

PRESBYTERIAN CHIMES

October 2019

NEWSLETTER

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United Presbyterian Church of Randolph

Dear Members and Friends,

Each month I look at a blank sheet of paper and try to come up with a theme for the month in the newsletter. Some months it is difficult, but this month it was easy. This year the theme for October is STEWARDSHIP. The choice for the theme was easy, but now is the difficult part, talking about stewardship.

When one starts talking about stewardship in churches, it tends to bring up pictures of a knock at your door with someone from the church with their hand out waiting for a commitment to give money to the church. You are caught in a difficult place and give money out of guilt or annoyance, but at least you know that you won't be bothered again until it is time for another stewardship drive (or special fund raiser!?!?). This is how stewardship is often depicted, a money grab devoid of compassion.



THIS IS NOT WHAT STEWARDHIP IS ABOUT!

Stewardship is about money, but it is about so much more! There are more verses in the Bible concerning wealth, and the use of resources than any other topic and yet, we don't like to talk about it. We will be spending 3 Sundays in October about stewardship. I hope that you will not take this as a warning and find that you are suddenly busy on Sunday mornings... but will look forward to hearing God's word that is full of promises to the wise steward. I look forward to presenting stewardship in a way that you may have never thought about. You have known me for some time now, even so, I will give you a warning: There will be fun involved! I aim to make this sermon series memorable!

I have an assignment for you before we begin our stewardship month. I want each person to keep a thankful journal, just from now until October 12. Every day, keep a list of what you have to be thankful for that day. No duplicates. You might be thankful everyday for your children, for your house, etc. but this list is an accumulation. Can you reach 100? Can you reach 1000? MORE? Bring your list with you to church on October 13. There will be awards for completing this assignment! (Remind your neighbors, and no last minute cramming allowed! Just get started today!)

As always, with peace and hope,

Pastor Molly

"Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, 'Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.'" (Hebrews 13:5).

TRUNK 'N TREAT

For Halloween again this year Session is inviting folks to come to church by 6 p.m. Thursday, October 31, with treats for the children of our community.



The community treat time is 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

We will set up by the main door (inside or out—weather permitting) and pass out treats as the children make their way around the block.

If you would like to be a part of this special outreach sign up on the sheet in the narthex.



Dress up in costume (optional) and enjoy the fun of watching the children as they march by.

There will be donuts, coffee and hot chocolate for the team.



WOMEN'S ECUMENICAL PRAYER

BREAKFAST SATURDAY

OCTOBER 12 AT 8:00 A.M.

The ladies of Steamburg UMC will be the hostesses for the Women's breakfast this month. It will be on Saturday, October 12 from 9:00 till 10:00 a.m. Please plan to attend and share the fellowship.

Lectionary for Sundays

October 2019

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 6

Lamentations 1:1-6
Lamentations 3:19-26
2 Timothy 1:1-14
Luke 17:5-10



Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

October 13

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
Psalm 66:1-12
2 Timothy 2:8-15
Luke 17:11-19

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

October 20

Jeremiah 31:27-34
Psalm 119:97-104
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5
Luke 18:1-8

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

October 27

Joel 2:23-32
Psalm 65
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14



ALL SAINTS' DAY NOVEMBER 3

On Sunday, November 3, we remember all who have gone before us. During this special service the names of all who died during this past year will be listed. Please let the church office (358-4255) know of anyone you would like to have listed.



WORSHIP TEAMS FOR OCTOBER

October 6— World Communion

Liturgist— Nancy Pihlblad

Sound— Mike Frame

Communion Servers— Tom Wade, Andrew Pihlblad,
Dan Pihlblad, Mary Myers



October 13—

Liturgist—Tom Wade

Sound— Mary Myers

October 20—(MISSION SUNDAY)

Liturgist—Barry Shields

Sound— Mike Frame

October 27—

Liturgist— Connie Lockwood

Sound— Mary Myers

LOOKING AHEAD TO NOVEMBER

November 3— Celebrate All Saints

Liturgist—Ruth Wahl

Sound— Mike Frame

Communion Servers—Tom Wade, Rosie Swan,
Jim Roberts, Mary Myers

Every Sunday:

Choir Practice

8:30 a.m.

Adult Bible Class

9:00 a.m.

Children's Sunday School each Sunday

9:15am -10:00am

Bible Study lead by Pastor

9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship

10:00 a.m.

Youth

The youth program is under construction:

Here are some ideas being tossed about:

Fun monthly activities?!?

Overnight retreats?!?

Mission trip ?!?

If you are in 6-12 grade and you are interested or if you are an adult and want to help, contact Pastor Molly.

Opportunities for Service

Acolyte program: Children in grade 3 and up are invited to learn the importance of service through the acolyte program. Children will learn the significance and symbols of "bringing in the Light of Christ."

Liturgists: Children who are good public readers are encourage to become a liturgist for our worship services. This can be for adults also. If interested see Pastor Molly or Mary Myers.

Greeter/Ushers: There is also a need for adults and youth to be serve as greeter/ushers. If interested see Pastor Molly or Mary Myers.



It's that TIME AGAIN!!

Sunday, November 3

Mark your calendars.

It is time to **fall back**
(into standard time.)





**JIMERSONTOWN
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

60th ANNUAL INDIAN FOODS DINNER

The Jimersontown Presbyterian Church will hold its Indian Foods Dinner on

Saturday, October 19,

Cost is \$15.00, adults; children 5-8 \$10.00.

**Dinner seatings noon and 2:30 p.m.
seating limited to 75 persons per setting**

Seneca-Allegany Administration Building in the Grand Hall, 90 Oh: yo' Way, Salamanca.

The menu includes roast turkey, roast venison, hulled corn soup, boiled corn bread, mashed beans, squash, fried salt pork and other traditional foods. Native crafts and baked goods will be on sale in the lobby.

Reservations only! Call by 5p.m. October 17 to:

Marilyn George (716.474-6387)
(marilyn_george@yahoo.com)

Florence Fuller (716.945-1529)

WORLD WIDE COMMUNION SUNDAY

OCTOBER 6



**Church Family Activity—
—FUN AND GAMES,
October 20 after Worship**

All are invited to stay after church on October 20 for a fun time of Crafts. Children of all ages can enjoy this activity together. Women's Assoc. will be putting together something for lunch for all who would like to stay and share in the FUN!!

**SUNDAY
MORNING FLOWERS**

If you or your family would like to share the beauty of God's handy work some Sunday call Mary Myers (499-0356) or the church office (358-4255) to set up a date to provide fresh flowers for morning worship.

What a wonderful way to wish someone a happy birthday, anniversary, say you are thinking of them or just add some beauty to Morning Worship. You may use flowers from your yard or have Mary order from the florist.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Sunday, October 6 - 1:00 p.m.

Grace Episcopal Church

CHICKEN N' BISCUIT DINNER

SUNDAY OCTOBER 13

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Noon to 2:00 p.m.

Adults—\$10; children \$5 (10 & under)



FICKLE OCTOBER

That bright blue sky,
Those cooler days
Signal the arrival
Of October.

Gold, red, yellow and brown
Permeate the landscape
Providing delight
For the eye.



Who, but God
Could bestow such blessings
For the pleasure
Of His children?

That great ball in the sky
Begins to wane:
Another miracle may appear—
Little white fluffies!



Thank you O God
For the magnificent variety
Provided to us
In fickle October!

Ann Dahl Luce 2019



TO OUR OCTOBER CELEBRANTS

October 4	David Pihlblad
October 5	Bettie Alexander
October 10	Jan Eccles
October 12	Stacy Halla
October 15	Reg Boutwell
October 16	Amanda Lewis
October 18	Dave J. Myers
October 22	John Lockwood
October 23	Brandi Ashdown
October 25	Rosie Swan
October 29	Garrett Carlson
	Aubrey Roberts
October 31	Gage Ashdown
	Dian Brown



DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER
OCTOBER 19

PRAYER CONCERNS



Health:	Logan
Aurora B	Madison
Bob S	Maureen K
Bob & Sandy C	Merle F
Brad Y	Milt M
Bruce M	Natalie W
Carl B	Nick K
Carrie C	Pat k
Carol P	Pat (Jill's step Mom)
Catherine S	Richard J
Cheryl F	Robert R
Cindy H cancer	Ron B lung cancer
Chloe C	Rosamond F
Dan B	Scott J
Dan E heart attack	Sharon H
David R. M	Sharon
David S cancer	Sue L. kidney
Debbie M	Syd E
Debbie O'C	Tim A
(Connie Dalbo's sister)	Tracy H cancer
Debbie (Jim's Mom)	Verna M – new born
Derek M leukemia	Vickie F
Dick A	Encouragement:
Donna C	Those rebuilding from
Eli – new born	disasters
Eileen N	Teri N
Fletcher	The country of Haiti
Gabriel	Haitian Sewing Women
Gene J	Ruth & Dan M
Howard VanR	care Givers
James B cancer	EMT's
Jamie C	Families dealing with
Jason	addictions
Jeff	Prison Ministry (CCM)
Jenelle H	Foster Care Parents/children
Judy St heart	
June B	Home Bound:
Justin	(remember with a call or
Katherine (Michelle's mom)	visit)
Kay A	Charlene A
Keith G. cancer	Alice S
Keith A	Bob & Evelyn W
Laurel P cancer	

Notes from Session

September

- * Deacon plan trip for children to Erie Zoo
- * New runner for center aisle approved
- * Personnel reviews completed
- * Set October 27 for abuse prevention training
- * Approved policy for staff sexual harassment prevention. October 5 there will be training by Presbytery
- * Stewardship series set for October
- * Defibrillator has been installed
- * Trunk n treat approved for October 31

General Fund Treasurer's Notes

	August 2018	August 2019
Total Expenses	\$43,092.37	\$54,109.07
Total Receipts	44,613.99	42,711.75
Gain or (Loss)	1,521.62	(11,397.32)
Investments —		70,231.51
Capital Fund		13,667.91
Paying Forward Fund		807.05
Deacons Fund		1,393.14

For further information ask a member of session or the treasurer, Reg Boutwell.

SOUTH BRANCH MEETING—NOVEMBER 7

The South Branch will be meeting at Wayside Presbyterian Church, 5017 Lakeshore Road, Hamburg, NY, on Thursday, Nov. 7th from 6 - 8 p.m. for Dinner, Fellowship, and discussion of the **disbursement of Mission Funds**, including entertaining motions to disburse the funds available to the South Branch.

FROM LORD'S ACRE TEAM

To all of you who helped during the LORD'S ACRE for the Deacons

Thanks to all!



UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF RANDOLPH

OCTOBER 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 PASTOR 9—NOON 7 P.M. SESSION	4	5
6 WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship	7 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	8	9	10 PASTOR 9—NOON	11	12 9:00 am Women's Community Prayer Breakfast Steamburg UMC Al Anon group Meeting here 8am-4pm
13 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship	14 COUMBUS DAY 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	15	16	17 PASTOR 9—NOON	18	19 News for newsletter due
20 MISSION SUNDAY 8:30 am Choir 9:00 adult class 9:15 Breakfast 9:30 Sunday School 10:00 Worship	21 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting	22	23	24 PASTOR 9—NOON	25	26
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CHURCH LEADERS

PASTOR

Rev. Molly T. Golando

CORPORATION OFFICERS

President—Reg Boutwell **V. President**— Kay Wade
Treasurer—Rosie Swan

CLERK OF SESSION

Mary Myers

ELDERS

CLASS OF 2021

Tom Wade
Mary Myers

CLASS OF 2020

Dan Pihlblad
Mike Frame

CLASS OF 2019

Jim Roberts
Andrew Pihlblad
Rosie Swan

DEACONS

CLASS OF 2021

Donna Chubon
Kay Wade
Marta Johnson

CLASS OF 2020

James Ashdown
Louise Boutwell

CLASS OF 2019

Connie Lockwood
Bettie Alexander

STAFF

MUSIC MINISTRY—Carol Brown, choir director/organist

CHURCH SECRETARY—Mary Myers

CUSTODIANS—Susan Ashdown & Jim Ashdown
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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To celebrate and continue the work of Christ by ministering to all people, supporting each other as a loving family, and working together in Christian service.