



Backyard Club. The goal was 50 bags and we were able to do 69! We also sent a box of canned goods to the Homeless Shelter.

Sheila Penepacker

**Thank you** so much to all those who donated toward Operation Christmas Child and to all those who helped set up. Special thanks to the children and all others who helped fill the boxes. Last year we filled 120 and this year we had 140! Our goal next year is 160! Thanks for blessing children all around the world this Christmas season.

Erin Byler

A HUGE **thank you** to all who helped to make our ham potpie fundraiser a SUCCESS. The response we received from the community and so many of you was a BLESSING beyond words. Also a BIG thank you to Esther Hartzler who organized a bake stand and thanks to the friends who helped with that. Another GINORMOUS thank you to so many of you who helped behind the scenes in the kitchen, peeling potatoes, rolling dough, serving and cooking, and to so many of you for all the donations of potatoes, rolls, applesauce and the great deserts. The total from the bake stand and the potpie dinner totaled a little over \$5,000 which was all given to Henderson Funeral Home and we were able to pay off the Evan Bulick funeral. All praise goes to our Heavenly Father who used you all to help with this event. May God bless you all bunches.

Chris Kichman and Faith

Jeri Schwartz is holding a **craft bazaar** in the Maple Grove fellowship hall during the Big Valley Christmas Open House on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 25-26 from 8:00 AM-5:00 PM on Friday and 8:00 AM -2:00 PM on Saturday. All vendor spaces are filled.

**Due today:** Changes to the church birthday/anniversary calendar.

We **still need more pumpkin pies** to meet our goal of 20 for Backyard Club. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Please have your pies at the church on Tuesday, Nov. 22 by 9:00 AM. The pies that we are contributing on Nov. 22 and the grocery bags we packed at our Thanksgiving Service are in place of our regular monthly contribution in November.

Watts Memorial United Methodist Church is again hosting their **Nativity Display** where over 200 nativity scenes of all shapes and sizes will be on display in their sanctuary. You are invited to visit on Thursday, Nov. 24, 2 - 5 PM; Friday, Nov. 25, 10 AM-6 PM; Saturday, Nov. 26, 10 AM-4 PM; and Sunday, Nov. 27, 11 AM-2 PM. Also shop our craft bazaar on Friday and Saturday! Pause for a moment in this busy holiday season to remember the true meaning of Christmas.

**St. John's Holiday Gift Show** will be November 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> from 9AM to 5PM on Friday and 9AM to 2PM on Saturday. The show features quality hand crafted gifts and fine art, hot foods daily, baked goods, beautiful raffle items and live music. Proceeds go to the "Casey Marthouse Memorial Scholarship Fund". The show will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church in Belleville.

	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Next Week</b>
Nursery - SS	Krissy Bonson	Sheila & Amber Penepacker
Nursery - Worship	Sarah Yoder	Sarah Yoder
Sound Technician	Jared Byler	Kurt Stauffer
Ministerial Team	Foyer: Ray Yoder	Foyer: Kurt Rheam
Greeters	South Door: Jane Yoder	South Door: Nate Kauffman

***"Gathered to know Jesus, sent to make Jesus known"***