

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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Don't forget to pick up your apple dumplings in Faith Hall on October 12th from 5-6PM!

PLEASE BE SURE TO CHECK THE BULLETIN BOARD OUTSIDE THE CHURCH OFFICE ANY TIME YOU ARE VISITING THE CHURCH. IT IS FULL OF USEFUL INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY!

We will be honoring Veterans on Sunday, November 10th.



Please submit pictures with dates of service of Veterans from our church family by October 15th to Denise Wehrle or Charlene McKay. (Self, parents, grandparents, children, etc.)



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.



Join us on October 20th for our annual Soup and Salad Luncheon! Immediately following worship over in faith hall. A sign-up sheet will be available in the sanctuary soon! Please sign up to bring either your favorite soup or salad to share.



In Otober

6 Chari Burtner
13 Michelle Gordon
20 Mick Dober
27 Beth Dober

Your Session:

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

Corporate Officers:

President: Sophia Earhart
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PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

DEB ARTMAN
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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

**Administrative
Secretary:**
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Donna Bracken

Choir Director:
Lorraine Menk

Organist/Pianist:
Sue Close

Housekeeper:
Irene Nelson

Financial Secretary:
Judy West



6 Jolene Kostelansky and
Deb Artman
13 Rebecca Fisher and
Chuck West
20 Jack Barnett and
Jennifer McKay
27 Michelle Gordon and
Charlene McKay

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

6 Janet Karan and
Deb Artman
13 Chuck and Judy West
20 Sophia Earhart, Jolene
Kostelansky and Matt
Wehrle
27 Helen Crissman and
Marilyn Crumley

Upcoming Events Hosted by Fellowship and Care – *Mark Your Calendars!*

20 October 2019	Soup/Salad Luncheon after service in Faith Hall
17 Nov 2019	Coffee Hour after service in Faith Hall
08 Dec 2019	Christmas Luncheon after service in Faith Hall



Our Daily Bread, LARGE PRINT, for the months of October, November and December, 2019 is now available and also the Our Daily Bread, REGULAR PRINT for the months of September, October, November, 2019.

Stories of Redstone *Christ at work in our midst*

After a long break, Revloc Presbyterian Church brought back VBS for its community. While we had a handful of kids show up for the week, when it was all over, we began considering our investment. With Pine Springs Camp nearby, we decided to engage kids in this intensive Christian environment as a camper rather than 2 hours/day. The first summer we sent 3 children from our congregation. They fell in love with Pine Springs. This year additional children were convinced to go to Pine Springs and we agreed to cover a friend if they needed that support. From our small church, we were able to send 8 kids to camp. Every one of them came back excited about camp and ready to go back again. As our partner in ministry, Pine Springs is planting a seed that is sprouting growth before the child leaves camp that we can water and nurture. Now, we also have more adults interested in PSC whether in retreats or serving as VWD's. **Truly, we are blessed to partner together in forming disciples of Jesus Christ.**



OUR FINANCES:

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>
AUGUST	\$16,078.17	\$ 13,440.95
YR. TO DATE	\$133,974.59	\$122,506.68



Bible Readings

The Bible readings are from
"Book of Common Worship"

For the week of:

October 6:

Lam 1:1-6

Lam 3:19-26

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Luke 17:5-10

October 13:

Jer 29:1,4-7

Psalm 66:1-12

2 Timothy 2:8-15

Luke 17:11-19

October 20:

Jer 31:27-34

Psalm 119:97-104

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

Luke 18:1-8

October 27:

Joel 2:23-32

Psalm 65

2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

Luke 18:9-14



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!!!

- 1 Evan Girard
- 3 Beth Hilbeck
- 4 Ryan Bargerstock
- 5 Nita Lundie
- 10 Rachel Aungst  
Sandy Schafer
- 12 Joel McCullough  
Kwade Kirchartz
- 14 Denise Johnston  
Elaine Bargerstock
- 16 Doug Marshall  
Christopher Hilbeck
- 17 Lilian Blandford  
Bridget Brown
- 18 Jessica Mele
- 20 Melissa Brown
- 24 Doris Prinkey
- 26 Jennie Stewart



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. . .

Please include the PNC (Pastor Nominating Committee) in your daily prayer list!

\*Ask God to work schedules out, so that they can meet when needed and all be able to participate.

\*Ask God to give them wisdom as they do interviews with candidates, to hear what is being said as well as what is not being said.

\*Ask God to give them unity of thought and mind as they rate/rank candidates, so that they would be led to the pastor God desires for Puckety.

\*Pray about anything else for them that God brings to your mind.



**The Picnic** A Jewish Rabbi and a Catholic Priest met at the town's annual 4th of July picnic. Old friends, they began their usual banter. "This baked ham is really delicious," the priest teased the rabbi "You really ought to try it. I know it's against your religion, but I can't understand why such a wonderful food should be forbidden! You don't know what you're missing. You just haven't lived until you've tried Mrs. Hall's prized Virginia Baked Ham Tell me, Rabbi, when are you going to break down and try it?"

The rabbi looked at the priest with a big grin, and said, "At your wedding."



**Fall Work Day**

**Saturday, October 26**

**9 am to 1pm**

The Upkeep Committee would appreciate and contribution of time that you might be willing to commit to our Saturday, October 26 Fall Work Day. There are many jobs that need to be addressed especially in preparation for the cold weather season. We will gather at 9 am in the church parking lot and settle on job assignments. Hopefully the jobs will be of light duty and short in nature and we should finish at or before 1 pm. The Upkeep Committee would appreciate any time you would willing to donate to the effort. Remember many hands make a job easier.

The following is a list of tentative jobs that we hope to address: a new gutter and down spout on the mower shed, cleaning of the awnings above the side and ramp entrance, weeding areas that need it, paint the two sheds, check and replace fluorescent lights as needed, clear off playground area, repair the route 56 church sign, cut back brush growth along the low side of the parking lot and re-secure the ramp railing. This is not necessarily a complete list and some could potentially be impacted by the weather. There are other items that may be added between now and the October 26 work date.

If you can help please let Vince Appleman or any Upkeep Committee member know of your interest.





## OUR TEAMS/COMMITTEES

### CARD MINISTRY

The Card Ministry team falls under the Fellowship and Care Team. We send Birthday, Get Well, Sympathy, Thinking of You and Praying for You Cards to members, visitors, etc. of the church. We do this on the first Monday each month at 10:30am. Cards are sent out throughout the month as each need is reported to me. If anyone is interested in joining, please let me know by calling 724-335-9054 or see me at church. Donna Kay Bracken

### UPKEEP COMMITTEE

The Upkeep Committee is responsible for the general care and improvement of the church campus that includes the church building, Faith Hall (fellowship hall), manse (pastor's residence) and the Puckety Church Cemetery that is located approximately a quarter of a mile farther down Puckety Church Road. Upkeep maintains all areas of the campus by repairing and improving the facilities when it is within our skill set to do so. Jobs that are beyond our ability are bid out for repair. Our biggest ongoing responsibility is for lawn and landscape care. This runs as a major focus from April until November of each year. We have rotating mowing teams to service the church grounds and the cemetery. We also maintain services for snow and ice removal. We oversee the church custodial services and housekeeper services. Utility services are part of our responsibilities.

### CEMETERY COMMITTEE

The Cemetery Committee is a small separate administrative committee that oversees cemetery care, plot sales and internments. This committee operates in close cooperation with the Upkeep Committee in its every day operations.

### MEMORIAL FUND COMMITTEE

The Memorial Committee is a small committee that is responsible for overseeing the collection and expenditures of donations made to the church in honor and memory of deceased persons. The committee determines what are worthy expenditures following the strict guidelines established for the use of this money.

### OUTREACH TEAM

We are in flux right now. We are in the process of determining what our focus will be as a church. We do have plenty of opportunities that some of us are starting to do to help others in our community through the Compassion Network, a group of members from local churches. Any individuals interested in the outreach areas that have been identified as needs within our community should see Matt Wehrle, Deb Artman, Rebecca Fisher, or John Fisher.

## **PUCKETY CHURCH CHOIR**

The adult choir of Puckety Church has long been respected in the area as being a wonderful choir. The choir meets Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:00 pm in the church, from about mid-September to last Sunday before Memorial Day. Some of our singers are trained musicians and some have had no prior choral singing experience. We all help each other! There is no audition process. We sing a variety of styles of music, from contemporary to traditional, and all the while holding onto foremost that God is our focus and our praise is for him alone. And still we have plenty of time for laughter and friendship! We thank God for the dedicated members and musicians who currently attend rehearsals and Sunday services. If you would like to be a part of this group of singers please contact the choir director, Lorraine Menk, at 724-339-9531 or kirbie1@comcast.net.

## **FELLOWSHIP AND CARE TEAM**

Fellowship and Care demonstrates communal care of our congregation and community. We, as a team of believers, have the ability to serve the congregation and community by becoming a family of God through servitude. Our mission is to help our congregation be the body of Christ for each other through fellowship and care. We can accomplish this with coffee hours after service, pot luck dinners, picnics and social events. This team plans and carries out these events held at the church several times per year as well as a monthly coffee hour following worship. If you have any interest in serving on this team, contact Charlene at 724-335-9645.

## **PULPIT ASSISTANT VOLUNTEERS GROUP**

The Pulpit Assistants help lead the worship service, along with the pastor. Normally, the Pulpit Assistant introduces and leads the following parts of worship: The Welcome & Announcements, Call to Worship, Prayer of Confession, Assurance of Forgiveness, and First Scripture Reading. The information as to what the Pulpit Assistant says and does is sent out from the church office several days before the Sunday worship service. Anyone who can speak clearly and confidently, using the microphone, is welcome to volunteer. If you are interested in volunteering for this ministry, please contact the church office at 724-339-1323 or kelly@pucketychurch.org.

## **FUNERAL LUNCH VOLUNTEERS GROUP**

Our group of men and women work very hard to be sure the lunches we provide are stress free for the family. We contact the family and give our condolence and determine the number for the lunch. We then go shopping for the food. Our people are called and scheduled to help prepare the food, set up the room, and clean up after the meal. We greet everyone as they come in for lunch and make them feel welcome. A lot of fellowship is had by all. This is an extension of the Deacon's outreach.

## **WORSHIP TEAM**

The worship team is responsible for the music, videos and focus of worship each Sunday. We work together with the pastor to plan a worship service which provides a variety of ways to glorify God. We responsible to find both pulpit supply (a pastor who leads worship) when the pastor is unavailable and either a substitute organist if the organist is off, or we work with the pastor and the praise band leader to ensure the music for the service is covered. We usually meet the last Monday of the month @ 4:30 pm in the conference room. If anyone is interested in serving on this committee, please let Jenn McKay know 724-882-7856 or see me at church.



## PRAISE BAND

The praise band is part of the worship Team. Members share their God given musical talents by playing an instrument in the band, singing, or making a joyful noise to God through music. We schedule practices around the member's schedules. If you love to learn new songs and lead the congregation during worship, please join us. Do play an instrument? Come join us. If you're interested in joining the praise band or would like to ask questions please contact Rebecca Fisher (412.260.1571) or see me at church.

## AV VOLUNTEERS

The AV Team is part of the Worship Team. Members of this team rotate Sundays, to create the slides (with backgrounds and words to songs, scriptures, prayers, etc) that are used on the screen during worship. A program called Media Shout is used, and training on the current computer system is provided. Using the bulletin which the secretary emails, you can work on creating the slides either at home or at the church before Sunday morning. (If done at home, you would need software on your computer to remotely log into the church computer). You are able to sit in the sound room for a week or two and observe, if you'd like to learn more or aren't sure this is something you want to do. If you enjoy creating a visual worship to share with the congregation, this is the team for you. If you are interested and want to know more, please contact John Fisher.

## DISCIPLESHIP TEAM

We envision a culture where we answer God's call to become and make disciples. We accomplish this through life-long biblical study and practice to grow closer to Jesus Christ.

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit". Matthew 28:19. The Discipleship Team oversees: Children's Church (a time for children ages three through the end of middle school, to learn about Jesus at their level), Vacation Bible School, Women's Ministry, Life Group ministry. The team usually meets the third Monday of each month at 6:30 in the conference room. We would love to have more folks help work with us in these areas! If God is calling you to help in any of these areas, (especially Children's Church teachers, so that our current teachers can have a break, and be able to be in worship more often) we'd be excited to have you join us! Contact Rebecca Fisher at [rfisher@syfcomputing.com](mailto:rfisher@syfcomputing.com) or 412.260.1571 if you have any questions!

## ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

This committee was established by Session at its July 2018 meeting with the following directive: The committee will evaluate and make specific recommendations to Session regarding; current objectives and associated costs in these areas: Staff, Building & Grounds, Income vs. Expenses, Operating Procedures. We welcome your questions and suggestions as we work together as the Body of Christ at Puckety. Chuck West is the head of this committee.



**Our Outreach Team** currently has opportunities that some of us are starting to do to help others in our community through the Compassion Network, a group of members from local churches.

Any individuals interested in the following areas that have been identified as needs within our community should see Matt Wehrle, Deb Artman, Rebecca Fisher, or John Fisher. We will help you plug in.

There is more info on this website - <https://compassion-network.com>

#### Prayer - Partners and needs

We need people and groups to be in prayer about:

- New opportunities God will provide for us to serve
- People we are serving, or have served
- Strength to be faithful servants, living our lives in a way so that God can bless others through us
- Glorify God in all these outreach efforts
- God's blessing on all the participants, donors, volunteers
- People served come to know Jesus and see their lives transformed

#### Feeding & Food Ministries

- backpack program - food drives and expansion
- food donations: restaurants & stores (unsold food) caterers, banquets, weddings, picnics, parties, receptions (unused food)
- bakers and cooks to provide meals on a regular basis, as well as holiday times
- need refrigerators, freezers, storage racks – places to store food for future use
- 24/7 access to food

#### Housing

- homeless needs & sheltering
- men's shelter
- network of people with rooms
- construction materials and skilled & unskilled help
- homes, buildings, rehab to own
- emerging relationship with Habitat

#### Transportation Ministry • vehicles

- drivers
- volunteers
- donations

#### Employment/Jobs

- employer relationships
- craftsmen
- apprenticeships
- business start ups

#### Furniture and Appliance Ministry • safe, secure storage areas

- box truck to move items
- donors to contribute items in good condition
- volunteers to pick up and deliver items
- resources

#### Childcare (so people can work or pursue training/schooling)

- babysitting (day or evening)
- day care
- help with meals, support for moms after work or school

#### Garden and Growing Projects

- indoor hydroponic and community gardens
- donors
- volunteers
- resources to provide for various gardening needs

#### Visitation Ministries

- open doors
- volunteers to visit, either in person or on the phone
- bible studies with those we are supporting
- discipling

#### Counseling

- offices to provide counseling services
- donors to help with counseling costs
- resources to give out to those in counseling
- professional volunteers to provide biblical counseling

#### Auto Repair Ministry • car repair garage

- donors to underwrite costs involved
- resources to provide this type of service
- volunteers to do repairs
- donated cars/vehicles

#### Kids Backpack Programs

- food donations
- financial donations
- volunteers to pack, inventory and organize food
- storage places for food donations

#### Christian Business & Professionals Network • bringing Christians together to serve & create a Christian based economy

#### Home and Church Repair Ministry

- donors to provide financing and materials
- resources for tools, supplies, etc.
- volunteers
- opportunities to serve
- ability to renovate houses for housing needs

#### Legal Help for the Poor & Oppressed • attorneys to provide services

- legal aides to help with case work
- donors to cover costs to get legal work done

#### Addiction Ministry • open doors for places to go

- professionals to help addicts
- long term facility
- donors to underwrite associated costs
- volunteers to serve this population



# October 2019

| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Monday                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                   | Wednesday                                                                                        | Thursday                                                                                                                                                          | Friday                                                                                                                                                 | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| <b>29</b><br><b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Children's Church<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Worship                                                                                                                  | <b>30</b><br>Meals on Wheels                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>1</b><br><b>1:00 PM</b> Bracken Small Group<br><b>8:00 PM</b> N.A. meeting                                                                             | <b>2</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Deacons Meeting<br><b>7:00 PM</b> Boy Scouts       | <b>3</b><br><b>6:30 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal                                                                                                                        | <b>4</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br><b>1:00 PM</b> Line Dancing<br><b>5:00 PM</b> Menk Scrapbooking Event Set Up                           | <b>5</b><br><b>8:00 AM</b> Menk Scrapbooking Event                                                                                                                         |
| <b>6</b><br><b>World Communion Sunday</b><br><b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Children's Church<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Worship<br><b>12:00 PM</b> Session Workshop                                              |  <b>7</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>10:30 AM</b> Card Ministry<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Upkeep Meeting                                               | <b>8</b><br><b>6:30 PM</b> Session Meeting<br><b>8:00 PM</b> N.A. meeting                                                                                 | <b>9</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>7:00 PM</b> Boy Scouts                                         | <b>10</b><br><b>1:00 PM</b> Sustain-DPP<br><b>5:30 PM</b> Girl Scouts<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal                                                           | <b>11</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br><b>1:00 PM</b> Line Dancing<br><b>5:30 PM</b> Brown Wedding Rehearsal<br><b>6:00 PM</b> Fifth Quarter | <b>12</b><br>Apple Dumpling Baking and Sale<br>Brown Wedding                                                                                                               |
| <b>13</b><br><b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Children's Church<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Worship                                                                                                                  | <b>14</b><br><b>Columbus Day</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>15</b><br><b>11:30 AM</b> Meals on Wheels Luncheon<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>16</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>10:30 AM</b> Monarch Grief Group<br><b>7:00 PM</b> Boy Scouts | <b>17</b><br><b>1:00 PM</b> Sustain-DPP<br><b>5:30 PM</b> Girl Scouts<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal                                                           | <b>18</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED                                                                                                          | <b>19</b><br>Kowalak Birthday Party                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>20</b><br>Soup/Salad Luncheon<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Children's Church<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Worship                                                                                           | <b>21</b><br>Meals on Wheels                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>22</b><br><b>8:00 PM</b> N.A. meeting                                                                                                                  | <b>23</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>7:00 PM</b> Boy Scouts                                        | <b>24</b><br><b>1:00 PM</b> Sustain-DPP<br><b>5:30 PM</b> Girl Scouts<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal                                                           | <b>25</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br><b>1:00 PM</b> Line Dancing<br><b>5:30 PM</b> Girl Scouts Party                                       | <b>26</b><br><b>7:00 AM</b> DKG Scholarship Event<br><b>9:00 AM</b> Fall Work Day<br> |
| <b>27</b><br><b>Reformation Sunday</b><br> <b>9:00 AM</b> Adult Sunday School<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Children's Church<br><b>10:00 AM</b> Worship | <b>28</b><br>Meals on Wheels                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>29</b><br><b>4:15 PM</b> Worship Team Meeting<br><b>8:00 PM</b> N.A. meeting                                                                           | <b>30</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br><b>7:00 PM</b> Boy Scouts                                        | <b>31</b><br><br><b>1:00 PM</b> Sustain-DPP<br><b>6:30 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal | <b>1</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br><b>1:00 PM</b> Line Dancing                                                                            | <b>2</b>                                                                                                                                                                   |

