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“LIGHT FROM THE HILL”

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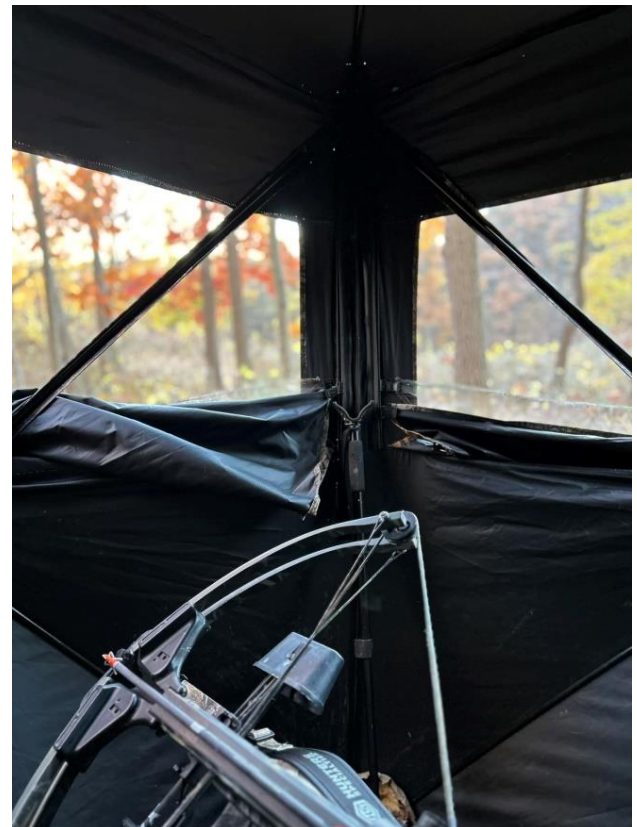
Shawnee Armstrong
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New View

We all love views. Many post their views that affect them the most, such as sunrise, sunset, rainbows, mountains, fall colored trees to name a few. This is my new view for archery hunting. I have spent a couple weeks in a tree stand. My husband saw some nice buck in a different location and set us up here. So now I am in a hunting blind. It's a whole different experience being on the ground versus up in the air. A new view can bring many possibilities. We can find a different perspective and expand our world.

As we go through our lives, we can bump into many circumstances that can cause twists and turns in our journey and even road blocks. It can be hard not to get set in our ways and only see things from one point of view. When we are in need of change and possibly breakthrough, we need to intentionally make some changes. The definition of insanity is doing the same thing and expecting a different outcome.

What difficulty are you facing right now? Would a new view help?



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I find when I'm struggling that most often I need to check my spiritual life first. It's easy to get out of my spiritual disciplines, which are prayer, Bible Reading, worshiping and time alone with God. That takes me out of His view and He is no longer in my view. I need a clear view between my God and I for life to stay on track. Abundant life only comes when this is the case. How about you? Do you want to join me in that view.

"Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert." --Isaiah 43:19

"Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind." --Romans 12:1

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Article written by
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****This article comes from Pastor Greene's Facebook page *Abundant Living at Full Draw*.
If you would like to read more of her posts, visit and like her page on Facebook.**

NOVEMBER WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

November 2 2025

Donna Yarnal
"Boasting in Suffering"
The Lord's Supper will be served

November 9, 2025

Denny Weaver

November 16, 2025

Rev. Jackie Greene

November 23, 2025

Pastor Doug Snyder

November 30, 2025

Hanging of the Greens Service



Church Officers....

Is God calling you to step up and be a leader in our church?
The nominating committee will be meeting soon to begin the search for officers for the 2026. We will be looking for three elders, two deacons and an auditor. Each of these positions are three year terms. If someone from the committee approaches you about serving, please prayerfully consider if God is calling you to take on a more active leadership role in our church.



Active Member...

The Book of Order states, “An active member of a particular church is a person who has made a profession of faith in Christ, has been baptized, has been received into membership of the church, has voluntarily submitted to the government of this church, and participates in the church’s work and worship. Only active members are eligible to hold a church officer position or to vote in congregational meetings. An in-active member of a particular church is one who does not participate in the church’s work and worship.”



Our Presbyterian Church of Marion has determined that an active member is one who:

- 1) Takes part in the worship of the church and/or church-organized study of the Scriptures at least four times a year.
- 2) Supports the work of the church through the giving of time, talents or money.

We are the Church....and the Church needs You!

We need people with different talents and skills to do small but important tasks. You do not need to be an elder or deacon to help on the following committees.

R&S works to do the upkeep and maintenance both inside and outside.

The mission group selects, plans and organizes the various mission projects that the church supports throughout the year.

The outreach group plans fellowship events like the Ladies’ tea and Fall Fest and needs people who like to coordinate gatherings.

The worship committee plans for Advent, Lent and regular services.

If you are interested in helping with either the physical work or planning programs and worship, please speak with an elder. We would be happy to have your assistance.



Dear members and friends of the Presbyterian Church of Marion. You are encouraged to keep the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) in your frequent prayers. If you don’t know what to be praying for, here is a prayer you can use that has been culled from several sources:

Most gracious and loving God, having accepted the invitation to work together to seek out and prayerfully discern the person who, even now, is being called to serve, lead, and journey with the Presbyterian Church of Marion, we ask you to come to the PNC’s assistance.

As it is written in Psalm 139, “... you have searched us out and known us; you discern our thoughts from afar; you follow our journeys and are acquainted with all our ways ...” Be with them now, Father. As they continue in this search process, be present among them, and guide each step they take. Guide them in all their doings, Gracious God.

Build unity among them, guard them from distractions, and help them to welcome different viewpoints and perspectives as opportunities to hear, understand, and grow. Father, teach them to listen. But also, allow them some Holy rest when rest is needed.

Inspire not only their minds but also their hearts, allowing one to form the other, within each individual, and among all participants in this work. Open their hearts and minds to your presence, Lord Jesus.

Quicken the heart of the person begin called to serve as our next pastor. Remove any obstacles that might stand in the way of this call. Reveal the path and lead the way, as we all know you as The Way, The Truth, The Life.

Lord, may the PNC offer themselves as fertile ground through which your work may be done. And when their tasks are complete and the search is done, grant them quiet minds and confident hearts that, guided by your wisdom, they will have accomplished what you have asked them to do. And then let them rest, be still, and know that you are God.

Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.



Prayer Chain Update.....

We are updating our prayer chain email list. If you do not receive the prayer requests that go through our prayer chain and would like to be added, simply drop us an email. We will gladly add you.

Send your request to be added to: pcmarionsecretary206@gmail.com



Daylight Savings Time ends....Don't forget to turn your clocks back on Saturday night, November 1st. Enjoy the extra hour of sleep!



Deacon's Social on November 2nd...

Join us after worship on Sunday, November 2nd as the Deacons host their fall social. Come enjoy some goodies and enjoy a time of fellowship.

If you want to get in the Christmas Spirit, you can help us back up our church shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child.



Operation Christmas Child

A reminder that if you picked up a shoebox to fill, all boxes, along with \$10 for shipping, are due **Sunday, November 9th**.



November Mission Outreach...

During the month of November the mission committee will be collecting non-perishable food items and paper products for the Rochester Mills Food Pantry.

Donations can be dropped off at the mission table in the Narthex.



Hanging of the Greens Service – November 30th...

Join us for worship as we prepare for the season of Advent. Our service will focus on the Christmas decorations we display in the sanctuary. We will share how the meaning of some of the items displayed, along with scripture and Christmas Carols to help us ready our minds for Advent.



Decorating the Church for Christmas...

Following worship on **November 30th**, we will finish decorating the church and could use some help. We invite you to stay for a lite lunch and then we will finish decorating.

With many hands it will take little time, plus it really is a time of fellowship and fun.



Advent Study....

We will be offering a three session Advent Study that will begin on **Sunday, December 7th**. We will be meeting **in the sanctuary beginning at 9:30 a.m.** There is a study guide book that goes along with the study that we need to order before we begin. If you would like to join us for this study, please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Listed below is information regarding our Advent study.

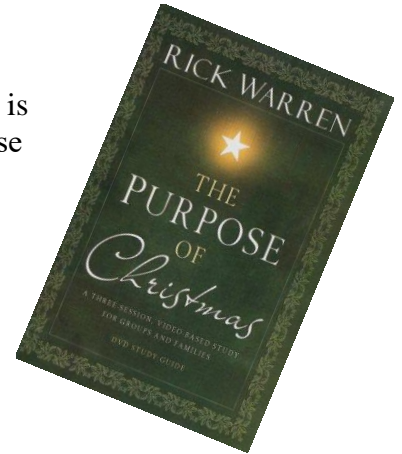
The Purpose of Christmas by Rick Warren

Christmas is the most celebrated holiday of the year for billions of people. But what is the purpose of Christmas? What makes Christmas so special? What is God's purpose for Christmas?

Teaching from the Gospel of Luke in three sessions, Pastor Rick Warren will help you see not one but three purposes of Christmas announced by the angel at the birth of Jesus:

- Christmas Is a Time for Celebration
- Christmas Is a Time for Salvation
- Christmas Is a Time for Reconciliation

You will discover why Christmas is God's idea and why Jesus is the greatest gift God gave to the world. Once you understand the purpose of Christmas, your life will never be the same!



Our friends at the First Methodist Church in Marion Center will be holding a food drive next Thursday, November 6th from 6-8 p.m.



Marion Center Light-up Night, November 14th



Come Caroling with us!

Our church along with our friends from the Marion Center First Methodist Church and New Life Lutheran Church will be walking in the Light-Up Night Parade and singing Christmas carols. **We invite anyone that would like to sing with us to join us at the Y in Marion Center at 6:45 p.m. and we will get our group together.**

Want to watch the festivities? The parade begins at 7:00 p.m. Be sure to watch for our church float with a live nativity on board. Then join us at the park hall to light-up the town tree and enjoy some hot chocolate and cookies.



Community Advent Devotional...

Once again the area churches are coming together to create an Advent devotional. If you would like to write a devotion for one of the scriptures our church has been given, please let Beth know or sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Each devotional should be 300 words or less and needs to be emailed to Beth at the church office by November 17th. Listed below are the scriptures to choose from:



Romans 13:11-14

Isaiah 7:10-14

Matthew 3:1-6

Luke 2:8-20

Hebrews 1:5-14

Prayer Requests

Homebound Folks:

Russ Olson

Rest Home Folks:

The Fountains of Dubois – Doris Glasser

Active Military Service:

Louis Good

PNC Committee:

Calvin Farren, Lorrie Gallo, Natalie Gatskie, Chuck Glasser and Tonya Watkins

ELDER OF THE MONTH

Jim Sisitki

DEACON OF THE MONTH

Donna Black

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

4 Olivia Miller

15 Lane Mouser

8 Jim Sisitki

18 Terry Zele

9 Barb Hood

29 Alice Biss

Betty Zele

30 Hadlynn Brown

10 Noah Chichy

12 Chris Repine

