

ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 17, 2024

- **WELCOME!** Please sign in on a fellowship pad, located at the end of your pew. Provide your email to be added to our e-newsletter list.
- Place your **prayer requests** in the basket on the table at the rear of the sanctuary. They will be collected five minutes before the start of worship.
- **Hearing assisted devices** are available from the sound board operator. These transmit the sound from the microphones directly to your ears. **Magnifying sheets** are available on the table in the narthex by the office.
- Please **silence your cell phone** before worship starts. Thank you!
- **We are livestreaming worship** on Facebook and YouTube.

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- Please submit your **pledge card for 2025** as soon as possible. Thank you very much to those who have already turned yours in. We still have quite a ways to go to be able to fund our ministries, our building, and our staff for next year, and your support is greatly appreciated.
- The **Adult Sunday School Class** will be watching the second half of the fifth episode of Season 4 of *The Chosen* this morning at 11:30 am in the library with a brief discussion following. Join us as we watch this captivating series of Jesus' ministry. Episode 5: Roman soldiers demand the disciples carry their armor, but Jesus goes one step farther. Frustrated by the direction of Jesus' ministry, Judas visits an old friend for advice.
- There will be a **congregational meeting following worship on Sunday, Nov. 24**, for the purpose of electing Elders, Deacons, and members of the Nominating Committee, and to approve the Pastor's Terms of Call for 2024. Business is limited to those items.
- The Women's Association has a **pie signup sheet** on the bulletin board outside the office. The deadline for all orders is November 24 in order to have them ready in time for Thanksgiving. If you have any questions, please see Gladys Welker.
- Mason's **Community Thanksgiving Dinner** will be on November 28 at 12 pm at the Nazarene Church. All are welcome (dine in or drive thru).
- The Deacons are collecting items for this year's **Christmas Family project**. Here is a list of the non-perishable items we will be collecting. As we get closer to Christmas, we will announce some of the remaining perishable items to be collected. Spaghetti noodles, ready rice, canned chicken, canned tuna, peanut butter, strawberry jam, apple sauce jars, instant potatoes, cheerios, corn Chex, Ritz crackers/generic brand, cans of soup, Hershey's miniatures candy, liquid hand soap – soft soap pump bottle, and bottled dish soap.

- **Poinsettias** for the Christmas season can now be ordered. The cost is \$14.50. An order sheet is posted outside the church office, and the final order date will be December 8.
- **Name tags are back!** We are inviting you to pick up your name tag from the table in the Memorial Room, wear it on Sunday, and then store it in one of the two name tag racks. There is a name tag rack at each of the entrances to the Sanctuary; please store your name tag at the entrance you use more frequently. Please do not return your name tag to the table in the Memorial Room. If you would prefer to use a lanyard rather than a clip, a supply of lanyards is available on the table. For safety reasons, we are not making name tags for anyone under the age of 18. Thank you!
- There is still an open Sunday for **sanctuary flowers** on June 1, 2025. Please let us know if you would like to donate flowers in memory/honor of a loved one.
- **Donors should have received a third quarter contribution statement.** If there are errors, please contact Sandy Diehl. Also, offering envelopes for 2024 for several households are in the Memorial Room.
- **Welcome to our new staff members** Jessica Tessman (Office Manager), Jess Weber (Financial Secretary), and Le Ji ("Claire") (Choral Worship Accompanist). We are very blessed!
- We continue to receive **applications for an additional musician** who can play the organ and provide service music. Please keep praying!
- Please send **submissions for the weekly announcements** and the monthly *Cornerstone* newsletter to Nancy Sue MacDonald at nancy@masonpresbyterian.org. Weekly announcements should be brief.
- **The November/December issue of *The Upper Room* daily devotional** (regular or large print) is available at each entrance to the sanctuary. (Free!)

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Ongoing opportunities

- Join us for **dinner each Wednesday night** at 6:00 pm in the Dining Room! Dinner is open to the whole church and you don't need to bring any food. Monetary donations are greatly appreciated to help cover the food expenses; the cost to hold these dinners has increased. Thank you!
- On Wednesdays from 10:15 to about 11:00 am, volunteers pack **sack lunches to be delivered to Advent House**. New helpers are welcome!
- **Prayer Fellowship** is on Wednesdays at noon in the Chapel. This is a rich time of guided prayer in company with others. All are welcome.
- To join the church's telephone **Prayer Chain**, contact the church office.