

WESTERN SPIRE NOVEMBER 2023

Before I came to Western Presbyterian Church, I had applied for different pastoral positions, while I served two different churches as a temporary pastor. Since, as you may know well, many churches were going in the opposite direction, toward either closing or reducing the work hours of the staff and the pastor, it wasn't easy to find a church that could satisfy the working conditions for both me and the church. I was almost accepted two times, but things didn't come to fruition in the end. One time was because I thought I could travel 100 miles to and from the church, but they didn't agree. Another time was because their manse was broken, and they couldn't afford the extra housing cost.

During the hiring process, I found many MIFs (Ministry Information Form) a bit nonsensical because they looked for a pastor whose experiences were little to none but whose qualifications were second to none, whether it was about skills and gifts, or it was about strong leadership. It was funny to read those documents because I thought the only way to be able to make good discernments and decisions was through bad discernments and decisions in the past. They could be more honest and inviting if those MIFs had added a line, "We are ready to grow together with a new pastor," instead.

It has been ten years since I was ordained on October 27, 2013 in Nashville, TN. The reason why I mention the MIFs of some churches is because they reminded me of all the mistakes and confusion I dealt with in my ministries for ten years. I remember those days when too much ambition led me to great disappointments and discouragement, and when I desired to run away from the troubles I didn't know how to handle.

Sometimes, I was a triumphant Elijah of 1 Kings 18 and other times I was Elijah who was scared and running away in chapter 19 of 1 Kings. For the last ten years in church ministry, what I have learned and developed the most was not so much about skills or gifts or strong leadership, but about how I became passive to be fed by God, to hear a sound of a gentle whisper from God like Elijah under a juniper tree. It took me ten years to understand such places are the source of my strength to be myself and it is OK to be myself.

Isaiah 12:1~3 says, "You will say in that day, 'I will give thanks to you, O Lord, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, that you might comfort me. Behold, God is my salvation. I will trust and will not be afraid. For the Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.'" With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation."

In knowing the joy of drawing water from the wells of salvation, would you agree to grow together with me?

Pastor Hodong Hwang

A Change to our Prayer Cards

Dear Friends,

On November 5th, you will notice a slight change to the prayer cards that are in the pews. The cards will be green so that they can be easily distinguished from the contributions in the collection plates.

When you fill in a card and place it in the collection plate, Ho Dong will see it, and will pull it out for your prayer request to be included in the Prayers of the People part of our service. If you do not want your request to be announced, be sure to check the box for confidentiality. And as always, your cards will get to the deacons for their attention and prayers.

--From the Worship Team, with approval from the Deacons

Thank You ~ Thank You ~ Thank You

Fall
**RUMMAGE
SALE**



Thank you if you donated items.

Thank You if you helped setup or teardown.

Thank You if you worked the sale.

Thank You for your support.

A Rummage Sale is Not a one-person task, so this Sale was positively Successful because of You.

Thank You All again! ~Jody and the
Women's Association

A Message from the CE Team...

THANK
YOU

Thank you so much to everyone who donated candy for the Trick or Treat on Main Street.
Your generosity is appreciated.



Confirmation class will be starting this winter for four young people. We are looking for interested mentors. If you are interested, please contact Emily Hunt.

We really appreciate your consideration.

SAVE THE DATE!
3 PM SUNDAY NOVEMBER 12TH

On Sunday, November 12th at 3 pm, Reverend Ho Dong Hwang will be installed as our new pastor. Following the installation service there will be a reception in Fellowship Hall.

It will be a big day for Ho Dong and a big day for us as well! Please mark your calendars and make every effort to attend. We want to have a great turnout.

(And please note that we will also have our usual 10 AM service with communion on that day too.)

From the Worship Team

A special note of thanks to everyone at Western Presbyterian Church straight from my heart.

I want to thank each and every one of you for the card and gift card sent to me on our 50th store anniversary.

It's been a pleasure serving you for all of these years and I hope to continue for a few more God willing.

Best wishes to all. Thank you and God Bless,

Jack Milliken

One of the things the **Mission and Social Concerns Team** does is give money to nonprofit organizations. The money comes from 10% of the congregation's pledges and from the endowment fund.

In 2023, we asked for \$21,285 and were generously given \$25,000 and this is how we have given it away...

Presbytery Mission received \$2535 – Camp Whitman and Session approved mission grants to ministries in the Presbytery. For the past 5 years we have received a grant for the Good Neighbor Fund and sent youth and children to Camp Whitman and the Youth Event at Watson Homestead.

Meals on Wheels received \$2000 to feed seniors in Wayne County.

The **Good Neighbor Fund** received \$4,000 from Mission moneys.

Weekend Wellness, that supplies food for the weekend to children who receive free and reduced lunches during the school year, received \$3,000 this year.

Family Promise, an organization to help homeless families find secure housing and all the things that go into having secure housing – job, food, affordable housing, and whatever else they need to be able to provide for their family. This ministry received \$2,000.

We gave \$2,300 in money to missions in **Malawi, Lesotho, and Honduras** to feed children, provide clean water, and provide education opportunities around the world.

The Victim Resource Center received \$1,000 to provide shelter and safety to victims of family abuse.

This year the mission team has been joyfully smiling when we spend \$500 each month to fill the **Food Cupboard** and donate cereal and personal care items to the **Food Pantry**. If you haven't experienced the joy, look at how full the cupboard and shelves are at the entrance to the side parking lot. Members can take the food from the shelves to the cupboard any time throughout the week, to help those in our community with food insecurity.

In the recent past, our church had the following goal, mission statement, or vision. I do not know the proper term; but I do know this is still what we strive to do.

*WPC nurtures spiritual growth, joyful fellowship, meaningful
community, and global involvement,
worshipping and serving God with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love.*

The Mission and Social Concerns Team is asking for \$21,285 in 2024 and would gladly receive \$25,000 again this year for our mission budget.

The members of the Mission Team are Edie Chapman, Sally Chase, Ruth Dantz, Irene Fadden, Jonnie Fontaine, Rena Haigh, Cassie Hughes, and Jan Taylor.

We usually meet the first Wednesday of each month, at 10 AM in the Fellowship Hall. In November we will meet on Wednesday the 8th at 1 PM.

If you would like to join the Team, please let us know, or just come to one of our meetings.

The Reverse Advent Calendar

This is a project to supply the Food Pantry with paper products, personal health items, and cleaning supplies. Last year's gifts were gone before February began. Please give generously and be thankful that you can afford an extra tube of toothpaste, roll of toilet paper, or bottle of dish detergent. Calendars with suggested gifts will be in the December Spire.

Are you ready to ask the tough questions?

Within the Cloud of Witnesses, we gathered this month.

The table was full of open conversation and a sense of joy being together. It was a blessing to discuss our active faith as a dynamic and varied circle of ladies.

Our focus this month was in community with the living God. We became grounded by addressing how we see our version of God. Maybe these



are questions we all should be asking ourselves. First what attributes, qualities, of God's

character are most important to you and your community?

Once ideas were shared, then we evaluated if these same attributes were ones, we would want others to see in us.

What are some attributes you would like to share with God?

We felt it was difficult to own all of Gods attributes, especially every day. Voices around our table spoke of wanting both God and us to have grace, faithfulness, forgiveness, love, compassion, and be a constant force. Ahhh, this sounds

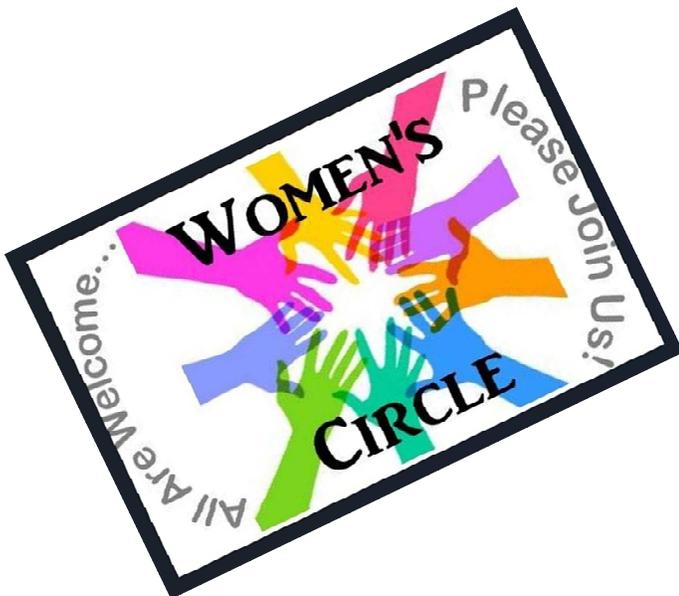
perfect. In fact, the ladies around the table could have dug really deep into these points and how Jesus Christ and God support life in our living faith community. Then we looked at the parts of our community and world that do not hold these attributes. We did not need to look far afield to see disconnected spaces. Spaces missing grace, forgiveness, faithfulness, compassion, and love.



We further owned these attributes as we compared and contrasted readings in the OT and NT. The key difference is that the NT has a singular message. A message of hope for all. This hope is in the form of one message, love God as we love our neighbors.



As if playing a card or board game, we felt the house rules rule... In this case, the house is WPC, the house of our Lord. The rules we choose to follow are gods' rules. The Covenant of love and forgiveness. This is the God we choose.



Women's circle meets each month on the third Wednesday at 1 pm.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

November 5	Katie Mitchell
November 8	Michael Semans
November 8	Gary LaBerge
November 9	Betsy Lewis
November 10	Sue Leonard
November 12	Terry Gendron
November 13	Joan Durfey
November 16	Nella McFarlane
November 18	Abagayle Teeter
November 26	Randy Kennard

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

November 22	David & Patricia Pinkney
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If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please contact the office at 597-9171 so we can add it to our list next time!

The team minutes received for October include:

WPC Christian Education Team

Minutes October 3, 2023

Building Faith, Family, and Fellowship. WPC nurtures spiritual growth, joyful fellowship, meaningful community, and global involvement: worshiping and serving God with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love.

Present: Jody Pruitt, Emily Hunt, Cim McFarlane, Pastor Hodong

In Spirit: Ellen Avery

Upcoming Events:

October 21- Trick or Treat on Main Street

November 12- Christmas Card Production

November 26- No Sunday School Thanksgiving weekend

December 24- No Sunday School Christmas Eve

December 31- No Sunday School New Year's Eve

January 7- Sunday School Led Epiphany Service

January 21- Valentine Card Production

February 18- No Sunday School February Break

February 20-22- East Avon mini-VBS

March 3- Easter Card Production

March 23- Easter Bunny Breakfast

March 31- No Sunday School- Easter Sunday

May 19- Sunday School Led Service/Last Day of Sunday School

Continuing and New Business

Back to Sunday School Breakfast- Thank you to everyone who joined us at the back-to-school breakfast. We enjoyed the fellowship and the start of the Sunday School year.

Sunday School News- We have 8 students registered so far for Sunday School. 7 students attended our first day. We are looking into breaking up the group into a PreK group and a school age group if the need arises.

Commissioning of Sunday School Teachers- We are looking forward to commissioning teachers on October 8.

Busy Bags-Activities for Children During Worship- the busy bags are up and running. Thanks to Joan Durfey for her idea and support with this project. Emily will periodically check the bags to see what is needed to be replenished.

Trick or Treat on Main Street- 2:00-4:00 October 21- we will need to be mindful of the wedding going on the same day. We plan to put our tent away from our steps. A box has been placed outside of the sanctuary for candy donations. Cim will man our booth. (Pastor Hodong is hoping to make an appearance). Emily will start packing treat bags during the Sunday School hour.

Confirmation- Pastor Ho Dong will use Big God Big Questions (12 sessions). Emily found two mentor books and one student book near the belltower. Cim checked with Pastor Michelle, and she will allow us to use the leader manual from her church. Cim will order 2 more mentor books, 3 student books, the DVD and poster pack. Once the materials are here, Emily will reach out to families to find availability.

Festival of Lights-we will watch when the event dates are posted and set a date. We discussed using the Jr. High Fellowship funds if needed.

CTNS Task Force- Cim shared that she went to the PCC Toddler Time on Monday and there were about 10 children and their caregivers. Cim and Rachael are discussing how to rearrange the muscle room and clean the area. Cim sent home flyers for the WPC Toddler Time with the families on Monday. We have been putting ads on Facebook. We are hopeful that we will have the first and third Tuesdays at the PCC and the second and fourth Tuesdays at WPC.

January 7 Epiphany Service- Cim shared the theme of this year's service- Lights of Christmas Hope Shines Bright

Camp Whitman Board Update- Cim shared that the search committee for the new Camp Whitman director received 6 resumes so far. The team will be meeting on Thursday. They are planning a goodbye lunch for Lea.

Adult Class- Jody reported her adult Sunday School class has 6 more sessions. She has been continuing to have good attendance.

Sunday School Teacher Subs-we discussed the need for a substitute teacher list. Maxine, Emily M, and Jacob have all been background checked. Logan has not and Emily H will look into how he can do that through the church office. They would all be great subs when they are home from college. We will need some other options while they are away at college.

Nursery-we decided to keep the nursery on an as-needed basis. Jody will continue to approach families with little ones to ask if they would like to use the nursery.

Pastor Hodong's Adult Education Ideas- Pastor Hodong left us with a challenge to shake up our current Adult Education model. He envisions setting themes for the year and planning activities/informational sessions/special programs/guest speakers, etc. to support that theme. We decided to use the January or February CE meeting to make a plan for the year. Homework for the team in the meantime- brainstorm possible themes and activities.

Nursery- we quickly talked about the need for opening the nursery again.

Year End Gifts- We do not think we have any second graders or seniors this year. If we missed anyone, please let us know.

Next meeting: November 7, 2023 at 7:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted, Emily Hunt

Deacons Team Meeting Minutes

October 10th, 2023

Present: Sandy McMenamin, Randy Kennard, Nancy Talma, Patti Dlugosh

In Support: Linda Pulcini & Sara Bush

Meeting opening with lighting of the Christ Candle

1. **Approval of last month's minutes** with below corrections Motion-Sandy Second-Patty
2. **Treasurer's Report:** Current balance & expense/donation Status– Sandy M. –

Oct-23	Deacons Checking Account	WPC Budget Line item
Initial balance	\$992.52	\$500.00
Additions	\$32+\$87	
Deductions	\$139 (These Days)	
Ending balance	\$972.55	\$500.00

- a. Balances
- b. These Days devotional, increased to 20 booklets per quarter.
- c. Communion expenses will be held till next month (P.D.)
3. Sharing Correspondence: letters/emails/cards ~ none received
4. Communion – on 11/12 morning [*no communion during installation- not enough time in service*]
 - a. Sunday setup will be RK, NT, SM. All elements are purchased already.
 - b. Located gluten free pita bread at Walmart – twice+ as expensive, justifiable for the little amt we use and that all can break the same bread together.
 - c. Patty baked small loaves of bread for the communion ceremony – went well.
5. Update of prayer concerns: adds, removals & status
6. Group Prayer – Lord, hear our prayers.
7. Visits/ Calls/ cards counts - visits with special meaningful moments of faith.

2023 As of April, Counts taken from remaining elements during serving					
Month	Visits	Phone Calls	Cards sent and Email outreach	Communion Served	Communion Date
January	16	27	63	38	1/15/2023
February	7	19	68	42	19-Feb-23
March	6	20	64	39	12-Mar-23
April	6	11	56	57	9-Apr-23
May	13	10	41	48	15-May-23
June	9	10	55	45	11-Jun-23
July	7	14	69	35	9-Jul-23
August	10	19	74	64	13-Aug-23
September	12	14	68	66	10-Sep-23
October	12	10	57	60	1-Oct-23
Year to Date	98	154	615	494	

* commuions are now served with passing out the elements in a cup of juice and another for bread
 *As of August 13th, bread is served in platters
 * Served pita bread - more representative of the bread of Jesus' time

8. Special Care - Mailings checking to ensure 2 recipients are still in need of cards – S.M. to follow up
- Monthly Notes: Bible**

James 5:7 – “You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord’s coming is near.”

Old Business:

1. Reports of Prayer List contacts

New Business: Team member exiting deacons – shift of responsibilities.

Meeting closed with prayer.

Next meeting Tuesday 11/7/2023 @ 10:00am

Respectfully - Randy Kennard, Chairperson

Fellowship Meeting

10/10/23 7:00 PM

Present: Terry and Val Gendron, Roxanne Dobson, Norm Underwood

Excused: Sue Pringle, Ray Marr

Western Horizons Potluck: 10/29 after church. Just going with Fall scheme: Roxie will get gourds and we have the leaves with the orange, yellow table covers.

drinks: Norm will get 2 gal. of cider.

desert: Norm will see about getting a sheet cake from either Wegman's or Tops. Split 1/2 chocolate and 1/2 white. "Congratulations 50+ yr. members"

recognize 50+ year members: Would be nice to send a card/letter thanking them for service and inviting them to attend. Ray, could you do Ruth and Don Dantz? Perhaps Sue could do Carol Sloan and Jim DePointe? Val will be contacting Jack @Settlers Post for ideas on plants.

Pastor Hodong's installation: Val will check with Sue L. and Nancy F. about ideas. The committee feels it should be simple but a little elegant.

Floated several ideas to help Christian Ed. for themed adult classes: Have people from several of the missions that the church serves give a presentation i.e., food pantry, Family Promise, Good Neighbor Fund. Other ideas included possibly having a financial advisor give a presentation on retirement, perhaps have a travel agent discuss world travel issues.

Will need to reach out to congregation for a new chair for Fellowship Team. Several teams are in the same shape.

"Hanging of the Greens" will be 11/26. Fellowship will host coffee hour.

Next meeting tentatively scheduled for 11/5 after church.

Mission and Social Concerns Ministry Team Minutes September 27, 2023

Present: _x_ Cassie Hughes __x_ Edie Chapman __x_ Irene Fadden __x_ Jan Taylor ___
Johnnie Fontaine _ex__ Rena Haigh __x_ Ruth Dantz __x_ Sally Chase _ex__ Pastor Hodong

Qholaqhoe Mountain Connection – Sometime after return from Lesotho on Nov. 13th, we will ask someone to come to share the mission. We have \$1,000 in the budget to donate to the mission.

Card Ministry – work together to make cards that can be sent – looking for someone to head the project.

Family Promise – Oct 23rd (Jody), Nov 20th (Irene)

Apartment house for homeless in Family Promise Program. We will donate the money remaining at the end of the year to Family Promise to buy an apartment building they can use to house families.

Food Pantry update – Things are going well. Many families are coming to use the Pantry. One Monday Ruth had 22 clients.

Food Cupboard “Take what you need, Give what you can.” - The cupboard is filled with food several times each week by members of our congregation.

Month	Food Cupboard	Food Pantry
October	Sally and Cassie	Irene
November	Jan	Jan
December		

Budget Request for 2023 – Stewardship Sunday – November 5th.

Mission will ask for the \$25,000 we received in 2023. \$21,285 is the amount that we have in our budget to keep giving as we have this past year except for a final donation of money to Family Promise.

Someone from Family Promise has been asked to speak Oct. 15th or 22nd during worship.

Good Neighbor Fund Update – The fund has continued to be open. During September, the GNF received \$2,109. WPC Mission gave \$1,000 and the Women’s Association donated to the GNF in September. There were other donations received through the small envelopes in the pews. The ending balance is \$2,313.40.

Weekend Wellness update – Food Pantry is making purchases and will supply space for the food in storage room. Bags will be packed by scouting and church groups. Each month the bags will be packed for a full month of deliveries. Mission has \$3,000 in our budget for Weekend Wellness, and we will purchase items that can be put in bags for children.

Reverse Advent Calendar – Advent is December 2nd to December 24th. Calendars will be available to the congregation. Items purchased are cleaning goods and personal health items that are not covered by SNAP food benefits. Ruth reported that the big donation we gave last year was gone by the end of January.

Meals on Wheels – We donated \$1,000 to Meals on Wheels through the ARC in Newark.

ARC Home – We continue to invite the residents, but it is difficult to have them participate as they are always short staffed.

Lenten calendar – for Presbytery Hunger Fund (2 cents a meal) – Lent begins Feb. 14th and ends March 30.

One Great Hour of Sharing – October 15th Notices will put on the announcements and Cassie will make an announcement on the 15th.

Clint McCoy Feeding Center in Malawi - \$500 was sent to the project through the church in Canton.

The meeting was closed with this prayer, “Dear Lord, help us to live Micah 6:8. And what does God require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God.” Amen.

Next meeting: November 8th at 1 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Irene Fadden

Property Ministry Team - Minutes

Present: James McFarlane, Gary LaBerge, Phil Opdycke, Steve Kennard

Absent: Don Dantz

Emcor scheduled to install the new boiler system and all other items starting the week starting Sunday 9/24/23.

Gary has been working on shortening the chimney in preparation for the boiler installation.

Continued discussion of updated plans to change locking systems and latches on doors that can access the NYSEG meters. My hope is to be able to switch to combination lock on door in front parking lot leading to basement so NYSEG can use that area and be isolated from access to the rest of the church.

A new basement door from the Main Street parking lot was installed and has a combination lock. Still need to finish setting code and repair other doors in basement.

James has not been able to find a working solution yet to allow Val to have remote access to the church database. Plan to contact networking expert that has used UniFi networking hardware and will get some training from them.

The church office and the kitchen lights have been updated to LED lights. Next room on schedule is the muscle room in basement.

When it is time for Fellowship Hall light update, will look for larger crew and use rolling scaffold that Gary has available. Will require more time due to number of fixtures and the way they are wired to the switches.

Next Meeting: Currently scheduled for 10/17/23 at 6:30 PM

The stated meeting of the session of Western Presbyterian Church & Society, Palmyra, New York was called to order by the moderator, Reverend HoDong Hwang, in Fellowship Hall at 7:00PM with prayer.

8 Present: Irene Fadden, Phillip Opdycke, Alicia Lynch, Emily Hunt, Norman Underwood, Susan Leonard, James McFarlane, Janet Manktelow

1 Excused: Randy Kennard

0 Excused

A quorum was present.

Motion made by James McFarlane seconded and carried to approve the agenda.

Devotions were shared by Emily Hunt.

Clerks Report

Motion made by Alicia Lynch seconded and carried to approve the minutes from the August 2023 session meeting.

Financial Secretary's Report

		<u>August 2023</u>		
	<u>Current</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>YTD%</u>
	<u>Month</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Receipts	\$6,546	\$117,782	\$147,077	80.08%
Expenditures	\$5,313	\$60,820	\$140,046	43.43%
Total Receipts/Expenditures	\$1,233	\$56,962	\$ 7,031	

Motion made by James McFarlane seconded and carried to approve the above report.

Business of the Church

Motion made by Irene Fadden seconded and carried to approve use of the building for the wedding of Taylor Guerin and Michael Gonsenhauser on Oct 21st at 1:00PM and Oct. 20th at 5:00PM for the rehearsal.

Trick or Treat will be held on Main St. on Oct. 21st from 2-4PM. We will ask the congregation for donations of candy that we can hand out with info. about our church.

The worship team will host a coffee hour of donuts and cider on Oct. 22nd as a meet the pastor for church members and people from the community. We will advertise this event in several different ways to let the community know about it.

HoDong's installation is scheduled for November 12, 2023 at 3:00PM. Worship will need to get ushers for the service. A reception will follow in Fellowship Hall put on by the Worship and Fellowship teams with help from the Women's Assoc.

Irene Fadden let the session know that the Mission Team is planning on spending \$4,000 for Family Promise of Wayne County to put towards the purchase of an apartment building. This would be a one-time payment.

Pledge Sunday will be Oct. 29th. HoDong will work stewardship into his sermon on that Sunday.

Cim McFarlane presented a proposal for holding a Toddler Time Program in the Muscle Room. This will be done by Cim and Lisa Perry.

Motion made by Susan Leonard and carried to approve the following proposal:

What: Adopt TODDLER TIME as a mission of the church; as a soft start to re-opening our OUTSTANDING Muscle Room space to families with young children. That the church's mission to children & families in this regard is non-denominational. This program is in cooperation with the PCC TODDLER TIME. Cost will be free to Pal-Mac families and surrounding communities.

When: 4th Tuesdays of the month, beginning in October to run through May. Flexibility may be needed to hold the program on the 2nd Tuesday during the holidays.

Room Usage: The Muscle Room, including cubbies, basement classroom and basement bathroom.

We need to find people to take over the different teams where the session member/chair is retiring. Phil Opdycke has agreed to become the chair of the Property Team. Janet Manktelow will make an announcement during the worship service on Oct. 8th. We are also looking for new team members.

Ministry Team Reports

Worship Ministry Team – Prayer cards in the pews will be made a different for ease of pulling them out of the offering plate and used during prayers of the people.

Fellowship Ministry Team – the church picnic in Sept. was great, they will hold a potluck on Oct. 29th.

Mission Ministry Team – the Weekend Wellness Program will be held at the Zion Episcopal Church. Our church will provide mac n cheese and granola bars.

Finance Ministry Team – they will hold a meeting on Oct. 10th.

CE Ministry Team – the back to Sunday School breakfast was held on Sept 24th., confirmation class will be held this year.

Property Ministry Team – the new boiler installation should get started this week, looking for solutions so Val Gendron (financial secretary) can access the church database.

Presbytery- an in-person meeting was held today in Elmira.

Devotions for the next meeting will be done by Irene Fadden.

Motion made by Norman Underwood seconded and carried to adjourn with prayer at 8:30PM.

Janet Manktelow
Clerk

Our Prayer Concerns (updated October 18, 2023)

Grieving:

Family & Friends of Dorothy Schlee (requested by Ray & Sharon Marr)

Family & Friends of Mary Kay Jones (requested by Sandy McMenamin)

Serving in the Armed Forces:

AJ Bliss, Adam Hill, Sarah Jagger, Joe Krebbeks, Josh Polle

Others for whom prayers have been requested:

All caregivers, All those affected by natural disasters, All those who have been affected by the Coronavirus, All those who have no one to pray for them, All victims of violence, hatred and hunger, Ellen Avery, Sarah Carone, Joyce Clark, Ed Cole, Tracy D'Arduini & Linda Pulcini, Jacquie DeBrine, Graham DeMeyers, Irene Fadden, Dean Guest, Jonathan Groff, Linda Hanna, Laurie Harvey, Pastor Ho Dong, Gary Lashway, Sylvia Lyon, Julie Maragus, Angelo Mascioli, Deb Merla, Mary Greenlaw-Meyer, Joyce Oster, Terri & Triston Parsons, Bob Pringle, Gail Rapp, David Sanford, Courtney Sears, Madalyn Rose Senn, Fran Storm

Please pray for those who wish to remain anonymous as they, too, need our prayers.

Others for whom we continue to pray:

Wes Barager, Janet Hassler Costa, Gary Culver, Kathleen Dougherty, Joan Durfey, Janet Haigh, Marge Harloff, Russell Harris, Bobby & Eileen Haurand, Dave Jankowski, Christine Stachecki Johanessen, Roger King, Frank Lawrence, Jessica Locey Otto, Tad Manske, Cim McFarlane, Patrick Miller, Karley Mott, Tracy Murphy, Dawn VerStraete Nieskes, Wilma Redman, Kathy Rynders, Doug Sloan, David Squier, Joan Verstringhe, Marguerite Vizzini

Congregation members in nursing homes or shut-in:

Beverly Koeberle, Rochelle Morse, Bev Mouton

Prayers of Intercession are offered each day by our Deacons. To request prayer for yourself or another, please contact Randy Kennard, chair of Deacons, Sandy McMenamin, or Kathy in the Church office. Please remember that all prayer requests are automatically removed from the list after one month unless the giver specifically requests continuation.



NOVEMBER 2023

SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
			1 All Saint's Day	2	3 Scrapbook Crop FH	4 Scrapbook Crop FH
5 Daylight Savings Time Ends 9 am Sunday School 9 am Adult Bible Study 10 am worship service Fellowship Team meeting after worship	6	7 Election Day 10 am Deacons 7 pm Christian Ed. 7 pm Boy Scouts Muscle Room	8 1 pm Mission/ Social Concerns 7 pm Boy Scouts FH	9	10	11 Veteran's Day
12 Communion & Cereal Sunday 9 am Sunday School 10 am worship service 3 pm Installation of Rev. Hodong Hwang	13	14 3:15 pm Worship 7 pm Boy Scouts Muscle Room	15 1 pm FH Women's Circle Bible Study 6:30 pm Property	16	17	18
19 25th Sunday after Pentecost 9 am Sunday School 9 am Adult Bible Study 10 am worship service	20 Office Open 8:30 am to 2 pm	21 SPIRE DEADLINE Office Open 8:30 am to 2 pm 7 pm Boy Scouts Muscle Room	22 Office Open 8:30 am to 2 pm	23 Thanksgiving Day Office Closed 8 am to 8 pm FH Manktelow Family Dinner	24 Office Closed	25
26 Christ the King Sunday No Sunday School 10 am worship service Hanging of the Greens	27	28 10:30 am to Noon Toddler Time Muscle Room 7 pm Boy Scouts Muscle Room 7 pm Session	29	30		



DECEMBER 2023

SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
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3 1st Sunday of Advent 9 am Sunday School 9 am Adult Bible Study 10 am worship service	4 7 pm Fellowship	5 10 am Deacons 7 pm Christin Ed. 7 pm Boy Scouts Muscle Room	6 10 am Mission/ Social Concerns	7	8	9
10 2nd Sunday of Advent 9 am Sunday School 10 am worship service	11	12 3:15 pm Worship 7 pm Boy Scouts Muscle Room	13 7 pm Boy Scouts FH	14	15	16
17 3rd Sunday of Advent 9 am Sunday School 9 am Adult Bible Study 10 am worship service	18	19 SPIRE DEADLINE 7 pm Boy Scouts Muscle Room	20 Noon Women's Circle Holiday Luncheon 6:30 pm Property	21	22	23
24 Christmas Eve No Sunday School Worship time to be determined	25 Christmas Day Office Closed	26 Office Open 8:30 am to 2 pm 7 pm Boy Scouts Muscle Room	27 Office Open 8:30 am to 2 pm	28 Office Open 8:30 am to 2 pm	29 Office Closed	30
31 New Year's Eve No Sunday School 10 am worship service	Jan. 1 New Year's Day Office Closed	Jan. 2 Office Open 8:30 am to 2 pm	Jan. 3 Office Open 8:30 am to 2 pm	Jan. 4 Office Open 8:30 am to 2 pm	Jan. 5 Office Closed	Jan. 6 Epiphany of the Lord