

NOVEMBER 2022

at Ingomar Church

A quick look at what's new and exciting this month for church friends and family

November Message Series: Forgiveness

Through this series, we consider how "forgiveness" affects our lives, the way we see ourselves, and how we understand that we are saved. Forgiveness enables us to live in peace and at peace in our relationships. It is not granted because it is deserved, but instead as an act of love, mercy, and grace. Forgiveness is a gift from God to each of us, and one that we can offer one another.

Join us Sundays in November as we talk about how we are forgiven, how we forgive ourselves and ultimately how we forgive others in the mighty name of Jesus.

Launching a Legacy Campaign Update

As Pastor Greg reported on Sunday, Oct. 30, even though much of the progress is "behind the scenes," many good things are happening as a result of our capital campaign. To date, we have 194 families participating. Total of pledges and additional gifts so far is \$2,893,672.44 and we have received \$1,292,273.71. Following is a brief summary of project progress:

- We celebrated the payoff of our Mortgage (\$195,838). We have started an Endowment Fund, into which we have placed \$338,694.
- The Fellowship Hall Door Replacement project has been completed.
- Lighting has been ordered for the sanctuary, and New Projectors have been acquired. Both the lighting and the projectors will be installed simultaneously (expected in January 2023).
- A New Projector has been installed in Fellowship Hall.
- Chancel Floor will be renovated and refinished following lighting and projectors installation.
- An Air-Handler for the MAC Room of the Community Life Center has been ordered, but due to supply chain issues, delivery is not expected for about 30 weeks.
- Contracts are being finalized for the Concrete Stairs renovation project (Entrance A) and is expected to happen in March 2023.
- The Catch-Basin projects are moving forward. Civil engineering reports are anticipated in the coming weeks, with construction to occur in the Spring of next year.

Thank you for your continued generosity. If you have questions, please contact the church office at 412-364-3613.

November Worship Schedule

November 6 - All Saints Sunday | Communion
8:30 & 10 Traditional & 11 Contemporary
Pastor Greg

November 13 - Veterans Acknowledgment
8:30 & 10 Traditional & 11 Contemporary
Pastor Cyndi

November 13 - All Church Worship Night
7pm Contemporary Worship in Fellowship Hall
An Evening of Music, Devotion and Prayer

November 20 - Christ the King Sunday
8:30 & 10 Traditional & 11 Contemporary
Pastor Dennis

'From Generation to Generation' Series begins
November 27 - First Sunday in Advent
8:30 & 10 Traditional & 11 Contemporary
Pastor Greg

'From Generation to Generation'

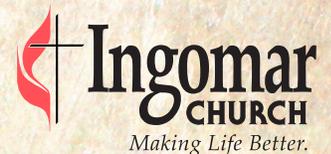
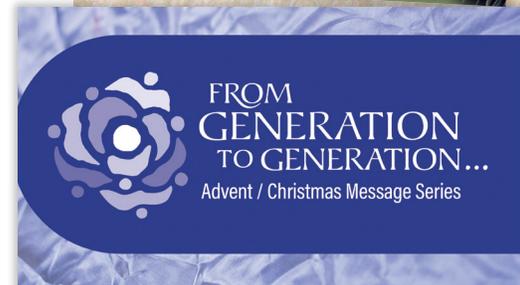
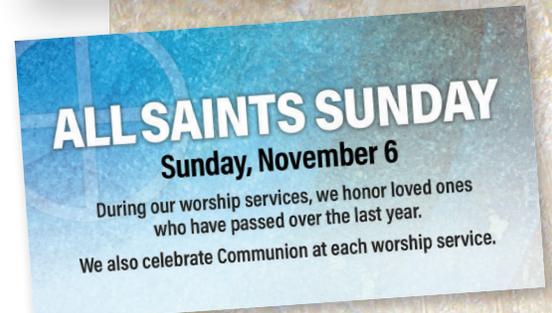
As the creators of our message series studied selected scriptures, a line from Mary's song stood out:

"Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation." (Luke 1:48b-50)

Despite the challenges and vulnerability she faced, Mary could glimpse the scale and scope of the good news she was part of bringing forth. This good news transcends time and space – it was and is bigger than just her. Christ is coming for collective liberation: God's redemption is at work for years to come. Therefore, the promise is meant to be lived out and passed on from generation to generation.

Join us for this series, as we consider how God's work is always unfolding — in and through us.

at a glance



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You're invited to an Advent Study

During Advent, join Pastor Cyndi for a 4-week study on the book *Wait Training: Heaven is the Road* by Rev. Greg Glover.

This is for people who hate to wait or are simply tired of waiting. Quite literally, we explore how we can train for waiting through exploring what the Bible teaches us about waiting and why waiting is important for Christian faith.

We will offer this study hybrid-style, so participants may come in-person or join via Zoom. This small group is video-based, so the book is optional.

This small group will meet on these dates:

**Sunday evenings at 7 pm,
November 27, December 4, 11, 18**

**Wednesday afternoons at 1:30 pm,
November 30, December 7, 14, 21**

Please contact Pastor Cyndi to indicate your interest.

Giving Thanks!

Please watch for a special mailing in the coming weeks.

Between now and November 20, examine your personal giving and how it reflects your commitment to Christ. Pray for God's guidance in your personal finances.



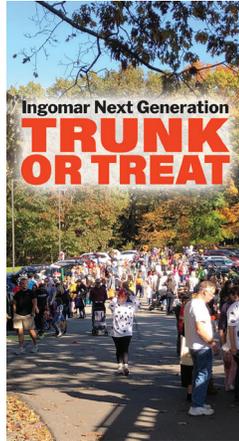
On November 20, you will be invited to complete your 2023 Estimate of Giving Card during worship. If you are unable to attend, we will mail you an Estimate of Giving Card the following week.

You can also make your commitment online by visiting ingomarchurch.org.

Consider Legacy Giving

Please add this line to your will: "After my bills are paid, I want 10 percent of my estate (a tithe) to go to Ingomar United Methodist Church." Ask your legal advisor about this.

Next Generation Ministry Highlights!



On Saturday, October 22, Ingomar Next Generation Ministries hosted an amazing community-wide **Trunk or Treat** event! We had beautiful weather, and great participation by those who creatively decorated their vehicles and passed out treats to the kids! The greatest blessing was the opportunity to meet, greet, and interact with church family and neighbors from the community. Thanks to all who participated and attended for making this event a terrific success!



Special Thanks to Ingomar Kids and all who participated in leading us in worship on **KIDS TAKEOVER Sunday**, Oct. 23. They are indeed the future of Ingomar Church! What a privilege and a blessing to see the Next Generation of Ingomar Church in action! If you missed it, check it out on the church YouTube channel.

Bring the Kids to our Family Advent Event!

Plan to join us for our Family Advent Event, **Sunday, November 27** at 12:30pm in the MAC (Multi-Activity Center), Room 227 of the Community Life Center.

Activities include lunch, making a child-friendly advent wreath, and a game or two! Cost is \$10/family

Please register by November 16 on IConnect. More info at ingomarchurch.org



Next Gen Ministry KIDS – SUNDAY & MID WEEK Programs



Next Gen Kids Sunday Programs

Ingomar Next Gen Prime
Time for children in preschool through 3rd grade- Sundays, 9:45-

10:45am MAC room 227 of the Community Life Center.

Ingomar Next Gen Elevate for children grades 4th-7th
Sundays, 9:45-10:45am, Community Life Center Café, Room 107

Mid Week Programs

Kids on the Rock - Kindergarten-3rd Grade -
Community Life Center Café, Room 107
Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 5:30-6:30pm

Blaze - 4th & 5th grades - Mac Room 227 of Community Life Center

Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 6:45-7:45pm

Kids Ministry Volunteer Opportunity

Serve as a Sunday Morning Nursery Caregiver—Help us provide care for children, infant to age 3 during our worship service times. Hold babies, read to the toddlers, and keep the routine of the nursery (snack, play, and reading time).

Please consider a commitment of twice a month.

If you would like to serve in this ministry, contact Rachel Ord at rord@ingomarchurch.org or Lori Musloe at lmusloe@ingomarchurch.org

Mission Focus: Angel Trees

Every holiday season, North Hills Community Outreach (NHCO) holds a toy drive that enables hundreds of children in need to have a memorable holiday. Last year, over 800 children received new toys, games, and other holiday gifts from NHCO. To support this effort, our Mission Outreach Committee sponsors an Angel Tree project.

Look for the Angel Trees

Angel Trees will be placed in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall (and possibly near Entrance #3, lobby area) by November 18. Each tree will be tagged with gift suggestions for children supported by NHCO.

How You Can Get Involved

If you are interested in participating, please take a tag, purchase the suggested gift and return it to the church (unwrapped) by December 8.

Your support is greatly appreciated! If you have questions, please contact Keith Rust (his contact information is available in IConnect).



Sample toy and gift ideas: You can also order from the NHCO Amazon Wish List and have the gifts delivered directly to NHCO.

- Gift cards for clothing stores, Amazon, Target, Walmart, etc. (teens loves these!)
- Board games
- Puzzles and Books
- Plush blankets
- Bath/body items
- Craft kits / art supplies
- Sports equipment
- Popular toys
- Makeup kits



Scan QR to order from Wish List

Fall Rummage Sale—Thanks to all who Donated, Volunteered & Shopped!

It was very good to be back “in-person” throughout our Rummage Sale week! Proceeds from the sale are expected to be about \$7,000.

Because there were fewer shoppers than in pre-pandemic years, much of the merchandise had to be packed up for other agencies or in some cases trashed due to high volumes, such as glassware. St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store picked up 60+ boxes.



at Kuhn's, Northland Library and North Hills Community Outreach.

We had wonderful volunteers throughout the week! We averaged

about 30 people each day and at least 20 joined us for lunch and devotions. Tammy DeBonis offered our devotions at the beginning of lunch and the topic for the week was Fruit of the Spirit.

It was so nice to be able to work together again! Rummage Sale week is such great community

time for our church since members from all three services are working together, many meeting each other for the first time.



Special thanks to Deborah Rust who spearheaded advertising efforts via social media, Pennysaver, Craigslist, Next Greensheet as well as bulletin boards

Ingomar Child Enrichment Center Update

We had so much fun in October with our Halloween Parade! Here's what's on our November schedule. On November 8, we will be closed, but offering tours from 9am-12noon for prospective families looking to enroll during the 2023-2024 school year. We will be celebrating Kindness Week: November 14-18 with many

fun, kindness-themed activities for the students. Our students are also participating in a food drive for North Hills Community Outreach.

If you would like more information about Ingomar Child Enrichment Center, please visit ingomarpreschool.org.

WELCOME

to the Ingomar Church Staff

Member & Guest Experience Coordinator

We are pleased to announce that Erin Toohey has joined the staff of Ingomar Church as Membership & Guest Experience Coordinator.

Erin and her family have been attending Ingomar Church for 7 years. She currently serves as one of the Trustees and as a member of the Flower Team.

She has a background in hospitality and service that will be a great benefit to us. She joined the staff on Monday, October 24.

Ministry Assistant

Please join us in welcoming Marcia Trew to the staff of Ingomar Church as our Ministry Assistant, beginning Wednesday, November 2.

Marcia has been a member of Ingomar Church since 2015. She attends the 8:30am service and is involved with the Faith & Fellowship and Heart & Hands Knitting small groups. She has a great deal of administrative experience that will serve her well in her new role.

Thank you to the Staff Parish Relations Committee and members of the interview team for their work in the hiring process. We are very excited to welcome Erin and Marcia to our staff!

Hands-On Mission Opportunities

Eastbrook Mission Barn

Our next Hands-On opportunity at Eastbrook Mission Barn is on November 12 Help us verify disaster relief buckets and build handicapped ramp components.

Visiting with Seniors at Metowers

We are continuing our Hands-On mission visits at Metowers senior apartment complex in Avalon, providing games, activities, and snacks for residents. Please contact Jean Dobay through IConnect to participate in upcoming visits.

Electronic Giving is Easy!

Choose from online giving through our website: ingomarchurch.org/give or our mobile “myVanco” giving app, or simply text an amount (preceded by a dollar sign) to 412-504-7798 and enter a giving code. Thank you for your generosity!

November 2022



ALL CHURCH WORSHIP NIGHT

Please accept our invitation to a Contemporary All-Church Worship Night* on Sunday, Nov 13 at 7pm in Fellowship Hall (Entrance #8).

For some time, our Contemporary Worship Leader, Josh Roach, has been feeling a heartfelt desire to gather together as a church family for an intentional time of worship, prayer, and devotion ... and he is extending his personal invitation to all church family and friends!

Youth AND families are encouraged to attend TOGETHER, as this will be in place of Sunday evening youth programs.

** Please note that this special service is in addition to our regular Sunday morning worship at 8:30, 10 and 11am. Everyone is invited to come back Sunday evening as we dive in and seek God's presence and guidance in this special time of worship!*

Be a Social Media Champion

If you use social media, please follow Ingomar Church on Facebook, Twitter, and/or Instagram:

[facebook.com/ingomarchurch](https://www.facebook.com/ingomarchurch)

[instagram.com/ingomarchurch](https://www.instagram.com/ingomarchurch)

twitter.com/ingomarchurch

Then interact with our posts by liking, clicking a link in the post, commenting, and/or sharing a post. The more you "interact," the more effective our social media becomes!

Christmas in the Northside at Daily Bread

Ingomar Church volunteers have been serving meals in the Northside at Daily Bread for over 30 years. It is a way to provide support to those in need in our community by providing a hot meal, friendship

low-income housing, homes without utilities and deal with food insecurity. We need your help to make this a special day for them!



Volunteers at Christmas in the Northside at Daily Bread 2021: Serving Line, Cookie Table and Kitchen Crew

and prayer. For the past 3 years, with the help of the Missions Outreach Committee and our church members, we have provided adult & children gift bags, cookies, and a special meal at the last Daily Bread time before Christmas.

This year we will be serving on Thursday, December 22. We are able to take 15-20 volunteers to help serve, visit with people, and help us to make this a festive occasion. We would love for someone to join us that with a keyboard to play Christmas music!

Christmas is a very hard time for the people we serve! We want to make them feel the love of Christ and the love of Ingomar Church. At least 60% of the people we serve are homeless. The others live in



Here are ways that you can help:

- **Purchase items for gift bags.** We are taking gift bags for 150 people. We have set up a registry on Amazon, **Northside Christmas Gift Bags 2022**. You can purchase items for the bags from the list and have them sent to the church to arrive by December 12. We will assemble the gift bags the week before Christmas.
- **Bake and donate cookies.** Please put them in a plastic container marked for Daily Bread with the quantity included. Cookies can be placed in the freezers in the Fellowship Hall Kitchen or dropped off at the church office.
- **Donate Christmas Cards** signed 'Merry Christmas! Your friends at Ingomar Church'
- **Volunteer to help serve** on the 22nd. Volunteers must be at least 13 years old.

If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please email Paula Dahm at pmdahm@gmail.com or call 412-999-4242.

Quick Notes

All Saints Sunday—On Sunday, November 6, we will observe All Saints Day. Please join us as we honor the loved ones of our church family who have passed during the last year. We will also celebrate Communion.

Thanksgiving on Every Table—Please support this campaign by North Hills Community Outreach that provides a Thanksgiving meal for local families in need. The deadline for contributions is Sunday, November 6. Visit the table in the narthex between worship services to make a contribution.

Operation Christmas Child—If you would like to participate in bringing joy to impoverished children, get the details at ingomarchurch.org. Bring filled boxes to the church by Nov. 13.

Global Links Serving Opportunity—The next outing is on November 15. *This ministry welcomes new volunteers.* Please contact Earl Marsh through IConnect for more information.

Blue Christmas—Please join us for our Blue Christmas service of Hope and Comfort, Wednesday, December 14. The service begins at 7pm in the church sanctuary. It is an uplifting service intended to help you through a difficult time in your life – to help you see that there is always hope and that you never have to walk alone. Everyone is welcome. If you know others who might benefit from this service, please invite them!



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Given to the glory of God

November 13

Janice MacPhail in memory of her daughter Patricia Feth

November 20

Jean Dobay in memory of Karl Dobay

Church Family

Sympathy to:

The family and friends of Drew and Sydney Pack on the passing of Drew's grandmother, **Bernice R. Vann** on October 17

The family and friends of Rob and Kelly Pernell on the passing of Rob's father, **Robert Pernell** on October 26

The family and friends of William Scott on the passing of his wife, **Diana Scott** on October 30