



**First Reformed United Church of Christ
Lexington, NC**

*We are an Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ.
No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.*

NOVEMBER 2018

Dear Beloved Community,

I'm afraid I startled many of you in the worship service on Sunday, October 21. I promise I didn't do it on purpose. I startled myself actually. I really don't like to cry in front of people. I try to be composed and put together. But that didn't happen this Sunday.

When Rev. Al Staggs selected Matthew 25: 31-42 for the scripture in the service, I prepared accordingly. It's a very appropriate passage to be paired with the life and ministry of Dietrich Bonhoeffer. I know this passage well, "*The Judgement of the Nations.*" I have heard it read aloud countless times. In Seminary classes I exegeted the passage and parsed verbs in the Greek language. I can recite these verses in KJV.

But on Sunday October 21, when I stood in front of you to read the very familiar words, something was different. I barely made it through the first two verses before I felt the lump in my throat and the crack in my voice. Tears welled up as I spoke the words from our Lord Jesus Christ:

'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world;

for I was hungry and you gave me food,

I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink,

I was a stranger and you welcomed me,

I was naked and you gave me clothing,

I was sick and you took care of me,

I was in prison and you visited me.'

In front of the congregation gathered, my mascara ran and my nose dripped. Right. In. Front. Of. Everyone. How embarrassing.

Why did this Sunday feel different? Perhaps it was because I had just witnessed a powerful performance about Clarence Jordan, renegade Baptist minister and racial justice advocate. I was blown away by the authenticity with which he lived out his belief in the Gospel; working, eating, and fellowshiping side by side with blacks in the deeply segregated 1950's South. I was enraged by the backlash he experienced, not only by the KKK, but by the so-called Christians. What made me so incredibly sad was to learn that when Rev. Jordan died in 1968, his funeral was sparsely attended, and very few were local church people – ones who should have supported this Christian Saint.

Later that afternoon, I sat with my 8-year old Parker to talk with him about why Mommy cried in church. When I asked him if he knew what it meant to get "emotional" he said, "Yes, it's when you feel so much of something it just kind of takes over..."

Sometimes that happens doesn't it? Emotion just takes over.

After I got over being embarrassed about crying in church, I realized what a powerful gift tears are. Tears are a way of speaking that which has no words. Tears let us know that all is not right within us or within the world.

With the acts of violence and bigotry so prevalent in our world, my prayer for you is

...That you may be so moved from the reading of Jesus' words, that your mascara will run too,

...That you need tissues to wipe away the evidence of heartbreak in the suffering of the world,

...And that you may be moved to help in comforting and healing the pain in this world.

...May God bless you with tears.

Together in love,
~Elizabeth



~OCTOBER~
MEMORIALS

JEFFREY SAUNDERS

FRANK LEONARD

JUNE K. SMITH

(PAM SINK'S MOTHER)

JERRY & MERLE HODGES

JERRY & AURELIA SMITH

BETTY BELL CALLICUTT

JOHN & VICKY GRAY

FRANK LEONARD

~ THANK YOU NOTES ~

Dear Pastor Horton & First Reformed UCC,
Thank you so very much for the 27 Crisis Clean-Up Buckets and your contribution of \$650 to Disaster Ministries and for representing Western North Carolina Association, Southern Conference, the United Church of Christ in the sharing of God's Love.

Stephaie Leichman,
Registrar / Office Manager
Western North Carolina Association

Dear Elizabeth,

I write to share my personal joy at seeing the action taken by your congregation, First Reformed UCC in Lexington, NC. Thank you for helping them preach a gospel of love, welcome and full inclusion. May the Spirit of the risen Christ bless you all as you continue to preach the good news.

Shalom,
The Rev. Dr. John C. Dorhauer
General Minister and President
The United Church of Christ

Dear FRUCC Bereavement Team,

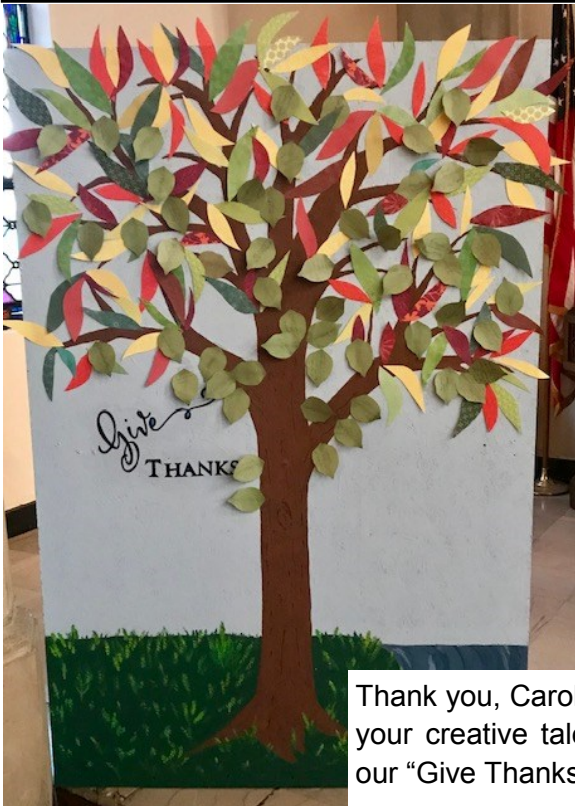
Thank you for the wonderful food that you brought when Jeffrey passed away. The meat and cheese tray, bread, and delicious desserts and chips that you brought were perfect. Thank you so much.

Amy Hedrick

Dear Members of First Reformed UCC,

I would like to thank my church family for everything you have done for me and my family. The prayers, cards, calls and visits have meant more than you know. I love and thank God for each of you.

Amy Hedrick



Thank you, Carolyn Robbins, for your creative talents in painting our "Give Thanks" tree.

BUILDING BRIDGES OF FAITH

~submitted by Susie Smith

Our "Bridge Groups" are continuing to build bridges toward faith and fellowship. We started with 41 people participating to form 5 groups. Some of our groups grew in number along the way. All have met and are working toward meeting in November. We will regroup in January 2019 to reassemble. There will be an opportunity to join and build more bridges in the New Year.



CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

FROM THE OCTOBER 2018 MEETING

Board of Spiritual Growth and Renewal: Jerry Lovell

- ◇ Thanked all who helped with Rally Day program and luncheon.
- ◇ Board discussed the possibility of starting a youth group for grade 5-8
- ◇ Noisy offerings in October will be used for items for Blessing Bags for Crisis Ministries
- ◇ Adult Sunday school participants voted to have one combined class with 3 teachers (Dave Fulton, Jerry Lovell and Doug Sink) rotating responsibilities.

Board of Congregational Life: Eddie Yates

- ◇ Thanked Edgar and Kivi Miller for the October First Sunday Social

Board of Business Management and Stewardship

Financial Report: Denise Durham

- ◇ Average weekly offering in the month of September was \$3,693
- ◇ General fund available balance at the end of September was \$13,670
- ◇ \$2225 was received for *Hurricane Relief Buckets*
- ◇ Discussed the possibility of electronic giving.

Property Committee: John Smith

- ◇ As of now, all is running smooth.

Board of Community Outreach: Mark Smith

- ◇ Secured volunteers to assist with serving the Sunday lunch meal at Grace Episcopal Church during November.

Evangelism Board: Dave Fulton

- ◇ The Board is in the process of rewording Evangelism responsibilities recorded in the Church Manual. After review, the updated verbiage and clarified Board of Evangelism responsibilities were approved for the Church Manual.

Old Business:

- ◇ "Give Thanks" began in October. Time and Talent sheets will be mailed along with pledge cards. Board Chairs gave a snap-shot of who they are and their responsibilities during the weeks leading up to Stewardship Sunday, November 11th.

New Business:

- ◇ Lindsay Sink stated there have been questions regarding absentee voting. Church by-laws do not address absentee voting. A committee was formed to review what is currently in place and bring suggestions for change. They will also check rules on maintaining membership in First Reformed UCC by reviewing definitions of active and inactive members.
- ◇ The Executive Committee will have staff evaluations in January.

Nominating Committee Report: Lindsay Sink

- ◇ Nominations for 2019 Elders, Deacons and Trustee were presented to and approved by Consistory. Candidates will be presented to the congregation the second Sunday of November. The congregation will be able to nominate from the floor on the third Sunday of November. If no nominations are received from the floor, a vote will be taken on November 18.
- ◇ Board/committee chairs for 2019 are being considered.

The next Consistory meeting will be held November 11th.

“What You Give to God, He Multiplies”

1 Peter 4:10-11

10 God has shown you His grace in many different ways. So be good servants and use whatever gift He has given you in a way that will best serve each other. 11 If your gift is speaking, your words should be like words from God. If your gift is serving, you should serve with the strength that God gives. Then it is God who will be praised in everything through Jesus Christ. Power and glory belong to him forever and ever. Amen.”

You will soon be receiving your “Time and Talent” questionnaire, and I ask that you read and think of this Bible verse as you fill in your sheets. Please ask yourself how can I best respond to the blessings God has provided me by serving my church, its mission and there-

fore my brothers and sisters. Every year we ask you to pledge not only your monetary gifts to God but also to pledge your time and skills to serve the missions of FRUCC, which are many. We are recognized as one of the most “giving,” “community involved” churches in Lexington and Davidson County. To continue to meet God’s missions we must have an “all hands on deck” attitude. Each of you is a valuable asset to this church and each will be rewarded and multiplied by God.

We will be receiving and reviewing the “Time and Talent” responses with special care. We will be responding to your offers to serve, and I ask that you look forward to being included in the many missions of the church, serving alongside your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Lindsay Sink, Consistory President

Coming November 11



**Special Veteran’s Day Speaker
for Adult Sunday School Class:
Donna Hurt**

Donna Hurt joins us to share an amazing World War II story that spans over 60 years.

This is a personal story for Donna, about her father who was killed in the war when she was very young. Recently she has made some phenomenal discoveries that have opened up more understanding about the end of his life. Donna recognizes how many timely details have fallen into place during these discoveries, and knows that God put the pieces together. Hearing the unfolding of this drama, from the days of WWII to the present, will both amaze and inspire you.

From Cathy Waitman
Director of Spiritual Growth and Renewal



Busy! Busy! Busy! October was an extremely busy month! I want to thank everyone for all of the items you donated for Pastor's Pantry and the Block Party. We ended up with several milk crates of food and almost 20 bags of candy. Also, thank you for your generous donations to the Noisy Offering for Blessing Bags for Crisis Ministries. We had enough to stuff 65 bags with socks, gloves, shampoo, soap, lotion, Chapstick, brushes and combs, toothbrushes, toothpaste, crackers, water, and cookies.



The Children's Sabbath program, "Miracles by the Sea." was based on the stories of Jesus' healings found in Mark, Chapter 5. The children and youth worked very hard preparing their parts for Children's Sabbath. Those participating were: Jacob, Emma, Keri and Casey Hartle, Patrick, Parker and Dan Horton, Jonathan Kepley, Ethan, Kyndell, Keri and Jeremy Lovell, Jianna Miller, Lucas, Ellen, and Jeremy Peterson, and Caroline and Travis White. A big thank you to the parents who not only participated, but helped the children practice their songs and speaking parts. Thank you, Cliff Lopp, for setting up the chancel! Also a huge thank you goes to Ellen Peterson for her help with the music!

November will be an equally busy month for the children and youth. On Homecoming Sunday, we will meet during the worship

service to stuff Blessing Bags for Crisis Ministries. JAM will meet at 9:45 that day. Starting the second Sunday, children will begin painting and assembling an Advent Wreath for their homes. They will also learn the symbolism for each part of the wreath. We will assign parts for the Christmas program that is scheduled for December 9th and begin practicing the recreation of Jesus' birth along with speeches and songs. After the catered luncheon, the children will present the religious significance of the song, "The Twelve Days of Christmas," and then meet a special friend of children everywhere.



In addition to all of those activities, Kids' Club will meet with Ms. Alice and her helpers on November 18, and Children's Church will meet with Keri and Casey Hartle and their helpers on November 25.

The adult Sunday school class is currently studying the book of Romans. Dave Fulton, Jerry Lovell, and Doug Sink are rotating as teachers. On November 11, Donna Hurt will present a program about Veteran's during Sunday school. Please come and join the other adults in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday morning!

With all the activities going on, it is very easy to forget the reason we are meeting, working, eating, and fellowshiping. Not only are we growing in our own spiritual lives, we are following Jesus' examples of helping the poor, the sick, the homeless, and the lonely. There are so many ways we can be Jesus' hands and feet, and there are so many people who need our help. Thank you for all you do! Thank you, God, for the blessings you have shared with us!

**TURN
YOUR
CLOCKS
BACK**

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS
TIME ENDS
NOVEMBER 4TH!**

**DON'T FORGET
to turn your clocks
back one hour
Saturday,
November 3rd
before you go to bed.**



*Church Homecoming
and
Memorial Sunday*

Sunday, November 4th 2018

FIRST REFORMED UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Come Celebrate Our 117th Year

Invite family and friends and former members
to come and be a part of this special day!

-Special Guest Baritone-

Leonard Rowe
will share his talents
during the 11:00 worship



Covered Dish Meal

Following Worship in the Fellowship Hall
Bring your favorite foods, casseroles, desserts or other
delicious items to share and join us!



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

**We welcome our newest members
to our church family.**

**Renee Walsh, Travis White, Isabella and Bryson Gentry and Caroline White
joined our church on Sunday, October 28th.**

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

~submitted by Patti Lovell

The **Friendship Club** met for its Tuesday, October 23rd meeting for lunch at the Salem Tavern in Winston-Salem. The beautiful fall day was an added blessing for the ten members and four visitors who came together for good food and fellowship. Rev. June Grubb gave thanks for our meal and time together.

Looking Ahead...

Friendship Club will meet next on **Wednesday, November 28** in the Fellowship Hall. (This is the Wednesday **after** Thanksgiving since the November and December meetings have historically been combined.) We'll have a covered-dish lunch. Dave Fulton will have devotions, we'll sing a few Christmas songs and play a game of Dirty Santa.

In 2019, we will meet on Wednesday, **January 23rd at Yarborough's Restaurant**. Buddy Lohr will have devotions and our guest speaker will be Cathy Robertson, who works with Prison Ministry.

MORNING GLORY CIRCLE

~submitted by Susan Miller

Morning Glory Circle met Wednesday, October 3, 2018 in the church parlor. Rita Lohr opened meeting with updates on missing members. We are lost without these wonderful women. The remaining members will work to encourage others to join and take on work that needs doing. Deanna Michael gave us updates on the bank balance. Susan Miller had the program which gave an account of a children's book on pumpkin carving. She compared the emptying of the pumpkin and putting a light in it to how we could do the same...clearing the bad feelings and letting our lights shine.

WOMEN'S LIFE FELLOWSHIP

~submitted by Glenyce Fulton

WLF hosted Family Fun Night October 23 in the Fellowship Hall. Approximately 30 people enjoyed delicious food and great fellowship. The pumpkin art was great with individuals using creativity to create colorful jack-o-lanterns. Thanks to all who donated food and especially to Lindsay for grilling the hotdogs.

WLF will join Men's Brotherhood on November 13th at 6:00pm to share a meal then meet to make plans for the bake sale for November 18th.

MEN'S BROTHERHOOD

~submitted by Cliff Lopp

The Men's Brotherhood met on Tuesday, October 9th. Mike, JW, John Potts, John Gray, Buddy, Clifton and Rich, who we can count on to provide us with a great meal every month, did it again. This meeting we were also joined by a different group from the church to put together 27 relief buckets to be sent down east. A lot of fun and fellowship was enjoyed by all. Our next meeting will be on November 13. The Women's Life Group will join us for dinner. All are welcome to join us.

Thank you to all who helped park cars at the BBQ Festival:

Mike Brown, Corrinne Gray, James & Alice Gray, John & Vicky Gray, Jeff Hutchens, Rich Johnson, Cliff & Paula Lopp, John Maze, Camille Morgan, Clifton Murphy, Calvin & Susan Odom, Jeremy Peterson, Bill Robbins and Mark Smith.

We earned \$1536.00 for the church!



Women's Life Fellowship will hold a **HOLIDAY BAKE SALE** on **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18th** beginning at 9:15am. If you need help with your baking for the Thanksgiving holiday, we'll have pound cakes, pies, cookies, and mixes.

Come Hungry! Mary Jo will be making sausage biscuits, again this year and we will have coffee. Enjoy breakfast while you shop.

Family Fun Night!



FOOD...



FELLOWSHIP...



AND PUMPKINS!

Community Garden Finishes with a Flurry

~submitted by Edgar Miller

Thanks to an unseasonably warm and wet October, the First Reformed UCC Community Garden produced more than 300 pounds of vegetables, including almost 200 pounds of sweet potatoes and nearly 100 pounds of watermelon.



This boosted the 2018 total, including vegetables from church member gardens and donations of Smith Farm Sweet Potatoes, to almost 650 pounds of produce for Pastors' Pantry and the Open Hands Ministry of Davidson County. Church members also enjoyed watermelon from the garden at the October First Sunday Social.



Collards, mixed greens, carrots and rye/clover cover crops have been planted for the winter garden. The newly established pollinator garden produced at least two monarch butterflies who

left on their journey to Mexico in early October. Having the pollinator garden also greatly increased the garden's overall productivity due to the presence of more bees and butterflies.

We have also received preliminary results of soil testing being conducted by researchers from Duke University's School of the Environment as part of a statewide study of urban community garden soils. First Reformed's garden is one of eight statewide selected to participate in the study. We plan to use the results to improve the soil's productivity and ensure the health and safety of garden workers and individuals consuming food from the garden.



Thanks again to garden volunteers, **Edgar Miller, Aurelia Smith and Sylvia Walser** and **Open Hands Ministry** garden workers, **Dan Talocka, Jay Tucker and Mark Lewis**. Also, a big shout out to **Beth Leonard, with Beth's Greenhouse**, who has donated many flats of plants for the garden over the years. Most importantly, **thanks to church members** making donations to support this ministry.



Let Grow and Go Girls Handle Your Holiday Baking!

The Farmers Market is closed for the season, but you can continue to support the Grow and Go Girls / Girl Scouts 2160 by ordering cakes, brownies, breads and candy during the holidays. Just visit www.growandgogirls.com to order online or see Jianna or Kivi on Sunday mornings. We will deliver to your home for \$5 or to church at no charge!

Brownies and Bars (\$18 for a 13x9 pan) or 4-Bar Sampler (\$22)

- Big City Blondies
- Buttermilk Brownies
- Espresso Mocha Bars
- Fudge Stuffed Chocolate Chip
- Peanut Butter Stuffed Brownies
- Snickerdoodle Cheesecake Bars

Bundt Cakes (\$18) or 4-Cake Sampler (\$22):

- Chai Cinnamon Swirl
- Apple Walnut Cake with Bull City Ciderworks Glaze
- Chocolate Cream Cheese
- Chocolate Ganache
- Chocolate Chip Pecan with Sour Cream Glaze
- High Rock Honey Cake - made with local honey from High Rock Nursery
- Pumpkin Streusel with Salted Caramel Glaze
- Red Velvet
- Spice Pound Cake with Orange Glaze

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

First Reformed UCC needs volunteer bell ringers in December for the Salvation Army. Volunteers will fill 2-hour time slots. If you are interested in helping, please contact **Mark Smith** at **336-337-9666** or **msmith@gwsmithlbr.com**.

Look for more information on dates and times in Sunday bulletins.



NEXT COMMUNITY MEAL

Tuesday, November 27

5:00pm Fellowship Hall

Donations appreciated!

Proceeds will benefit Saving Grace K-9s

MENU INCLUDES:

Chili Beans, cornbread, dessert and drink.



RESERVE YOUR POINSETTIAS NOW!

Reserve a poinsettia in honor or memory of a loved one. The cost is **\$13.00** per plant. These will be placed in the sanctuary the first Sunday of Advent, December 2nd. Poinsettias can be picked up immediately following worship that day to enjoy at home during the Advent

Season. Please fill out the information form below and place it in the offering plate or call the church office. **Order deadline is SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25th.**

In Memory of: _____ By: _____

In Memory of: _____ By: _____

In Honor of: _____ By: _____

In Honor of: _____ By: _____

REMINDER: CHRISMON ORDERS DUE BY NOVEMBER 25th!



If you would like to purchase Chrismons in honor of or in memory of someone special in your life, please complete the form below and place it in the offering plate by **November 25th** along with \$20 for each Chrismon to help cover the cost. A list will be included in the bulletin the first Sunday in December similar to Poinsettias purchased in honor or memory of loved ones. All Chrismons will remain at church to use yearly.

of Chrismons _____ purchased by _____ Total Amount _____

In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

Given by _____

NOVEMBER STEWARDS

Liturgists:

Keri Hartle
(November 4 & 11)
Rich Johnson
(November 25)

Youth Liturgist:

Jonathan Kepley
(November 18)

Usher Chairperson:

Jeff Hutchens

Usher Captain:

Mike Perry

Ushers:

Mike Brown, Ramona Yarbrough,
Heidi Hutcheson, Mark Smith

Youth Usher:

Haylee Hutcheson

Plate Attendant:

Buddy Lohr

Acolyte:

Elliott Smith

Bible Steward:

Emory Smith

Sound Tech:

Dave Fulton

NOVEMBER VOLUNTEERS

Greeters:

November 4: Jerry & Patti Lovell

November 11: John & Vicky Gray

November 18: Sherry Bonner

November 25: Ashlee Snider & Dain
Laguna

Nursery:

November 4:

Aurelia Smith & Sylvia Walser

November 11:

Nina Smith & Nicole Smith

November 18:

Lynn Brown & Belinda Yates

November 25:

Patti Lovell & Rita Lohr



PRAYER CONCERNS: Remember those in the Armed Forces. To add a name to the prayer list please fill out a prayer request card located in the backs of the pews, contact Sylvia Walser (336-225-2964), contact Ben Hale (benjaminhale08@comcast.net) or call the church office (336-248-2617).

CHURCH MEMBERS: Janelle Bunn, Gennie Lou Byerly, Kelly Greathouse, Ruth Fritts, Vogen Everhart, Deanna Michael, Lauren Thompson Gould, Peggy Bates, Margot Everhart

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS: Lib & Jimbo Hinkle, Jo Hudson, Valerie Price, Rita Tussey, Adena Wall, Marzell Crofts, Hoyle Potts, Doris Flynt, James Everhart

OUR FRIENDS: Earl Parker (Elizabeth Horton's father), Jeanette Ingle (Friend of Bill & Cheryl Walser), Chris Greene (Michell Winter's step-brother), Virginia Hill (Cathy Waitman's mother), Laura Williams (Carolyn Robbins' mother), Eugenia Holste (Alane Holste's Mother), David Combs (Friend of Open Hands), Noriko Shaw and the Family of Heather & Joe Surret (Friends of Mike & Lynn Brown), Clifford Beane (Neighbor of Lee & Ellen Bouchard), Brian Arensman (Keith Johnson's friend and co-worker), John Hayden (Friend of Kivi Miller), Ed Leonard (Brother of Sylvia Walser), Dan Smith (Brother of Steve and Jerry Smith), Judy Stanley (Friend of Alane Holste), Jonelle Parker (Friend of Frank Leonard); Family of Boyd Shirley (Friends of Patti & Jerry Lovell); Eddie Wray (Friend of Lisa Nelson), Lynn Younts (Friend of Susie Smith), Eliza Paris (Friend of Sylvia Walser's granddaughter), Harold Peoples (Friend of Cheryl Walser), Ashley Hutcheson (Daughter-in-law of Heidi & Ron Hutcheson)

NOVEMBER

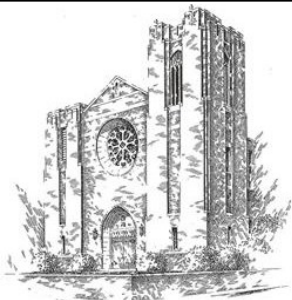


2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 5:30 Yoga Class {P} 7:00 Square Dancing {FH}	2 7:00 Prayer Service {Sanctuary}	3 10-12:30 Sheets Dance "Nutcracker" Practice {FH} 1:00 Homecoming Set-up {FH}
4 9:45 Youth: JAM Adults: Romans Series 11:00 Worship: Homecoming & Memorial Sunday Guest: Leonard Rowe Youth Service Project 12:15 Covered Dish Luncheon	5 5:00 Bd. of Spiritual Growth & Renewal {P} 6:30 Open Hands Meal {FH}	6 ELECTION DAY 	7 11:00 Morning Glory Circle {P} 6:30 Bell Choir {Bell Room} 7:15 Choir {Chapel Annex}	8 5:30 Yoga Class {P} 7:00 Square Dancing {FH}	9	10 10-12:30 Sheets Dance "Nutcracker" Practice {FH}
11 9:45 Youth: Advent Wreath & Christmas Program Practice Adults: Donna Hurt: Veterans Presentation 11:00 Worship Time & Talent Sheets and Pledge Cards Congregational Meeting to announce nominations for Consistory 12:15 Consistory	12 11:00 Staff Meeting 5:00 Crisis Ministry Adult Shelter Meal 6:30 Open Hands Meal {FH}	13 10:00 Collaborative Ministries {P} 6:00 Men's Brotherhood & Women's Life Fellowship {FH} 6:30 Bd. of Evangelism {P}	14 6:30 Bell Choir {Bell Room} 7:15 Choir {Chapel Annex}	15 5:30 Yoga Class {P} 7:00 Square Dancing {FH}	16	17 9-5:00 Sheets Dance "Nutcracker" Practice & Performance {FH}
18 WLF BAKE SALE 9:45 Youth: Advent Wreath & Christmas Program Practice Adults: Romans Series 11:00 Worship Kids Club	19 6:30 Open Hands Meal {FH}	20	21	22 *OFFICE CLOSED* Thanksgiving Holiday 	23 *OFFICE CLOSED*	24
25 9:45 Youth: Advent Wreath & Christmas Program Practice Adults: Romans Series 11:00 Worship: Children's Church	26 6:30 Open Hands Meal {FH}	27 5-7:30 Community Meal {FH}	28 12:00 Friendship Club {FH} 6:30 Bell Choir {Bell Room} 7:15 Choir {Chapel Annex}	29 5:30 Yoga Class {P} 7:00 Square Dancing {FH}	30	Looking Ahead... Dec. 1 7:00 World Aids Day Service Files Chapel

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All Are Welcome Here!
Where People Discover...
The Love of God
The Power to Love Others
The Ability to Love Ourselves



'Come to our Table'

NEXT COMMUNITY MEAL

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Fellowship Hall*

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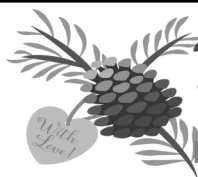
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**WORSHIP
HOURS**

Sunday School
9:45am
Worship
11:00am

Church Office Hours:

Monday—Friday
8:30am to 12:30pm



November

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

- | | | | |
|----|--|----|---|
| 1 | Seth Klopp | 20 | Emory Smith |
| 2 | Samuel Gray | 21 | Scott Frye
Vance Walser |
| 5 | Linda Sink | 22 | Jo Hudson |
| 6 | Eli Gregg | 23 | Frank Leonard |
| 9 | Robert Danze
Harrison Danze
Coreen Freeman | 24 | John Maze |
| 12 | Mike Hooper | 25 | Webb Fulton |
| 13 | Will Hooper | 27 | James Gray
Ava Miller
Cathy Waitman |
| 14 | Holt Biesecker | 30 | Irvin Sink |
| 17 | Anne Bevan | | |
| 18 | Dottie Walser | | |
| 19 | Gary Hahn | | |

ANNIVERSARIES

(NONE THIS MONTH)



REMEMBER ...

TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK

ONE HOUR

BEFORE YOU GO TO BED

SAUTRDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD.

**NOVEMBER SERMON SERIES:
GIVE THANKS!**

**November 4
Coming Home**

**November 11
When Less Is More**

**November 18
When Worry Takes
Over**

**November 25
Living in the Kin-dom
of God**