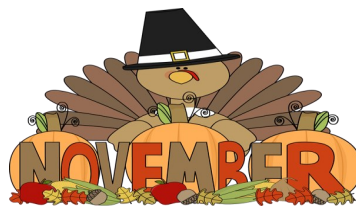


# THE ECHO...



# 2021

The church newsletter of Rossville United Methodist Church - Rossville, IN

## **Dave Bushfield assigned as a Pastor at Colfax beginning December 1<sup>st</sup>.**

Our current lay leader Dave Bushfield has been appointed by Bishop Trimble as the pastor of Colfax United Methodist Church, located in southwest Clinton County, effective December 1<sup>st</sup>. While his official duties do not begin until December 1<sup>st</sup>, his first sermon at Colfax is scheduled for the first Sunday of Advent—November 28<sup>th</sup>.

We will be sending Dave and his wife Tonya off with a time of prayer and a card shower at our Thanksgiving Sunday service on November 21st. Anyone who wishes is invited to bring a greeting card to church that day that we can present to the Bushfield's.

We are excited for Dave and Tonya as they begin this new chapter in their life.



One of the most exciting experiences in the life of a congregation is when we have the opportunity to send one of our members into the pastoral ministry. Throughout the history of our church here in Rossville, it is my understanding that eleven people have entered into the ministry who were part of our congregation. Now we are adding a twelfth person in Dave Bushfield. Dave grew up in our church, went away for many years, and then returned about four years ago. As many of you are aware, God has been nudging him towards pastoral ministry for most of his life. And now the time has arrived. About a year ago, Dave and I began having more specific discussions about his willingness to make himself available for this step. I had him write a letter to our Conference Superintendent Lore Blinn Gibson expressing his interest in serving. Then, about a month ago she called me about the possibility of assigning Dave as a pastor of a local church. From there, the ball began rolling. Our Staff-Parish Relations Committee here at Rossville met and voted to recommend Dave as a candidate for ministry. Dave and Tonya met with the Staff-Parish Committee at Colfax, and they gladly accepted them as their new pastor and pastor's spouse. And, it was announced in the congregations of the two churches on Sunday October 24<sup>th</sup>.

I believe God has been in this process from the beginning, and I look forward to who God will raise up to fill whatever gaps are left in the leadership of our congregation when Dave and Tonya begin this new chapter. I know God's purposes will be served.

Counting it a joy to serve the Lord!

*Pastor Bob Raschka*

We will remember those from our congregation who have passed away since Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 at our worship service on **November 7<sup>th</sup>**. This year we will remember Steve Ostler. We will also recall the many folks in the Rossville community as well as close family members of our congregation who passed away this year.

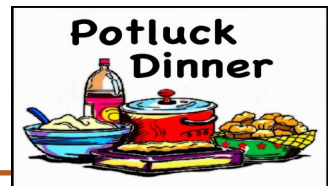


We return to Standard Time on **SUNDAY NOVEMBER 7<sup>th</sup>**. Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed on November 6<sup>th</sup> as Daylight Savings Time ends.

***Fall Church Pitch-in at the Marlow's***

Everyone is invited for a pitch-in lunch after church on Nov. 7th. We will have food, corn hole, and a fire pit. Chili, drinks, and table service will be provided. So bring your favorite dish, lawn chair and appetite. Parking is limited so please carpool if you can. Everyone is welcome to join us at 16 Rainbow Ct (Court not Road) Gates on both sides of our home will be open so come on back to the party!

In the event of rain, party will be moved to the church basement.



**Noodle Making Time**



**Its time for your favorite RUMC tradition. We will be making noodles to sale for Thanksgiving on Monday, Nov 8th at 9am. No experience needed just willing hearts and hands. We will bag the noodles on Tuesday, Nov 9th at 9am. Donations of flour are still needed.**

**See Nancy Disinger for questions.**

**LADIES DAY OUT November 12th**

On Oct. 8th 10 ladies net and enjoyed lunch at the Camden Restaurant. Then on to the 218 Market purchasing fresh produce, pumpkins, and goodies. The next Ladies Day Out will be Friday, November 12th. We will be carpooling to Lafayette and will eat at the Country Café off St. Rd. 26. We will leave the church parking lot promptly at 11am.

**All Ladies are invited!**

For Questions Contact Jane Emens (765-376-6176) or Connie Hinesley (765-379-2234).



### Wednesday Fellowship at Mary's



Fellowship at Mary's fall session is coming to a close with 3 weeks left. Join us Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. There will be a pitch-in dinner the last night on Wednesday Nov. 17th. Everyone is welcome to come to the home of Mary Gray at 304 E. Main St for this time of growing in our relationship with God and with each other.



### Fellowship Meal

#### AFTER CHURCH NOVEMBER 21st- Thanksgiving Sunday

Sunday November 21<sup>st</sup> is the day we gather together to give God thanks for the blessings and strength of another year at our 10:30 am worship service. Following the service, we will begin hanging the church decorations for the upcoming Advent and Christmas season. Each year this goes along fairly smoothly as a festive mood fills the church. Afterwards, we will go down to the basement and enjoy a meal of turkey tetrazzini, salad, sides, desert, and drink. The meal is being prepared and provided by Kathy Ledman and Emily Green. Everyone is welcome to stay after church on the 21<sup>st</sup> and help with the decorations or simply be here as an encouraging presence and then share in a special meal together.

#### *Christmas Melodies*

PRACTICE BEGINS  
NOV 28<sup>th</sup> @ 3:15 pm



This year our Christmas program will involve a handbell choir, a duet, some solos and a special presentation. We are hoping to get as many people as possible to participate as we gather folks together to play some pieces on our color-coordinated handbells. The first practice is scheduled for Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 3:15 pm in the sanctuary. Let's all come together for an enjoyable and fun experience. The performance will be at our worship service on December 12<sup>th</sup>.



#### ***Christmas Choir Practice November 28th at 4pm***

Our Christmas choir will sing at our worship service on the fourth Sunday of Advent-Christmas Sunday —December 19<sup>th</sup>. Rehearsals begin November 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm, after the Christmas Melodies rehearsal. Anyone who loves music is invited to be a part of our choir this year.

**NOVEMBER WORSHIP THEMES**

November 7<sup>th</sup> ALL SAINTS SUNDAY  
-DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS

“ Ignoring Clinks and Clanks” Mark 12:38-44



November 14<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion

“Birth Pains” Mark 13:1-8

November 21<sup>st</sup> Christ the King Sunday; Thanksgiving Sunday

“Thanksgiving for All” 1 Timothy 2:1-7

November 28<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

“Time to Go Home” Jeremiah 33:14-16

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**Adult Sunday School**

9:00-10:15 a.m

Sunday Worship and  
Jr. Church 10:30 a.m.



Pastor Bob Nov 1st

Brayla Marlow Nov 3rd

Darrin Disinger Nov 14th

Debbie Pollard Nov 17th

Cody Disinger Nov 17th

Stephanie Bushfield Nov 18th

Margo Oren Nov 19th

Elissa Weida Nov 22

Phil Emens Nov 25th

Zoe Marlow Nov 28

Ethan Rothenberger Nov 30th

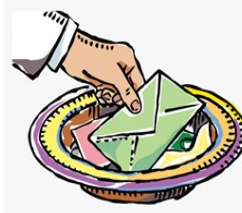


**Financial Report**

Average Offerings October 3rd- 24<sup>th</sup>: \$2,878.26

Year to date average offering: \$2,354.66

Weekly budget need: \$2,337.43



# November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Ladies Bible study 10am @ RUMC  6:30pm Mary's Fellowship  Jesus Night 7pm @ LSC	4	5 Religious Ed 1-3pm	6  7:30am @ LSC  Brayla Marlow Birthday Party in Fellowship Hall 2-4pm
7 Communion Sunday School 9 am Worship and Jr. Church 10:30 am  Church Pitch-in @ the Marlows Prayer Group 5pm	8 Noodle Making 9am  Annual Charge Conference & Administrative Council 7pm	9 Noodle Bagging 9am  Ladies Bible Study 7pm @ LSC 	10 Ladies Bible study 10am @ RUMC  6:30pm Mary's Fellowship  Jesus Night 7pm @ LSC	11	12  Ladies Day Out Meet at church parking lot 11am Religious Ed 1-3pm	13
14 Sunday School 9am Worship and Jr. Church 10:30 am  Prayer Group 5pm	15	16  SPRC 6pm  Ladies Bible Study 7pm @ LSC 	17 Ladies Bible study 10am @ RUMC  6:30pm Mary's Fellowship Pitch-in  Jesus Night	18	19 Religious Ed 1-3pm	20  7:30am @ LSC
21 Sunday School 9am Worship and Jr. Church 10:30 am  Hanging of the Greens / Fellowship Meal Prayer Group 5pm	22	23  Ladies Bible Study 7pm @ LSC 		25 Church Office Closed  Thanksgiving	26 Church Office Closed  No Religious Ed Thanksgiving Break	27
28 Sunday School 9 am Worship and Jr. Church 10:30 am  HandBell 3:15pm Choir 4pm Prayer Group 5pm	29  Worship Team 7pm	30  Ladies Bible Study 7pm @ LSC 				