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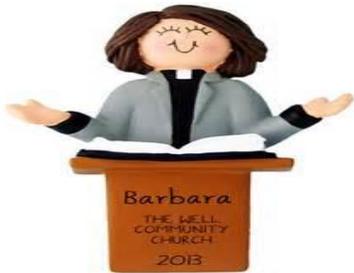
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Dear Church Family,

Presbyterian pastor, Dr. Lloyd Ogilvie, is one of my favorite pastors to hear preach as well as read his writings. In his book, God's Best for My Life, he writes:

HAPPY THANKSLIVING!

Thou hast also given me the shield of Thy salvation, and Thy right hand upholds me, and Thy gentleness makes me great. (Psalm 18:35)

A little boy of a Vietnamese refugee family was having a difficult time learning English. He had a particular problem with “g’s” and “l’s.” On Thanksgiving Day he attended church services with his family. After the service he tried hard to join in the Thanksgiving greeting. He shook my hand and said, “Happy Thanksliving!” Not a bad description of real thanksgiving. When we are truly thankful, it radically affects our living...our relationships, attitudes, moods, actions, and reaction.

In today’s Scripture David acknowledges that the gentleness of the Lord had made him great. The original Hebrew word translated here as “gentleness” is variously rendered in other versions as help, goodness, and humility. The word actually means “condescension.” That sparks profound thought. God has condescended to create us, to offer us a relationship with Him, and to care for us so graciously. David had discovered a liberating truth; all that he was, had, and did was because God condescended to bless him. No wonder this psalm ends with a crescendo of thanksgiving!

God’s grace, plus our gratitude, equals greatness. When we give God the glory, greatness grows in

our character. We become affirmers of others. When is the last time you told the people in your life that you are thankful for them?

During this season of Thanksgiving, consider telling someone how thankful you are for them. Have a blessed Thanksgiving every day (Thanksliving!). I am very thankful to be your pastor!! ☺

*Blessings and Love in Jesus,
Alice*

SESSION MEETING

Tuesday, November 8th

TRUSTEES MEETINGS

11:15 Sunday, November 13th

DEACONS MEETINGS

11:15 Sunday, November 20th

LITURGIST for November is:

Harley Bodenbender

ELDER GREETER for November is:

Frank Smith

HEAD DEACONS for November are:

Judy Brady & Jane Denhardt

THE USHERING TEAM for November is:

Rosemary Anderson & Cindy Watson Bowen
John & Beth Rihl

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES:

CHRISTIAN CONVERSATIONS

Every **Sunday morning beginning at 9:15** in Fellowship Hall outside of the offices, (led and facilitated by Frank and Jerry Smith).



MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

(Please Note Change In Time From Last Year)

6:30 P.M.

A STUDY OF GENESIS by Bob Russell A DVD STUDY WITH WORKBOOKS IN FOUR PARTS

This study consists of Bob Russell's verse by verse teaching through the book of Genesis with discussion questions led by Rev. Alice. The study is helpful in understanding the meaning of the text and applying the timeless truths of God's Word to your personal life.

THE ANNUAL FALL FEAST, sponsored by the Presbyterian Women, will be Sunday, November 6th immediately following the morning worship service. This is the primary fundraiser for the PW and a free-will offering will be accepted to help with their annual commitments. *Plan to join your church family & friends for a delicious meal and time of fellowship!*

MONDAY NIGHT PRAYER MEETING



Prayer time is 6:00 p.m. We invite you to join us as we uplift before the Lord in prayer... family, church family, friends, community, country, and world.

HEALING SERVICE

The next healing service will be on November 27th.

COMMUNION SCHEDULE FOR 2016

November 27 First Sunday in Advent
December 24 Christmas Eve

LADIES SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS and MEN'S SATURDAY A.M. BIBLE STUDY ARE STUDYING a SEVEN PART DVD STUDY and DISCUSSION on GRACE EVERY SUNDAY at 9:15 A.M.

FOR THE LADIES

AND

ON EVERY OTHER SATURDAY

at 8:00 A.M. FOR THE MEN,

COME JOIN US!! (PLEASE LET REV. ALICE OR BILL PETTIBONE KNOW IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING.) DISCUSSION BOOKLETS WILL BE PROVIDED FREE.



MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD... Remember to vote on Tuesday, November 8, 2016.



ATTENTION KUMJOINUS MEMBERS!

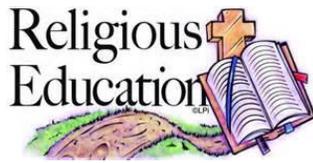
Kumjoinus will meet November 5th at the Church for a potluck supper. Rev. Alice will host.



MAX & ERMA'S FUNDRAISER

Enjoy a meal at Max & Erma's on **Thursday, November 3rd** and 20% of your bill will be returned to the Church for our Mission Trip Fund.

Gather up your friends and family, and go hungry for lunch or supper! The voucher for the fundraiser is included in this newsletter; cut it out and take it with you. *See you there!!*



L.I.G.H.T. YOUTH PROGRAM SCHEDULE

School Year 2016-2017

- Moses/Pharaoh, Plagues** **Nov. 6**
Off Nov. 13, 20
- Advent/Christmas** **Nov.27, Dec.4, 11, 18**
Off Dec. 25, Jan.1
- Lent/Easter** **April 2, 9, 23, 30**
Off May 1, 7
- Psalm 100** **May 21, 28, June 4**
(Make a Joyful Noise) Off – June, July, August

If you would like to volunteer with the L.I.G.H.T. program, please contact any of the following: Rosemary Anderson, Carolyn Gibeaut, Rita McCray, or Jerry Smith. Thank you for your consideration in this ministry for our youth.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S NEWS...

November Meetings and Events:

- 6 - 11:15 Fall Feast – Stenner Hall**
- 15 - 7:00 Semi Circle – Hostess TBD
- 15 - 6:30 Lena Robinson Circle at PCPC Church - Sally P. & Jan S. Hosts

All women of the Congregation are invited to join one of our circles!



REMEMBER THE TIME CHANGE

Daylight Saving Time will end for this year next Sunday morning, November 6th at 2:00 a.m. So, Saturday night before you go to sleep, remember to turn your clocks BACK one hour and enjoy that extra hour of sleep!!



The LOGOS ANNUAL POINSETTIA Sale begins today and runs through Sunday, November 20th. You may purchase poinsettias in memory of, or in honor of a loved one. The cost is \$10.00 per plant and is to be paid for at the time of ordering. Judy Bodenbender will take orders in the parlor after worship each Sunday. Order forms will be in the church bulletins each Sunday. You may mail your order to the church if you miss Judy after worship. If mailed, the orders must be received at the church by November 23rd. The proceeds from this project help support the Logos Youth Program and we sincerely thank you for your ongoing interest in the children and youth of our church family.



FEED MY SHEEP FOODBANK UPDATE...

The PCPC Food Bank “Feed My Sheep” continues to grow and thrive as an important mission of our Church. We have truly been blessed with an **amazing “crew” of volunteers** who come faithfully each week to help unload, sort, display and joyfully distribute food to a growing group of people in need. Your **generous donations** of food, supplies and money have filled our pantry and given us enough operating capital to continue this work. **Thank You Very Much!**

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 4:30 and we are cleaning up and heading home a little after 6:00 PM. **“It is a blessing to all of us to be able to do this work and only the support of our congregation has made this mission possible.”**

Mike George



CHRISTMAS UNDER THE CLOCK 2012

Plain City's "Christmas Under the Clock" celebration will be on December 3rd from 5-9pm. Watch the weekly bulletins for news of PCPC's participation in this beautiful community event.



THANKSGIVING SERVICES:

Nov. 20th - PC Church Fellowship Community Service at 7pm at Sharon Mennonite Church

OUR THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT PCPC

Will be part of our Sunday morning worship on November 20th.



LEGACY will be meeting Nov. 20th at 4:00 p.m. Our theme is "**Turkey Time**". Come join us for fellowship, food, fun, Bible study and activities! *Legacy is for youth and families and everyone of all ages!*



Annual Christmas Basket And Adopt-A-Family 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 to help for those wishing to assist:

- 1) 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**.
- 2) 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**.
- 3) You can help pack the baskets on the morning of Saturday, December 17th. Coffee, juice and donuts will be provided at 8:00am and the packing will begin at 9:00am. Lunch will be available for helpers at 11:00am.
- 4) You can help deliver the baskets and gifts to the families on Saturday, December 17th. The delivery timeframe is from 10:30am until 1:00pm (or until done – most likely before 1:00pm).
- 5) You can donate canned food items by leaving them in the designated container in the parlor. The last Sunday for these food donations will be December 12th.

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 17th. **Thank you!**



NOVEMBER

- 1 - Joseph Walker
- 2 - Lauren Foust
- 3 - Diana McCoy
- 5 - Michele Foust
- 9 - Lisa Nelsen-Woods
- 12 - Matthew Schlitz
- 15 - Christopher McCoy
- 16 - Laura Lamphear
- 17 - Chris Johnston
- 19 - Nicholas McCoy
Olivia McCoy
- 20 - Kyle Moody
- 24 - Luke Goode
- 25 - Rachel Ferguson
- 27 - Angie Brown
- 28 - Larry McCoy
- 29 - Chad Craney



NOVEMBER

- 4 - Nick & Kathy Stapp
- 11 - Shane & Leanne Manring
- 29 - Chad & Molly Sperling



WHAT IS STEWARDSHIP?

When we grow as stewards,
 We share our wealth and possessions
 With those persons and agencies
 In ministry to people in need.

When we grow as stewards,
 We give willingly of our time and abilities
 In our private lives and in the public order,
 Using the gifts God has given us
 To assure that all creation is fulfilled.

When we grow as stewards,
 We assure that the world will remain
 a gift for future generations.

Stewardship is the lifestyle
 Of Christian discipleship.

For more than 200 years, we have responded to the call of Jesus Christ to go out and proclaim the Good News here in Plain City. Our mission giving has been a thankful response to what God has done for us in Jesus Christ. We have been faithful in following Christ’s example. We are called now to give generously so that the mission and programs of this congregation may continue. Later this month, you will receive a pledge card and a copy of the proposed budget. You will be asked to prayerfully consider making a pledge to the work and ministry of this congregation. A letter will be sent to the congregation with more details regarding Stewardship Sunday.

The 2016 Resources Committee:

- Bill Pettibone, Chair
- Barbara George, Session
- Doug Short, Session
- Judy Brady, Deacons
- Bill Bowen, Trustees
- Sally Petznick, Treasurer