### Today

#### HARVEST OFFERING SUNDAY

"Oh, put God to the test and see how kind he is! See for yourself the way his mercies shower down on all who trust in him." Psalm 34:8 (LB)

Our desire today is to witness the outpouring of Heaven's bounty as we encounter God together. You will be given the opportunity to share brief testimonies of His mercies shown to you. Be thinking about what you would share.

Pastor David will be sharing from Deuteronomy 26:1-11 in a message titled, "First Fruits".

12:15 p.m. Fellowship Meal

This Wee	k November 14-1
TUESDAY	
8:00 a.m. WEDNESDAY	Koffee & Konversation, Hellertown Diner
6:30 p.m. THURSDAY	Good News Club, Ignite & Connect
7:30 p.m.	Worship Team Practice

# This Week's Discipleship Journal Reading Plan

 November 13
 Catch up day

 November 14
 John 10:22-42, 1 John 2:24-29, Job 12, Ezekiel 33-34

 November 15
 John 11:1-16, 1 John 3:1-10, Job 13, Ezekiel 35-37

 November 16
 John 11:17-37, 1 John 3:11-18, Job 14, Ezekiel 38-39

 November 17
 John 11:38-44, 1 John 3:19-24, Job 15:1-16, Ezekiel 40-41

 November 18
 John 11:45-57, 1 John 4:1-6, Job 15:17-35, Ezekiel 42-44

 November 19
 John 12:1-11, 1 John 4:7-21, Job 16, Ezekiel 45-47

#### Announcements

We have **Hearing Assist Units** available for those who may have difficulty hearing the service. Please speak to the person in the sound room to receive your unit for the morning.

We have a **Staffed Nursery** to care for your children through age three. In addition, there is a **Cry Room** at the rear of the sanctuary to attend to the needs of infants.

We have **Sunday School** for all ages. Please refer to the back of your bulletin to see where each class will be meeting.

We have a **Fellowship Meal** today following Sunday School. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Good News Club, Ignite and Connect** will all meet on Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m.

The **Finance Commission** will be meeting on November 21 at 7:00 p.m.

**BOOST** will be meeting on November 28 at 7:30 p.m.

Our **November Lunch Bunch** will be Wednesday, November 30, at 12 noon. We will be going to Martellucci's in Bethlehem. The restaurant is located at 1419 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer.

**SCMC Ladies and Little Ladies** are invited to an **Advent Tea** on Saturday, **December 3**, at 11am-1pm. Join us for a very special celebration of the Christmas Season. There is no charge for this event. Please use the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

**Saturday, December 3**, from 5:00-8:30pm is our **Holiday Babysitting Night.** Go on a date with your spouse or do some holiday shopping. Drop your children off at the church while the youth group does a variety of Christmas activities with them. Feed your child dinner before they come and a snack will be provided. Please sign up by Wednesday, November 30.

**Planning Ahead for Christmas –** The Candlelight Christmas Eve Service will be December 24 at 8:00 p.m. Christmas Sunday Worship will be held at 10:00 a.m. (No Sunday School). The New Year's Day Worship will also be held at 10:00 a.m. (No Sunday School). **Poinsettia Sale!!** Lehigh Valley Christian High School will be selling poinsettias and other Christmas greens as a fundraiser for the school. Orders and payments must be in **by next Sunday**, November 20. Please make checks payable to LVCHS. The poinsettias will be delivered on December 2. Please place your order on the sheet in the foyer.

### **Ministry Opportunities & Events**

A Sunday School teacher is needed for the **Pre-K 4&5** year old class for the Winter Quarter, December 11 – March 19. Please let Tara know if you can fill this spot ASAP. If you would like to be on a sub list, let her know as well.

Today we will be receiving our Harvest Offering. The goal is \$16,000 plus 100 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. This is an offering above the normal tithe. The offering will be distributed as follows:

1. Operation Christmas Child – Besides blessing the shoebox recipient, giving shoeboxes allows our children a hands-on experience of giving to bless another person. [100 boxes]

2. Jenn and Brendan O'Brien - Called to serve with Push the Rock International as a European director. Push the Rock uses sport camps to introduce young people to Jesus Christ. [\$5,000]

3. Jessica and Bart Tossenou - Mission workers in China. Travel to US for VISA reapplication [\$4,000]

4. Warren County, NJ Foster care - Annual Christmas party held at Camp Tecumseh. A time of celebration for 100 children involving games, face painting, etc. In addition, they give gifts to the children in foster care. [\$2,000]

5. Micah Miller family - Micah was killed in a tragic car accident on September 29. Micah leaves a young wife and two children (1 and 3 years old). [\$5,000]

# **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:

Victor & Lori Sabatino – November 14 Jim & Cathy Troxell – November 17

### **Attendance and Giving**

OFFERING ON NOVEMBER 6: \$4723.30 ATTENDANCE ON NOVEMBER 6: 154

TODAY

# **Serving Others**

### NEXT WEEK: (Nov. 20)

Meghan Cela Nursery Val Newcomer Yen Truong (Alt.) Lisa Walters (Alt.) Jaylen Lesser Autumn Willard Lee & Danette Walters Mark & Nancy Walters Greeters Kelly Schoch Worship Ldr. Dan Reed Neal Kempf Chip Shimko Ushers Harold Lehman **Bob Kemmerer** Tim Walters Rob Ibach Children's Message Rachel Feenstra Sue Reed

### **Sunday School Information**

**2-3 YEAR OLDS** Led by Janet Heft Helper, MaiMy Bui Upstairs Nursery

KIND. & GRADE 1 Led by Becky Thatcher Helper, Lucy Litke Room LL1

GRADES 4 & 5 Led by Lydia Mohler Room LL3

GRADES 9-12 Led by Dan Reed Youth Room GRADES 2 & 3 Led by Becky Lesser Helper, Rose Szabo Room LL2

Led by Nancy Walters

Helper, Danielle Mangione

PRE-K

Room B6

GRADES 6-8 Led by Sandy Faust Room LL4

ADULT CLASS Led by Pastor David Chapel



# "First Fruits"

Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Pastor David K. Kochsmeier

### Information

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