

# THE HIGHLIGHTS

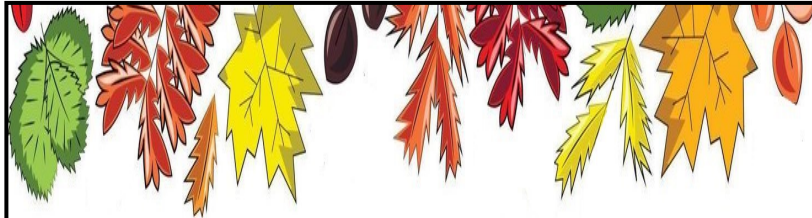
## Woodland Heights Baptist Church

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*One in Worship...Many in Service*



# October 2023



*Holy is the harvest,  
when each ripened ear,  
Bending to the sickle,  
crowns the golden year;  
Store them in our garner;  
winnow them with care;  
Give to God the glory  
in our praise and prayer.*



## Father, Hear Our Prayers for ...

Linda Ficklin  
Kathy Berg  
The McCloy Family  
Clinton Anderson  
The Ficklin Family  
Edna Fleming  
Clayton Gates  
Peggy Gross  
Joyce Hawks  
Peggy Jordan  
Carolyn Keller  
Anne Lowery

Virginia Massey  
Mac & Sandy McGee  
Fern Nolan  
Ramona Perry  
Sam Perry  
The Rudd Family  
Christine Severson  
Jane Tanner  
Betty Tiller  
Carol Wingo  
Charles Wingo  
Su Zachary

### Financial Stewardship

Budget Offering Receipts & Expenses YTD	
Receipts thru 08/31/23	\$ 83,635.44
Expenses thru 08/31/23	\$ 120,804.49
Expenses over Receipts	\$ (37,169.05)

### Special Offerings - August

Vacation Bible School	\$ 212.00
Food Ministry	\$ 200.00
Memorial	\$ 150.00
Memorial to Endowment	\$ 50.00
State Missions	\$ 20.00



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## A Message from our Interim Pastor, Rev. Dorryce Ann Rudd


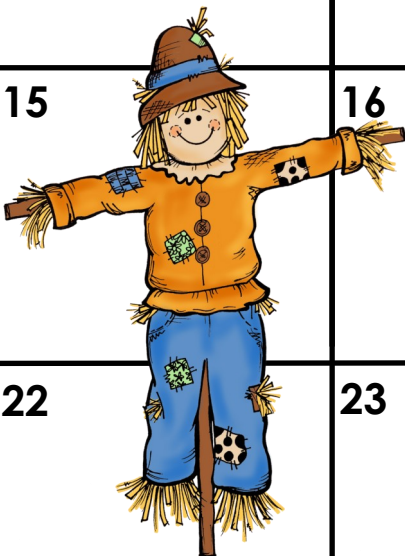
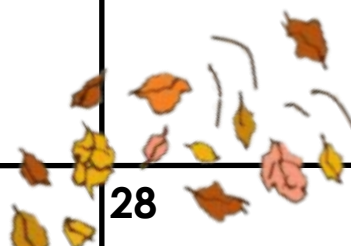




October is a time for God's paint brush! If you are up at sunrise or not too busy to watch the sun set, you see the beautiful artwork of God. It is breathtaking! But in October we see a very different picture that dazzles the eyes and inspires the soul – the everyday change of color. As nature prepares to go into a time of rest after presenting the harvest, it gives a final display. The leaves on the trees change colors, the animals grow a thick coat of fur and fat, and the air cools. This is a picture that no artist or photograph can completely capture. The picture changes little by little everyday until nature is at rest. God is giving us beauty to remember and is reminding us that winter is coming and we must prepare. As we move through October and prepare for the next season, let us be diligent in praising and thanking God for our blessings. He created us. He provides and protects us. He loves us and saves us!

## Donations Requested for Fall Festival

**Large Pumpkins** (will be tagged & returned to donors),  
**Mini-Pumpkins** to decorate,  
**Small Bagged Treats** for Prizes (no nuts, please),  
**Snack Cakes** or **Cupcakes** for Cake Walk Game,  
**Chips** (small bags),  
**Capri Sun** or **Juice Boxes**,  
**Canned Soda** or **Apple Cider**,  
**Chocolate Bars**, **Graham Crackers**, &  
**Marshmallows** for S'mores.

**Questions?** Please contact Ramona Perry or Teresa Freeman. Thanks in advance!

# October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Communion  Sermon: <i>A Dangerous Conversation</i>	2 ←  Choir Rehearsal, 11:30 am.	3	4	5	<b>Discipleship Bible Study</b> Family Relationships 10/01 All Creation Leaps for Joy: Isaiah 35 10/08 Loyalty: Ruth 1:6-18 10/15 Boundaries: Genesis 31:43-55 10/22 Consecration: Joshua 24:15-25 10/29 Legacy: Numbers 27:1-11	
8	9  National Indigenous Peoples' Day	10 	11	12	13  <b>Deadline:</b> November The Highlights Submissions	14
15 	16	17	18  Quarterly Business Meeting & Dinner, 6:00 pm.	19	20	21 
22  <b>Fall Festival</b>	23	24	25 	26	27 	28 
29  Deacons' Meeting	30	31 	<b>A Look Ahead!</b> Nov. 5th, All Saints' Service. Nov. 12th, Blessing of the Shoeboxes, during Worship. Nov. 19th, Thanksgiving Breakfast, 9:15 am & Blessing of the Turkey Baskets, during Worship. Dec. 2nd, Decorating Church for Christmas.			

**Weekly Church Activities**  
**Sundays**  
 9:30 am Discipleship Study  
 Handbell Rehearsal  
 Sunday School  
 10:30 am Worship  
**Wednesdays**  
 12:30 pm Bible/Book Study  
**Thursdays**  
 10:00 am Food Pantry Ministry

**WHBC Food Pantry**  
 In the month of **August** our Food Ministry served **81** individuals, supplying **58** bags of food to people in need!  
**Donations Needed:**  
 Cereal, Canned Fruits, Canned Vegetables, Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Peanut Butter, Grape Jelly, Macaroni & Cheese, Tuna, Vienna Sausages, Bottled Water & Brown Paper Bags with handles.



# You're Invited to Our Fall Festival!

Sunday, October 22nd, 1 - 3 pm.

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Bouncy Slide, Carnival Games,  
Cupcake Walk, Food & More!



Wear Your Halloween Costume,  
Bring a Bucket, & Trick or Treat!



# 'Tis the Season!!!

Our Operation Christmas Child/Samaritan's Purse campaign has started. It's time to pack a shoebox for a child and share God's love.

Please stop by the display in the hall near the church library to get information and pick up a box or two to fill. You may also pick up boxes on Thursdays from 10:00 am to noon or by calling the church office at 804-233-2222.

Boxes are due back at church on **November 12**, along with a \$10 fee to cover shipping and handling. This year there is an option to Build a Shoebox online in the amount of \$25 (<https://www.samaritanaspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/buildonline/>).

Please see Marie Kelley or Anita Floyd with any questions you may have. Thank you.

**Let's beat our goal from last year of 32 boxes!**

## Sharing God's Blessings

### Turkey Baskets

- Turkeys
- Yams (40 oz., preferred)
- Marshmallows
- Bags/Boxes of Stuffing
- Green Beans (38 oz., preferred)
- Jars/Cans of Gravy
- Boxes of Mashed Potatoes
- Bags of Rice
- Cranberry Sauce
- Cake Mixes
- Frosting

Our Thanksgiving table will be located in the Sanctuary for Sunday donations. In addition, you may make deliveries on Thursdays from 10:00 am to noon, or by calling the church office at 804-233-2222. **Thursday, November 16**, is the deadline to deliver donations.

*Thank you in advance for your donations!*

