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## Word from Pastor Alice



Dear Church Family,

Thanksgiving is one of my very favorite holidays. It amazes me how each year it becomes less and less emphasized as it gets squashed and practically eliminated between Halloween and Christmas! We have so very much in which to be thankful and give our praise and gratitude to the Lord for the multitude of blessings He has bestowed on us. Scripture tells us..."In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." 1 Thessalonians 5:18

In his book, Then Sings My Soul, Robert J. Morgan writes about the history of the hymn, "Now Thank We All Our God."

An old English preacher once said, "A grateful mind is a great mind," and the Bible agrees. There are 138 passages of Scripture on the subject of thanksgiving, and some of them are powerfully worded. Colossians 3:17 says: "And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." 1 Thessalonians 5:18 adds, "In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."

Unfortunately, few hymns are devoted exclusively to thanking God. Among the small, rich handful we do have is "Now Thank We All Our God." The German Christians sing this hymn like American believers sing the "Doxology," yet it's loved on both sides of the Atlantic and around the world.

It was written by Martin Rinkart (1586-1649), a Lutheran pastor in the little village of Eilenberg, Saxony. He grew up as the son of a poor coppersmith, felt called to the ministry, and after his theological training began his pastoral work just as the Thirty Years' War was raging through Germany.

Floods of refugees streamed in the walled city of Eilenberg. It was the most desperate of times. The Swedish army encompassed the city gates, and inside the walls there was nothing but plague, famine, and fear. Eight hundred homes were destroyed, and people began dying in increasing numbers. There was a tremendous strain on the pastors, who expended all their strength in preaching the gospel, caring for the sick and dying, and burying the dead. One after another, the pastors themselves took ill and perished until at last only Martin Rinkart was left. Some days he conducted as many as fifty funerals.

Finally the Swedes demanded a huge ransom. It was Martin Rinkart who left the safety of the city walls to negotiate with the enemy, and he did it with such courage and faith that there was soon a conclusion of hostilities, and the period of suffering ended.

Rinkart, knowing there is no healing without thanksgiving, composed this hymn for the survivors of Eilenberg. It has been sung around the world ever since.

**Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things has done, in Whom this world rejoices;  
Who, from our mothers' arms, Hath blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love, And still is ours today.**

**May our hearts sing these words with thanksgiving...remembering all the Lord Jesus has done for us in the tough times in life and in the very best times in life!**

**Love being your pastor!  
Love and Blessings in Jesus!  
Alice**



### Upcoming Meetings

- Trustees -November 10
- Session: Tues, November 12 at 7 pm
- Deacons: November 17

## NOVEMBER

### WORSHIP

#### Head & Assistant Deacons

Nancy and Don McKelvey

#### Elder Greeter

Barbara George

#### Liturgist

Jim Kaufman

#### Ushers

Rosemary Anderson

Whitney Reed

Linda Watson and Donna Rihl

#### Nursery

Nov 3 Rita and Dave McCray

Nov 10 Donna and Beth Rihl


Nov 17 Carolyn Gibeaut and Kim Moody

Nov 24 Jane Denhardt and Judy Brady

#### Acolytes

Nov 3 Sophie Manring and Kate-lynn Rihl

Nov 10-Nov 24 Katelyn Rihl and Sara Gordon



Keep these folks and their caregivers in your prayers for healing and recovery from hospitalization or recent illness.

- Tara Becker
- Roy Woods
- Mary Mitchell
- Bob Schlitz



**IN MEMORIAM**

We share our condolences with the family and friends of Charlene Smith who passed away on October 18, 2019 and John Beach who passed on October 23, 2019. Please keep them in your prayers during this most difficult time.



## ANNUAL FALL FEAST SUNDAY NOVEMBER 10



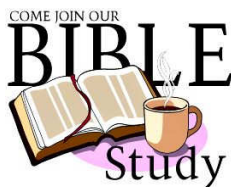
Join us for the Annual Fall Feast on Sunday Nov 10 following the worship service.

The Menu includes:

Yummy Chicken and Noodles, Mashed potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Cranberry Jell-O Salad and desserts.

The Presbyterian Women's Circle prepares and serves this meal as their annual fund raiser. Your freewill donation helps support the missions of the Presbyterian Women worldwide as well as serving needs right here at our church. Thank you for your support!

## Opportunities for Group Bible Study



Our ever faithful **CHRISTIAN CONVERSATIONS** group meets every Sunday at 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall outside the church offices. This group is led by Frank and Jerry Smith. Come join the conversation.



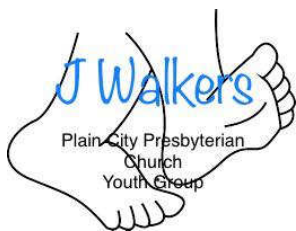
**LADIES' SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** led by Rev. Alice on Sundays at 9:15 a.m in the library. Come join us for Bible Study by Lysa Terkeurst on finding unexpected strength when disappointments leave you shattered.



**MONDAY NIGHT PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY** meets on **Mondays** at 6:30 p.m. for a time a prayer prior to the study starting at 6:45 p.m. Beginning Monday November 11, they will begin the study of 1 Peter.

## Welcome to Jack Mercer

On October 27, we welcomed back Jack Mercer into our church family. Jack was a member here for many years and is returning his membership to our church today. Jack lives at 12255 Converse Rd, Plain City. His phone number is 614-873-8679 and his birthday is December 4<sup>th</sup>. He is the father of John and Marynell and has one grandchild. We're glad you are here, Jack.



The J Walkers won't be meeting on November 3 but will have a meeting on November 17.

PCPC Family....The J Walkers will be taking on a special mission project! After discussing the parable of the Good Samaritan,

we talked about how we could be Good Samaritans to children in need. We will be packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry. Our youth have chosen the age group of girls and boys 10-14 years old....since that is the age bracket of those in youth group. Shoeboxes and donation suggestion lists are available at the church. November 17 is the deadline for turning in at the church.



- To the Deacons for coordinating funeral dinner for the Charlene Smith family and friends. Thank you to all who donated food or helped serve and clean up. It was much appreciated by everyone.
  - Thank you to everyone who participated in the Trunk or Treat event or who donated candy, cookies or drinks.
- From Rev. Alice- Thank you to the church family for the birthday cards, wishes, and blessings on my 60th birthday celebration!
- Jim Kaufman for working on repairing the front church steps.
- Everyone who has donated to the window fund. Your generosity will help these windows be a blessing and inspiration for many years to come.



### A Note from Jim Kaufman, Trustees Moderator - Window Restoration

The windows were removed without a hitch. Currently they are leading the top portion of the windows. I am working on a date to visit them, and see the process firsthand. They are still planning on having the windows back in place before Christmas. We are very close to covering the expenses for this portion of the window repair. Your support is greatly appreciated. You can still support this project, and if funding exceeds the cost of this portion, we will hold any overage for the next phase. We are excited and looking forward to seeing those windows installed again.

Thank you for all the support with this project.



### **FEED MY SHEEP FOOD-BANK INFO...**

Did you know that PCPC Food Bank has been serving the community for 5 years? Your dedication, faithfulness, great attitude and commitment to this mission, inspires me every week and I am thankful for each of you and the terrific job you do each Saturday. Our Food Bank would not exist without you!

If you would like to volunteer, or just see "what's going on" or "how it works" please stop by Church any Saturday afternoon. The food arrives around 4:45 PM and we are cleaning up and heading home a little after 6:00 PM.

Here are a list of items that we can always use:

- Quart Zip Lock Bags (especially needed)
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Box Cereals
- Spaghetti and Sauce
- Peanut butter
- Plastic grocery bags
- Plastic containers (like used Cool Whip containers)

Thanks again for all you do!

Michael & Barbara



*We welcome Leighton Jolee Yutzy into this world on October 14. Leighton is the daughter of Kate and Tyler Yutzy, grand daughter of Andy and Leanne Weeks and great granddaughter of Judy Weeks. (#13 great grandchild for Judy!) She is welcomed by siblings, Sadie Jo and Walker. Congratulations and blessings to all!*



Spiritual Support for Cancer Patients and Their Families

### **Gentle Spirit - Nov 21 6 pm Combined Meet- ing for Nov. and Dec.**

Are you or a family member struggling emotionally with cancer and its treatments or life after treatment? Come join Gentle Spirit, a Christian emotional and spiritual support group for help during this difficult time. Rev. Alice and Beth Beach, both cancer survivors, are co-facilitating this group at the monthly meeting. With the generous support of Der Dutchman, each gathering begins with a light meal, followed by a Scripture meditation, sharing and prayer. Please let the church office or Rev. Alice know if you plan to attend.

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LOCAL OUTREACH VOLUNTEERS  
COLUMBUS, OH

**LOV (Local Outreach Volunteer)** Frank and Jerry Smith's son, Bryon, is actively involved with this group that provides outreach to the homeless and hopeless in Columbus. They spend every weekend providing LOV to the men and woman on the streets of Columbus. We serve food, clothing, hygiene items, and seasonal necessities to 30-70 people every weekend. Their goal is to help meet the immediate needs of all we serve without judgment, only love. **They posted some items that they need: AAA and AA batteries, Chapstick, Hand sanitizer, Ladies deodorant, Razors, Tampons, Dog and cat food, Matches and lighters, Purses (large enough for a gallon zippy bag completely full), Athletic shorts for both men and woman, Men's boxers and boxer briefs, Woman's underwear, Paper towels, Toilet paper** **THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THIS EFFORT!** These items do have an impact on the recipients.

There is a box labeled LOV by the office door to serve as a drop off spot if you would like to contribute to this outreach effort.



**Kumjoinus-** Next Meeting will be on Jan 11. With many involved with the Fall Feast preparations and then the busy holiday season in December, Kumjoinus will not meet in November

or December. Let's mark our calendars for Saturday, January 11 to let the fun and fellowship brighten up our winter evening.

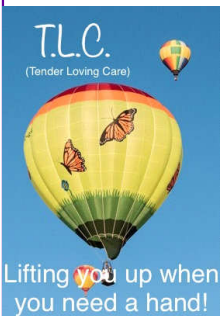
## CHRISTMAS BASKET PROGRAM



It's that time of the year again when the PCPC participates in the Community Christmas Basket Program. This program provides food for needy families that live within the Jonathan Alder school district. Gifts are also provided for the children in each family. This is truly a community effort which offers several ways for those wishing to assist:

- You can donate money that will be used to buy the food and gifts for the families. Please make checks payable to: **Christmas Basket Fund**.
- You can adopt a family in need which means you buy the children's gifts (suggested amount per child is \$20-\$25) and also provide \$30 for a family gift certificate which is purchased from a local merchant. Please make checks payable to: **Christmas Basket Fund**.
- You can help pack the baskets on the morning of Saturday, December 21st. Coffee, juice and donuts will be provided at 8am and the packing will begin at 9am.
- You can help deliver the baskets and gifts to the families on Saturday, December 21st. The delivery time-frame is from 10:30am until 1:00pm (or until done – most likely before 1:00pm).

You can help by doing any combination of the above items that you are comfortable with. Any help will be greatly appreciated and remember... you are helping people that live in your own community! Please contact Dave McCray (614-408-1617) to donate money or to adopt a family. If you wish to help pack the baskets or deliver them (or both) then you can simply be at our church at the appropriate time on Saturday, December 21st.



TLC- This ministry is for ALL the members and friends of our church family who may need some extra help at different times in life.

**Rev. Alice will be coordinating the team. If you have a need, call her on her cell phone 740-391-2531.**

The T.L.C. team will help with

- Phone call visits
- Personal visits in your home
- Help with chores around the home ( changing light bulbs, raking leaves, shoveling snow, etc...)
- Transportation to and from doctor appointments ( YOU MUST PROVIDE AT LEAST 24 hour notice for this service)
- Meals at time of illness or difficulty
- Companionship service for an ill loved one at home while family member runs errands, etc.
- Grocery shopping and/or delivery of groceries.
- **TLC WILL NOT provide housecleaning services or any type of medical services.**



The next meeting of the Women's Circle will be **November 19 at 6:30 pm**. Hostesses will be Kathy Wilson and Carolyn Gibeaut with Sally Petznick leading the devotional discussion. We'll be working on plans for upcoming events. Always a fun night of good fellowship. All the ladies of the church are invited to join us!

## REMEMBERING OUR SHUT-INS

If you know someone is at a facility, take the time to stop by and say hi. Driving by the home bound? A quick visit always makes the days go faster.

Mary Mitchell— Prestige Gardens Marysville

Liz and Bob Schlitz—Home

Connie Zimmerman—Home - Summer AZ- Winter

Dick Harper—Home

Fred DeLeon - Home

Marian Thomas- Dublin Retirement Village Independent Living

Pat Stenner—Dublin Retirement Village Assisted Living

Pat & Chuck Stoker—Home

Alice Shalosky— Home

Bryan and Tara Becker—Home

Arlene Perkins— Walnut Crossing Assisted Living, Marysville

Ray Russell, Emily Baker, Malcolm Lear, Georgianna Rymer, Mary Lou Rihl- Edgewater Assisted Living



**Our Shut-ins**

**One Year in the Bible: A Reading Plan for Families.** For November: it is: Week of: 11/3- Ten Commandments Ex. 20: 1-21, 11/10- Aaron's Story Ex. 32:1-29, 11/17 Caleb's Story Num.13, 11/24 Balaam's Story Num. 22:21-41

# Christmas Poinsettia Order Form

Money collected will be used to support The Presbyterian Women and our L.I.G.H.T. Youth Program. **Cost is \$10.00 per plant. Due by Sunday, November 17, 2019.**

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

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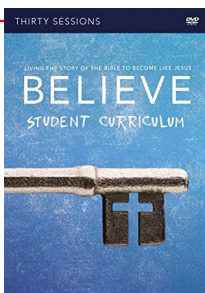
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*Payment can be cash or check payable to the church and marked for "poinsettias" on the memo line. Give your order to Judy Bodenbender following each morning's worship through Sunday Nov. 17th or you may call Judy at 873-5194 to place your order. You may also mail your order, with payment, to the church, 231 E. Main St., Plain City OH 43064. Mailed orders must be received at the church by November 15 2019. THANK YOU ! You may take your poinsettias home following the Christmas Eve Service.*

Total No. of plants: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Paid: \_\_\_\_\_



## LIGHT- Learning in God's House Together

Children's Education will be hopping around finishing **F.R.O.G. Fully Rely on God** until Nov 17. We have November 24 and December 1 as off weeks.

The Junior High LIGHT will be meeting the same weeks as LIGHT with Mrs. Reed as they study **Believe- Living the Story of the Bible to become like Jesus.**

Rosemary Anderson will be leading the Advent Lessons beginning on December 8th.

If you are interested in being a helper, please let Carolyn Gibeaut know .



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**Dublin & Plain City Presbyterian Churches**  
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**Max & Erma's-**  
 Come support the mission trip and enjoy a meal out on **Thursday, November 7**, the first Thursday of each month. Just share the coupon with your server to give our church credit.

# NOMINATIONS FOR CHURCH OFFICERS

The Nominating Committee for 2019\* will be meeting soon to prepare the slate of officers for our church. We would appreciate your willingness to serve on a board by letting us know which positions you would consider, and also your recommendations for other members that you feel have a gift for any particular board.

We will be electing: **3 members to the Board of Elders, 4 members to the Board of Deacons, 3 members to the Board of Trustees**

## CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS

### Class of 2019

#### SESSION

Jane Denhardt  
Barbara George  
Roy Woods

### Class of 2020

Shane Manring  
Chris Johnston  
Bob Merkle

### Class of 2021

Judy Brady  
Drew Lear  
Pat Myers

#### DEACONS

Janet Johnston  
Linda Watson  
Brenda DeLeon  
Karon Kaufman

Connor Johnston  
Sharon Newell  
Whitney Reed  
Judy Weeks

Don McKelvey  
Nancy McKelvey  
Paula Williams  
Trina Stone

#### TRUSTEES

John Rihl  
Leanne Manring  
John Watson

Gary Gibeaut  
Steve Patterson  
Donna Rihl

Norm Troyer  
Jim Kaufman  
Frank Smith

The Class of 2019 will retire as of 12/31/19. You will be nominating individuals for the class of 2022. All members serve a 3-year term. Please prayerfully consider being on a Board. You know your strengths and the strengths of your neighbor! Remember to thank all of those who have given of their time and talents and have been faithful servants for 3 years.

Turn into Judy Brady, chairman or to the church office or put in offering plate.

\*Members of the 2019 Nominating Committee are: Vicky Pettibone, Beth Beach, Kim Bodenbender, Mindy Foust, and Rita McCray with Alternates: Nancy Patterson and Rosemary Anderson

I recommend the following persons for consideration as church board members:

**Elders** (3 to be elected): \_\_\_\_\_

**Deacons** (4 to be elected): \_\_\_\_\_

**Trustees** (3 to be elected): \_\_\_\_\_

**Worship and Music Committee** (1 to be elected):

Currently serving: Beth Rihl (2019) Suzanne Merkle (2020) Janell Wilcox (2021)

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**Audit Committee** (1 to be elected):

Currently serving: Johanna Keiser (2019) Harley Bodenbender (2020) Elaine Wilcox (2021)

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**Nominating Committee for 2020**– From Congregation-at-Large (5 + 2 Alternates

to be elected): \_\_\_\_\_

# What ARE You Thankful for?



## Sunday Schedule:

9:15- Christian Conversations - Outside Offices/ Ladies SS Library

10:00 Worship

LIGHT after Children's Sermon based on Schedule

11:15 Fellowship in Parlor

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 4:30 Feed My Sheep
3 Rev Redding Brings Message	4 No Bible Study 7 pm Cubs	5 7 pm Scouts	6 7 pm Choir	7 Max and Erma 6 pm Grief Share	8	9 4:30 Feed My Sheep
Rev. Alice on Study Leave at The Cove Nov 2-8						
10 Trustees FALL FEAST	11 6:30 Prayer and Bible Study 7 pm Cubs	12 6-9 pm Cubs District Mtg Parlor 7 pm Session 7 pm Scouts	13 7 pm Choir	14 6:30 Lions 6 pm Grief Share	15	16 4:30 Feed My Sheep
17 Deacons Stewardship Sunday	18 6:30 Prayer and Bible Study 7 pm Cubs	19 Presbytery Circleville 6:30 Women's Circle 7 pm Scouts	20 7 pm Choir	21 6 pm Grief Share 6 pm Gentle Spirit	22	23 4:30 Feed My Sheep
24 Thank Offering Service	25 6:30 Prayer and Bible Study 7 pm Cubs	26 7 pm Scouts	27 7 pm Choir	28 Happy Thanksgiving	29 Office closed	30 4:30 Feed My Sheep



11/01	Joey	Walker
11/02	Lauren	Foust
11/03	Diana	McCoy
11/09	Lisa	Nelson-Woods
11/12	Matthew	Schlitz
11/15	Christopher	McCoy
11/16	Laura	Lamphear
11/17	Chris	Johnston
11/19	Nicholas	McCoy
11/19	Olivia	McCoy
11/20	Kyle	Moody
11/24	Luke	Goode
11/25	Rachel	Ferguson
11/28	Larry	McCoy
11/29	Chad	Craney



11/04	Nick & Kathy	Stapp
11/11	Shane & Leanne	Manring
11/29	Chad & Molly	Sperling