

Puckety Presbyterian Church

Following Jesus... Making Disciples... Loving One Another as He Loves Us

October 2015

Post-Scripts a monthly publication



Think of leaves as being like little solar panels for trees. Just as solar cells use light to

produce electric energy, leaves use light from the sun to produce food for trees. This process is known as photosynthesis, which means "to put together with light." When light enters the leaf, a special part called a chloroplast (klo-ro-plast), uses the light to change carbon dioxide and water into breathable oxygen and a sugar called glucose. Inside the chloroplast is a chemical called chlorophyll. Chlorophyll is very important, because it is the chemical that allows photosynthesis to take place, and it gives leaves their green color.

What happens when the weather starts to change?

When autumn comes and winter is on its way, you'll notice that it doesn't stay light outside nearly as long as it did during the summer. That means that the leaves don't get as much light as they used to, and the amount of chlorophyll starts to decrease.

Remember, chlorophyll is what gives a leaf its green color, so as there is less chlorophyll, the leaves lose their strong green color.

Where do the colors come from?

There are always small amounts of other certain colors in every leaf, so when the green starts to fade, the other colors start to become visible. Some of the colors that might hide in leaves until fall are browns, yellows, and oranges (the color, not the fruit!). Colors like reds and purples are made by chemical reactions inside the leaf.

What do the colors mean?



- *Brown:* The leaf is dying or already dead. *Yellow and Orange* - These colors are made by chemicals called carotenoids (keh-rot'n-oids'). These are always present in small amounts, but they become more visible when

the green color starts to fade. *Red and Purple* - These colors are made by chemicals called anthocyanins (an-tho-SI'ah-ninz). These are formed by chemical reactions that usually take place as the weather starts to change in the fall. Leftover food (glucose) in a leaf can also make a leaf look red.



All of these colors can combine to form even more colors. That is why you might see so many different colors on the trees in your yard, or even on a single tree.

Beauty In Creation

It's a lot of fun to see how God did so much more than just make things work; He made them look good, too! Watching the leaves turn colors in the fall is just one example of the wonderful beauty that God created here on Earth.



After taking the summer off, the Deacon's reconvened on September 2, 2015. The meeting was opened with prayer.

The Deacon's have a current balance is \$3,088.96.

Kirk informed the Deacons of members of our congregation needing our prayers. The Deacons had a request to help an individual with rent. We agreed to help and also gave him a gift card for food. We agreed to sponsor one child at a cost of \$125 towards Project Seed (Something to Eat Every Day).

As Deacon's, we were reminded to do a head count during worship and write the attendance number down and place either on Kelly's desk or in the offering plate. Candles should be extinguished after the benediction. We will once again be participating in Samaritan's Purse. Shoe boxes are being collected from the congregation and boxes have been ordered through their web site. There has been no communication with The Bridges Out of Poverty program that we agreed to help with.



WEEK OF October 4

Job 1:1; 2:1-10
 Psalm 26
 Hebrews 1:1-4; 5-12
 Mark 10:2-16

WEEK OF October 11

Job 23:1-9, 16-17
 Psalm 22:1-15
 Hebrews 4:12-16
 Mark 10:17-31

WEEK OF October 18

Job 38:1- (34-41)
 Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c
 Hebrews 5:1-10
 Mark 10:35-45

WEEK OF October 25

Job 42:1-6, 10-17
 Psalm 34:1-8 (19-22)
 Hebrews 7:23-28
 Mark 1:46-52



POST SCRIPTS ARE NOW PAPERLESS!!!

It has been a long prayerful journey into the decision to now email Post Scripts! Of course, those of you who do not have access to the internet can pick up a copy at any entrance of the church. The shut-ins will have their copies mailed to them. The Post Scripts will be available on the Puckety Presbyterian Church website as well. This is just the beginning stages but we are hoping this turnover only takes a few months. Please feel free to ask any questions or voice any concerns you may have.

TryLife Center, a pregnancy and family resource center serving the Alle-Kiski Valley, is holding its annual fundraising events Thursday, October 8, 2015. Guests are invited to attend the luncheon at Hill Crest Country Club or the dinner at The Willow Tree, Comfort Inn, RIDC Park.

The center is asking local businesses to consider sponsoring a table at both events to underwrite the costs. Reservations and information may be obtained by calling 724.339.9399 x106 or emailing admin@trylife.center.



THE GIFT OF JESUS

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes provide an opportunity for children in a war-torn area. Every gift-filled shoe box is a powerful tool for evangelism and discipleship – transforming the lives of the children and their families around the world through the Good News of Jesus Christ! Watch your bulletins for more information.

A note from the Worship Purpose Team: Session has agreed to have Communion moved to October 11th due to Kirk's absence. We will have a hymn sing on October 4th led by Lorraine Menk.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS In October



4 Cliff McKay
11 Chari Burtner
18 Brandon Brim
25 Mick Dober

Your Session:
Michelle Hough
Rebecca Fisher
Cliff McKay, Sr.
Debbie Fotheringham
Deb Artman
Kirk Orr
Jolene Kostelansky
Mick Dober
Mike Tatem
Vicki Orr

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



Your Deacons:

Sandy Ankney
Vi Adamski
Cliff McKay, Jr.
Rodney Schafer
Charlene McKay
Jennifer Motosicky
Irene Nelson
Bob Bates
Kim Soulcheck
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

4 Jolene Kostelansky and Mike Tatem
11 Michelle Hough and Cliff McKay
18 Debbie Artman and Mick Dober
25 Vicki Orr and Michelle Hough



OFFERING COUNTERS

4 Janet Karan and Deb Artman
11 Chuck and Judy West
18 Jolene Kostelansky and Sophia Earhart
25 Chari Burtner and Matt Wehrle



The A/V Team is in need of anyone that can push buttons to join their team! Please see anyone on the team or let the office know if you are interested!

OUR FINANCIAL PICTURE:

GENERAL FUND INCOME FOR AUGUST 2015	\$ 14,841.00
EXPENSES FOR AUGUST 2015	\$ 16,297.55
TOTAL INCOME FOR THIS YEAR 2015	\$ 138,335.43
TOTAL EXPENSES THRU AUGUST 2015	\$ 133,812.36

All of our financial responsibilities continue to be met. We are grateful to God for the faithfulness of our church family!

ATTENTION:

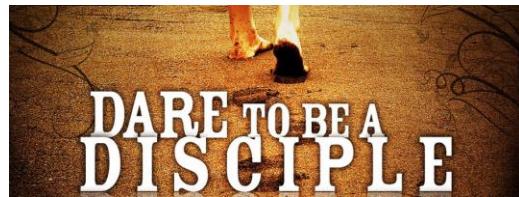
ALL PUCKETY VOLUNTEERS WHO HELP WITH CHILDREN

Your clearances need to be completed!!

Please go to the following web-sites to get your clearances: www.keepkidssafe.pa.gov and www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. There is also an affidavit that needs signed. We have it in the office. We are here to help you fill these out if need be. Also, if you do not have access to the internet, you may do this in the church office.

If you are a woman, and you eat lunch after church on Sundays, consider joining us every 4th Sunday of the month, at Villa Ballanca (in Lower Burrell) for a yummy lunch, and some good fellowship! This is just a time to visit and catch up with one another and all that is going on in our lives! If you are interested in going, please let Rebecca Fisher know ahead of time by e-mailing her at rfisher@syfcomputing.com or texting her at 412.260.1571.

Even if you don't sign up, if it fits your schedule...just COME!!!!

DISCIPLE "QUIPS":

The Discipleship Team has decided to begin a bi-monthly, church-wide prayer focus. Prayer is a very powerful tool and we want to encourage you in your prayer life. The groups or topics to pray for will be announced at church and sent in Post Scripts. These are not to replace the things you feel called to pray for, but rather in addition to what you regularly pray for. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Rebecca Fisher. See page 7 of this post scripts.



LEARNING TO WALK CHANGES YOUR LIFE.

LEARNING TO WALK ACROSS THE ROOM CHANGES ETERNITY!

Just a few steps and a friendly hello may be all it takes to change someone's life—and their eternity! And the good news is, it has more to do with taking a genuine interest in another person and listening to their story than it does with learning evangelism tactics and techniques. Join us for a 4 week small group study from Bill Hybels beginning on October 18.

In this four-session small group Bible study, Bill Hybels explores the natural and empowering approach to evangelism modeled after Jesus himself. This study encourages and equips you to leave your circles of comfort and develop friendships, discover stories, and discern next steps with those who don't know Christ

JUST WALK ACROSS THE ROOM



Name: _____

I would like to lead a small group: day/time _____

I would like to attend a small group: _____ yes

Please turn this in or call the church office ASAP!

October-November Prayer Focus



October is Pastor Appreciation Month, so our prayers for October will be for Kirk especially but his family as well.

- ✓ Pray that Kirk would always preach the Word, being prepared in season and out of season, to correct, rebuke, and encourage, with great patience and careful instruction. (2 Timothy 4:2)
- ✓ Pray that God would supply all of Kirk's needs, according to His riches in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:19)
- ✓ Pray that with the shield of faith, that Kirk would be able to quench all flaming darts of doubt, mental distraction, or anything else that Satan throws at Kirk. (Eph. 6:16)
- ✓ Pray for discernment to prioritize the precious minutes in his day. Let Kirk be able to discern what is most important and be guarded against the tyranny of the urgent.
- ✓ Pray that Kirk would never boast except in the cross of Jesus Christ. (Galatians 6:14)
- ✓ Pray for all the relationships in Kirk's life...that they would honor God and bring glory to God.
- ✓ Pray that Kirk would love Vicki, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her. (Ephesians 5:22)
- ✓ Pray that Kirk would love his children and grandchildren and be the parent God has called him to be.
- ✓ Pray that Kirk will rest in the shadow of the Almighty, and say that the Lord is his refuge and fortress, his God in who he trusts. (Psalm 91:1-2)

During the month of November, focus on gratitude, and being grateful.

- ✓ Pray that we would recognize God's faithfulness, which is new every morning. (Lamantations 3:23)
- ✓ Pray that in everything we do, in word or deed, we would do all of it in the name of Jesus, giving thanks to God. (Colossians 3:17)
- ✓ Thank God because every good and perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights... (James 1:17)
- ✓ Make a list during the month of November ~ write something each day, which you are grateful for. We have so much to be thankful for!



Blessings On Your Birthday!!!

October 1
Evan Girard

October 3
Beth Hilbeck

October 4
Kenneth Blandford
Ryan Bargerstock

October 5
Nita Lundie

October 10
Sandy Schafer

October 12
Joel McCullough
Kwade Kirchartz

October 14
Denise Johnston
Elaine Bargerstock

October 16
Christopher Hilbeck

October 17
Lillian Blandford
Bridget Brown

October 20
Melissa Brown

October 24
Doris Prinkey

October 26
Jennie Stewart

Scripture and Sneakers Once a month, fifty children from Cox-Donahey Elementary hop on a bus and come to Fort Burd Presbyterian to learn about Jesus through Bible stories, memory verses, games and songs. The children also bring their change to help children in other parts of the world. Along with their partners in the Brownsville Area Ministerium Association, Fort Burd serves children from kindergarten through eighth grade in "Bible Release Time". Fort Burd also cares for the children by gathering school supplies, which are an expense which many families cannot afford. Do you remember the joy of opening a fresh box of crayons or opening a new notebook? Fort Burd helps to ensure that even children from families with limited means can experience that joy! But it is not only during the school year that children need love and support. In June, the congregation welcomed 55 youth and teens to the church to be measured for sneakers. Mission chair Eadi Zetty then shopped for a pair specially selected for each and every child. The children were welcomed into the church with healthy snacks, friendly faces and the love of Christ. Fort Burd is showing children that they are loved and cared for!

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.



A country preacher decided to skip services one Sunday to spend the day hiking in the wilderness. Rounding a sharp bend in the trail, he collided with a bear and was sent tumbling down a steep grade. He landed on a rock and broke both legs. With the ferocious bear charging at him from a distance, the preacher prayed, "O Lord, I'm so sorry for skipping services today. Please forgive me and grant me just one wish - make a Christian out of that bear that's coming at me!" At that very instant, the bear skidded to a halt, fell to his knees, clasped his paws together, and began to pray aloud at the preacher's feet. "Dear God, please bless this food I am about to receive."

A Church goer wrote a letter to the editor of a newspaper and complained that it made no sense to go to church every Sunday. 'I've gone for 30 years now,' he wrote, 'and in that time I have heard something like 3,000 sermons, but for the life of me, I can't remember a single one of them. So, I think I'm wasting my time and the priests are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all.' This started a real controversy in the 'Letters to the Editor' column. Much to the delight of the editor, it went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher: 'I've been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But, for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this: They all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today. Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!' When you are DOWN to nothing, God is UP to something! Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible and receives the impossible!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 <u>9:00 AM</u> Adult Sunday School <u>10:00 AM</u> Worship/Youth Church <u>11:30 AM</u> Ladies Lunch at Villa Ballanca <u>1:00 PM</u> Girl Scouts 20130 <u>6:30 PM</u> Youth Group	28 Meals on Wheels <u>6:30 PM</u> Discipleship Team Meeting	29 <u>1:00 PM</u> Faith Group <u>8:00 PM</u> N.A. meeting	30 Meals on Wheels <u>7:00 PM</u> Boy Scouts	1 <u>6:30 PM</u> Girl Scout Open Registration <u>7:00 PM</u> Choir Rehearsal	2 Meals on Wheels <u>6:00 PM</u> Line Dancing	3 <u>8:00 AM</u> Lorraine Menk Scrapbooking Event
4  <u>9:00 AM</u> Adult Sunday School <u>10:00 AM</u> Worship/Youth Church <u>6:30 PM</u> Youth Group	5 Meals on Wheels <u>10:30 AM</u> Card Ministry <u>7:00 PM</u> Upkeep Team Meeting	6 <u>1:00 PM</u> Faith Group <u>6:30 PM</u> Worship Purpose Team <u>8:00 PM</u> N.A. meeting	7 Meals on Wheels <u>5:30 PM</u> Girl Scouts 26605 <u>6:30 PM</u> Deacons' Meeting <u>7:00 PM</u> Boy Scouts	8 <u>5:30 PM</u> Girl Scout Troop 20130 Meeting <u>7:00 PM</u> Choir Rehearsal	9 Meals on Wheels <u>6:00 PM</u> Line Dancing	10
11 <u>9:00 AM</u> Adult Sunday School <u>10:00 AM</u> COMMUNION/Youth Church <u>1:00 PM</u> Johnson Baptism Party?? <u>6:30 PM</u> Youth Group	12  Meals on Wheels <u>5:45 PM</u> MS Group Meeting	13 <u>1:00 PM</u> Faith Group <u>6:30 PM</u> Session Meeting <u>8:00 PM</u> N.A. meeting	14 Meals on Wheels <u>6:30 PM</u> Praise Band Rehearsal <u>7:00 PM</u> Boy Scouts	15 <u>7:00 PM</u> Choir Rehearsal	16 Meals on Wheels <u>6:00 PM</u> Line Dancing	17
18  <u>9:00 AM</u> Adult Sunday School <u>10:00 AM</u> Worship/Youth Church <u>6:30 PM</u> Youth Group	19 Meals on Wheels <u>6:30 PM</u> Discipleship Meeting	20 <u>1:00 PM</u> Faith Group <u>7:00 PM</u> Sewing Guild <u>8:00 PM</u> N.A. meeting	21 Meals on Wheels <u>7:00 PM</u> Boy Scouts	22 <u>5:30 PM</u> Girl Scout Troop 20130 Meeting <u>7:00 PM</u> Choir Rehearsal	23 Meals on Wheels <u>6:00 PM</u> Line Dancing	24
25 <u>9:00 AM</u> Adult Sunday School <u>10:00 AM</u> Worship/Youth Church <u>11:30 AM</u> Ladies Lunch @ Villa Ballanca <u>3:00 PM</u> Burrell Girls Tennis Banquet <u>6:30 PM</u> Youth Group	26 Meals on Wheels	27 <u>1:00 PM</u> Faith Group <u>8:00 PM</u> N.A. meeting	28 Meals on Wheels <u>6:30 PM</u> Praise Band Rehearsal <u>7:00 PM</u> Boy Scouts	29 <u>7:00 PM</u> Choir Rehearsal	30 Meals on Wheels <u>6:00 PM</u> Line Dancing	31  <u>Johnston Wedding??</u>

PRAISE IN MOTION: You will have rehearsal every Monday in October. Chiffon ladies from 6-6:30 and dancers from 6:30-7:30. Please try to be here!



If you are the leader of any of our teams, please email, call or let the office know somehow who is all on your team. Thank you!

The Worship Team consists of:
 Debbie Fotheringham- Leader
 Kirk and Vickie Orr
 Nita Serene
 Cliff and Charlene McKay
 Janet Karan
 Lorraine Menk
 Irene Nelson

Praise Team: Kirk Orr
 Rebecca Fisher
 Paul Leo
 Jennifer Motosicky
 Mick Dober
 Marcie Leo

Outreach team members:

Leader – Deb Artman
 Members - Matt Wehrle
 Denise Wehrle
 Marcie Leo
 Paul Leo
 Rebecca Fisher

Card Ministry team:

Nancy Scibilia, Helen Crissman, Mary Wilds, Carol Johnston, Ann Johnson, Janet Karan, Marti Rugh, Dorothy Beveridge, Donna Bracken

Upkeep Team: Kirk Orr, Vince Appleman, Dean Kunkle, Jack Guyer, Jack Barnett, Cliff McKay, Sr., George Davis and Sandy Ankney.

Praise in Motion members: Sandy Ankney, Sophia Earhart, Charlene McKay, Lorraine Menk, Jennifer Motosicky, Vicki Orr, Irene Nelson

Choir members: Vi Adamsky, Sandy Ankney, Gary Close, Sue Close, Beth Dober, Mick Dober, Sophia Earhart, Jessica Guyer, Jim Johnston, Clare Kapustik, Janet Karan, Cliff McKay, Lorraine Menk, Jennifer Motosicky, Irene Nelson, Howard Newell, Kirk Orr, Vicki Orr, Marti Orren, Dorrie Prinkey, Marti Rugh, Nita Serene, Chuck West.

Fellowship and Care Team: Mary Goldinger, Hilda Maxwell, Jean Morrow, Doris Prinkey, Kellie Jaworski, Charlene McKay, Dorothy Beveridge, Clare Kapustick, Irene Nelson, Cliff McKay

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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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