# **The Good News**

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## November 2023

#### Thanksgiving Worship

On Sabbath, November 25, we will worship through songs of praise, words of gratitude and testimonies of love! We will worship as we lift our eyes toward heaven and our hearts to the throne of Grace!

Please plan to join us on the last Sabbath of November, for Bible study during Sabbath School beginning at 9:30 and then the worship service filled with praise!

"And now we thank You, our God, and praise Your glorious Name." 1 Chronicles 29:13

#### DRUMSTICK DASH

Thanksgiving Day Thursday November 23 Start Time: 9:00 am End Time: 10:30 am

Price: \$35.00 Race Fee

Register online by searching <u>Drumstick Dash 2023</u>. *Move your feet so others can eat!* 



#### Sabbath Afternoon November 11 @ 1:45

We are going to the North Roanoke Assisted Living to visit with the residents and sing and pray and more! The facility is located at 6910 Williamson Road.

A bag lunch will be provided after services on Sabbath November 11 for those wanting to go to the Assisted Living. We leave the church about 1:15 and the afternoon program starts at the Assisted Living at 1:45.

You are invited to be a blessing to others while receiving a blessing in return! If you would like to sing a song or tell a story or share a devotional thought with the residents, please contact either Judy Hodgkin or Carol Doudiken and let them know!





Dear Father,

For food in a world where many walk in hunger,

For faith in a world where many walk in fear,

For friends in a world where many walk alone,

We give you thanks!

Amen



#### **Adult Sabbath School**

Throughout November, the Adult Sabbath School class will continue to study and discuss *God's Mission My Mission. We are* examining how effective mission connects us with others. "Mission" goes beyond preaching truth, to living it! Our mission is to be involved in a work driven by the example of our loving Savior.

Come, let's study together as we learn to live God's mission every day! Join us on Sabbath mornings at 9:30 in the Fellowship Room.



During November, the Pathfinder Club will collect new and gently worn coats, hats and gloves to share with those in our community that need them! Thank you for your donations as together we serve those less fortunate!



**Kids Sing Praise Choir** 

The Kids Sing Praise ("KSP") Choir is for all children and youth from ages five and up!

The KSP Choir meets for practice on the second Sabbath morning of each month from 9:30 to 10:00 and then again on the fourth Sabbath afternoon of each month from 1:00 to 2:00.

The Choir is practicing some new music for the upcoming holidays. Kids, sign up today! See Nina Kesselring for more details!





#### **Christmas is coming!**

Let's share our blessings with the residents of

#### WOODHAVEN Nursing and Memory Care

Gift lists are being prepared!

Come to Adult Sabbath School for more information!

#### Friday Night Vespers

Each Friday evening at our church, a small group meets to discuss the little book, "Steps to Christ."

The group members start out catching up from the week and chatting a bit. They will sing and pray together. The discussions are open, relevant and thought provoking.

All are welcome to come for a casual time together as we gather each Friday evening from 7:00 to 7:50.



#### Come and Celebrate Thanksgiving with our Students!

On Friday, November 17, the Roanoke Adventist Christian School will host its annual Thanksgiving Program and Brunch from 10:30 until noon.

The school students and the homeschoolers enrolled in the CONNECT Program will present a program including music and poetry. After the program, all participants and guests are invited to stay for Thanksgiving Brunch.

All members and guests of the Roanoke SDA Church are invited! So please RSVP by November 12 so there will be plenty of food for all guests. You may RSVP on the sign-up sheet in the church foyer or by emailing Jackie Powell-Long, roanokeadventistprep@gmail.com.

For more information regarding this special invitation, please see Jackie Powell-Long, principal/head teacher of our school.



The work for this year's Nominating Committee's may be nearly done by the time you read this newsletter. The Lord has been and will continue to lead the Committee throughout it's work and soon we will have a report of ministry leaders for 2024!

There are still opportunities for everyone to be involved in a ministry even after the committee's work is done. If there is a ministry that particularly interests you, or one you would like to know more about, by all means approach the leader of that ministry and let them know! Good leaders are always looking for others to be involved!



#### **Connections!** Sabbath, November 18

Connections' goal is to use our hearts, hands and feet to reach people and build bridges for the Kingdom of God!

After services on Sabbath, November 18, we will gather in the Fellowship Room over some refreshments to visit with one another and our guests and to learn more about some ministry opportunities to build bridges!

Please plan to bring your donations for the Coat Drive to our next Connections!



The 2023 Church Board met on October 9, 2023, to address some of our ministries and business.

The following are highlights of some of the items the board discussed:

- > Connections Breakfast on Sabbath morning, October 14, 9:00 - 10:00
- > New Members Brunch on Sunday, October 29, 10:00
- > Pastoral Search is continuing
- Pathfinders' Bike-a-Thon on Sunday, October 15 at Smith Park
- > Pathfinders will have outdoor meeting on Mill Mountain, Sabbath, November 18, 1:30
- > Pathfinder Holiday Social, Saturday night, December 16
- Pathfinder Movie Night, Saturday night January 27, for Camporee Fundraiser
- > Pathfinder Coat Drive, November 4 to December 4
- > Thank you to Gregory Gooden for presenting recent Spiritual Emphasis Week for the students
- > Students and Pathfinders will participate in the Vinton Christmas Parade on Thursday, November 30
- > GYC will be line item in 2024 budget. Church may cover a portion for the 2023 GYC for those who want to attend.
- > Guest Speaker, Tim Rumsey, will have three presentations on Sabbath, October 21
- > Ad hoc committee gave report regarding Facility Expansion. The committee will continue to study the issue and bring a report to the next board meeting.
- > Board voted to recommend the transfers in of Marisol Lopez, and Angela and Alexa Casaux.
- > Report was given regarding new digital sign and the committee was encouraged to bring a report to the board in January 2024.

All church board members are encouraged to attend the next meeting on Monday evening, November 13 at 6:15 p.m. Please pray for the work of our church board!

#### Fall Festival 2023 Success!

The Fall Festival with our church family at a member's gorgeous farm was so fun! Eric and I ran the Balloon Dart Game and it was a blast!!

We had some wind issues with tents blowing over, but we kept on rolling! Don't even get me started on how delicious the Dutch Oven Cobblers were. They baked them right in the coals of the fire!

We had the pleasure of spending the weekend with Dr. Tim Rumsey (special speaker/ director of Pathway to Paradise Ministries) and his wonderful family. He is an incredible source of biblical truth and his wife and kids are just the sweetest people!

The location was perfect! We felt like we were on vacation. It's certainly a piece of country paradise.

We love our church!

~ Jenny Leeth



Jenny Leeth and Eric McGuire





May the Lord light your way in the coming year and fill your days with His peace and the joy of His presence! Happy Birthday!

#### November

- 1 Amor Cadiao
- 3 Marty Squier
- 5 Jennifer Dodge
- 6 Claude Brown
- 7 Liz McLennan
- 8 Suzanne P. Lancaster
- 10 Mark Raleigh
- 12 Vicki Brown
- 13 Ryan Greenway
- 15 Beth Armstrong
- 17 Jayden Gooden
- 18 Marc Buch
- 21 Mitzi Harlow Boggs
- 24 Jackie Powell-Long
- 28 Megan Greenway
- 29 Murray Joiner
- 30 Rickey Deyerle

The December 2023 issue of THE GOOD NEWS will be distributed beginning November 25, 2023 Please send info and pictures to RoanokeSDAChurch@gmail.com Next Deadline: November 20, 2023

#### Who to Contact?

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> Clerk: Carol Doudiken 540-580-1589

Treasurer: Mona Robinson 757-880-0377

> School: Marc Buch 540-776-0328 or Jackie Powell-Long 540-798-6061

### CHURCH MAILBOXES

As of 10-11-23

AKERS, Jim and Ingrid	9	LEETH, Jenny	51
ALATORRE, Yari	23	LITTLE, Rob and Maria	55
ANDERSON, Tommy and Nellie	2	LONG, Reggie and Jackie Powell-Long	13
AMO-MENSAH, Kofi and Doris	19	LOPEZ, Marisol, Angela and Alexa	49
BARNETT, Doug and Rachel	8	LUNDY, Anne	54
BOOTH, Kristy	17	MARTINEZ, Iggy	61
BROWN, Claude and Vicki	11	MCFARLANE, Monique	79
BUCH, Marc and Paula	14	MCGUIRE, Eric	57
CADIAO, Raymund and Mela	15	MCLENNAN, Chad and Kristen	35
CARMONA, Elizabeth	20	MCLENNAN, Lee and Patty	45
CHITWOOD, Mike and Peggy	18	MCLENNAN, Robert and Shellie	69
CLARKE, Dwayne and Oraleatha	16	MCLENNAN, Ryan and Liz	39
DEEL, Sammy	6	MERVIL, Schneider and Louna	48
DILLARD, Mark and Shamina	7	MUIR, Dani	25
DIXON, Stephen & MYRTIL, Julie	50	MUNCY, Glenn and Pritee Jane	27
DODGE, William and Jennifer	42	NICHOLS, Mildred	52
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GOODEN, Gregory and Novia	29	RALEIGH, Mark and Luzia	22
HACKLEY, Darren and Embelle	37	ROBINSON, Roy and Mona	63
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Church Mailboxes are for general use of communicating with other members and friends in our church family. Please feel free to share happy notes of congratulations, birthday wishes, holiday greetings, etc., as well as ministry information. If you do not see your name on the above list, please let Carol Doudiken know and she will designate a box for you and add your name to the list which is posted on the bulletin board to the left of the mailboxes in the hallway of the church.