



Mount Hermon Baptist Church

Newsletter – October 31, 2013

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Children's Fall Festival – Oct 27



Thanks for all the **goodies** you donated for the children to enjoy!



CCHASM Thanksgiving Program

provides families in our local area with a Thanksgiving meal package and a \$15.00 gift card (for a turkey). Your generous donations will allow many families to have a delicious Thanksgiving dinner. Mount Hermon youth will collect, sort and deliver the packages to CCHASM. Please bring donations to church by November 17.

A complete meal gift package includes:

- 1- 40 oz. can (large) of yams or sweet potatoes
- 1- 13 oz. box of mashed potatoes
- 1- 14 oz. can of cranberry sauce
- 2- 15 oz. cans of corn
- 3- 15 oz. cans of green vegetables
- 2- bags of stuffing or 2 boxes of "Stove Top"
- 3- cans or packages of gravy
- 1- box of hot chocolate
- 1- box of tea bags
- 1- box or bag of cookies



Youth Volunteer Day at church

– Monday, November 4... 10 am to 2 pm

Susan could use extra hands tackling some task around the church... Youth, can you help? Free pizza lunch provided. Contact Susan ASAP if you plan to volunteer.



Voting at church - Tuesday, Nov 5



one hour to Eastern Standard Time
this Sunday morning!



Baptism Service – Sunday, Nov 10, - 10:00 am in chapel
(Adult classes will not meet so everyone can attend the baptism)



Bring **shoeboxes** to church by **Sunday, Nov 17**



Wednesday – Nov 6

5:45 pm - Dinner: **Chicken & rice casserole, tossed salad, rolls**
and desserts you bring

6:45 pm - Children's music & activities

Adult handbells

Prayer Time & *The Letters of John*

7:30 pm - Choir rehearsal

Food for Thought...

Success is the ability to go from one failure to another
with no loss of enthusiasm. - Winston Churchill

There's a bit of magic in everything,
and some loss to even things out. - Lou Reed

Prayers appreciated for...

- **Bill Hall, Sr.**, in St. Francis Medical Center,
- **Jordan Dickson**, recovering from surgery

Happy Birthday! November

3 Kathy Beaber 7 Kitty Dwojak
3 Logan Brinkley 9 Scott Szczesniak
6 David Elmore

Sunday – Oct 27

Contributions – \$ 2,606.50 Adult Classes – 34
Avg. weekly need – 3,881.00 Worship – 72
CCHASM - \$350.00 Building Fund - \$10.00
Nursery – 6 Children – 12
Budget needs to date – \$166,830.00
Contributions to date – 159,428.00



This Sunday

9:30 am – Coffee fellowship
9:45 am – Adult Bible classes
11:00 am – Worship
 Children’s Church
6:00 pm – Youth Gathering – *Echo Your Story*

From the Pastor



To Every Season

Every season hath its pleasures;
Spring may boast her flowery prime,
Yet the vineyard's ruby treasures
Brighten Autumn's sob'rer time.

Thomas Moore

Fall is in full swing. Does that make you happy or sad? Is it a season you enjoy or dread? – The poet above notes that, yes, spring has its lovely flowers and fresh, splashy colors, but Autumn’s “ruby treasures” do so much to brighten the somber tone. There is a blessing in every season. How true! And the seasons pass so quickly. It seems as if it was just summer. Fall will pass in a flash; and winter will soon enough bring what it brings.

Our seasons of life come and go as well. As Ecclesiastes 3:1-2 observed: “There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot...” And a time for leaves to sprout and a time for leave to tumble. But God paints those leaves with splashes of lemon yellow and ruby red to delight our

eyes. – Our daughter lives in Dubai, and when I mentioned the leaves changing colors now, she said she would really like to see that. She misses the beauty of fall in their arid land.

Childhood gives way to youth, and youth to middle-age, and middle-age to senior years. And each season has its advantages and disadvantages, its miseries and joys. – Where are you now? What's beautiful about your season? Doubtless God has splashed some colorful blessings there for you. Do you see them?

God's best to you today,

Lee

November 3, 2013 - 11:00 am

Call to Worship *Psalm 8* Quintet
Gina Thompson, Kay Hancock, Joanne Winn,
Bonnie Culley, Peiling Zhao

Scripture & Prayer Gina Thompson
Colossians 1:15-18

* Song of Praise 495 Serve the Lord with Gladness

* *We Are Children of God* from Romans 8

* Song 21 vss. 1&6

O My Soul, Bless God the Father

* Greeting Time

Welcome & Church Highlights

The Bible Says... Hebrews 12:1-9

Running God's Race

* Offering Song 484 Higher Ground

* Offering Statement & Prayer Gina Thompson

Special Music *Come Thirsty* Quintet

Focal Scripture 2 Timothy 4:6-8

Message Lee Ellison

Finish the Race... Enjoy the Rewards

The Lord's Supper

The Bread: served by Christ to His people

The Cup: a life poured out in serving others

* Commitment Song 492 Purer in Heart, O God

* Parting Song *Blest Be the Tie*