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Fall Plans



As the evenings started to become crisp when October began, a new project began at the Gibeaut house. Our faithful greenhouse had seen better days. A project built in 2015 to keep me busy after leaving my job had stood up to the elements quite well. The plastic that covered it was only guaranteed for 3 years but lasted over 10. We had no complaints, but we know cold weather is right around the corner, and the patched holes and tears probably will not withstand another winter. So, plans were made. A new roll of greenhouse plastic was ordered and arrived. An additional section was laid out. By mid-October, we decided to get going because frost would be right around the corner. We worried about relocating the door, leaving a big gap before the new plastic could be secured in place. It was October and a killing frost was expected any day. However, God is tricking us this year. It's November already and as of now, at our house, we've not had a real hard frost. Maybe a nip here or there but no wipe out yet. I am not complaining. I am grateful for the extra time to finish up the project and more importantly, to gather in a few more tomatoes, cut a few more zinnias and dahlias to enjoy. Fall is a time to prepare for what is coming but it is also a time to enjoy. Enjoy the beauty of the changing leaves or the dancing flames in the fire pit as friends and family gather round. It is time to restart things that may be paused over summer. Church boards meet again monthly. Bible Studies kick off. Circles begin meeting. Potlucks return. We know winter is coming. Snow will fall. Temperatures will drop but for the next week or so, let's soak up God's blessing of sunshine and warmth with full and grateful hearts. Let us look back on the growing season with a season of thanksgiving and praise.



2015

2026





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

Sonia Walker
Jane Denhardt

A Word of Thanks received from Nancy McKelvey and family:

The Plain City Presbyterian Church has been our "home" for the last 16 years! I could not imagine holding Don's Memorial Service anywhere else! Please accept this small donation as a thank you for our wonderful Church family! Please use it for the church!

Nancy McKelvey

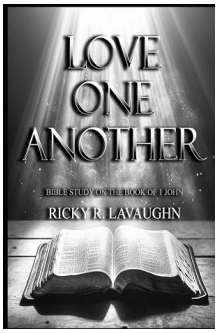


Congratulations **!**

We celebrate with the Wilcox family as they welcomed great granddaughter, Madalynn Ruby Hurley into the world on October 13 at 12:34 am. She arrived weighing 7 lbs. 15 oz and 20 ½ inches. Parents are Austin and Katelyn Hurley. She is welcomed home by big brother, Cameron.

Who's coming to Preach?

11/1	**Rev. Jennifer Turick**
11/8	**Rev. Jennifer Turick**
11/15	**Rev. Robert Tolar Jr**
11/22	**Rev. Daniel Abner**
11/29	**Rev. Don Hilkerbuamer**



UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

- **Tuesday, Nov.3 Election Day VOTE**
- **Tuesday, Nov. 3- 6:30 pm Women's Circle**
- **Tuesday, Nov. 3 7 pm PNC meeting**
- **Sat. November 7 Men's Bible Study 8:30 AM NEW TIME**
- **Sun. November 8 Trustees**
- **Monday, November 9 and 23 Monday Night Zoom Bible Study 6:30 pm 2nd & 4th Mondays**
- **Sun. Nov.15 Deacons and Session**
- **Sun. November 22 Christmas Decorating after Church**
- **Sun. November 29 1st Sunday in Advent Communion**

Advent Candle Readers/Lighters

Needed! See Carolyn if you are willing to be a reader for a Sunday in Advent!



November Lay Liturgist

11/1	**Leanne Manring**
11/8	**Carolyn Gibeaut**
11/15	**Leanne Manring**
11/22	**Barb Holliday**
11/29	**Sharon Newell**

Coffee Hour
Nancy McKelvey
Barb Holliday

Greeter
Leanne Manring

Monday Night Zoom Bible Study begins November 9. Second and Fourth Mondays-

It is almost here….We are so excited that Ricky LaVaughn is going to help lead the study as we work through his book, LOVE ONE ANOTHER, on 1 John. If you've never participated in a study before, maybe consider it. It's on Zoom so you don't have to leave the comfort of your home. Invite a friend to join you. We are opening it up to the community so the more, the better. Zoom link is https://zoom.us/j/98427387496?pwd=2qX1IxvcUPLrwtb06UjTwo1Y5abwDy.1

Meeting ID: 984 2738 7496 Password : Jesus

RECOGNIZING ALL SAINTS DAY ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

From the PCUSA website. "In early Christian tradition, saints' days began as a way to mark the anniversary of a martyr's death — his or her "birthday" as a saint. By the middle of the church's first millennium, there were so many martyrs .. that it was hard to give them all their due. All Saints' Day was established as an opportunity to honor all the saints, known and unknown.

All Saints' Day has a rather different focus in the Reformed tradition. …the emphasis is on the ongoing sanctification of the *whole* people of God. Rather than putting saints on pedestals as holy people set apart in glory, we give glory to God for the ordinary, holy lives of the believers in this and every age. This is an appropriate time to give thanks to members of the community of faith who have died in the past year. We also pray that we may be counted among the company of the faithful in God's eternal realm. "

So on November 1, we will observe a day of remembrance of those saints of the church who have passed during the past year. We remember their service and sacrifice for this church and for the Lord's kingdom. This year we will recognize six members who have passed this past year.



Charlotte Irene Lambka	6/9/32 – 12/18/25
Richard E. (Dick) Wilson	9/12/34 – 2/2/26
Judith Alene Weeks	12/7/40 – 3/08/26
Judith Ann Bodenbender	5/7/38 – 4/11/26
Belva May Latham	6/20/34 – 4/21/26
Donald Lee McKelvey	2/15/49 – 9/30/26

Each of us will also have the opportunity to remember and to recognize the saints in our own lives that have passed on to glory. May each person's memory be a blessing to all their family and friends.



Fill Up Sunday
November 1

We NEED donations to keep it filled for the community needy.

Our storage tubs are **Empty,** but the need continues. **Please donate when you can.** Nonperishable food items are needed and welcome. Collection tubs are on the way into the sanctuary.

There is a growing need for this in the community. Your donations are making a difference.

Our Shut-ins

REMEMBERING OUR SHUT–INS

Please take a moment to remember our shut-ins. Drop them a card or give them a call!

- Bob and Suzanne Merkle– Dublin Retirement Village
- Chuck Stoker—Home
- Bryan Becker—Home
- Arlene Perkins, Paul Gibson– Walnut Crossing Assisted Living, Marysville
- Kathy Wilson, Harley Bodenbender– Bluebird Marysville
- Gladys McCabe– Heritage Marysville
- Larry Myers– Home
- Frank Smith- Home
- Barbara George- Home
- Jack Mercer- Home

Church Treasurer Report September 30, 2026

The general fund balance decreased slightly for the month of September. Utilities and other administrative and property expenses were normal for this time of the year. The month included the quarterly insurance premium which is the primary reason for increased expenses.

General Expenses Fund

Beginning Balance 09/01/2026	$ 103,929.99
Income	6,747.00
Expenses	(8,708.07)
Ending Balance 09/30/2026	$ 101,968.92

If there are any questions about the financial information of the church, please let me know.

Best Regards,
Gary Gibeaut, Treasurer



Reminder: Do not respond to suspicious emails or phone calls. If you get an email that appears to be from the church or a church member, but it seems like an odd request like asking you to call them about a sensitive issue or asking for gift cards, IGNORE IT! You know the normal emails and calls you get from church such as the weekly bulletin or an announcement about a death or an illness, this newsletter, an email about a meeting etc. If it seems odd say no. Call Carolyn directly at 937-597-0963 or 937-553-9314 if you are in doubt.



Happy Birthday!!!

11/08	Sandra	Hinkle
11/29	Chad	Craney



Learn more at their link on DNA:

https://www.dnaplaincity.org/popsicleclub/

Our Remembered Child Christmas Store- Christmas will be right around the corner.

Help Put a Smile on a Child's Face!♡

This Christmas, we want every child to experience the joy of opening a special gift. Our Remembered Child Christmas Store is here to help families in need give their children a Christmas to remember. With the support of our wonderful community, we can bring **hope, joy, and a big smile to a child's face this Christmas!**

🎁 **Every toy, every gift, and every act of kindness can make a difference. Together, we can make Christmas brighter for local children.**

👼🎄♡

A Donation box will be located on the way into the sanctuary. Take a card and return the gift by December 7th

Looking for a way to help?
Streaming our service really helps our shut-ins. We need a couple of new volunteers to help Jim Kaufman with the weekly stream. If you are willing to help, YOU ARE NEEDED. See Jim Kaufman.



"Let Us Pray"- Weekly Prayer Team continues to gather on Zoom. If you would like to be included in this Prayer Team, please let the office know so we can include you in the link. They will meet on Monday night at about 7:30 pm.

If you have prayer requests, please submit them to the church office (seccg@plaincitypresby.org) by Wednesday of each week. If your request is one you do NOT want shared publicly, please indicate that. Otherwise, prayer requests will be shared during Sunday service. There will also be an opportunity to add to the prayer list during Sunday announcements.

2026 Christmas Poinsettia Order Form

Your name: _____

In honor of: _____

In memory of: _____

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Payment can be cash or check payable to the church and marked for "poinsettias" on the memo line. Money collected will be used to support The Presbyterian Women and our Christian Education programming. **Cost is $10.00 per plant.** Place your order form and payment in offering plate by **November 22** or you may call the church office at 614-873-5011 to place your order. Just leave on the answering machine if no one answers. 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 Nov 22. You will be able to take home your flowers following the final service before Christmas***.

Total No. of plants: _____ Amount: _____Paid: _____