



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH – LUFKIN

Thanksgiving Meal - 2022

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The Mission Committee is once again seeking your help to make our Annual Thanksgiving event successful. Primarily, we need your prayers, presence, gifts, service & witness to help make this event a success. We cannot do it without you. As a Christian it is our duty to serve others & this is a fantastic opportunity to serve & invite others (Non-Church Members) to assist with this event. If you are physically unable to help, please come & witness the Body of Christ in action.

I need somebody with a pickup truck to go to Brookshire's and talk with the manager about getting their milk boxes and bring them to the church. Please store them in the utility closet off the Gym. We need around seventy-five boxes to store the 600-meals so it will take a couple of weeks and going to both Brookshire's to get enough. There is going to be a Turkey shortage this year due to the Bird Flu outbreak in which they had to destroy much of the flock. Also, Inflation has increased food prices. I am doing my best to utilize God's money to ensure a great meal for a reasonable cost. This year we will be preparing 600 meals going to the Angelina County Senior Citizens Meals on Wheels Participants. We will be utilizing canned & fresh foods.

I need helpers for kitchen cleaning on Tuesday, November 15. This means that we are going to begin the meal preparation on Wednesday, November 16 through Sunday, November 20. The meal will be completely prepared and packaged on Sunday, November 20 immediately following our Church service. We will then take these meals to the Senior Center to be frozen to ensure food safety. The Meals on Wheels program will be delivering our meals on the Tuesday before Thanksgiving.

Unfortunately, we will not be having the meal at the Church on Thursday.

- We are going to accept frozen turkeys from Friday, November 11 through Sunday, November 13. Preferably around sixteen pounds each or larger. This will enable time to allow the Turkeys to thaw. After that no turkeys accepted as I will buy whatever else we need to ensure that they are thawed by Friday the 18th.
- If baking is your pleasure, we need desserts to the Church on Saturday, November 20 before 12:00 PM. This way it will give us time to purchase whatever we
- 2022 Thanksgiving Meal need. I will have individual dessert containers in the church office available for you to take home if you like or just bring whatever you make & we can put them in the containers.
- There will be sign-up sheets or online for those who wish to volunteer their time.
- Most volunteers will be needed for the assembly line for plating the entrée on the Sunday November 20 after church.
- Monetary donations encouraged, accepted & appreciated

Volunteers with Pick-up trucks on Sunday to deliver to the Senior center Thanks for your Help in this mission field. Remember many hands makes light work.

-John Brink, Chief Cook & Bottle Washer

