



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

You can give a gift of joy and a message of God's love by giving a shoe box full of goodies to children. It is the world's largest Christmas project. For many of these children, the shoe box will be the first gift they have ever received. The National Operation Christmas Child Collection Week is Nov. 16-23. Start collecting your shoe boxes. More details coming. Our goal is 75 boxes.



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3	Marvin Gunn
4	Chloe Dupree Bart Thompson
7	Amy Moore
9	Ally Jones Kevin McCrillis
10	Adam Dupree Suzanne Beach
12	Brayden Colson
15	Brian Walden
21	Andrew Miles
22	Beth Callahan
30	Jake Davis

Pastor: Rev. Josh Hughes
Worship Leader: Dr. Glenn Eernisse
Youth Minister: Ms. Rustin Howard
Pianist: Mrs. Wanda Delk
Organist: Mr. Jared Register

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning	Sunday Evening	Wednesday Evening
9:45 Sunday School	5:00 Handbell Choir	5:15 Children's Choir
10:55 Morning Worship	6:00 Evening Worship	5:30 Church Supper
	6:00 Youth Gathering	6:15 The Edge (Youth)
	6:45 Choir Rehearsal	6:30 Children on Missions
		6:30 Adult Bible Study



The Oaks

"Where Vision and Tradition Grow Together"



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Dear Oaks Family,

N It is November, and that means that Thanksgiving is right around the corner.
E We all have so much to be thankful for. I hope that we take this month to
W reflect on just how blessed we are as a church, as a community, and as a
S nation.

F I want to thank all who made Trunk or Treat a reality. We had the most cars
 decorated and the most children participate in the event in our history. There
 is so much that goes into making an event like this a success and without our
R dedicated staff and congregants, we would never make it. Thank you
 everyone!

O I want to give you an opportunity to do something meaningful for someone
 else this month: I want you to participate in Operation Christmas Child.
M OCC, a ministry of Samaritan's Purse, challenges congregations to fill
 shoeboxes with goodies that will be given as Christmas presents to children
 around the world. Last year, our church donated 53 shoe boxes. This year,
T our goal is 75. National Collection week is November 16th -23rd. Please bring
 your wrapped and filled shoebox to the church; do not forget to include
H seven dollars for shipping. I look forward to working with you as we bring
 joy to children through our simple gifts.

E Finally, I want to invite you to our Community Thanksgiving Service on
 November 22nd at STC. On that night, all of the churches in the area will
 gather for a time of worship and fellowship. The service begins at 6 P. M.
O and Rev. Robert Greene, pastor of Vidalia First United Methodist Church,
 will be speaking. Please make plans to attend.

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K My prayer for us, especially this month, is that we remember that God is the
 giver of all good things. As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving with our
 families, may we indeed take a moment to reflect on all that we have, all that
S we are, and remember that we are truly blessed. Thank God for it, and even
 more importantly, live thankfully in response.

In His Peace,
 Josh

November Volunteers

Crib Nursery Sunday (AM)

Nov. 1 Trey & Christy NeeSmith
Nov. 8 Deborah Dotson & Jill Murphy
Nov. 15 Charlene Dupree & Brian Colson
Nov. 22 Shelia Thigpen & Shirley Odum
Nov. 29 J.D. Lockley & Pete Frost

Toddler Nursery (AM)

Nov. 1 Pete Frost & Kathy Jones
Nov. 8 Amy Moore & Karen Ouzts
Nov. 15 Karen Mullinax & Mary Georgia Moore
Nov. 22 Barbara Hartley & Courtney Gay
Nov. 29 Tammi Threlkeld & Laura Kate Jones

Nursery Sunday P.M.

Nov. 1 Shirley Odum
Nov. 8 Shelia Thigpen
Nov. 15 Jill Murphy
Nov. 22 Susan Waters

Toddler Nursery Wednesday

Nov. 4 Ginger Hughes
Nov. 11 Eugenia McDilda
Nov. 18 Shirley Odum
Nov. 25 Deborah Dotson

Crib Nursery Wednesday

Nov. 4 Melinda Thompson
Nov. 11 Laura Kate Jones
Nov. 18 Jill Murphy
Nov. 25 Shelia Thigpen

Ushers

Nov. 1 Randy & Beth Callahan
Nov. 8 John & Weston Robison
Nov. 15 Don & Jenna Delk
Nov. 22 Brian & Bricyn Fitzgerald
Nov. 29 John Robison & Bart Thompson

Building Manager for November

Sonny Odum



Youth Mailbag from The Oaks!

November 7, Youth hayride at Rita Ponder's at 6:00 P.M.
\$100 is due November 15 if you have signed up for the Winter Retreat to Winterplace, WV.

Women on Missions

Women on Missions will meet at the church on Monday, November 9th at 6:00pm to work on Operation Christmas Child. A soup supper will be provided. Thanks to all who participated in the Refuge and card shower projects. We were able to send 28 purses full of goodies plus some additional items to the Refuge Domestic Violence Shelter, and we provided many boxes of cards, stamps, and pens for our card ministry at The Oaks.

Do you have any leftover Halloween candy? Bring any non-chocolate candy to the church, and we will use it in Operation Christmas Child boxes.

Stewardship Report

Monthly Budget Needs: \$18,861.67
Received in October:
General Fund: \$ 15,108.33
Designated Funds: \$ 1,290.57