



MESSAGE SERIES: “Things to Think About Before the Election”.

- November 3rd “Why Are You Afraid?” based on Mark 4:35-41
Faith helps us to put our trust in God to calm the storms in our lives

UPCOMING SPECIAL DAYS & EVENTS

- Collecting “Take Out Tuesday” Visa Gift Cards for Veterans ends Nov. 3rd
- November 10th, Annual Voter’s Meeting & Potluck
- November 17th, Homeless Lunches Packing
- November 20th, MEAL Time
- November 24th, Pie Sunday at Open Arms

WELCOME TO Derek and Emma Vance and their daughter Lucy who have recently joined Open Arms. We are glad you are part of the Open Arms family.

THE BELLEVILLE CHRISTMAS PARADE is Saturday, December 7th. Open Arms plans to put a float in the parade again this year.

Red and White strings of small LED lights are needed for this year’s float.

A STAFF EMERGENCY FUND has been set up to help Staff Members when they are facing a financial emergency. One of our teachers has to replace a Well. Estimated cost including permits is \$15,000. You can donate online by going to the online offering page on the church website and click on Staff Emergency Fund. <https://www.openarmscenter.com/> Donations may also be dropped off at the church office or placed in the Sunday offering baskets. Specially marked donation envelopes are available at the office. Funds raised will be used to directly pay bills or expenses. Thank you for supporting our great staff members.

YOU CAN DONATE Visa Gifts cards between now and November 3rd to give to *Veterans at the Wayne County VA* for their “Take Out Tuesday” meals. Plans are to deliver the gift cards by Veterans Day, November 11th. Suggested amount for each card is \$25.

THE OPEN ARMS ANNUAL MEETING is after the worship service on Sunday, November 10th. The 2025 budget will be presented, officers will be elected, plans for Calling a Pastor and goals for the New Year will be discussed.

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who helped provide food, set up, serve and clean up for MEALTIME on Wednesday. We had a great turnout, conversations, and chili.

NOVEMBER MESSAGE THEME: “*What Now?*” What are the next steps we should consider as Christians and as a family at Open Arms at this crossroads?

- 10th, Where Are We? God Guides Us.
- 17th, Who’s on My Rope? God Unites us to Him and one another
- 24th, What’s Our Next Step? God is Always with Us

CHURCH POTLUCK is planned for November 10th, before the Annual Meeting. A signup sheet is posted at the welcome center. Please sign up to help provide food.

NOVEMBER 24TH IS PIE SUNDAY! Please sign up at the welcome center to bring an apple or pumpkin pie, or another pie of your choice, to enjoy with the Open Arms family after the service.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o_xOMNiH7_w&list=PLyqFOkxicbM17Z7Z0NvGMTmLv3DCk8Kt **WORSHIP MUSIC PLAY LIST LINK**

Team Tigers Thanksgiving Food Drive Needs:

Stove-Top Stuffing	Canned Cranberries	Canned Gravy
Potatoes	Shelf-Stable Pie Crust (such as Jiffy, etc.)	
Pecans	Pumpkin Pie Mix	

Homeless Ministry Needs for lunch packing November 17th:

100 slices of lunch meet	100 juice boxes
40 sweet snacks	11 loaves of bread

Please email Dana Underwood if you are going to donate any of the homeless lunches items.
Thanks. dunderwood99@hotmail.com

TEAM TIGERS still need three wagons to be used by students at Tyler School to take the filled backpacks to the “pods” at the school for distribution to students.

Here is the link to the wagons.

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/B087N2WJGJ/?_encoding=UTF8&pd_rd_plhdr=t&aaxitk=b899d80a81c00c3e6bc4b049a57a3a30&hsa_cr_id=4136991330601&qid=1727399267&sr=1-2-3c6b3b04-89d4-46ee-857c-1e2f0de6a70e&ref_=sbx_be_s_sparkle_dlcm_asin_1_img&pd_rd_w=xhdxo&content-id=amzn1.sym.4870a952-0dfa-4beb-9d2a-7a52537f019d%3Aamzn1.sym.4870a952-0dfa-4beb-9d2a-7a52537f019d&pf_rd_p=4870a952-0dfa-4beb-9d2a-7a52537f019d&pf_rd_r=MV6FC1FT7MR9G0KZTEPT&pd_rd_wg=9Wsgx&pd_rd_r=2c6bd1ac-d249-4fd6-b5da-33a0e2aa1460

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