NOVEMBER 12 & 13, 2017

AN OFFERING WILL BE TAKEN TODAY for the Elder Benevolent Fund. This fund is for those in need in the congregation.

SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGERS – Saturday, December 2nd at Shopko. Times are 8:00 am— 8:00 pm. Please sign up at the Welcome Center.

FOOD PANTRY – We are looking for volunteers to serve in the food pantry on Sunday mornings. For more information, please contact Tamie in the church office at 815/232-6159.

DID YOU KNOW? – NOW you can view and/or listen to the weekly sermons on our PH mobile app and website. You can also download a copy to your computer or mobile device for listening offline! You will also find the Sermon Based Small Group Questions (SBSG) and the weekly bulletin in electronic form on the mobile app each Sunday morning.

SENIORS WHO NEED HELP - The Senior Resource Center located at 206 E. Stephenson St. (kitty corner to Sanitary Cleaners) provides free services to seniors such as: transportation, money management, tax return preparation, adult day services, in-home services, counseling on Medicare and prescription drug services, disabled driver's license stickers, fitness activities, podiatry services, adult protective services, just to name a few. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center that explain these services further and how to contact the Senior Resource Center.

HOLY LAND TOUR APRIL 9 – 18, 2018 – You are invited to join Rev. Jim & Suzy Erb, of Lena EFC on this Holy Land trip. Visit <u>www.eo.travel</u> or call 800/247-0017 for more information. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center.

HOW GOD TURNED THE WORLD UPSIDE DOWN! This biblically-based training will reveal how the Apostles changed the world and how we have access to the same source. Saturday, November 18, at New Life Bible Church with Phil DelRe! Registration begins at 8:30am, conference ends at 4:00 pm. Call 815/547-0765 for more information. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center.

MEAL MINISTRY – If you would be willing to make a meal for someone recovering from an illness or surgery, please contact Wendy 815/541-5204 or Charmaine 815/821-5211.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR UPCOMING HONDURAS MISSION TRIP – Adult and children's vitamins (NO gummies please), ibuprofen 200 mg, hair pretties for girls & Hot Wheels/Match Box cars for boys. Donations may be left in the bin in the Lobby. Thank You! Questions, contact Rod Wedel at 815/291-7608.

FACC (Freeport Area Church Cooperative) is asking for donations of canned fruit and fruit juices for the month of November. Donations may be left in the bin in the Lobby. Thank you for your continued generosity!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY – We will meet on November 29th at 9:00 am in the Elevator Room. We are currently working on Pocket Prayer Cloths/Squares to be given out to residents at Pearl Pavilion on Valentine's Day. We will be working on the project during our meeting. New members are always welcome. We can help you get started learning to knit or crochet. For more information, contact Linda Long 815/369-4895 or Dianne Statdfield 815/238-6629.

SMALL GROUP/BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES:

- **TUESDAY MORNING MOMS' BIBLE STUDY** meets in the Music Room from 9:30-11:00 am, studying <u>Colliding with Destiny Finding Hope in the Legacy of Ruth</u> by Sarah Jakes. Childcare is provided. Questions? Please contact Heidie Kuhlemeier 815/541-8011 or Carol Elliott 815/232-6495.
- WEDNESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY is meeting at 10:00 am in Room 202, studying the Gospel of John. All women are invited to participate, as well as their friends. Questions, call Judy Fosler 815/280-8786 for more information.
- **THURSDAY EVENING MENS BIBLE STUDY** meets from 6:30 -8:00 pm, in the Elevator Room, studying <u>Kingdom Man</u> by Tony Evans. Contact Kurt Bales 815/238-8541 for more information.
- FRIDAY EVENING SINGLE LADIES SMALL GROUP meets from 6:00-7:30 pm in the Library, studying <u>12 Women of the Bible</u>. For more information, call Carol at 815/291-9478.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES:

- **RAY VANDER LAAN DVD SERIES ON THE HOLY LAND** taught by Dale Miner & Bill Kuhlemeier, 9:00 10:00 am in the Library.
- **HEBREWS** taught by Pastor Cliff, 10:00 11:15 am in the Chapel.

SUNDAY MORNINGS for KIDS:

Parents and families, following are your children's Sunday morning options, designed to give your children a deeper experience in God's word, no matter which service they attend.

- 8:45 a.m. one combined nursery (ages birth through 3 years), staffed with volunteers who really love caring for your little ones.
- 8:45 a.m. one combined class (ages 3 years through 5th grade) that follows the same topic as the sermon to allow for families to have meaningful conversations throughout the week on what we are all learning.
- 10:30 a.m. two age-appropriate nursery options. (Parents decide when it is suitable for their three-year-olds to move up to the next class).
- 10:30 a.m. three age-appropriate (ages 3 years through 5th grade) classes, that make use of the entire service time. You are able to drop off your children with their teachers in their classrooms starting at 10:15 a.m.
- We support your decision as families to attend service together. Children are always welcome in the service.