

the journey

The Journey North Church Newsletter – November 2022

STAFF SPOTLIGHT



Ann Munson. Ann is the TJN Kids Central Service Director. I started attending TJN in 2012 and joined the Kid's Ministry staff in 2014. I grew up in Pequot Lakes in a Christian home but fell away from God in my teen years. A church was planted at my workplace when I was in college, and I began attending church again. It was then that I truly made a decision to make Jesus the Lord of my life and my faith became my own. I am single, with no kids, and have a cat named Gideon. In my free time I enjoy reading, anything crafty, cooking/baking, travel, and spending time with friends.



Aitkin Town Hall Meeting

Jeremiah and the Governing Team are planning a Town Hall meeting in Aitkin on Sunday, November 20th at 12:30 pm.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the needs and the future of the Aitkin Campus.

The Governing Team has recently voted to begin the search for an Interim Lead Pastor for Aitkin and hopes to have information on that search for the meeting.

Anyone is welcome to attend.

Volunteer Drive

The recent volunteer drive proved to be quite successful. We had many people sign up to help at Ruby's Pantry at both locations, we are very close to signing up for a second team for the soup kitchen and will be serving once a month as we currently do with the first team. A team is coming together for our annual Honduras trip in March. Operation Christmas Child is on track to send more boxes that we have in the past. We also had people showing interest in helping with the children's ministry, youth ministry, First Impressions and small groups. Thank you to everyone that signed up to help!

Awana

AWANA kids packed Operation Christmas Child boxes at each of our campuses this past week. They were able to donate items and pack 33 boxes total! In the next few months, we'll be able to track the boxes we packed and see where they end up.

AWANA is a program that focuses on discipleship and helps churches reach children for Christ. It includes large group teaching, small group time, scripture memorization, and games! AWANA is in Baxter on Tuesdays at 5:30-7:15 and in Aitkin on Wednesdays at 6:15-8:00. If your kiddo is not yet a part of AWANA, stop by on a Tuesday or Wednesday and check it out!

Khaos Student Ministries

Student Ministries has been doing many things this last month. We just finished up the series "Fear" where we shared stories about Esther, Daniel, David, and more. The central concept was never to be afraid to do what God calls us to do. We ended the series with a salvation prayer and 3 kids gave their lives to Christ. This month's series is "Thank you", a series of thankfulness and contentment with what God has given us.

On November 6th we took 27 students and 5 volunteers to Trout Lake camp. This was a first for every student in Khaos. Not only did they have a great time, but our students all grew closer to God. Five gave their lives to Christ for the first time, and many others rededicated. I hope we never get used to this.

We are also looking for volunteers who can help with the following:

Take down and or set up before or after Khaos, small groups, and meals in Baxter even if it's occasionally. If you are interested in partnering with Khaos and helping our youth grow with God let us know.

Email: ehie1@thejourneynorth.com

Journeys – Ladies Gathering

The Journeys group will be meeting on November 19th from 9:00 – 10:30 am at the Baxter Campus. They will be doing a service project for Kids ministry. This is an informal group and there is no need to register. Come when you can. Contact Chris Geisler for more info at 218-821-1481.

Next Meeting:

December 17th – Christmas Tea

Connect Group

Connect class, Wednesday, November 30th @ 5:30 at The Journey North Baxter Campus. 3D wall art and painting class. No experience required; all material included for \$45. Everyone welcome. Call or text to register or for more information. Deanne LeBlanc: 218-251-1145.

Winter Business Meeting

Our Winter Business Meeting is scheduled for January 29th, 2023 – 6:00 pm – Aitkin Campus.

Membership Renewal

In the coming weeks you will be receiving a phone call regarding membership renewal verifying your ongoing commitment to our 5 values: Authenticity, Generosity, Honor, Relevance and Unity as described in article 3 of the TJN constitution:

This verification will replace the current process of meeting with another member during the Winter Business Meeting.

We see the need for a current and active membership list so by having the staff call members to renew, we will have the opportunity to have conversations about the desire to renew your membership.

Jeremiah Rice, Interim Lead Pastor, Tim Lake, Governing Team Chair

Trunk or Treat

Trunk or Treat went very well at both campuses. We had 55 trunks and served approximately 2,500 kids. Total amount of people through the lines is estimated at 5,000-8,000.

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Love God. Love Others.