



The Highlander

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*Please stop in, call or email the office by **TUESDAY NOVEMBER 26th** with any information, announcements, updates, etc. that you would like to see in December's newsletter!*

Please see the calendar on page 9 for holiday office closings & a Daylight Saving Time reminder!

The new kitchen appliances were installed and hooked up October 14th & 15th.
If you have any questions about them or on using them, please contact the Property Committee.

THANK YOU to all our WORSHIP volunteers!

Have a question, or would you like to volunteer to help with some part of worship?
Contact either Chairperson Roberta Dinsmore or the office!

***We are planning a Christmas service presented by
the children and youth of the church on
Sunday, December 22nd.***

*All children and youth are welcome to participate.
There will be more information to follow.*

DATE	NOVEMBER 3	NOVEMBER 10
PASTOR/LEADER	Rev. Dr. Clair Lundberg	Rev. Dr. Clair Lundberg
LITURGIST*	Lee Blose	Barbara Burkett
NURSERY		
FLOWERS	Carole Haire	
USHERS	R. Barrett, W. Divelbiss, D. Forsythe, J. Hughes	J. Haire, T. Fezell, C. Haire, P. Young
DATE	NOVEMBER 17	NOVEMBER 24 Christ the King Sunday with the Celebration of the Lord's Supper
PASTOR/LEADER	Rev. Dr. Clair Lundberg	Rev. Dr. Clair Lundberg
LITURGIST*	Kathi Cessna	Bev Divelbiss
NURSERY		
FLOWERS	Pam Hogan	Kay Nesbitt
USHERS	R. Dinsmore, R. Fetterman, R. Dinsmore, B. Burkett	K. Hughes, R. Lettie, D. Hartman, L. Lettie

*Liturgists will be scheduled on a month-to-month basis until otherwise noted

*If you have a hymn that you would like to sing
in church or at a hymn sing, please let Nancy know.
You can email her at npearce@hotmail.com
or write the name and give it to her at church.*

FINANCE & GENEROSITY

Thank you for donating funds, time, and energy to PCOP!

Date	Attendance in worship	Weekly offering	% to General Fund
October 6	46	\$3,952.00	96.41%
October 13	34	\$3,975.00	61.64%
October 20	46	\$1,386.00	89.83%
October 27	46	\$2,625.50	84.56%

OCTOBER 2019 FINANCIAL HEALTH			
	Current	Year to Date	2019 Total Budget
Receipts	\$11,939.24	\$136,750.86	\$163,003.00
Expenses	\$17,887.11	\$105,421.00	
Excess or [Deficient]	[\$5,947.87]	\$31,329.86	

From the letter sent on October 15th

Dear Friends-in-faith,

Truly, all thanks should be given to God. The Lord has provided to us and we have received. We have been provided and now we must manage that of which we were provided. Thus, it is up to us to be certain the worldly resources we have are used wisely and in the Way the Lord has prescribed.

It is now time to demonstrate our desire to fulfill this obligation to God's Way. **The Stewardship season is once again upon us.** Kickoff is Sunday, October 20th. This Stewardship Campaign will run through to Sunday, November 24th.

Included [in the letter mailed October 15th] you will find a colored stewardship response slip for your use. This can be easily completed and mailed to myself, to the church office, or dropped in the offering plate on Sunday. Or, if you prefer, it can be dropped off at the office or my home. Also, if you wish, simply hand it to me at church or whenever our paths cross. Actually, any submission method including a phone call would be deeply appreciated. Thank you.

In Joy and Thanks,

Nickolas Suntheimer
The Stewardship Committee
(724) 456-2759

**Monthly Giving
Spotlight:
2020 Stewardship
Campaign**

MEMBERSHIP & PCOP UPDATES

Birthdays, prayer requests, moving and more!

Please remember to contact the office if you have any changes in mailing address, email address, or phone number to ensure you are still receiving PCOP updates!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...



Those Needing Our Prayers

Betty Brumbaugh	Duane & Pam Carr	Betty Cessna
Jane Crawford	Gillen Geary	The Graham Family
Martha Irvin	Dorothy Jenks	Kathy Kopp
The Ward Family	The Kevin Young Family	

*Please contact the office to add a name to the newsletter/bulletin "Needing Our Prayers" list. Please contact **Rex Lettie** at pcop.prayer.chain@gmail.com to join or to add a name to the PCOP Prayer Chain.*

October 28, 2019

To my church family, you have warmed my heart by your many acts of kindness. Cards, calls, texts, emails, visits, and food—you have truly demonstrated what it is to be the church beyond its walls. Your love is felt and appreciated more than you know. I do hope to be back among you soon. Thank you!

--Donna Anderson



November 2	Linda Fetterman
November 3	Kassidy Graham
November 6	Barbara Hanley
November 8	Arlene Shields
November 9	Marjorie Brennan
November 11	John Hughes
November 12	Ray Dinsmore Ray Dinsmore Jr. Jay Elder Deborah Himes Joel Anderson
November 14	Madysen Ewing Richard Cessna
November 15	Kathy Henry
November 16	David Divelbiss
November 17	Sallye Barrett Jean Hughes
November 21	Lynz Bowers
November 26	Nick Suntheimer Nellie Weiss

SESSION & THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Keeping up with the committees and officers of PCOP!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The next meeting of the Board of Deacons will be:
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 17th
 9:30 a.m.
 Memorial Parlor

The next meeting of Session (Unicameral Board)
 will be:
MONDAY NOVEMBER 25th
 7:00 p.m.
 Lester Seminar Room

It's (almost) that time of year!

Order your poinsettias in honor or in memory of someone special to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas Eve worship!

Order slips will be available in the bulletin on the following Sundays:

November 3 ~ November 10 ~ November 17

November 24 ~ December 1

**Please attach payment to your order slip with "Christmas poinsettias" noted.
 Drop in the offering plate or mail to the church office.**

Only \$10 Each: Red, White, or Marble (pink with cream center)

**FINAL DAY TO ORDER CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS:
SUNDAY DECEMBER 1**

Rev. Paul Doriani is looking for a nice, clean rental property for when he arrives in Punxsy at the end of this year. If anyone knows of such a rental, please contact either Keith Hughes or Doug Chambers.



Beautifully the sanctuary with flowers
 Write "Deacons Flowers" in check memo line (\$25) and call the office to place your order. Available dates:
 November 3, 10, 24
 December 1, 15, 29



MISSION & OUTREACH

A "Choose Your Own Adventure" to get more involved at PCOP!



We have collected a total of \$610 to purchase water buffalo for families in developing countries.

A water buffalo allows for four times as many crops to be planted, with the extra being sold to buy additional food, clothing, and medicine. They are also a source of milk and fertilizer.

Many thanks to those of you who donated to this mission effort. We will be providing two water buffalo and contributing to the cost of an additional one.

Rex Lettie,
Mission & Outreach Committee

October 3, 2019

Jessica W. of Punxsutawney expresses her gratitude and thankfulness for the **Flight Bag** received by her and her daughter at the end of September; her daughter was in a Pittsburgh hospital for a week and the Flight Bag helped greatly.

Volunteers are always welcome to help at the next First Tuesday Community Meal!



Roast Turkey & Stuffing Balls

Whipped Potatoes w/Gravy

Green Bean Casserole

Cranberry Fluff

Tinsel Town Cookie Buffet

Recipes and sign-up sheets for food, kitchen help, serving, and clean-up are located on the bulletin board outside the Memorial Parlor

Crosstown Ministries Food Pantry
Woodland Avenue United Methodist Church
203 Woodland Ave.
November 18th @ 5:30 P.M.

Volunteers are always needed throughout the month to: donate food, unload the food truck, prepare boxes for the distribution, and distribute the boxes to those who need them

Please contact Pastor Clint Phillips @ (814) 938-8160 for more information

FELLOWSHIP

Have fun and spend time with your PCOP family!



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, November 23rd
@ 8 A.M.

Questions? Ask Keith Hughes or Rex Lettie
Men's Breakfast meets 4th Saturday of every month!
(unless otherwise noted)

**Upcoming December Men's Breakfast will be held
one week earlier (December 21st)

Saturday Friends Out

Saturday, November 16th
@ 11:45 A.M.

Join us @ Gimmick's Restaurant
(no reservations!)

Questions? Ask Ann Mumper
Saturday Friends Out meets 3rd Saturday of every month!



SIMPLY
CHRISTIAN

†
Why Christianity Makes Sense
N. T. WRIGHT

Adult Sunday School
Lester Seminar Room @ 9:45 A.M.

The Adult Sunday School Class will begin a new
video series study on Sunday, November 3rd entitled
"Simply Christian" by N.T. Wright. All are welcome.

WHO DO I CONTACT?

“I have a question about . . .”

Schedules, quarterly financial statement, newsletter, ordering flowers, bulletin information, ordering church supplies, using church facilities, etc. <i>And anything else!</i>	Keri in PCOP office
Hospitalizations, Emergencies, Member Care	Keri in PCOP Office Board of Deacons
PCOP Property & Grounds, maintenance requests	Property Co-Chairs Dana Hartman & William Cooper
Worship information, pulpit supply	Worship Committee Chair Roberta Dinsmore
Baptisms & Weddings	Clerk of Session Doug Chambers
Funerals & Memorial Services	Keri in PCOP Office Funeral Director
Mission & Fellowship Opportunities	Mission & Outreach Chair—Rex Lettie Fellowship Chair—Barbara Burkett
Youth Group & Children’s Sunday School	Youth Group—Dana Hartman Christian Education Chair—
Finances & Giving	Finance/Stewardship Chair Nick Suntheimer
New Members (Joining PCOP)	Clerk of Session Doug Chambers
Choir & Music	Music Director Nancy Pearce
First Tuesday Community Meal	Donna Anderson
Current Members of Session	Roberta Dinsmore, Janey London, Rick Nesbitt, William Cooper, Dana Hartman, Rex Lettie, Barbara Burkett, Deborah Elder, Nick Suntheimer
Current Board of Deacons	Pam Hogan, Kay Nesbitt, Lee Blose, Kathi Cessna, Jean Hughes, Debra Dinsmore, Carole Haire

NOVEMBER 2019 CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>Be sure to check the bulletin board for coffee hour sign-ups! Everyone loves cookies and coffee!</i></p>					1 All Saints' Day	2
3 31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time Daylight saving time ends ("Fall back" 1 hour)	4	5 Election Day 5 P.M. Community Meal	6	7	8	9
10 32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	11 Veterans Day	12	13	14	15	16 11:45 A.M. Saturday Friends Out @ Gimmick's
17 33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30 A.M. Board of Deacons meeting	18 5:30 P.M. Crosstown Food Pantry	19	20	21	22	23 8 A.M. Men's Breakfast
24 Christ the King Sunday w/Communion	25 7 P.M. Session Meeting	26 December newsletter info deadline	27	28 Office is CLOSED – Thanksgiving	29 Office closes @ 11 AM	30

~ Sunday Morning Schedule ~

9:45 A.M. Adult Sunday School in Lester Seminar Room

11:00 A.M. Worship in Sanctuary

During worship: A Time for Young Worshippers

Fellowship Coffee Hour following Worship



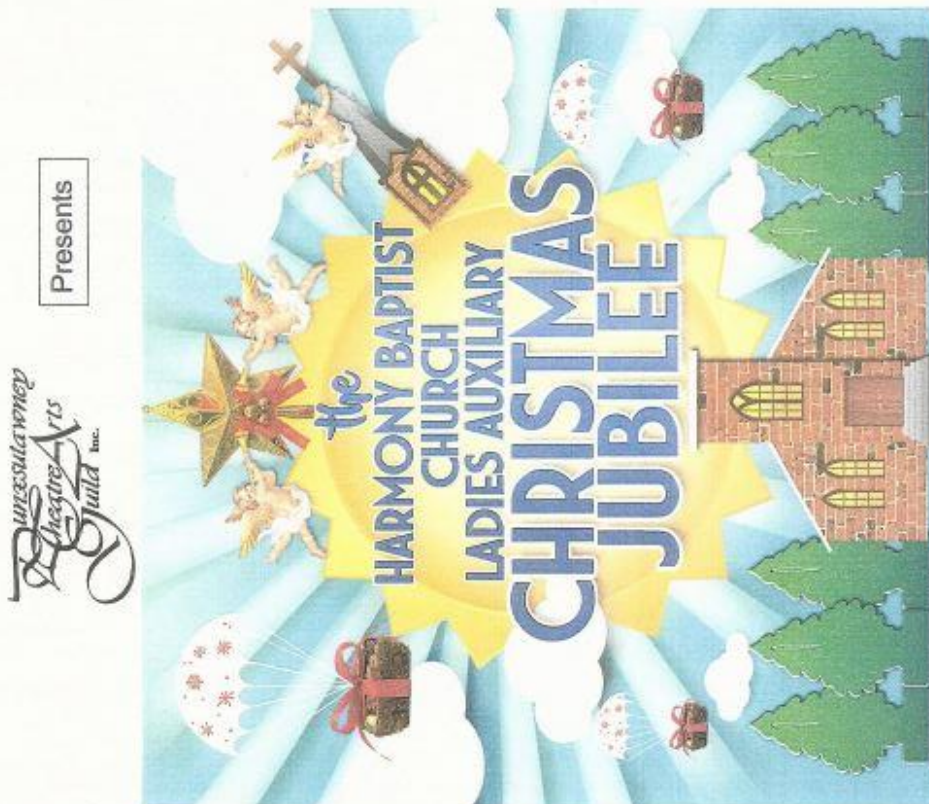
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By Laura King

7:30 P.M. November 21, 22, 23
2:00 P.M. November 24 (Matinee)

Punxsutawney Area High School Auditorium
Students \$5 Sr. Citizens \$7 Adults \$9

Tickets Sold at the Door

Share the Holiday Fun!

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