



Crawford Methodist Church

The Methodist Messenger

November 2026



A Psalm of Thanksgiving and Praise

A Psalm of THANKSGIVING gives Universal praise to God, and as we move into November and the changing weather, we experience a new season of THANKSGIVING and gratitude for all that we have. As my friend the Rev. Ramsdale says “God is Big Enough” to handle all circumstance in our lives. And that we belong to God and each other.

A psalm of THANKSGIVING reminds us all that God is our creator and is big enough to take care of his flock. God is big enough to lead our lives into the green pastures of the 23 Psalm; and God is big enough to bring healing to our land and world.

A Psalm of Thanksgiving contextualizes the world within God’s Love, But, Oh My, don’t we have our problems. I was reading from the George Bush Presidential Center and Library publication about how China, Russia, Iran, and North Korea (CRINK) are working together to hurt the International Rule based order. We are seeing how one of the GULAG factory plants in Russia (Yela Buga) relies on human trafficking from North Korea to make drones to indiscriminately kill Ukrainian citizens. God Bless America, and let us be THANKFUL for our Freedom.

A Psalm of THANKSGIVING blesses us with the opportunity to enter worship with gratitude and honor. In spite of the evil in our world, we worship the one true God and trust that God is big enough to work through the will of our democracy for peace and justice in our world and at home.

As we continue to celebrate America’s 250th Anniversary the words of John Lewis ring true for us today and for future generations.

“Freedom is not a state; it is an act...Freedom is the continuous action we all must take, and each generation must do its part to create an ever fair, more just society”

(John Lewis in *From Across That Bridge: A Vision for Change and the Future of America*).

A PSALM OF THANKSGIVING throws an anchor into the deep water of a broken and sinful world and demonstrates “God’s character that God is GOOD, His love is steadfast, and His faithfulness lasts forever” We are Blessed:

“On your feet now-applaud God!

Bring a gift of laughter, sing yourselves into his presence.

Know this: God is God, and God, God. He made us: we didn’t make him.

We’re his people, his well-tended sheep.

Enter with the password: Thank you! Make yourself at home, talking praise.

For God is sheer beauty, all-generous in love, loyal always and ever. (Psalm 100)

So, as we gather around our THANKSGIVING tables and families, we give Thanks to God and for Country our Church and Families – God Bless America.

In God We Trust

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Our mission is to become a community of believers and followers of God; the Creator, Savior, and Holy Spirit. We gather to worship and become stewards and disciples who express our faith with others, nurture one another, and are in ministry with Christ.

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Youth Report

Hello Crawford Methodist Youth. I hope everyone is having a great school year. The weather is changing. Holidays are coming up quickly. During stressful times the power of prayer is always available. Use it often.

Thank you to all for your help at the pumpkin patch and Lord's Acre. It was a wonderful time of service and fellowship with all of you. Everyone has a busy schedule and all help was greatly appreciated.

Morning youth services are every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Youth afternoon services are on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at 4 p.m. unless it falls on a holiday, then we will reschedule accordingly. Also, if there is any youth news I need to be made aware of (sporting events, birthdays, joys, or concerns) please send me an email, text, or call. If you would like to be added to the youth list for updates and youth activities, please let me know. See you at youth group, as always, bring a friend! --- Nathan "Nate" Byers, Youth Director

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. 1 John 4:7

WEEKLY OFFERING TOTALS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Financial Goal</u>	<u>Offering Report</u>
9/27	\$3,364.13	\$1,086.00
10/4	\$3,364.13	\$2,621.00
10/11	\$3,364.13	\$2,275.00
10/18	\$3,364.13	Lord's Acre
10/25	\$3,364.13	\$1,630.00

Prayer Requests

Dewayne Mooneyham
Anna Atkins – cancer
Kelly Majors (Kaye's niece)
Rikki Minnix
Katherine Williams (Lori's sister)
George Black
Jeff Berry – cancer
Vicki Berry
Jamie Burnett
Jillian Sutherland
Russel Family
RJ Taylor – cancer
Cherish Fanning – cancer
Dorothy Donaldson
Debbie Kalal
Millie Ward's friend, Amy
Lucynda Garcia - cancer
Kelsey Jones
Brittany Bolin
Joyce Holmes
Glenda's niece, Kaci

Nancy Way
Joe Meadors
Karter Edenfield
Loretta Willis
Darlene Grigsby (John's aunt)
Pata Potter
Patrick Gardner
Tiffany Stadler
Beverly Jones
Cheryl Isbell
Clem Kortis
Terry Taylor (surgery)
Clarence Scott
Ukraine
Israel Gaza War
Jennifer Coan
Ethan Valdez
Hannah Riley
Megan Ayers (DeChaume)
Emma Harper



Please stop by and say hello to our members and Crawford residents in nursing homes!!

Joyce Holmes
c/o St. Joseph's
Care Center
Room 111
609 Johnson Dr.
McGregor, TX 76657
Code to enter: 5600#

Barbara Lovorn
c/o Lynridge of Waco
5317 Speegleville Rd.
Waco, TX 76712

Ruby Powers
c/o Residency at Ridgewood
6312 Cobbs Drive
Room 22
Waco, TX 76710

November

2nd Brixtn Collins
3rd Rikki Minnix
6th Easton Bayer
13th Katy Raley Pomykal
16th Vicki Berry
18th Terry Westerfeld
22nd Johnnye D'Angelo
22nd Jeff Slaughter
24th Jill Holmes Cartwright
25th Judson Bayer
25th Lexie Lynch
25th Bethany Jordan

10th Gary and Christy Walker



Crawford Methodist Women Schedule

Wednesday, November 4th

Place: Church Fellowship Hall

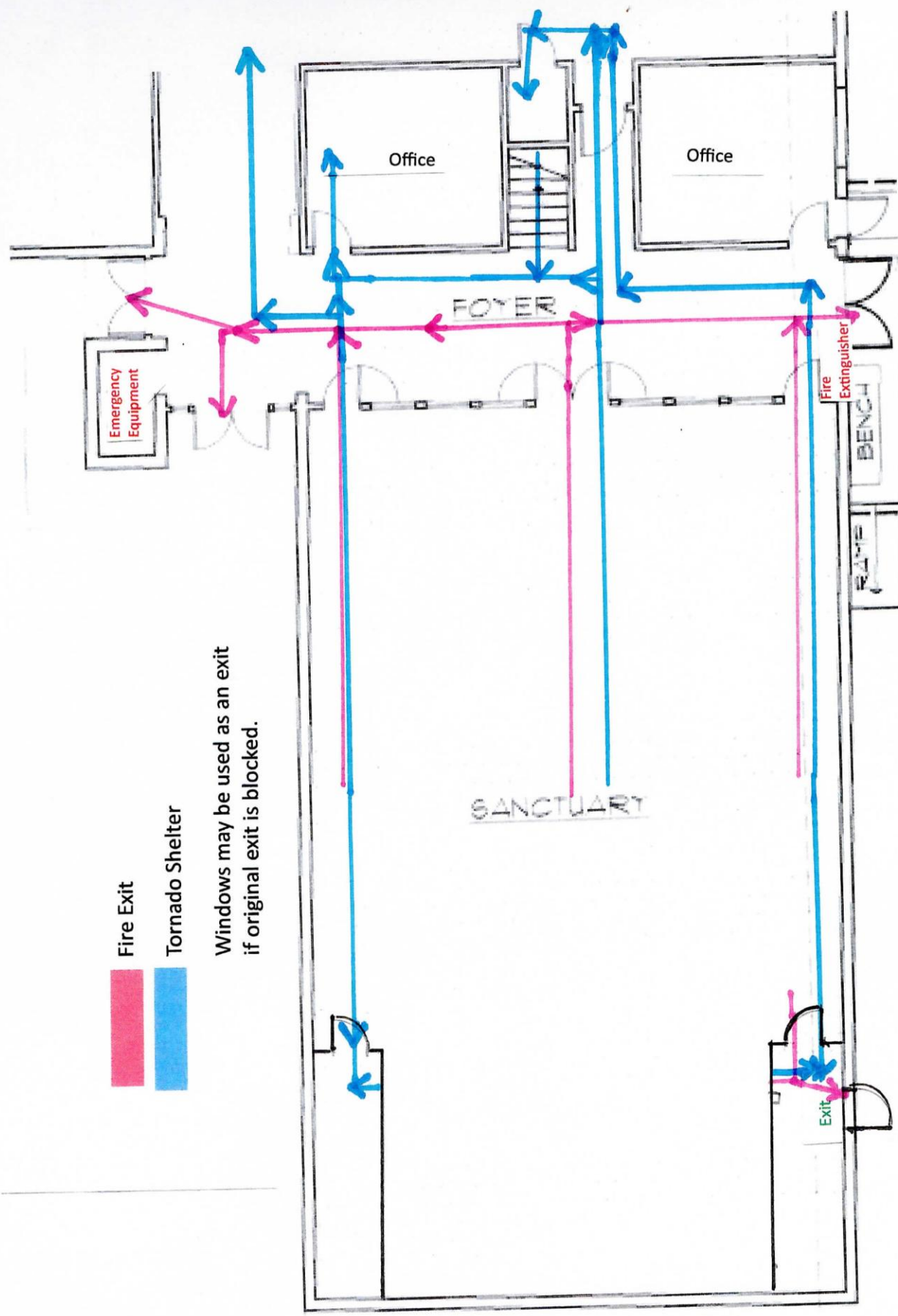
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Hostesses: Edie Snider and Lori



The following three pages show fire exits
and tornado shelters for our church.

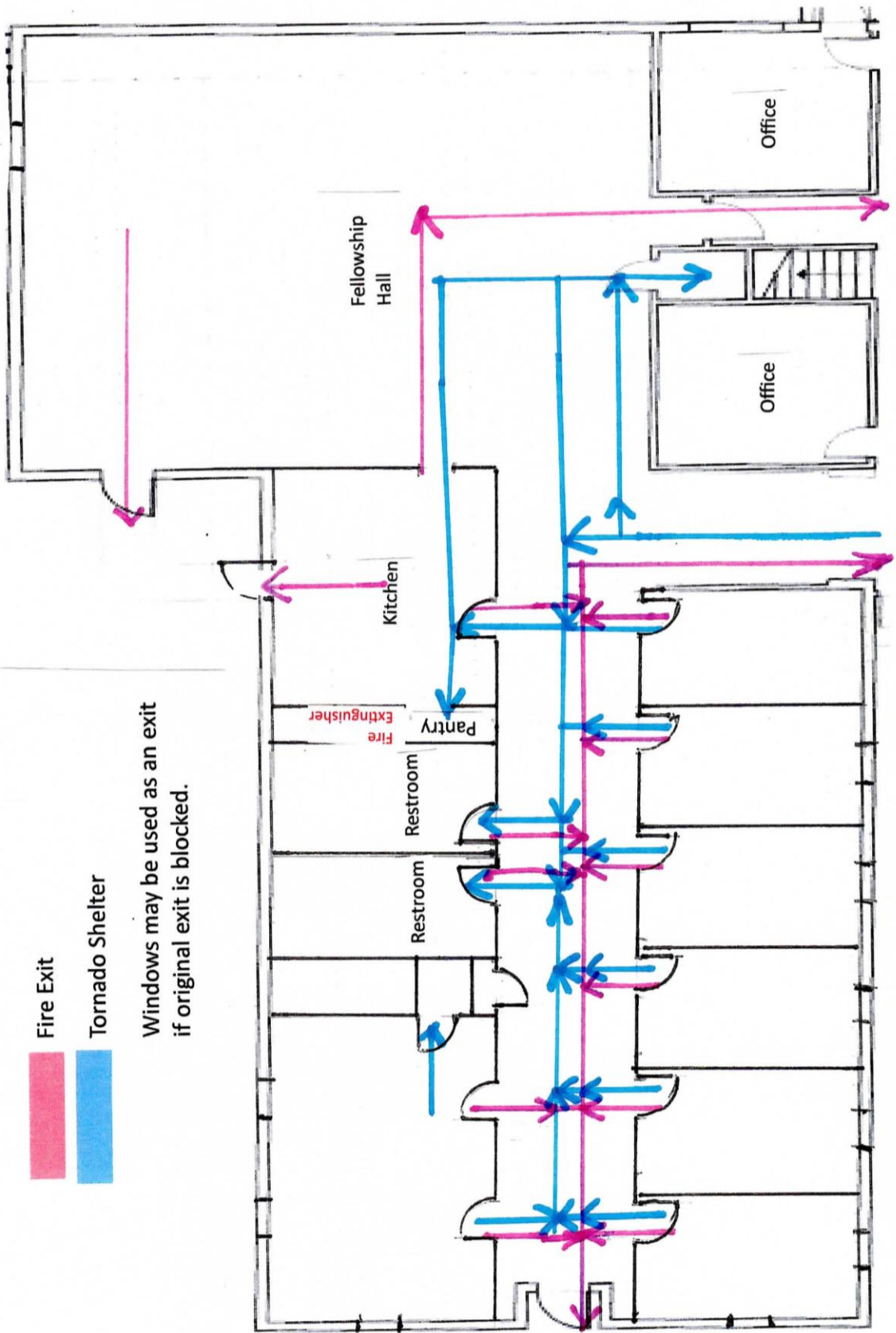


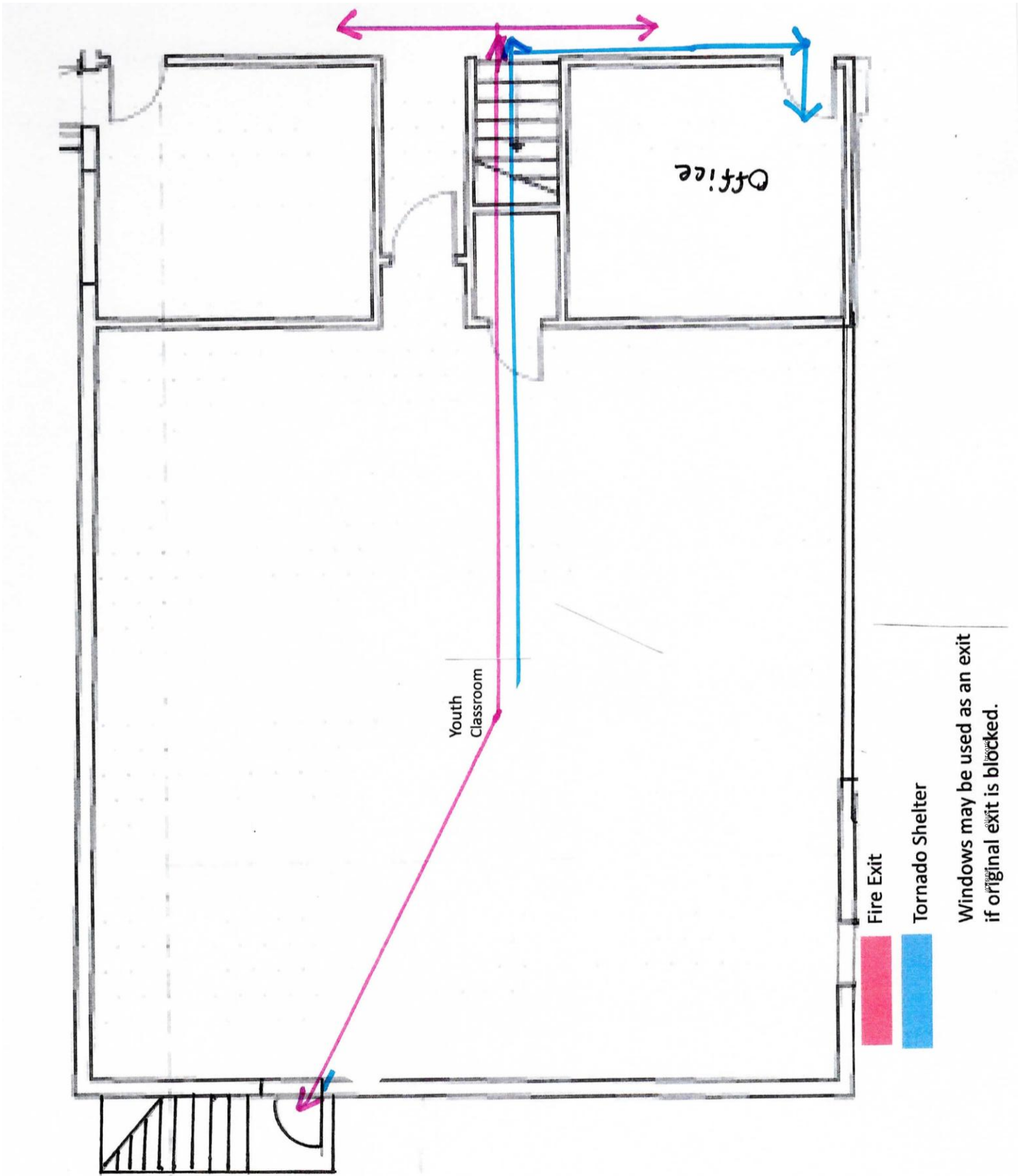


Fire Exit

Tornado Shelter

Windows may be used as an exit
if original exit is blocked.





Thanksgiving Word Search

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FELLOWSHIP	BLESSINGS	CHRISTIAN	GATHERING	GRATITUDE	LEFTOVERS
TRADITION	DRESSING	LAUGHTER	NOVEMBER	THURSDAY	FRIENDS
HARVEST	PRAYERS	PUMPKIN	SHARING	WORSHIP	AUTUMN
CHRIST	CHURCH	GIVING	GOBBLE	PARADE	PRAISE
TURKEY	FEAST	GRAVY	JESUS	TABLE	BAKE
LOVE	YAMS	GOD	NAP	PIE	YUM

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Holy Communion All Saints Day Daylight Saving Time ends	2	3 Election Day	4 6pm Crawford Methodist Women	5 11:30am Men of Faith at the Crawford Cone	6 Rev. Kent is available for visitations	7
8 4pm Youth afternoon service	9	10 2pm Faith First Exercise	11 Veterans Day 6pm Finance/Admin Meeting	12 10am Central Texas Food Bank	13 Rev. Kent is available for visitations	14
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22 Joy Jar Potluck 4pm Youth afternoon service Update Prayer Requests	23	24 2pm Faith First Exercise Newsletter articles due at noon	25	26 Thanksgiving Day	27 Rev. Kent is available for visitations	28
29 Hanging of the Greens	30					