



## Holland Church

### November 2023 Newsletter

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Office Hours 9 a.m.—1:00 p.m.  
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.



November 22, 2023  
**Thanksgiving Eve Service**

Our Mission Committee is supporting Operation Christmas Child. Boxes and flyers are available in the Fellowship Hall. Label each box for ages and child, and include a cash donation of \$10.00 for each shoebox you pack. Filled boxes are due November 12.



**November 5**

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

3 Wilbur and Carol Auman  
4 Jerry and Jamie Prange

**Happy Birthday**

11 Gary Pence  
12 Adam Essink  
16 Mona Auman  
19 Wendy Essink  
20 Christian Townsend  
21 Keri Pritschau  
27 Randal Wubbels  
27 Mike Vande Griend

#### From the Pastor's Heart



*I want you to know, my dear brothers and sisters, that everything that has happened to me here has helped to spread the Good News. For everyone here, including the whole palace guard, knows that I am in chains because of Christ. And because of my imprisonment, most of the believers here have gained confidence and boldly speak God's message without fear. Philippians 1:12–14 NLT*

Paul was saying, "I had a plan, but God had a better plan! This is a whole different way for the greatest news, the gospel, than what I was thinking. God has blessed me with prison guards who are chained to me. They have no choice but to listen to me tell them about Jesus! These soldiers have the ear of influential leaders! And, get this, every eight hours they chain a new guard to me! And they think I'm the prisoner. Ha! God is moving. I can't wait to see what He does next!" You cannot control what happens to you, but you can experience a renewed mind. Allow the Gospel to change your thinking. May your mind be redeemed and your perspective be restored.

Anthony Godtel  
Holland Church Pastor



Thank you, men and women who served our country.

#### Some pictures from our Walking Path Treat Night



Wednesday Nights Alive will not meet on November 22. You are invited to attend our Thanksgiving Eve service at 6:30 p.m.

#### Menu for November

1 Sloppy Joes, (BBQ) Chips, baked beans, dessert  
8 Soup, sliders, dessert  
15 Thanksgiving Meal  
22 Thanksgiving Break  
29 Soup, cinnamon roll, fruit



the **WiNGS (Women in God's Service)**

In place of our November meeting, we will be hosting a baby shower for Lexi Maendele and baby boy Maendele, due in December. Come join the fun on November 7 at 7:00. Lexi is registered at Target. You can also find Lexi's registry at <https://www.babylist.com/list/baby-lexi-maendele>.

Our mission project for November is to collect socks for the residents and staff of Haven Manor and Lakeview Assisted Living. We tie each pair of socks with curly ribbon and include a tag which tells that the socks come with holiday good wishes from Holland Church. The socks are delivered to each facility in early December. We include enough socks so that every resident and staff member has the opportunity to pick out the pair of socks they would like.



**Last month several pictures were shared. Here are more showing what else is happening on Wednesday nights.**

## Wednesday Night's Alive!



Serving begins at 5:30 and ends at 6:15. There is no charge, but we do accept free-will donations. Come join



Older kids are led by Gary Pence.



Dedicated groups of cooks and scullery crews take care of kitchen duties.

At 7:15, all the children gather together with Carol Auman to begin their evening of classes and crafts.



Younger children meet with Cindy Widhalm for their class.



Shane Godtel leads an adult Bible study.

