or other groups for all of our children but continue to be in conversation about safety updates and what we may do when we are able. We miss seeing your kiddos so much and look forward to when we're able to meet with them again!

REJOICE, PRAY, GIVE THANKS

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YOUTH

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

We have Youth Sunday School on Zoom at 10:00am on Sundays and hope to see you there! Our Zoom link is sent via email and text each week.

LIFE GROUPS

Life Groups are outside and in-person in different Munsey parking lots from 6:00-6:45pm on Wednesdays. Each person should bring a chair and a mask. As the weather gets colder, we have inside rooms to use and will let you know each week if we're meeting outside or inside. When we meet inside, enter and exit through the white CLC doors under the portico. When meeting inside, please still bring your mask, but you won't need to bring a chair. Don't hesitate to let us know if you still need to connect through Zoom or FaceTime!

SERVICE PROJECT

Even when we can't meet together, we can still reach out in service to others! For our October service project, we're asking students, parents, and volunteers to donate to Isaiah 117 House. You can purchase the following items and either give them to Youth Staff or contact Isaiah 117 House to deliver: gift cards (Wal-Mart, Old Navy, Shoe Carnival, Target, fast food restaurants), new clothing for all ages, new duffel bags, and toiletry items. Thanks in advance for helping!

CONNECTING WITH YOUTH STAFF

We love getting to connect with our students through porch visits, so just let us know if you would like a Youth Staff visit on your porch or in your yard! We would also love to see you in your extracurricular games and programs, so please send us your schedules, and we'll come cheer for you!

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