



Announcements for the Week of **November 21, 2021**

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Face masks and social distancing are strongly recommended for all gatherings and events.

This Week's Events

Sunday, November 21:

9:00 am - Sunday School for All Ages
10:00 am - Worship in the Sanctuary and Online
(*Gathering music begins at 9:50 am.*)
11:30 am - Youth Fellowship

Tuesday, November 23:

7:00 pm - Bible Study - in person or online

Thursday, November 25:

Thanksgiving Day - church office closed

Saturday, November 27:

9:00 am - Fitness Walking
10:00 am - Beginner Yoga

Sunday, November 28:

First Sunday in Advent
9:00 am - Sunday School for All Ages
10:00 am - Worship in the Sanctuary and Online
(*Gathering music begins at 9:50 am.*)

Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser

Thanks be to God and everyone else who supported our first Gertrude Hawk gift certificate sale. Because of all of your efforts we reached our goal (exactly) of selling 500 so we achieved a 40% margin which realized \$2,000.00 in profit. We also can add donations of \$70.00!

Certificates are available from Donna Urbaniak if you have not already received them.

Countryside Wants to Help!

If you know of a person or family in our community who may be struggling financially or otherwise, please notify Pastor Jim or any member of the Mission Team. We have resources that were given for this kind of thing. Just one more way in which we share God's Love and Grace throughout the world. Thanks!

Bible Study

Join us in person, online, or by telephone for our weekly Bible Study as we further explore our current worship series, "God Is Calling."
Join us in our Meeting Room or from your living room!

Zoom login information can be found at
countryside-church.org/pages/bible-study

To participate by telephone, please call the church office at (570) 587-3206 for dial-in details.

Exercise @ Countryside Resumes

Safety guidelines of masking and distancing will need to be followed as much as possible.

Please Join us for one or both classes:

9:00 AM- Fitness Walking
10:00 AM- Beginner yoga

Mission Update

Thanks to your generous support, we collected \$736.20 in October for Countryside's Angel Tree Project.

November's Mission Basket Offering will go to Keystone Mission.

Also during the month of November, the Mission Team will be collecting items for Keystone Mission - see the bulletin insert for details.

Ministry Support Meeting

The Ministry Support team will meet on **Monday, December 6** (*please notice the date change*) at 6:30 pm to plan and schedule fundraiser events for 2022.

The Upper Room

Copies of the November/December 2021 issue of *The Upper Room* daily devotional guide can be picked up at the church during business hours (Monday-Friday, 9am-2pm) or during Sunday worship services. We can also deliver copies to you if needed.

Sunday School News

Sunday School classes have resumed and will meet every Sunday from 9:00-9:45 am.

Ages 3 through 8th grade will meet downstairs, and adults will meet in the Meeting Room.

High school aged students may choose which class they would like to join.

You can participate in our adult Sunday School class from home - online or by telephone!

Visit countryside-church.org/pages/sunday-school or contact the church office for information on how to connect.

Warm Hugs Ministry

A "Warm Hug" is a warm fleece shawl with pockets that we fill with items to provide comfort. They are distributed to chemotherapy centers, area nursing homes, hospice units, Children's Advocacy Center, Ronald McDonald House, area ambulances and to our family, friends and anyone within our community that needs to know we care about them. This is one way, as Christians and the congregation of Countryside that we spread God's love and grace within our spirit filled community and beyond!

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month (next meeting on December 14) at 9:00 am in the fellowship hall. No sewing experience is necessary. All ages are welcome! *There could also be opportunities to help from home such as purchasing small hand sanitizers, lip balm, or plastic resealable bags (sandwich size and 2.5 gallon).*

Call Donna at 570-955-9381 if interested or for additional information. Please come and experience this worthwhile mission.

Contact Information

Holidays may affect scheduled hours.

Church Office

Hours: Monday - Friday, 9 am - 2 pm

Email: office@countryside-church.org

Phone: (570) 587-3206

Pastor Jim Hollister

Email: jhhollister@outlook.com

After Hours Emergency Phone Numbers:

Pastor Jim: (814) 496-5223

How to Worship with Us at Countryside:

In Person:

Join us for our weekly Worship Service in our Sanctuary every Sunday at 10:00 am.

(Announcements and gathering music begin at 9:50 am.)

Online:

Our weekly worship services will be live streamed at our website countryside-church.org/live Live streaming begins every Sunday at 9:50 am and videos remain available to view any time.

By Telephone:

Call us at **(888) 832-3818** to listen in on our weekly worship services. No internet connection or computer skills required! If you can dial a telephone, you can join us! Services will be available every Sunday at 9:50 am. And because they are recorded, you can call in at any time during the week to listen.

Equal Exchange

Stop by the church on Sundays or during office hours to pick up tea, coffee, chocolate, nuts, cocoa, olive oil, and other fairly traded items. Cash, checks, credit/debit cards, Apple Pay, or Google Pay can be used to pay.

See the church office to purchase.

TREX Recycling Program

We have resumed our soft plastic recycling program.

Plastics can be brought to the church during office hours or on Sunday mornings. Contact Phyllis

Fayocavitz (pjifayo@gmail.com or 570-587-5677) with any questions.

Announcement Deadline

Please submit any announcements or Prayer List updates to the church office at the email address or phone number listed on this page **by noon on Thursday** of each week to be included in the following Sunday's bulletin. (We will also email and post special announcements as they come up.)