

**November  
2025**



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*November is mission's month where we bring focus on our missionaries and their ministries. We will be asking you to prayerfully consider supporting them through Faith Promise Pledges that we will collect on November 30<sup>th</sup>. Each Sunday we will be highlighting one of our missionaries and here is how the month will unfold:*

**On November 2<sup>nd</sup>- Randy Hildebrant from God's Country Community Ministries in Newberry, MI** will be here to share with us what is going on and how they are serving the wonderful people in the UP.

In the fellowship hall during our Sunday School Hour, we will have a continental breakfast with the Hildebrant's, if you want to learn more about their ministry. Please join us.

**November 9<sup>th</sup>-** We will have our **Ministry Fair** in the fellowship hall. This is a great opportunity for us to sign up to serve our HZ church family and God in various ministries within our church.

Brooke Patterson will be sharing on **Orphan's Tree**.

**November 16<sup>th</sup>- Wycliffe Bible Translators- Dan & Carolyn Rehder-** They are currently working with Deaf teams in Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, El Salvador, Honduras, Mexico, Jamaica, Guatemala, and Cuba translating scripture into their respective sign languages.

Also, there will be an update on **HZGM Child Care Center** as an insert in the bulletins. What their challenges are and how God is moving through the live of the little ones and the staff.

**November 23<sup>rd</sup> -** Patty Ruggerio will give an update on the 2026 Mission Trip going to Tanzania this summer to serve along side **"Joy in the Harvest"- Lowell & Claudia Wertz**.

Serving God by  
Serving Others



## Faith Promise Partners 2026

### LOCAL

**HZGMC Childcare Center – Lynda Johnston, Director** - State licensed by the Dept. of Human Services and serving the community as an outreach ministry since September 1992. We nurture children ages 6 weeks old through 6 years old in a Christ-centered environment and promote a safe, secure, and loving atmosphere in which each child may develop and grow emotionally socially, intellectually, physically, and spiritually, by receiving a well-rounded experience. As we begin to lay a foundation of faith in Jesus Christ, we are also intentional about building a relationship with each child and their family. *Proverbs 22:6 NIV- "Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old, they will not turn from it."*

### NATIONAL

**God's Country Community Ministries – Randy Hildebrant – (Newberry, MI)** Our goal is to transform communities through God's love. GCCP is the heart of the mission field of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. Serving families and individuals from four different counties which spans 2500 square miles. Through our Church Mouse we provide clothes, furniture, appliances, and other household items for families in need at no cost. We also help with their home repairs, provide gas cards for their doctors' appointments and food boxes. *1 Peter 4:10- As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.*

### INTERNATIONAL

**Orphan's Tree – George Steiner, President – (Russia)** Founded in 2008, Orphan's Tree is an alliance of Americans and Russians who want to change life for orphans, ages 16 and older. We are driven by God's call to look after orphans and to be a father to the fatherless. While adoption is wonderful, most orphans are never adopted. We focus exclusively on this time when they are most alone and most vulnerable. Our role is to be a consistent, positive presence in the lives of young people, creating healthy families and breaking the cycle of orphans, creating a new generation of orphans. We serve grads in our ministry centers in four regions of Russia: Vladimir, Kostroma, Ivanovo, and Kirov.

This year we sensed the Lord opening a door of opportunity to expand into **Kazakhstan**. As a former country of the Soviet Union, there is a sense of familiarity with Russia as laws are similar, Russian is spoken by everyone, and even the stores and buildings look similar. Kazakhstan being a predominately Muslim country, there are also significant differences. We are already partnering with some individuals and another organization to serve older orphans, and we look forward to new opportunities to display and share the Good News of Jesus!

**Wycliffe Bible Translators - Dan & Carolyn Rehder with their children, Felix, Carmen, Oswald, & Lilyana (Colombia)** (based stateside) are missionaries serving in sign language Bible translation. They are currently working with Deaf teams in Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, El Salvador, Honduras, Mexico, Jamaica, Guatemala, Cuba, Venezuela translating scripture into their respective sign languages. The Deaf are an unreached people group. Through a video-recorded sign language Bible, the Deaf can have access to scripture for the first time in the language that speaks to their hearts.

**Joy in the Harvest Claudia & Lowell Wertz- (Africa)** They have been missionaries in Africa for over 40+ years. Thirty years ago, in 1993 they founded "Joy in the Harvest" and serve in Tanzania. Their ministry includes church planting, ministry to the refugee women, running a computer training school, feeding center, a community center that holds 500 people for teaching and community events, and the only local Christian radio station. Recently we have expanded our listening audience by putting another tower in a town outside of Kasulu called Herujuu.

#### Our 2026 Faith Promise

"Lord, over and above my ability, we pledge to Faith Promise for 2026..."

(please choose one)

- ☐ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly
- ☐ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Quarterly
- ☐ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Yearly

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(optional)

**\*\*Keep this half for your records\*\***

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(optional)

The 2026 pledge year begins January 1, 2026. \*

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The HZGMC Women's Ministry is hosting a Potluck Breakfast on

**Saturday, November 8th at 9:30 am in Rm 003.**

Bring a breakfast item to share and join us for Sister fellowship and a fun activity.

Hot and Cold Drinks will be provided.

A Sign-Up Sheet will be in the Lobby until November 2<sup>nd</sup>.



**Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>**

The Men's Ministry is holding a Breakfast for ALL the Men (young and old) of HZ in the fellowship hall **at 8:00am -9:30AM.** Join us for a great time of friendship and laughter.

There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby. If you have any questions please contact Smitty Boros at 412-713-2765.

### **Church Conference**

Every member of our church is asked to attend our annual Church Conference on **Sunday, November 23, at 6:00pm.** Our Presiding Elder, Rev. Chris Kindle, will share a message and lead us in electing our leaders and ministry teams for 2026 as well as set the pastor's compensation package for 2026.



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### **Thanksgiving Eve - Eve Service**

Our annual Thanksgiving Eve - Eve service will be on **Tuesday, November 25, at 7:00pm** during which we will thank God for all of our many blessings.

**Fall is in the air, and its Pumpkin Season, however, the Tanzania Team, has a Treat for you...**

**Rosalind Christmas Candy Fundraiser**



From now until November 23<sup>rd</sup> we will be selling Rosalind Christmas Candy in the lobby on Sunday mornings! The payment is due when placing your order. Orders will be available for pick up on Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Each team member will also have a Candy Form if you would like to purchase from one of us individually.

**Team Members-Steve & Patty Ruggiero, Kerry & Mindy McMahon, Sue VanArsdale, Marissa Seaman, Jenna Miller, Jeannine Watson, Tanner Kennedy, Paul Knepper, and Keith Vulhop**

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## **CHRISTMAS** **COMMUNITY CHEST**



Do you know of a family that could use a little bit of help this holiday season? This ministry is for families such as those in low paying jobs such as minimum wage or on a fixed income and maybe just can't seem to make ends meet. Maybe they just need a little helping hand this Christmas purchasing presents. Christmas Chest at H-Z is designed to help provide gifts for ages 21 and under at a low cost; they are not free. (Please tell your nominee this)

**SHOPPING WILL BE DECEMBER 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>**

Name: (Mom) \_\_\_\_\_

Name: (Dad) \_\_\_\_\_

Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Boy or Girl: \_\_\_\_\_

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(It is very important to get the correct spelling of the child's name)

Why do you recommend this family?

Recommended by: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**MUST BE RETURNED TO THE OFFICE BY NOVEMBER 16<sup>th</sup>**







| September      | Budget<br>Income | Sanctuary<br>Renovation | Faith<br>Promise |
|----------------|------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| 9/7/2025       | 5,919            | 0                       | 125              |
| 9/14/2025      | 9,606            | 0                       | 565              |
| 9/21/2025      | 4,707            | 0                       | 50               |
| 9/28/2025      | 3,302            | 0                       | 275              |
| Online giving  | 11,589           | 0                       | 1008             |
| <b>AVERAGE</b> | <b>8,781</b>     | <b>0</b>                | <b>506</b>       |

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



1)Peggy Magill 2)Skip Gross,  
9)Kenneth Koehler 10)Ben  
Gross 11)Tom Andrew  
13)Donna Zeigler 14)Pat  
Pizer 15)Annette Gross,  
Suzan Prestridge 18)Mindy  
McMahon 20)Denny  
Weyman 22) Hunter Higginson, Linda  
Webb 23)Jerry Thomas 26)Sheila Shank  
29)Kate Chandler, Carolyn Rehder.

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** The newsletter articles will be due the **THIRD MONDAY of the month** in order to be published.

## NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

6)Mike & Jill Marburger(43)  
10)Dave & Beth Eldridge(18) 12)Geoff &  
Jennifer Zimmerman(20) 23)Joe &  
Norma Kerner(40) 29)Eric & Liz  
Edmiston(20).

## SOUTHWEST BUTLER FOOD CUPBOARD

By Denny Weyman

May God continue to bless you with the gift of giving and compassion!

|                        |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Peanut Butter          | Jelly            |
| Canned Tuna            | Canned Chicken   |
| Pasta                  | Spaghetti Sauce  |
| Canned Fruit           | Canned Vegetable |
| Soup                   | Cereal           |
| Ravioli                | Oatmeal          |
| Helper Meals           | Toiletries       |
| Reusable shopping bags |                  |



**Thank You for your Love and Support**



## Get it?.....

By Donna Weyman

In my dream, the clear message was ...whatever you are doing now, there is more to be done.... Even in our down time, the Lord will bring opportunity to say a little prayer. A name, a face, a place, a memory.

Back to my dream. I was being told to write (in school. I'm always in school in my dreams.) The teacher said, "Are you done?" . I said, "I have no inspiration". She said JUST START. So, I did. I started writing. As I wrote, the words came. The ideas built upon themselves.



As we look around, just start. One step, a phone call, a little leftover dinner passed on, a piece of nice clothing or a used book. A visit. A favor. Even if you ask someone, and they need nothing--at least they know they were thought of. Oh, and the never-ending joy that a greeting card and note will bring.



Does this sound like our Care Ministry in our church? Why I guess it does. Where does their inspiration come from? Our loving women and men who "get it". Who are actively involved. Even more contagious than a virus or cold. Loving hearts. Ears to hear. Eyes to see. They get it. Amazing grace of Our Father. Inspiration handed down in love to share. Get It? Be inspired and be an inspiration. Even within your own needs.

***Galatians 6:2~ Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ.***



## Busy Thursday?

Listen here!! Yes, listen for God's voice, here at H.Z. Right now, we have a handful of prayer warriors who meet **from 6pm to 8pm**, or however your time permits. You may have other obligations to work around. As availability allows, we are here. Quietly praying, reading the Bible. Journaling. Even using your phone to search out a word the Lord has whispered in your ear. Reach out to someone else for personal prayer. Bring another with you and allow us to gather and pray.



Quietly joyful. Dedicated and drawn to sit at the feet of Jesus. In my quest, he has given me amazing information on His profound words. Scripture that I've always heard but now words placed before me like a huge billboard. Just driving along and POW. Where did that come from!

Walk in, sit a while. See where the Lord takes you. Listen. Hear. Nurture awareness of a Savior who loves you.

Thursday evenings in the sanctuary. Open invitation.

Thanks.

Your Thursday Night Prayer Team

Come and join us as we decorate the Church for the Christmas season on **Saturday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00AM.**

Let's put on some Christmas music and have some fun decking the halls of our beautiful church. As the old line goes, "Many hands make little work" and could make for a lot of laughter!

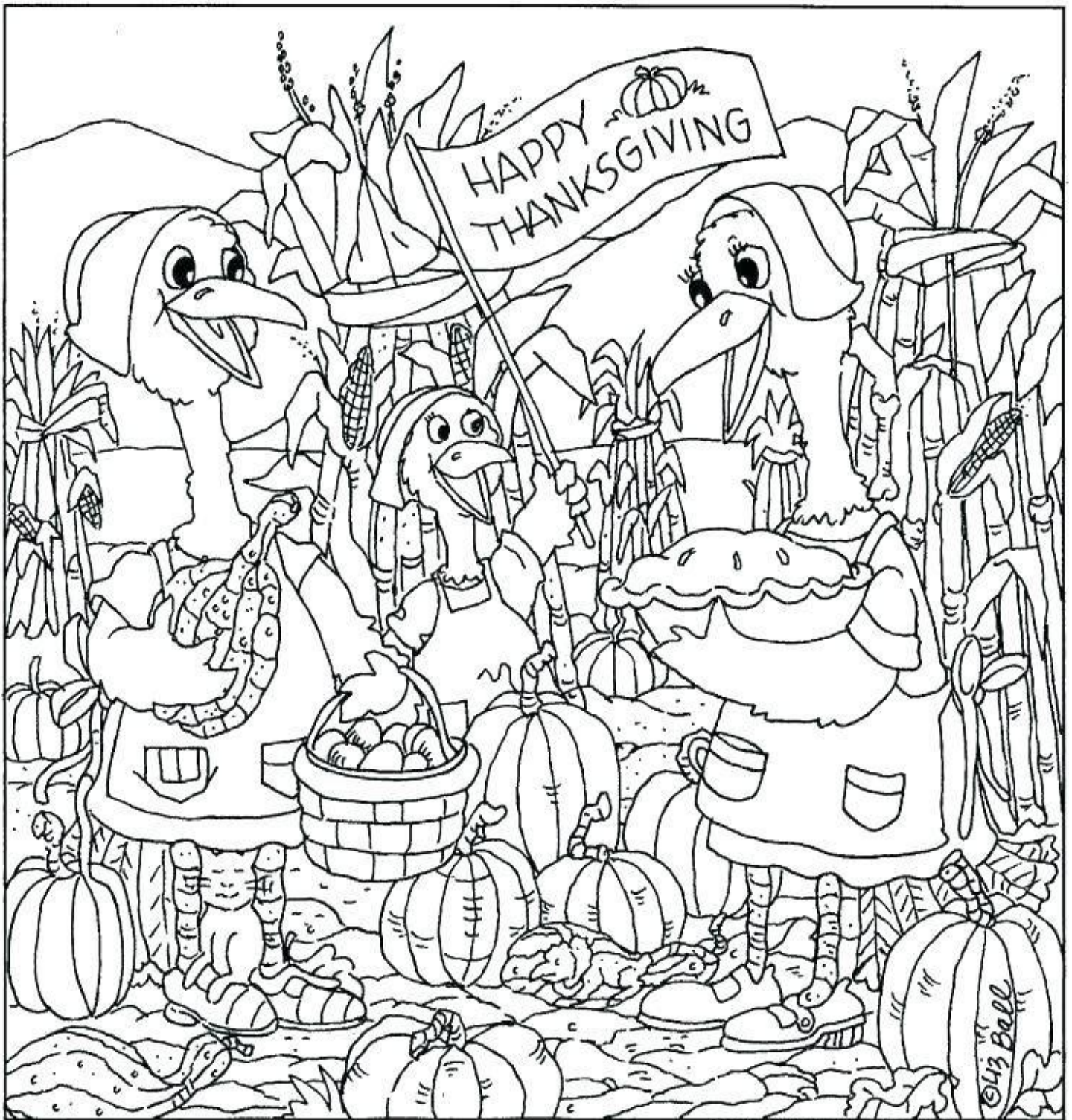
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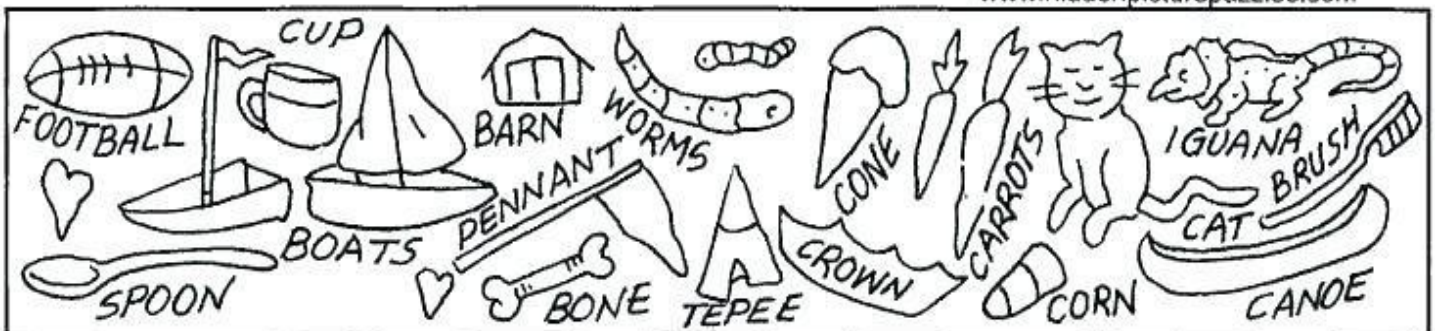
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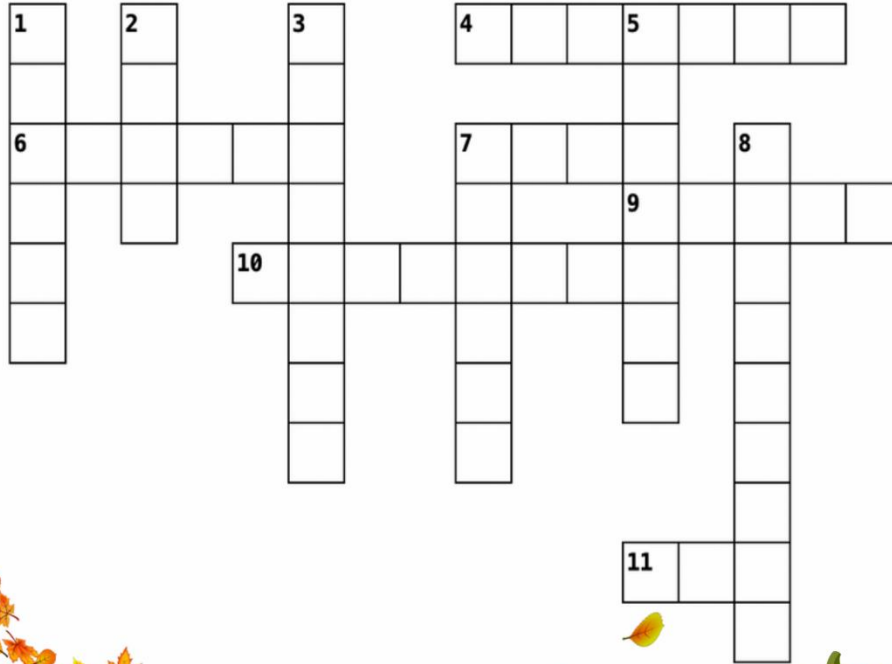
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# THANKSGIVING CROSSWORD PUZZLE



## Down

- 1 A vegetable that can be mashed or baked.
- 2 A yellow plant with edible grain. Another name for it is maize.
- 3 The place where the pilgrims landed.
- 5 A person who goes on a religious journey.
- 7 People you are related too.
- 8 The ship that brought the pilgrims to North America.

## Across

- 4 A large orange squash with edible flesh and lots of seeds.
- 6 A bird that is eaten on Thanksgiving.
- 7 The season that includes November.
- 9 A sauce made from the juices of meat used for some Thanksgiving meals.
- 10 The 11th month of the year.
- 11 A baked dish made with dough. Filled with ingredients like apples.

