

Puckety Presbyterian Church

1009 Puckety Church Road
Lower Burrell, PA 15068

(Return Service Requested)

Last Day For:



Post Scripts Information:

Third Wednesday
of the month.

Bulletin Information:

The Tuesday before the Sunday the
article is to be announced

REMINDER:

Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Children's Church 10:00 a.m.

Youth Group: 6:00 p.m.

Every Sunday ☺



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Autumn brings another season change for us. The leaves begin to fall and turn beautiful colors. You can see the power of God and His creation in this time of change.

Autumn, God's Colorful Creation Displayed!

Just like we have seasons to live by, Summer, Autumn, Winter and Spring, we also have seasons in our lives spiritually too. (See

Ecclesiastics 3:1-8 below) No matter what we are going through, it is all temporary. *1 A time for every purpose under heaven: 2 A time to be born, And a time to die; A time to plant, And a time to pluck what is planted; A time to kill, And a time to heal; A time to break down, And a time to build up; A time to weep, And a time to laugh; A time to mourn, And a time to dance; A time to cast away stones, And a time to gather stones; A time to embrace, And a time to refrain from embracing; A time to gain, And a time to lose; A time to keep, And a time to throw away; A time to tear, And a time to sew; A time to keep silence, And a time to speak; A time to love, And a time to hate; A time of war, And a time of peace.*

So allow God to use you in the season that you are in!

Allow God to show the beautiful colors he has for you. If you are willing God will use you in a mighty and powerful way. It might not be the way we want, but it will be the way He wants. He might not reveal the whole package, but in baby steps He will. Let God use you today.



Bible Readings

The Bible readings are from
"Book of Common Worship"

For the week of:

October 2:

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

October 9:

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

October 16:

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

October 23:

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

October 30:

Hab 1:1-4; 2:1-4
Psalm 119:137-144
2 Thess 1:1-4, 11-12
Luke 19:1-10

Save the Date!!

We want YOU to join us for A Women's Retreat

- o Where: Puckety Church
- o When: Friday March 24th-Saturday March 25^t
- o Cost: \$ 10.00 (Covers the cost of your book, coffee, light breakfast and lunch)
- o Theme: Sweet Life Café "Where Women Savor Time with God"

This retreat provides an experience that allows women to slow down and savor time with God and each other.

Key Verse: "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will ever be hungry again. Whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." John 6:35

Pray about who you can bring with you!

Prayer Focus for Sunday October 2nd-Saturday October 22nd

****Pray for Pastor Kirk** (October is pastor appreciation month)

-for a refreshing, study leave and vacation, safety in travel, being free from sickness, wisdom in planning, good working and family relationships

****Pray for our city leaders** (mayor, city council)

-wisdom in planning, good working relationships, communication

****Pray for our police and fire men and women.**

-for their safety and good working relationships with community

Prayer Focus for Sunday October 23rd -Saturday Oct. 28th

****Pray for our elders and deacons**

-wisdom in planning, good working relationships, communication

Tuesday October 18th 6:15-7:00 is our Community Prayer Service. Please join us as we lift up our community to God in prayer!

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS In October

2 Mick Dober
9 Vince Appleman
16 Denise Wehrle
23 Jenn Motosicky
30 Irene Nelson

Your Session:

Debra Artman
Rebecca Fisher
Matt Wehrle
Sophia Earhart
Kirk Orr
Jolene Kostelansky
Mick Dober
Mike Tatem
Vicki Orr
Sue Close

Corporate Officers:

President: Sophia Earhart
Vice-Pres.: Cliff McKay
Secretary: Michelle Hough
Treasurer: Donna Bracken

THE POWER OF PRAYER!

IF YOU ARE NOT ON OUR PRAYER CHAIN, PLEASE CONSIDER SIGNING UP FOR IT. IT ONLY TAKES A MINUTE TO LIFT SOMEONE WHO MAY NEED YOUR PRAYERS! CALL OR EMAIL THE OFFICE. WE HAVE AN EMAIL PRAYER CHAIN AS WELL AS A PHONE CALL PRAYER CHAIN.

Your Deacons:

Sandy Ankney
Vi Adamski
Cliff McKay, Jr.
Brenda McAllister
Lauretta Lockwood
Jennifer Motosicky
Irene Nelson
Maria Schafer
John McAllister
Nita Serene
Hilda Maxwell
Denise Wehrle

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor:

Kirk Orr

Director of Youth Ministries:

Brandon Brim

Administrative Secretary:

Kelly Kapelewski

Treasurer:

Donna Bracken

Choir Director:

Lorraine Menk

Organist/Pianist:

Sue Close

Custodian:

Dean Kunkle

Housekeeper:

Irene Nelson

Assistant Treasurer:

Sophia Earhart

Financial Secretary:

Judy West

GREETERS SCHEDULE

2 Mike Tatem and Vicki Orr
9 Sophia Earhart and Rebecca Fisher
16 Matt Wehrle and Sue Close
23 Jolene Kostelansky and Deb Artman
30 Mick Dober and Mike Tatem

Offering Counters:

2 Chari Burtner and Matt Wehrle
9 Janet Karan and Deb Artman
16 Chuck and Judy West
23 Jolene Kostelansky and Sophia Earhart
30 Chari Burtner and Matt Wehrle

POWER OF PRAYER

To the family of God here at Puckety: We want to remind you that there are people here at Puckety who are available to pray for you after the worship service and we invite you to take advantage of these opportunities for prayer. We are asking that all who desire prayer to come and be seated in the first or second pew, up by the communion table. This will help us be aware of your desire for prayer. "The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." (James 5:16b)

HELP NEEDED!

Would you like:

- To keep your mind fresh and sharp?
- To learn new things or utilize what you already know in a different way?
- To have the privilege of worshipping as you work?



JOIN THE VIDEO TEAM!

We need at least 2 new persons to join the team so that no one needs to volunteer more than once a month. There are either 4 or 5 Sundays or other worship opportunities each month. We currently have 3 volunteers.

WE NEED YOU!

You can work from the comfort of your own home and computer during the week. Someone will lead you and be beside you while you learn the ins and outs. Talk to Mark Benish, Beth Dober or Matt Wehrle if you are interested in being a part of this important ministry.

Blessings On Your Birthday!!!



- 1 Evan Girard
- 3 Beth Hilbeck
- 4 Kenneth Blandford
Ryan Bargerstock
- 5 Nita Lundie
- 10 Sandy Schafer
- 12 Joel McCullough
Kwade Kirchartz
- 14 Denise Johnston
Elaine Bargerstock
- 16 Christopher Hilbeck
- 17 Lillian Blandford
Bridget Brown
- 20 Melissa Brown
- 24 Doris Prinkey
- 26 Jennie Stewart

(If your name does not appear, or if the information is incorrect, please contact the office so that the records may be updated.)



*Our deepest sympathy
for the families and
friends of Hilda
Maxwell who passed
away on September 10th
and Charlotte Speer
who passed away on
September 13th.*



The
Deacons
want you
to be

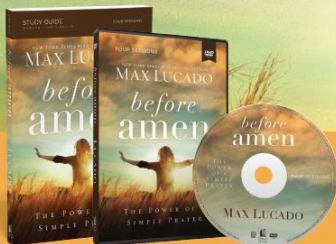
aware and encourage you to use the Media Worship resource that is available on the church's website. All sermons for the year 2016 have been recorded and are available for playback. Go to www.pucketychurch.org. Then click on worship then media.



Packing Date	Church	Puckety Team
October 5th	BCC	
October 12th	Grace Comm	
October 19th	Bethesda	
October 26th	Puckety	Team 2
November 2nd	BCC	
November 16th	Grace Comm	
November 30th	Bethesda	
December 7th	Puckety	1 Team
December 14th	BCC	
December 21st	Grace Comm	
January 4th	Bethesda	
January 11th	Puckety	Team 2
January 18th	BCC	
January 25th	Grace Comm	
February 1st	Bethesda	
February 8th	Puckety	1 Team
February 15th	BCC	
February 22nd	Grace Comm	
March 1st	Bethesda	
March 8th	Puckety	Team 2
March 15th	BCC	
March 22nd	Grace Comm	
March 29th	Bethesda	
April 5th	Puckety	1 Team
April 19th	BCC	
April 26th	Grace Comm	
May 3rd	Bethesda	
May 10th	Puckety	Team 2
May 17th	BCC	
May 24th	Grace Comm	
May 31st	Bethesda	

The LARGE print of the "Our Daily Bread" devotional for October, November and December is available at all entrances to the Sanctuary. The REGULAR print version for September, October and November is also available!

Experience *a* Heart Connection *with* God



Most likely, you know people who excel in prayer. They inhale heaven and exhale God. They are the Seal Team Six of intercession. But for most, spending even a few minutes with God each day can seem like a monumental task.

In *Before Amen*, Max Lucado—a self-professed “recovering prayer wimp”—reveals his personal struggles with prayer. He will show you how he discovered that prayer is not a privilege for the pious or the art of a chosen few but a simple tool all believers have been given to have a conversation with God. Through the use of a simple, easy-to-remember, pocket-sized prayer that he distilled from the prayers in the Bible, he will lead you in building a prayer life that is stronger, better and deeper.



PLEASE JOIN US! (LET KELLY KNOW BY OCT. 10)

BEGINNING OCT 23 – NOV 13!

NEW FALL SMALL GROUP STUDY:





BEFORE AMEN BY MAX LUCADO

We all pray . . . some. We pray to stay sober, centered, or solvent. When the lump is deemed malignant. When the money runs out. When the marriage is falling apart. But wouldn't we like to pray . . . more? Better? Stronger? With more fire, faith, and fervency? In this four-session video-based study, best-selling author Max Lucado reveals his struggles with prayer and how he discovered that it is not a privilege for the pious or the art of a chosen few but a simple tool everyone has been given to have a conversation with God. He shows you how to let go of uncertainties about prayer, trust that God hears you, and embrace a prayer life that brings peace and rest. Join Max Lucado on a journey to the very heart of biblical prayer and the power unleashed with five simple sentences: “*Father, you are good. I need help. They need help. Thank you. In Jesus’ name, amen.*”

Name _____ Want to lead _____ Want to attend _____

Day and time interested in attending _____

OCTOBER 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	1 
2  9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship/Youth Church 6:00 PM Youth Group	3 Meals on Wheels 10:30 AM Card Ministry	4 8:00 PM N.A. meeting	5 Meals on Wheels 10:00 AM Meals 4 Children Food Packing 6:00 PM Girl Scout Meeting 6:30 PM Deacons Meeting 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	6 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	7 Meals on Wheels 6:00 PM Line Dancing	8
9 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship/Youth Church 6:00 PM Youth Group	10  Columbus Day Meals on Wheels 5:30 PM MS Group Meeting 6:30 PM Girl Scouts Leader Meeting 6:30 PM Upkeep Meeting	11 6:30 PM Session Meeting 8:00 PM N.A. meeting	12 Meals on Wheels 10:00 AM Meals 4 Children Food Packing 6:30 PM Praise Band Rehearsal 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	13 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	14 Meals on Wheels 12:00 PM DKG Retirees Luncheon 6:00 PM Line Dancing	15 Lorraine Menk Scrapbooking Event
16  9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship/Youth Church 6:00 PM Youth Group	17 Meals on Wheels	18 6:15 PM Community Prayer Time 7:00 PM Sewing Guild 8:00 PM N.A. meeting	19 Meals on Wheels 10:00 AM Meals 4 Children Food Packing 6:00 PM Girl Scout Meeting 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	20 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	21 Meals on Wheels 6:00 PM Line Dancing	22 Tatem Family Dinner
23 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship/Youth Church Small Group Starts 6:00 PM Youth Group	24 Meals on Wheels	25 8:00 PM N.A. meeting	26 Meals on Wheels 10:00 AM Meals 4 Children Food Packing 6:30 PM Praise Band Rehearsal 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	27 6:00 PM Girl Scout Meetin 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	28 Meals on Wheels 6:00 PM Line Dancing	29 12:00 PM Girl Scout Party

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Deacon's met on September 7, 2016 and our meeting was opened with prayer.

Some of the issues discussed at this meeting are as follows:



- 1)Voted on quorum size. A quorum is four people which includes a moderator or acting moderator.
- 2)Approved recommendations to Session. Every Deacon had received a copy of the recommendations derived from our July meeting. All in favor.
- 3)Army Guy display for Veterans Day. There will be a display at every entrance to the sanctuary to help the congregation pray for veterans.
- 4)Pine Spring Counselor gifts for 2017. The Discipleship team has asked the Deacons to take this over next year. The gift was decided on a maximum of \$50 for Puckety's chosen counselor with possibly enhancing the package with individual Deacon contributions.
- 5)Do we need to replenish the Food Pantry? No; the pantry has recently been purged of outdated contributions.
- 6)How many names should we have for the Angel Tree? It was decided to request 20 names.
- 7)Kirk informed us of someone who needs transportation to church.
- 8)It was agreed that we will contribute to the Connellsville Fire Department to disburse to citizens of Connellsville who have endured recent flooding. The opportunity to contribute to this venture has been opened to the congregation.
- 9)We were reminded about the Dominoes gift cards and need to keep our ears open for members of the congregation who have had surgery or been ill.
- 10)We decided not to contribute towards the Westmoreland County Food Bank.
- 11)Bulletins will be included with CDs of the church service.
- 12)College student addresses will be updated so that they can receive copies of "Our Daily Bread."
- 13)The Deacons will send \$100 to the family of Isaac Thomas. Isaac was a six-year-old who died recently in a Lower Burrell car accident.
- 14)Special offering envelopes are being shopped for.

Stories of Redstone

Christ at work in our midst

National Recovery Month

Prevention Works - Treatment is Effective - People Recover

For 20+ years, I worked as an addictions counselor and did weekly pulpit supply. I would introduce myself and what I did full-time. Following worship, many people would approach me to share a story or seek advice about a family member or friend with a Substance Use Disorder. Often, people would tell me that they had been in recovery for many years. When I would ask if people in their church knew their story, often the answer was no. They were often unsure as to if it was a safe place to share their recovery story, because the church never talked about it. Does your congregation talk about the problems with alcohol and other drugs? Are there wonderful stories of hope and grace hiding in the shadows?

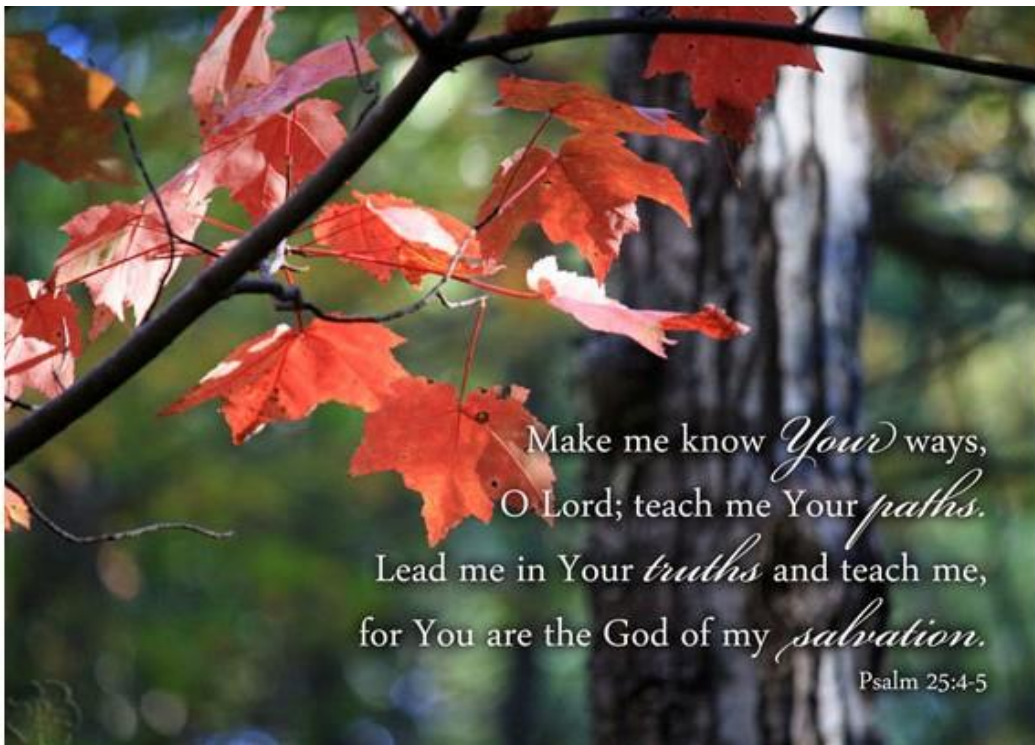
September is National Recovery Month — an annual recognition of the fact that millions of Americans suffer from addiction and other mental disorders, which can be successfully treated, allowing people to live healthy, rewarding lives. These individuals have stories of hope and grace to share with us.

To read these stories shared by recovering individuals, visit the web site recoverymonth.gov/personal-stories/read

For additional links to other available resources, www.mcclellandtownpresbyterian.org/recovery

Rev. F. Lee McDermott, pastor at McClellandtown and Grace Chapel Presbyterian Churches in Fayette County, PA

*Communicate the Word...Carry on the Work...Change the
World... Together!*



Make me know *Your* ways,
O Lord; teach me *Your* paths.
Lead me in *Your* truths and teach me,
for You are the God of my *salvation*.

Psalms 25:4-5

