

Greensburg Community Bread of Life Monthly Newsletter

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From the Executive Director

Hello, Friends of the Kitchen!

What a wonderful season we are in -the giving and eating season; 2 of my favorite things. When the weather turns colder, we tend to eat a little more for the winter season. At the Kitchen, we are making more stews and hearty dishes in the 40-gallon tilt skillet, and I am so thankful for that piece of equipment. When Shawn and I get the big paddle out to stir with it, it looks like we are rowing a boat

We asked for 125 turkeys this season and they are coming in! We are keeping count on the whiteboard, and we have 59 as I write this. It is so amazing what we can do together. A big shoutout to Decatur County Memorial Hospital for the turkey donation in the memory of Phyllis Baughman. Phyllis would come over and chop fruits and vegetables during her lunch hour

in the Kitchen. At Thanksgiving time, she would ask her department to donate a turkey. They are keeping that tradition going in her honor and our patrons really appreciate the turkey dinner we do next Wednesday.

Whether you are giving your time, your dollars, or your prayers, we cannot keep the mission of offering a free meal to those in need, without your involvement. Thank you! Most of us live in a household where we must pick and choose what to eat today. Imagine not having anything to pick and choose from.

You have not lived today until you have done something for someone who can never repay you. -John Bunyan

Blessings ahead, Melissa

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Helping Hands

When November arrives all of our thoughts seem to focus on all the ways the Lord has blessed us throughout the year. Gratitude abounds for all the ways He has worked out the details in our lives. In all the circumstances of life, the Lord prevails and is always at work. Sometimes we see it clearly, but, most times, we must walk by faith and trust, BELIEVING He is always working for our good even through the storms of life that we will surely face.

Here in the Kitchen, we have that gratitude and appreciation year-round because of each of YOU our VOLUNTEERS who make coming into the Kitchen a regular part of your week, your month, or your year. Local employers find the value of creating a positive team-building experience by sending their employee groups for a day in the Kitchen. Because of all of you giving your time and talent to us, we are GRATEFUL, and our COMMUNITY is greatly BLESSED!

Another shout-out filled with GRATITUDE to ALL of our volunteers, for your faithful ongoing service! May your hearts and homes be blessed this Thanksgiving.



His Blessings, *Tina Sweeney*

I would like to give a shoutout to the volunteer group that worked in the kitchen on Wednesday, November 8th. TCC Telecommunications Company granted 14 of their employees the time to come into the kitchen. As you will see, within a 2-hour volunteer window they helped us with a variety of tasks from making fresh fruit salad, dicing potatoes, bagging and tagging noodles, filling blessing boxes, stocking our shelves, and washing spuds. WOW talk about productivity!

"I have not stopped giving THANKS for (each) of you, remembering you in my prayer."

Ephesians 1:6

Field Donors

Farmers Feeding the Flock Harvest Celebration

The 6th Annual Farmers Feeding the Flock campaign has successfully concluded and we celebrated with a Harvest Celebration on Friday, November 3rd at the Greensburg Community Schools Ag Barn. With nearly 80 people in attendance, the group was served a delicious meal of soybean hummus, pulled BBQ chicken, rolls, apple cole slaw, green beans, and pineapple cake. The audience then listened to guest speakers, Carl Kroger, a student at Purdue University and former Student Board Director, and Tom Bechman, editor of Indiana Prairie Farmer.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Fogg Family for generously contributing a 30acre soybean field. Thanks to generous donations and the bountiful soybean harvest, Greensburg Bread of Life has received an incredible **\$66,616.43**, which will greatly support our ongoing daily operations. s reeding the Fl







Join Us for a RISE Course

We have a great schedule of courses for the remainder of the year. Every course is FREE and open to the community! For more information and to register, visit GreensburgBreadofLife.com



7t's a Wrap

Thursday, December 7 at 6pm

We're delighted to invite you to our exclusive Gift Wrapping Class, where we'll teach you the art of creating beautifully wrapped presents that will leave your loved ones speechless.

November's Crockpot Cooking class was a HUGE success! The class was held on Thursday, November 2nd and we had approximately 40 people in attendance. A HUGE thank you to our presenter, Rebecca Myers, for not only speaking about crockpot recipes but also serving EIGHT samples! Plus, thanks to the Story Church, we had 10 crockpots to give away.



More Bites

Recipe of the Month

Pumpkin Crunch

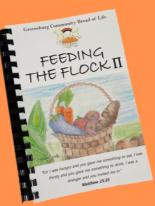
from Rebecca Myers

- 1 can (15 oz) pumpkin
- 1 package yellow cake mix
- 1 can evaporated milk
- 3 eggs

- 11/2 cup sugar
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- 1 cup butter, melted

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease the bottom of 9X13 inch pan. Combine pumpkin, evaporated milk, eggs, sugar, cinnamon, and salt in a large bowl. Pour into the 9X13 pan. Sprinkle cake mix evenly over the pumpkin mixture. Top with the pecans. Drizzle melted butter over the pecans. Bake at 350 degrees for 50-55 minutes or until golden brown. Cool and served chilled. Top with whipped topping when served.

This recipe and others can be found in the Greensburg Community Bread of Life Feeding the Flock II Cookbook. Now on sale for only \$5. To purchase, contact Bread of Life at 812-663-1055.



October Stats



18,177 pounds of food donated & rescued



2587 meals served



155 households used BOL services



100 blessing boxes distributed

599.25 volunteer hours donated

Kitchen Needs

From time to time, the kitchen is in need of specific items. Please see the list below. If you can help, we are accepting the following donations:

- Dish Towels
- Scissors
- SOS pads
- Flour



Upcoming Bible Study Leaders: September/October/November: Donna Moorman November/December: Paul Romoser, pastor of Community Church of Greensburg

Join us for a Bible Study on Thursday afternoons! We gather for faith-based topics on Thursday afternoons from 3:15pm -4:15pm in our conference room. All are welcome.

