

Puckety Presbyterian Church

1009 Puckety Church Road
Lower Burrell, PA 15068

(Return Service Requested)

Last Day For:

Post Scripts Information:

Third Friday 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.



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Post-Scripts
a monthly publication

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Making Disciples...
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March 2020

Pastor's Paragraphs

Are we there yet?

“Are we there yet?” You know that question that plagues all parents of kids (young and old) as they venture upon a journey of any distance. Born out of boredom and impatience, typically, the inquiry repeats with increasing regularity and frequency until the arrival at the intended destination. For those who ask, the journey from one point to another always seems to take much longer than they expect (however those expectations are formed).

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Interim Pastor for the past two months and through this upcoming season. For some of us, we will begin the process of Living into Lent with the devotional book study. Yet, regardless of whether we are involved in that study, all of us are invited into to venture into a forty day experience. During this period of reflection and remembrance, we might find ourselves tempted to ask “are we there yet?” Impatient with the necessary contemplation. Uncomfortable with the reflective understanding of our own failings. We long to arrive at the Calvary destination where it will all end. Or better yet, the empty tomb with the greeting of the “gardener-like” resurrected One. Yet, on this deliberate winding road, there is no shortcut. While the destination may be certain, the path by which we travel takes us through the moments of both Scriptural narrative and our own lives that will lead us to a hill of execution. Upon that place, in the irony of powerlessness exhibited, nonetheless, the strong victory is “won.” In the words of the Puritan writer John Owen, it is the “death of death in the death of Christ.” While we travel this Lenten road, we anticipate that destination in our immediate experiences of that price that was paid. Yet, even more, as those adopted children we expect and desire its final fulfillment in “eternal inheritance.” We ask and want to know, “are we there yet?” For we long to see, the conquering Lion of Judah who emerges as the Lamb that was slaughtered who will be our shepherd, guiding us to the water of life and wiping away every tear from our eyes. Are we there yet? Not yet, but soon. Blessings, Skip



In March

- 1 Jennifer McKay
8 Maria Schafer
15 Michelle Gordon
22 Chari Burtner
29 Brandy Roland

Your Session:

Debra Artman
Jack Barnett
Rebecca Fisher
Michelle Gordon
Jolene Kostelansky
Charlene McKay
Jennifer McKay
Matt Wehrle
Chuck West

Corporate Officers:

President: Matt Wehrle
Vice-Pres.: Jennifer McKay
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Treasurer: Donna Bracken

PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

DEB ARTMAN
MICK DOBER
SOPHIA EARHART
REBECCA FISHER
KELLY KAPELEWSKI
BRENDA MCALLISTER
CLIFF MCKAY, SR.

Your Deacons:

Sandy Ankney
Beth Dober
Mick Dober
Margie Hazlett
Traci Kirchartz
Brenda McAllister
John McAllister
Brandy Roland
Maria Schafer
Rodney Schafer
Peg Uhing
Jean Welte

CHURCH STAFF

Interim Pastor:

Richard "Skip" Noftzger

Administrative Secretary:

Kelly Kapelewski

Treasurer:

Donna Bracken

Choir Director:

Lorraine Menk

Organist/Pianist:

Sue Close

Housekeeper:

Irene Nelson

Financial Secretary:

Judy West

GREETERS **SCHEDULE**

- 1 Chuck West and
Rebecca Fisher
8 Jennifer McKay and
Jack Barnett
15 Charlene McKay and
Michelle Gordon
22 Matt Wehrle and
Deb Artman
29 Jolene Kostelansky
and Chuck West

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)



OFFERING
COUNTERS

- 1 Chuck and Judy West
8 Jolene Kostelansky, Sophia
Earhart and Matt Wehrle
15 Helen Crissmand and
Marilyn Crumley
22 Janet Karan and
Deb Artman
29 Chuck and Judy West



If you have any issues requiring Pastoral care, please feel free to reach out to our Interim Pastor, Rev. Skip Noftzger. His contact information is noftzger@gmail.com; 724.833.0340 or you can always call/email the church office.

Like and follow us on Facebook for updates and info on activities and events as well as announcements!



PRAYER REQUESTS!

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.

FELLOWSHIP AND CARE CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020

MARCH 15 – PANCAKE BREAKFAST
MARCH 28 – SOUP SALE
APRIL 18/19 – PNC EVENT/COFFEE HOUR
MAY 17 – PIE SOCIAL
JUNE 14 – COFFEE HOUR
JUNE 28 – NEW PASTOR INSTALLATION
JULY 12 – CHURCH PICNIC
AUGUST 16 – COFFEE HOUR
SEPTEMBER 13 – COFFEE HOUR
SEPTEMBER 26 – BONFIRE
OCTOBER 25 – SOUP AND SALAD LUNCHEON
NOVEMBER 8 – VETERANS LUNCHEON

MAKE NOTE OF THESE AWESOME OPPORTUNITIES TO FELLOWSHIP WITH YOUR PUCKETY CHURCH FAMILY!

If there is ever a question as to whether we are having worship due to inclement weather, please tune into WPXI 11. Kelly has registered our church with this local news station and will post any closings with them as soon as she is made aware.



Our Daily Bread – Regular Print ***March / April / May - 2020***

The "Our Daily Bread" devotional is available for you, a friend, or relative at all entrances to the sanctuary and on the glass display case near the conference room. This devotional is written to help you grow in your relationship with Jesus. As you walk on your journey of life, develop a heart for God, explore the scripture to strengthen your faith and experience God's peace.



Bible Readings

The Bible readings are from
"Book of Common Worship"

For the week of:

March 1:

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Psalms 32

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11

March 8:

Genesis 12:1-4a

Psalms 121

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

John 3:1-17

March 15:

Exodus 17:1-7

Psalms 95

Romans 5:1-11

John 4:5-42

March 22:

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Psalms 23

Eph 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

March 29:

Ezek 37:1-14

Psalms 130

Romans 8:6-11

John 11:1-45



If you are not currently on our email list and would like to receive our weekly Friday morning emails that briefly describe the upcoming Sunday sermon and contains important announcements for future events, please email the office at kelly@pucketychurch.org and we would be glad to add you!

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## Blessings On Your Birthday!!!

- 2 Irene Nelson
- 3 Sophia Earhart
- 6 Melissa Baronie
- 7 Ben Johnston
- 9 Myrna Zellefrow
- 10 Helen Crissman
- 13 Alexandra McKown
- 14 Jason Schwartz
- 17 Patricia Baker
- 21 Lisa Wilson
- 22 Zachery Schafer
- 26 Jane Weaver
- 28 Adam Szich
- 30 Leon Yurkin
- Trevor Hazlett
- Richard Schwartz
- Mark Cosentino



Puckety's Fellowship and Care Team will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast on March 15<sup>th</sup>.

immediately following worship over in Faith Hall. The menu includes: Pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage and hot/cold beverages. All are welcome! Donations are appreciated. See Charlene McKay for more information.

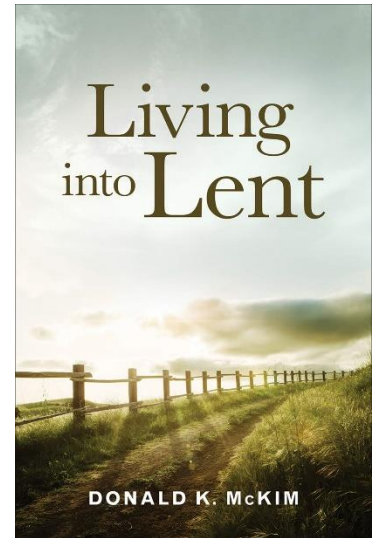


The Fellowship and Care Team would like you to Submit your favorite Recipes for a Puckety Church Cookbook! It Will be gifted to our new Pastor when he/she Arrives as a welcome To Puckety gift. More Details to follow. . .

Join Interim Pastor Skip Noftzger as he presents a Lenten Study using  
“*Living into Lent*” devotional  
by Donald K. McKim. The study will take place the following Sundays after Worship:

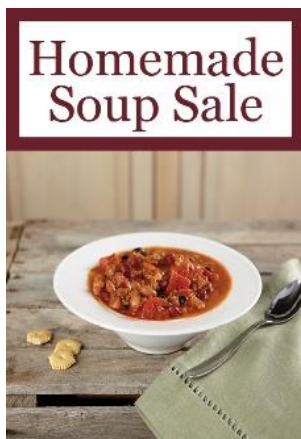
March 1  
March 8  
March 15  
March 22  
March 29

Let the office know if you would like to attend or to just receive a devotional. There is no cost to attend, however, if you would like to purchase your book, the cost is \$11.42.  
Bring your lunch!



## Save the Date

**The PNC is asking you to save  
Saturday and Sunday April 18-19, 2020.  
More information will be coming soon!**



### Fellowship and Care will be holding it's first annual Homemade Soup Sale!

Soups include:  
NAVY BEAN AND HAM  
VEGETABLE  
CHICKEN NOODLE

The cost is \$6.00 per quart. Orders are due on March 20. The soup will need to be picked up on March 28 from 4-5PM. Please use the order form in your weekly bulletin. Place it in the offering plate, hand it to someone on Fellowship and Care Team, or lay it on Kelly's desk.

You can also contact Charlene McKay to place an order by phone. THANK YOU!



If you missed getting Girl Scout Cookies or would like to donate a box to "Cookies for Our Troops", check the bulletin board across from Kelly's office! Cookies are \$5.00 a box and there is an order form on the board. You would be supporting Troop 20130 which meets at our church on Tuesday nights. Thanks in advance!

If anyone is interested in a free organ, please let John Fisher know. There is someone who is looking to give the organ away to someone who is interested in using it. John can be contacted at 724-339-0973.

### **MEALS 4 CHILDREN IS IN IMMEDIATE NEED OF THE FOLLOWING:**

Cereal cups    mac & cheese cups    pasta cups    ramen noodles  
pudding cups    raisins    tuna/chicken packs    empty grocery bags



## **Stories of Redstone**

*Christ at work in our midst*

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

### ***Ministry Partnership Recognized***

Recognizing the needs of children who were under-performing in developing reading skills, Trinity United Presbyterian Church developed a new summer reading camp in 2006. Developing this critical skill during those crucial years is imperative for future success.

Initially, they sponsored and hosted the camp at the church facility, but in 2016, the summer ministry made an important choice. Why not have the program hosted at the East End United Community Center. Many of the children who had been participating were being brought from the Center for this summer educational experience. As a result, children in two classrooms were able to experience reading in a positive, fun and safe environment.

At the 2020 East End United Community Center M.L. King Breakfast, the Church was recognized with the M.L. King Service Award for their dedication to the children and the East End Community Center. Additionally, certificates of recognition were also received from public officials. While recognition is not the goal, the effective partnership with community groups and agencies represents a critically important way we live out our calling as disciples of Jesus Christ.



The Deacons will be collecting names of local families in need of a Food Basket for Easter through April 3, 2020.

Pick-up will be Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 - 10:30am. Please email or call the church office or drop off a note!

Sponsors

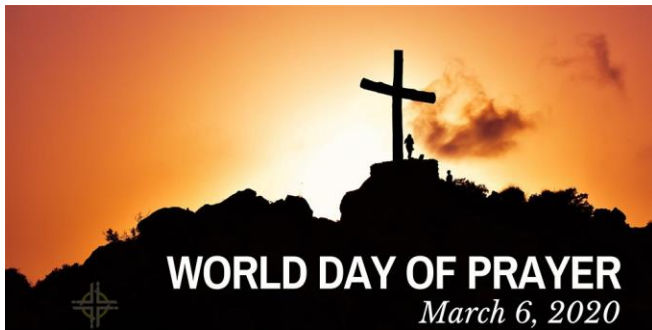
Name/Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Receiving Food Name/Number/Address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Adults: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children (& ages, if known): \_\_\_\_\_















Daylight Saving Time Begins!

CHANGE  
YOUR





# March 2020

| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Monday                                                                                                              | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                                             | Wednesday                                                                                                           | Thursday                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Friday                                                                                                                                                             | Saturday                                                                                                                       |
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| <b>1</b><br><br><b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Children's Church<br><b>10:00 AM</b> <b>Worship</b><br><b>11:30 AM</b> Lenten Study                                                                                                                                  | <b>2</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>10:30 AM</b> Card Ministry<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Upkeep Team Meeting                  | <b>3</b><br><b>1:00 PM</b> Bracken Small Group<br><b>4:15 PM</b> Worship Team Meeting<br><b>8:00 PM</b> N.A. meeting                                                                                | <b>4</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>9:30 AM</b> Meals 4 Children Food Packing<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Deacons Meeting       | <b>5</b><br><b>5:30 PM</b> Girl Scouts<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal                                                                                                                                  | <b>6</b><br><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br><b>1:00 PM</b> Line Dancing | <b>7</b>                                                                                                                       |
| <b>8</b><br><br>Oswalt Baby Shower???<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Children's Church<br><b>10:00 AM</b> <b>Worship - Girl Scout Sunday</b><br><b>11:30 AM</b> Lenten Study<br> | <b>9</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>5:45 PM</b> MS Group Meeting<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Seneca Service Unit Leader Meeting | <b>10</b><br><b>6:00 PM</b> Girl Scout Troop 20130<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Session Meeting<br><b>8:00 PM</b> N.A. meeting                                                                                 | <b>11</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Sustain-DPP Study<br><b>6:00 PM</b> Girl Scouts                      | <b>12</b><br><b>6:00 AM</b> Seneca SU Service Project<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal                                                                                                                   | <b>13</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br><b>1:00 PM</b> Line Dancing                                                                                       | <b>14</b><br><b>8:00 AM</b> DKG Meeting/Presentation                                                                           |
| <b>15</b><br><br><b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Children's Church<br><b>10:00 AM</b> <b>Worship</b><br><b>11:30 AM</b> Lenten Study<br>                                          | <b>16</b><br>Meals on Wheels                                                                                        | <b>17</b><br><br><b>1:00 PM</b> Bracken Small Group<br><b>7:00 PM</b> Sewing Guild<br><b>8:00 PM</b> N.A. meeting | <b>18</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>9:30 AM</b> Meals 4 Children Food Packing<br><b>10:30 AM</b> Monarch Grief Group | <b>19</b><br><br><b>5:30 PM</b> Girl Scouts<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal<br><b>7:00 PM</b> Burrellton Garden Club | <b>20</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br><b>1:00 PM</b> Line Dancing                                                                                       | <b>21</b>                                                                                                                      |
| <b>22</b><br><br><b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Children's Church<br><b>10:00 AM</b> <b>Worship</b><br><b>11:30 AM</b> Lenten Study                                                                                                                               | <b>23</b><br>Meals on Wheels                                                                                        | <b>24</b><br><b>6:00 PM</b> Girl Scout Troop 20130<br><b>8:00 PM</b> N.A. meeting                                                                                                                   | <b>25</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>6:00 PM</b> Girl Scouts                                                          | <b>26</b><br>Soup Prep<br><b>5:30 PM</b> Girl Scouts<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal                                                                                                                    | <b>27</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>Soup Prep<br><b>1:00 PM</b> Line Dancing                                                                          | <b>28</b><br><b>4:00 PM</b> Soup Sale<br> |
| <b>29</b><br><br><b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Children's Church<br><b>10:00 AM</b> <b>Worship</b><br><b>11:30 AM</b> Lenten Study<br><b>12:00 PM</b> Hays Baby Shower                                                                                           | <b>30</b><br>Meals on Wheels                                                                                        | <b>31</b><br><b>8:00 PM</b> N.A. meeting                                                                                                                                                            | <b>1</b><br><br>Meals on Wheels  | <b>2</b><br><b>6:30 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal                                                                                                                                                                | <b>3</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br><b>1:00 PM</b> Line Dancing                                                                                        | <b>4</b>                                                                                                                       |

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## ON THE ROAD TO EASTER WORD SEARCH



|            |               |              |
|------------|---------------|--------------|
| Ash        | Holy Week     | Palm Branch  |
| Wednesday  | Holy Thursday | Forty Days   |
| Sacrifice  | Good Friday   | Jesus        |
| Almsgiving | Holy Saturday | Passover     |
| Prayer     | Easter        | Foot Washing |
| Fasting    | Palm Sunday   | Resurrection |
| Lent       | Purple        | Love         |

