

The Community Church
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Community Church News November 2023 Come Worship With Us

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What a blessed October!

First, I offer my deepest gratitude for your kind words and gifts on Pastor Appreciation Sunday. As my wife said while she watched me reading all your cards at home, "Wow, they actually like you!"

I continue to thank God for all of you as I pray for you and pray for our church.

The word **R**enewal has been on my heart for our Community Church.

I continue to pray His Holy Spirit would **R**enew our hearts and minds in his love and power.

Ephesians 4:23-24 says,

"Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes. Put on your new nature, created to be like God—truly righteous and holy."

I long for the day those who live in Boulder Junction and the surrounding areas would take note of our real love for them and for each other.

I ask you to join me in praying for **R**enewal. God has plans for us. They will be exciting and challenging as it always is when we follow Christ. But also, He will always do more than we ask. Let us pray with great expectation and love for our God as we enter this month of Thanksgiving and Joy.

Pastor Nathan

Lectionary Readings for November 2023

November 5th

- Psalm 107:1-8
- First Reading: Joshua 1:1-9
- Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13
- Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12

November 12th

- Psalm 78:1-7
- First Reading: Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25
- Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
- Gospel: Matthew 21:33-46

November 19th

- Psalm 122
- First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
- Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
- Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

November 26th

- Psalm 100
- First Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14
- Second Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23
- Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46



Community Conversations

Join us in November as we return to this continuing series designed to provide updates and information about church Departments and Committees.

Sunday November 12th, the Communication Committee will share information from 10:45-11:00 in the fellowship hall. Come and learn more about the good works happening in our church.

Sunday, December 17, 12:00PM
Family Christmas Event.
Watch for more details,
coming soon.



**Christmas Eve
Service.**
Sunday December 24, 5:00PM
****** Note... there will be no morning
service on Dec 24.**

Love to Sing Christmas Carols?



We have an awesome opportunity for you to do so in our own church! The Worship and Music Department is hosting a **"Christmas Choir"**, and all voices and ages are welcome. There will be 1-2 rehearsals before singing at the **Christmas Eve Service**. Please sign up to participate in the Fellowship hall.

Christian Education Opportunities.

Lectionary Study – Wednesday 10AM.
In the church conference room.
Led by Pastor Nathan

The "Bible Project" Video.
Sundays at 9:10am. Led by Steve Sherriff
In the Church Conference Room.

Holiday Book Club –
12 Stories of Christmas by Robert Morgan
Open house gathering Dec 27, 3-9.
Watch for more details. Led by Sue & Dick



Birthdays & Anniversaries November 2023

- 2nd Debra Schoenike
 4th Susan Kern
 5th  Lorine Walters
 10th **Bruce & Jody Wilsie**
 11th Nancy Sherriff

 12th Randy Bassuener
 15th Craig Richardson
*Community Thanksgiving
 Potluck Dinner*
 17th Marianne Carlson
 Claudia Russell
 23rd **Kurt & Tammy Bjork**
Happy Thanksgiving
 25th Jan Thomas
Darrel & Betty Clough
 28th Kathy McMyler
 Sara Sanderson
 29th **Bill and Bonnie Spear**

Ushers & Greeters



- Nov 5th Dick & Sue Govier
 Nov 12th Lee Ann Ondracek & Deb Halverson
 Nov 19th Laurie Hoelzel & Ruth Johnson
 Nov 26th Brent & Mickey Priegel

If anyone would like to join the team for ushering and greeting our congregation on Sundays, let me know.
 Thank you to all who help in any area.
 Joyce Marquardt (715/385-2720)



- Nov 5th Carole Rowe-Zaeske
 Nov 12th Luella Doss
 Nov 19th Bonnie Pollard
 Nov 26th Ellie Orbison

October Special Gifts

- Nov 5th Pastor Nathan*
Nov 12th Nicole Keisler
Nov 19th Mary Congdon
Nov 26th Bonnie Pollard

Harvest décor needed

November 12 and 19.

Celebrate God's goodness by bringing pumpkins, gourds, and autumn florals for worship services on. Please deliver offerings to Fellowship Hall the Saturday before. You may take your gifts home after worship.



**Remember
 to turn
 clocks back
 before going
 to bed
 Nov 4, 2022.**



From the Church Office . . .

COMMUNION

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be observed at the worship service November 5, 2023.

COUNCIL MEETING

Church Council meets Tuesday, November 14th, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Watch the Sunday bulletin or check the BIG wall calendar for announcements of when departments or committees meet.

WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to place an announcement in the weekly bulletin, please submit it to the church office by **Tuesday** afternoon.

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

Sunday November 12th in the fellowship hall
10:45-11

With the *Communication Committee*.

FILL IN THE CALANDAR

Laurie requests that Departments, Committees, and others put meeting notices on the large format calendar across from the office. This information is used to inform every one of the happenings in the church through the bulletin and newsletter announcements.

Come join the blessings.

Operation Christmas Child Packing Party!

**Thursday, November 9 at 10:00 am
Fellowship Hall**

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Is asking for donations of any extra 2024 calendars you may have. Please leave them in the box near the coat closet near the rear entrance of the church.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER

Wednesday November 15, 2023

Join family, friends and neighbors at this Community-wide celebration.

Delivery for shut-ins is available.

RSVP for all participants by November 9th

Contact the church office for more details.

715-385-2146 or secretary@commchbj.org

Volunteers are needed.

Sign-up sheets in Fellowship Hall

TREASURER'S REPORT

	Income	Expense	Net Income
September	\$ 18,244.15	\$ 27,303.55	\$ -9,059.41
Fiscal YTD	\$ 44,381.97	\$ 61,889.62	\$ -17,507.65
Annual Budget	\$198,000.00	\$204,472.00	\$ -6,472.00

Fall Appeal

Our Fall Appeal has begun and will run to the end of the year. The money collected during this appeal reduces the financial stress on our operating budget, especially during the winter months when attendance and weekly collections are down but operating expenses increase.

Wherever you are this winter, we continue to count on and appreciate your commitment to the Community Church of Boulder Junction. It allows for the continued work of our Lord in the community.

There are convenient and secure ways to give, ensuring everyone has the opportunity to maintain your support. Whether you make a single additional end-of-year gift or increase your routine giving, we ask you to prayerfully consider this request and follow where the Lord leads you.

If you have not received a letter regarding the appeal or if you have questions, please contact Stewardship chair Bill Spear or Finance Manager, Bruce Greenhill.

Your gifts power God's work in this church, the community, and beyond. Thank you.



On-line giving. A safe and easy option.
<https://ccbj.breezechms.com/give/online>

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes for 2024 are available in Fellowship Hall. Please stop by to pick yours up as soon as possible. Do not use the new envelopes until the New Year as some assigned envelope numbers have been changed.

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Holiday Hours

The week of Thanksgiving, the food pantry will be open

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 21st, 3:30-5:00PM

2023-2024 Council –Department Chairs

Elders – Bonnie Pollard, Missions – Laurel Malicki,
Stewardship of Finance – Bill Spear, Properties – Steve Sherriff,
Personnel– Bonnie Spear, Worship & Music – Co-chairs, Nancy Naylor & Sue Altschwager.

A full list of the 2023-24 Department Committee members
is located on the bulletin board by the church office.

*In addition, Church Council minutes are available on the bulletin board outside the office.
Copies are available. Contact the office manager to pick one up or have mailed to you.*



Supporting our students

Scholarships for Full-Time Post-Secondary Students Available

This year's applications for the church scholarships are available on the
Missions bulletin board in the church hallway
and for download from the church website, www.commchbj.org under the Outreach Tab.

The deadline is November 30th .

Please make sure your application has November 30th listed as the deadline.
Once you have completed your application, mail to the church office Attn: Missions Dept.
Monies will be awarded in January.

Please contact Diana Dunker, Missions Dept (217-620-4809) with any questions.

The Beautification Committee has set
November 24th, 9:00am for the
***Greening of the Church
for Christmas***

Many hands make light work, and a
beautiful atmosphere for worship.

Come help decorate the
sanctuary, fellowship hall
and more in the festive
colors of Christmas.
Coffee and sweets will be
shared with the crew.
Please add your name to
the sign-up sheet
in the fellowship hall.



The Giving Tree

be in the Fellowship Hall this
Holiday season with
opportunities to share
your blessings.
Watch for more details.



November 15, 5:30 PM
**The Community Thanksgiving
Potluck Dinner**

is almost here,
and you are invited to be involved.
Here are 3 ways you can participate in this
awesome event.

First, Check the sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall for ways to volunteer.
Many Hands Make Light Work.
There are several opportunities.
Please add your name or contact Laurie or Wendi to see what is needed.

Second, Plan on attending... and bringing your favorite side dish or dessert.
Be sure to RSVP the number that are planning to attend in your group. You can sign up in the fellowship hall or you can call the church office (leave a message if needed) or you can send an email. Please do so by November 9th.

Third, Invite your friends and neighbors to Gather together at this Community Event.
Handy invitations are located in the Fellowship hall for your convenience.

You are cordially invited to...
**The Boulder Junction
Community Thanksgiving
Potluck Dinner.**

**Wednesday November 15 at 5:30 pm
at the Boulder Junction Community Center.**

**We will provide the Turkey, Stuffing,
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy,**

***YOU* provide your tastiest side dish or
favorite dessert, ready to serve.**



**Plan to attend this celebration of
Food, Fellowship and Giving Thanks.**

**To attend - Please RSVP to the Community Church
by November 9 at 715-385-2146
or email to secretary@commchbj.org**

Please call if you would like to help with this awesome
Community Event
Contact Laurie Hoelzel at 715-385-2146 or
Wendi Neupert at 715-574-3850

***Tis the Season to share Gifts of Love
and the Message of
Jesus with children
around the World.***



There are many ways to participate.
Create your own box. Donate items or \$\$'s.

Help during the "packing Party" on Nov 9th at 10AM.

**OR... This year we are offering the option to
"Build a Shoebox" Online.**

Follow the link or scan the QR code to get started.



<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/buildonline/>

We have a goal of 150 boxes this year.
Every box is an opportunity to share JESUS.
Contact Diana Dunker 217-620-4809 for more details.

Please **drop off** your boxes at
the church by **Sunday Nov. 12**

Boxes will be taken to the
delivery center later that week.

On-line orders should be
completed by **Nov. 20** to be
included in this year's event.



November 2023

Community Church of Boulder Junction

You are Invited!

Join your Friends and Neighbors at the
Boulder Junction Community Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner

Wednesday November 15th at 5:30 pm at the Boulder Junction Community Center

The turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, and gravy will be provided. **YOU** bring your favorite side dish or dessert, ready to serve, and enjoy an **Evening of Food, Fellowship and Giving Thanks.**

To Attend - Please RSVP by November 9 to 715-385-2146

Or email: secretary@commchbj.org

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Editor's Note: Thank you to all who contributed to this Newsletter. A reminder for those who have items to contribute, please have information to me at ccbjnewsletter@gmail.com by the 3rd Thursday of the month. (Or before) so there is time to place everything and distribute prior to the end of each month.
Thank You Wendi Neupert