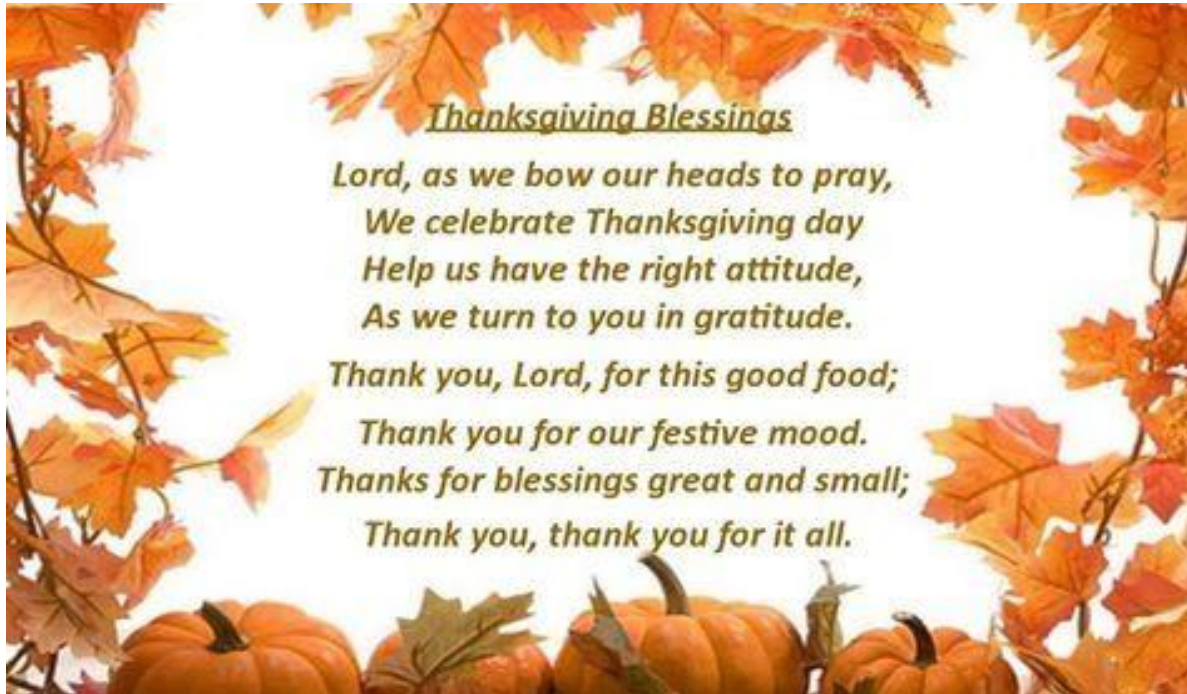


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Christian Education

By Julie Lindsey

The pumpkin decorating party produced many funny, scary, and crazy pumpkins for our youth to take home to enjoy through this fun fall season.



The children and congregation also helped pack many bags of candy to be distributed during the October mission meal and to the community on Halloween night. Thanks to all the hands that stuffed bags and donated candy.

We have moved our Jr Worship class into fellowship hall because of the cooler weather. This has allowed us the opportunity to bake bread, go on a journey to Canaan with Abram, Sarai, and Lot and many more adventures through our Bible stories.

The Christmas pageant is evolving and will be presented to the congregation on Dec 12th. You will be hearing more about this in the coming weeks.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

By Selinda Schultz

During the Month of November our Tuesday morning group will continue our thought-provoking Journey through the book, Holy Envy. After the great discussions we will be sad to complete it on Nov 23rd but will be ready to start our journey through Advent on Nov 30th.

This year for the Season of Advent we will use a new book of daily readings by Thomas G. Long and Donyelle C. McCray, A Surprising God. They remind us that the questions we are asking are the questions of Advent: Where do we find hope when it seems in such short supply? Where are the signs of God's peace in this divided world? Where do we find a deeper sense of joy?

Join us for meaningful Advent preparation for Christmas. Selinda will be ordering books @ \$9 on Nov 1st. If you do not usually attend the group call Selinda at 419-865-8383 to reserve a copy.

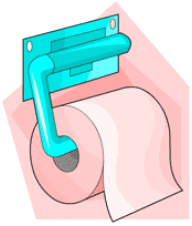


MISSION

Randy Phillips, Team Leader

“Thankfulness is the quickest path to joy” Jefferson Bethke

NOVEMBER’S PCU COLLECTION ITEM: Toilet paper



HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTER: Hygiene & Cleaning Products.

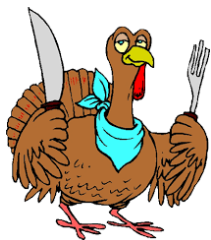
Drop off site: Church vestibule. One site, two outstanding programs in need!

PCU UPDATE: A mask is now required for clients and those working. The budget is healthy and client numbers remain down. Minor maintenance to the building was done. Looking at decreasing the hours starting in the New Year.

COFFEE CAKE MINISTRY: The oven was busy for two very appreciative members of our church family.

GOOD SAMARITAN FUND: Ministry to individuals/families during a time of hardship by temporarily assisting them with their basic needs: gas, food, medical prescriptions, etc. The church secretary will additionally provide a list of available local services. In the absence of a sitting Pastor, the Mission Team Leader shall have the responsibility for overseeing the fund. Typically, only gift cards valued \$25.00 or less will be disbursed. There were \$150.00 total disbursements, for five individuals in September 2021.

PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING: At date, the congregation has donated \$665.00 and the Mission Team \$250.00 The Cocoon will receive 25% of the total amount collected. Thank you so much to everyone for your generous donations to help support this ministry.



MISSION MEAL; Turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, cranberry sauce, rolls, pumpkin pie, and bottled water. Sign-up sheet on Mission bulletin board (or call Randy) if you would like to make a donation.

Wednesday, Nov. 17th – Louisiana House Thursday, Nov. 18th – Elm House

All donated items need to be at the church Tuesday, Nov. 16th

THE COCOON: FALL CLEANUP—God blessed us with a beautiful day, shared with friends, while overhauling the landscape! Huge **thanks** to the landscaping crew: Don Youel, Molly & Kyle Chalfin, Kathy East, Randy & Eileen Phillips, Ryn, Isla, Fiona Davies, Ella Fullenkamp (Cocoon), Rick & Mary Beth Gilts, and the PHS students: Aubrey Green, Grace Leonard, Raushni Burmrah, and Anna Luscombe.

NOSA CARD: Our church family reached a new personal best for monthly sales. October’s: \$1670.00

NEXT MEETING: November 3, 2021 at 6:00 PM

By Mary Beth Gilts

STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE

Here is a notice the church received regarding the Online Giving. If you have any questions, please reach out to Jim Gilmore or Jack Simmons.

New Online Giving App Coming Soon

Thank you for partnering with the Presbyterian Foundation to administer your online giving program.

The Foundation collaborates with Vanco Payment Solutions to provide the services of this program. Your donors have had access to a mobile app through Vanco called GivePlus which allowed them to make contributions from their smartphones.

Vanco is converting from the current GivePlus app to the new Vanco Mobile app.

On Monday, November 1, your donors will have access to a new app called Vanco Mobile which will offer capabilities similar to the GivePlus app.

This change only affects donors who use the GivePlus app. Donors who give through your website are not affected.

Your church or ministry doesn't need to do anything at this time. We simply want to make you aware that this change is coming.

Additionally, if a donor has a recurring gift set up through GivePlus, those gifts will continue uninterrupted.

WORSHIP/MUSIC

By Marty Sloan



Worship: As we pray for God's direction in guiding us to our next church pastor, we also praise the Lord for providing these amazing guest ministers who are keeping our church community on track during this transitional period!

During November, we will welcome the following as our guest ministers:

- November 7 - Rev. Mary Bielen
- November 14 - Rev. Mary Bielen
- November 21 - Rev. Barbara Esterly
- November 28 - Rev. Dr. Gavin Pitt

Thank You: A special thank you to Allison Mackin for her kind donation of our own Rev. Pamela Short's new children's book titled "Blessings Flow" for our junior worship children. The book is beautifully written and illustrated and will be located in our church library. Be sure to take a look!

Baptism: Paul Chalfin, son of Kyle and Molly Chalfin, and brother of Amos Chalfin, will be baptized on Sunday, October 31, 2021 by Rev. Barbara Esterly. A celebration of the baptism will be held in Fellowship Hall immediately after church.

Hymn Sing: Also on October 31, 2021, Rev. Esterly has planned a Hymn Sing musical worship service. Children will remain in church during worship. Our musician, Jordan Karrigan will play a number of the congregation's favorite hymns for everyone to sing praise to our Lord!

Music: We are grateful to Dick Currie who performed a beautiful solo of "Let There Be Peace on Earth" during worship on October 10th. Thanks Dick! We have another special music soloist coming up on November!! Please consider offering your musical talents as a solo, duet or even a few friends as special music during worship service. Our pianist, Jordan Karrigan, would be happy to work with you!

Flowers: Remember that all orders for Christmas Poinsettias are due to church office **by Nov. 12th**. Order forms are located on the bulletin board and attached to this newsletter. The poinsettias may be taken home after Christmas Eve service.





POINSETTIAS FOR THE SANCTUARY 2021



Orders must be placed by **Friday, Nov. 12th**

(For **"In Memory"** or **"In HONOR"** of)

This order form is for ordering the Poinsettias to be placed in church for the Christmas season. These poinsettias will be for you to give "In Memory Of" or "In Honor Of" a special loved one(s). **Friday, NOVEMBER 12TH**, will be the last date to order poinsettias. **No late orders will be accepted.** If you wish to place an order, please complete the information requested, and place in the offering plate on Sunday mornings, mail or return it to the church office. Please include your payment with the order! **Poinsettias will be red or white! Please designate your color choice.**

#(R) ____ #(W) ____ of 4 1/2" Table Top X \$ 4.50 = ____

#(R) ____ #(W) ____ of 6 1/2" Single Plant X \$ 7.50 = ____

#(R) ____ #(W) ____ of 7 1/2" Double Plant X \$12.00 = ____

#(R) ____ of 8 1/2" Triple Plant X \$14.00 = ____

Given in Memory of: _____

By: _____

Given In Honor of: _____

By: _____

Use the back of this form if you need to list more names.

PLEASE take the poinsettias home with you after the last Christmas Eve Service and enjoy them. A list of poinsettias given will appear in the bulletin.





DECK THE HALLS!

Or more accurately the sanctuary, fellowship hall and outside doors of the church for the Advent Season.

WHEN: Tuesday November 23 beginning at 6pm

WHO: Joy Belles will organize but we really need your help! Young, strong and everyone in between!

WHAT: Decorate, Fellowship and light supper (about 7 pm)

WHY: Because we will be in the sanctuary for Advent this year and that is very special!

Hope you will join us! If you have questions, please contact Nancy Gates or Jo Salvage.



CHRISTMAS TREE SALES TO BEGIN NOVEMBER 26TH

For a number of years, the First Presbyterian Church has sold Christmas trees to help raise funds for mission and special church projects. We see families year after year come to FPC to purchase their tree because of the high quality, fair price, and fellowship offered. We need your help to continue this community event!

Trees arrive Saturday, November 20th at 10 am. Boy Scout Troop 198 will again assist us. However, we need adults to help supervise the Scouts to ensure trees are safely unloaded and placed in the proper area for sales. Many hands make the work go smoothly and quickly.

Christmas trees sales begin Friday, November 26th at 10 am. The sign up board will be posted in the church vestibule. Please stop by and sign up as soon as possible so we can plan for coverage during the week and especially on the very busy weekends.

Anyone can help sell trees! Can you collect and count money? Can you untie trees and pick up twine? Can you gather tree boughs for people to use for decorating? Can you lift a tree? Can you use a power saw? Can you talk to the people who are buying a tree and explain how the funds are used? All are welcome to participate in this important church fund-raising event. Thank you!

SERVING CHART FOR NOVEMBER, 2021

	HEAD USHER	USHERS	MINISTER	LITURGIST	CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	COMMUNION SERVERS	POWER POINT
7	Don Youel	Brenda Youel/ Marty Sloan	TBD	Stephen Potts	TBD		Kathy Jarosz
14	Stephen Potts	Marty Gluth/ Marty Sloan	TBD	Mike Cain	TBD		Nancy Gates
21	Stephen Potts	Carol Sprague/ Marty Sloan	TBD	Rusty Phlegar	TBD		Marty Sloan
28	Stephen Potts	Sarah Crawford/ Marty Sloan	TBD	Jon Grimm	TBD		Gretchen Downs

If you have a conflict with assigned date, please try to trade with another volunteer and inform Marty Sloan. Call 419.973.0623 or email mssloan107@me.com. If unable to resolve conflict, contact Marty as soon as possible. Thank you for your service to FPC.

SERVING CHART FOR DECEMBER, 2021

	HEAD USHER	USHERS	MINISTER	LITURGIST	CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	JR. WORSHIP LEADER	POWER POINT
5	Don Youel	Doris Currie/ Marty Sloan	Rev. Barb Esterly	Allison Mackin	Don Youel	Sarah Magoun	TBD
12	Don Youel	Carol Sprague/ Marty Sloan	Christmas Pageant	Rusty Phlegar	N/A	Julie Lindsay	Kathy Jarosz
19	Don Youel	Chris Stuart / Marty Sloan	Rev. Barb Esterly	Molly Chalfin	Selinda Schultz	TBD	TBD
24	Don Youel	Mary Beth Gilts/ Marty Sloan			N/A	N/A	Nancy Gates
26	Don Youel	Lowrie Gilmore/ Marty Sloan	Jim Boroff	Stephen Potts	Melinda Gallant	N/A	Marty Sloan

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 10:00 am Bible Study	3 6:00 pm Mission Team Mtg.	4 6:30 pm Worship/ Music Team Mtg.	5	6
7 10:00 am Worship/ Communion 11:15 am Christian Ed Team Mtg.	8	9 10:00 am Bible Study 6:30 pm Session Mtg.	10	11	12 Last day to order poinsettia plants	13
14 10:00 am Worship	15 4:30 pm Finance/ Stewardship Team Mtg.	16 10:00 am Bible Study	17 Mission Meal Louisiana House	18 6:30 pm Congregational Care Mtg. Mission Meal Elm House	19	20 10:00 am Christmas Trees Delivered
21 10:00 am Worship	22	23 10:00 am Bible Study 6:00 pm JoyBelles Church Decorating	24	25 THANKSGIVING DAY Office Closed	26 First Day to sell Christmas Trees Office Closed	27
28 10:00 am Worship	29	30 10:00 am Bible Study				

Birthday Wishes

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Nov. 6 Mary Beth Gilts
Nov. 6 Abbie Simmons
Nov. 8 Jane Merrell
Nov. 8 Macie Downs
Nov. 14 Dick Currie
Nov. 20 Matthew Zinn
Nov. 26 Phyllis Gogel
Nov. 26 Susan Fyten
Nov. 27 Kelly Schuh
Nov. 30 Meredith Bearden

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Dec. 2	David Sloan	Dec. 12	Sarah Crawford
Dec. 12	Megan Matthews	Dec. 14	Sue Williams
Dec. 17	Rick Gilts	Dec. 17	Pat Hayden
Dec. 20	Tom Mackin	Dec. 22	Eileen Phillips
Dec. 22	Cathy Robinson	Dec. 23	Abbie Youel
Dec. 23	Lizzy Crawford	Dec. 24	Walter Celley
Dec. 26	Jerry Walcher	Dec. 28	John Jarosz
Dec. 28	Kate Merrell	Dec. 28	Beau Merrell
Dec. 29	Rick Modrzynski	Dec. 30	Nancy Gates

If you have a birthday that is not listed, please contact the church office so that we can update our records.

PARISH CONCERNS

Please remember these members and friends in your daily prayers:

Joe Brainard
Eva Lengel
Barb Modrzynski
Gordon Oliver
Ed & Sue Williams

Dorothy Darr
Geraldine McGue
Rick Modrzynski
Pat Sheridan

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Service Times:

9:00a.m. **Adult Bible Study (Sept. thru May)**
10:00 a.m. **Worship**

**Children are excused during the worship
service to attend Sunday School**

Communion is served on the first Sunday of each month

Session Members

Jo Salvage – Clerk

Nancy Gates, Co-Clerk

Melissa Cain, Co-Clerk

Kathy East

Mary Beth Gilts

Jon Grimm

Allison Mackin

Randy Phillips

Stephen Potts

Jay Salvage

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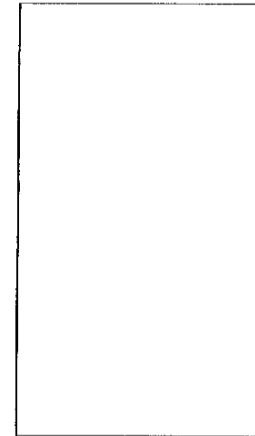
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