

PRESBYTERIAN CHIMES

November 2023

Newsletter

Volume 20 Issue 11

United Presbyterian Church of Randolph



It's that time of year again everyone! We're losing our daylight.
On Saturday, November 4th, make sure to turn all your clocks back one hour when
you go to bed.

Daylight Savings time ends on Sunday, November 5th.



There will be a congregational meeting immediately
following the worship service on Sunday, November 19th.
The purpose of this meeting is to elect the officers
for 2024. Please plan on attending.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Nov 2...Rene Pence
Nov 3...Ryan Inkley
Nov 7...Emily Matson
Nov 8...Matt Johnson
Nov 10...Dan Pihlblad
Nov 12...Evan Matson
Nov 12...Gavin Senn
Nov 15...Verna Miller
Nov 17...Lorielle Inkley
Nov 18...Keith Alexander
Nov 19...Kim Ashdown
Nov 21...Jim Ashdown
Nov 24...Corinne Inkley
Nov 29...Janie Pihlblad
Nov 29...Niall Pihlblad
Nov 30...Pastor Molly Golando

Notes from Session

October 2023

- Staff required training completed
- PNC working on MDP form before beginning interviews
- Plans for pumpkin carving party updated
- Received forms for low housing at Country Estates
- Reviewed our goals – congregational care, organized activities for children & getting the word out.
- Approval given to have the dead Blue Spruce taken down this month.
- 2024 Officer election set for Sunday, November 19.



R.U.P.C. is in need of a Music Director / Choir Director

Please call Mary Myers at
716-358-9405
If you, or someone you may
know, would be interested in
applying for the position.

Sunday Worship

Good Morning!
We're so glad you're here
To help us praise the Lord.
We'll sing our hymns
As the organ swells,
We'll see the little ones
Learn and pray.
We'll hear the choir
Their anthem raise,
We'll pray our prayers
Of thanks and praise,
We'll ask forgiveness
And pray for the afflicted.
We'll hear a message
To ponder all week.
After the service, we'll gather
In love and friendship
With a cup of coffee and
Maybe a cookie.
Aren't you glad you came?

Ann Dahl Luce

LITURGISTS FOR SUNDAYS

November 5
Liturgist— Connie Lockwood
Communion—Nancy Pihlblad

November 12
Liturgist—Cathy Sutherland

November 19
Liturgist—Mary Myers

November 26
Liturgist—Nancy Pihlblad
Communion

December 3
Tom Wade



General Fund Treasurer's Notes

SEPT 2023

Year to Date

Total Expenses	\$ 2,106.54	\$ 68,538.09
Total Receipts	\$ 4,949.00	\$ 83,110.88
Gain or (Loss)	\$2,842.46	\$14,572.79
Investments		
(Used) or Invested	\$15,000.00	\$83,389.04
Capital Improvement Fund		\$5,030.51
Driveway Fund		
Paying Forward Fund		

If you would like a box of envelopes, please let the office know.

For further information, ask a member of Session or the Treasurer, Reg Boutwell.

LECTIONARY FOR SUNDAYS

November 5
Joshua 3:7-17 & Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37
Micah 3:5-12 & Psalm 43
1 Thessalonians 2:9-13
Matthew 23:1-12

November 12
Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 & Psalm 78:1-7
Amos 5:18-24 & Psalm 70
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13

November 19
Judges 4:1-7 & Psalm 123
Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18 & Psalm 90:1-8, (9-11), 12
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Matthew 25:14-30

November 26
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 & Psalm 100
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 & Psalm 95:1-7a
Ephesians 1:15-23
Matthew 25:31-46



*Knitting Group will meet on Sunday,
November 12th, at noontime in the
Fellowship Hall.
All are welcome!*



Let us remember those who have gone before us...

Byron Ashdown
John Baglia
Keith Baker
Jeffrey Biscup
Marilyn Blood
Dianne Brooks
Audrey Brosius
Judy Campbell
John Conti
Sharon Craumer
Kenneth Dechow
Wayne Domsife
Zachary Ellis
Dr. William Eskeli
Ronald Finch
Charles Fox
Harry France
Phyllis Frink
Pamela Giere
Kathleen Groves
James Hotchkiss

James Jarosz
Nancy Mann
Joseph Marsh
Milton Marvin
Phyllis McElwain
Larry McElwain
Ruth McLaughlin
Gary Patterson
Lena Ruper
Doretta Sheffield
Danna Snyder
Alice Stoddard
Art Swanson
Celia Wicks
Rhea Wilcox
William Yergens
Cynthia Zollinger
Jean Ormond
Carol Emery Hamlin
Micki Lee Farnham
Linda Hall

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

Our church will be participating in the Operation Christmas Child shoe box campaign again this year. The filled boxes are due at the church by **November 12TH**

Pick your age category, shop for the gifts to fill the box, and then pack and bring for dedication. Shipping for one box is **\$9.00**. Please make out checks to United Presbyterian Church with shoebox on memo line. If gift wrapping, do top and bottom separately as all boxes are opened and thoroughly checked before shipment.

If you need a shoe box call the church office (358-4255) we have a supply.

GIFT SUGGESTIONS:

TOYS: Include items that children will immediately embrace such as dolls, toy trucks, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yo's, jump ropes, balls, toys that light up and make noise (include extra batteries)

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons, markers, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and/or picture books

HYGIENE ITEMS: toothbrushes, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.

OTHER: t-shirts, socks, ball caps, sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

DO NOT INCLUDE used or damaged items, war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures, chocolate, any candy, liquids or lotions, toothpaste, medications or vitamins, or anything containing glass.

PERSONAL NOTE: including a picture or note to the child along with your name and address may result in correspondence from the recipient.

AGE CATEGORIES: 2-4 years; 5-9 years; 10-14 years, either a boy or a girl.
Use label (on table at the entrance) and attach to top of shoebox.

Put a rubber band around box. Thank You!

Connie Lockwood, chairperson
Operation Christmas Child



IT'S COOKIE HOUSE TIME!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2nd

10:00am—12noon



Our Cookie House Fundraiser will be here before you know it. Get your cookie cutters and your baking sheets out and get ready to start baking. This is one of the Mission Committee's largest fundraisers for the Mission Budget. We will need as many cookies as you can bake! We truly appreciate all your help and look forward to a very successful day.

**Prices may be going up but NOT our cookies!
They will STILL be only \$8 per pound!**

They may be dropped off at the church on Friday, December 1st, between 4-6pm or by 9am on Saturday, the 2nd.

Helping Hands are always needed and welcomed for the event.

Please contact Linda Inkley at 716-358-6042 if you are willing to volunteer.

GET READY, SET, GO BAKERS!

2023 CHRISTMAS RUPC SCRIP



Have you started your Christmas list yet?

Here is a simple way to give a gift that never needs to be exchanged and will help others at the same time in 2024.

A "Gift Card" purchased through our RUPC Scrip Program can be given as a gift or you may just use it yourself to get ready for the Christmas Season. The Mission Committee will use the funds they receive from selling the cards to assist someone in need in 2024.

We will order one time for the Christmas Season. Orders will be taken from Nov 1—Nov 19 and will be distributed on Sunday, November 26.

We need your payment (check or cash) when you place your order. Please make the check payable to "RUPC—Scrip".

You may give your Christmas orders to Mary Myers or the church office.

Thank you for your Christmas orders and all your previous orders. Catalog listings of all vendors will be in the narthex.

Mary Myers, Scrip coordinator

Veteran's Day will be Saturday, November 11th.

RUPC is proud of it's Veterans!



Keith Alexander—Army

Dick Chubon—Army

Erik Connor—Army

Erin Connor—Army

Tim Howell—USAF

Clair Inkley—Army

Alan Johnson—Army

Corey Myers—Army National Guard

David Myers—Navy

Dan Pihlblad—Army

Jim Roberts—Oklahoma National Guard

Tom Wade—Army

Bob Whitney—Army



ECUMENICAL COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER

The area churches will be preparing Thanksgiving Day Dinner at the Randolph Fire Hall. Sit down dinners will be available from noon –1pm. Dinner deliveries will be leaving the Fire Hall at 11:30am and drive thru pickup dinners will be available at 11:30.

Work crews will be needed at the Fire Hall on Thanksgiving Day to prepare the dinners:

Kitchen Crew..... 7am-11am

Reservation Crew...11am-1pm

Drivers please be at the Fire Hall by 11:30am

Clean up Crew....12:30

We will need volunteers to take home the stuffing and potato pearls (already donated) and prepare them for delivery to the Fire Hall at either 8am or 10am on Thanksgiving Day. If you have an extra roasting pan, we also need people to roast the turkeys and bring them to the Fire Hall at 8am or 10am on Thanksgiving Day. We will supply the turkey and the roasting bag. Please contact Louise Boutwell at 716-358-4848 regarding your availability to help with the preparation of any of these items.

Our church has been asked to furnish the squash, potatoes, and dressing, which is purchased from the R&M Restaurant, and the stuffing (chopped celery and Pepperidge Farm stuffing preferred).

Donations can be made to purchase these items by cash or check. Please put either in an envelope and label it for Thanksgiving Dinner and place it in the Lock Box in the secretary's office.

There will be sign-up sheets in the main entrance for kitchen crew, reservation crew, drivers, food preparation and for the dinners themselves. Please note that the dinners you order can be delivered if you prefer.

Please sign up before Sunday, November 12th, and your duties will be given to you on Sunday, Nov 19th.

You may also sign up by contacting the church at 716-358-4255 or by sending an email to Karen at secretary@upcrandolph.org and to Louise at poppopweeze@gmail.com.



TURKEYS FOR CHRISTMAS BASKETS

We will also be accepting turkey donations for the Christmas Baskets this year.

We need small—12-14#, medium - 15-18#, and large—19# & up.

We appreciate all the help you can give us this year.

Sign-up sheets will be in the narthex.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Loss:

Family of Jean Ormond
Family of Micki Lee Farnham
Family of Carol Emery Hamlin
Family of Joe Conti

Home Bound:

Please call or visit

Bob Whitney
Bettie Alexander
Nick Kinney

Military Personnel & Their Families:

Major Aaron Wellman
Mike Fleischmann
Anthony Schwartz
Erin Connor
Matt Kinahan

Health & Concerns:

Amber Wade
Bettie Alexander
Bonnie Dahl in hospital
Cadence Durow-child
Carol Brown
Carrie Renner
Chance Renner
Christine Hoyt-stroke
David Warner-cancer
Denny Zink & Connie
John Adams-logging Accident
Katrin (Erika's sister) Fractured pelvis
Keith Alexander
Kim Smith-injuries from a bad fall
Luke 11 yrs. Old
Maggie Pihlblad
Miranda Kinney

Health & Concerns:

Rev. Cathy Rieley-Goddard, surgery
Rosie Swan-Knee surgery
Complete healing for Stacy's family member

Encouragement:

Sara Kelly
Susan Ashdown
Daniel Pihlblad & family in China
Raber family lost two homes in a fire

World Concerns:

Israel
Maui
End Racism
Earthquake victims
Tornado victims
Our world
Our gov't
Peace in Haiti
Ukraine
Russia
Disaster Victims
Care Givers
Police Officers
Medical Personnel
Military Personnel
Families of fallen soldiers
Families coping with addictions
Prison Ministry (CCM)
Foster Care Parents/children
Gun Violence



UCAN Needs

Milk
Eggs
Butter
Cereal
Drink Boxes

Gift cards / Walmart
Boxer Shorts
Thermal underwear

Our Church:

Deacons & Elders
Church Staff
General Committees
New Leadership
PNC Committee
Worship Committee

Travelers:

Mary Myers



Please let the church office know when prayer concerns can be removed from this list.

Also, feel free to let the office know if there is someone you would like to add to this list.

secretary@upcrandolph.org

NOVEMBER 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Exodus Bible Study 6:30-8:15	3	4 Daylight Savings Time Ends. Turn clocks back tonight at bedtime.
5 All Saints Day Remembrance	6 8pm AA	7 Election Day	8	9 Exodus Bible Study 6:30-8:15	10	11 Veteran's Day
12 Shoeboxes are Due today! Knitting Group 12 noon	13 8pm AA	14	15 Session Meeting 2:30pm	16 Worship Comm. Meeting 12noon Exodus Bible Study 6:30-8:15	17	18
19 Scrip orders are due today	20 8pm AA	21	22	23 Happy Thanksgiving!	24	25
26 Christ The King Sunday Communion Hanging of the Greens with a simple lunch	27 8pm AA	28	29	30 Exodus Bible Study 6:30-8:15		



NEWSLETTER

186 Main Street
Randolph, NY 14772
Phone 716 358--4255
E-mail:
secretary@upcrandolph.org
Web: upcrandolph.org

NOVEMBER 2023



CHURCH LEADERS

CORPORATION OFFICERS

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

CLERK OF SESSION
Mary Myers

ELDERS

CLASS OF 2023
Reg Boutwell
Mary Myers
Connie Lockwood

CLASS OF 2024
Keith Alexander
Dan Pihlblad

CLASS OF 2025
Tom Wade
Karen Howell

DEACONS

CLASS OF 2023
Barry Shields

CLASS OF 2024
Rosie Swan

CLASS OF 2025
Kay Wade
Stacy Halla
Marta Johnson

STAFF

CHURCH SECRETARY—Karen Howell

Church Phone Number: (716) 358-4255
Email Address : secretary@upcrandolph.org
WEB PAGE : upcrandolph.org

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.