

## First Presbyterian News November 2018 401 Lincolnway East, Mishawaka, In. 46544

Turn back clocks Saturday night, 11/3 or Sunday morning 11/4

Please remember to vote on November 6<sup>th</sup>.

November 10<sup>th</sup> BAKE SALE & VENDOR FAIR 9 am to 2 pm Fellowship Hall

The Mission Committee

We are looking ahead to Thanksgiving, and planning to deliver 14 baskets that contain a traditional Thanksgiving meal to families at Battell School. We have begun collecting items, and will thru November 10th, and plan to deliver them on Sunday November 18th. Below is a list or you can pick one up (found in the lobby) if you want to help, and please contact Angela if you can help deliver. Thank You.

The list for the Thanksgiving Baskets:

3 cans of green beans

1 can deep fried onions

1 large or 2 small cans sweet potatoes

1 can of cranberry sauce

1 can cream of mushroom soup

2 boxes turkey dressing

1 large box or 2 small boxes instant mashed potatoes 1 jar or can of turkey gravy

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#### SCRAPBOOKING & CRAFTING CLUB with Brittany Rice

Meet us in Fellowship hall from 6pm to 11pm to work on any personal projects, crafts, scrap booking, cards, or even an adult coloring book! Ideas flow when we get together as does the friendship. A donation to the Food Pantry shopping cart is your admission.

This is our last meeting for 2018, November 16<sup>th</sup>

Contact me at <a href="mailto:scrap.brittany@gmail.com">scrap.brittany@gmail.com</a> for any questions, thank you, Brittany.

Deacons Hanging of the Greens will take place after service on November 25<sup>th</sup>. PW will be decorating Memorial Lounge and Fellowship Hall.

Deacon's Shopping will be December 1st at JC Penney's once again. There will be Minutes for Mission in November. You can sign up for Shopping. (will get a sign up sheet on board this weekend) Armistice Day took effect at eleven o'clock in the morning—the "eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month" of 1918. Armistice Day coincides with **Veterans Day.** Today, people observe a twominute moment of silence at 11:00 a.m. local time. It is a sign of respect, in the first minute for those perished in war, in the second minute for those left behind.

The Mission of The Quilts of Valor Foundation: "To cover Service Members and Veterans touched by war, with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor®".

#### **Our Story**

To give you just a bit of history about the Quilts of Valor® Foundation: QOVF.org or Quilts of Valor, is a foundation established in 2003 by Blue Star Mom, Catherine Roberts, after her son was deployed to IRAQ, literally with a dream.

She explained she was 10 seconds away from panic, 24-hours per day. She had a dream as vivid as real life. In her words she related, "I saw a young man sitting on the side of his bed in the middle of the night, hunched over with his head in his hands. The permeating feeling was one of utter hopelessness and despair. I could see his war demons clustered around, trying to drag him down to an emotional gutter."

Catherine continued, "Then, as if viewing a movie, I saw him in the next scene wrapped in a quilt. His entire demeanor changed - from one of hopelessness and despair, to one of hope and well-being. The quilt had helped make this dramatic change. The message of my dream was; quilts = healing."

Since 2003, nearly *198,000* Quilts of Valor® have been created and awarded to our Service Members and Veterans all over the world, including through major treatment centers such as Walter Reed Hospital and Brook Army Medical Center, VA centers and facilities, and especially through personal contact.

While the Quilt of Valor® is a major, once in a lifetime award, it is also meant to be used by the veteran. The quilts are made of the highest quality products and utilized the best available sewing and quilting techniques to honor the sacrifice and service of the receiving veteran.

#### TO NOMINATE A VETERAN OR ACTIVE SERVICE MEMBER TO RECEIVE A QUILT:

Go to <u>www.qovf.org</u> Under "take action", go to "request a quilt" and complete the information requested. The nomination will be forwarded to the appropriate representative and presenter. When a quilt is available, you will be contacted.

When you see someone in a uniform, Someone who serves us all, Doing military duty, Answering their country's call. Take a moment to thank them, For protecting what you hold dear; Tell them you are proud of them; Make it very clear. Just tap them on the shoulder, Give a smile and say, "thanks for what you're doing to keep us safe in the USA!" — Joanna Fuchs









#### Why flags are flown at half-staff;

In the sixteenth century, ships would lower their flag halfway as a sign of submission during battle, and it was said they were flying at "half-mast." On reaching port, the flag remained half-lowered in honor of those who had sacrificed their lives. In the seventeenth century the ritual moved to land, where it was said the flags were at "half-staff," as a sign of respect for any individual who had died serving his country beyond the call of duty.

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### Presbyterian Women

<u>Bake Sale/Vendor Fair</u> Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> 9-2 We have some exciting vendors this year. Many have already shared Flyer and Facebook Event – Keep the buzz going! (see last page for a flyer to share)
 Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> 6-8 work night -Cheeseball/soup mixes.

All donations due <u>Friday by 5 pm</u>. Several of us will be at church most of the day, so come by anytime. If you have not already signed up, let us know if you can help, even if only for a couple of hours. Our annual sale has become quite a success and we need as many helpers as we can get.

Next <u>Upper Room Sale</u> will be November 17<sup>th</sup> 9-2pm (Nov. 14 - Wed work night 6-8 to re-stock room || for next sale.) Thanks for the many donations that have been pouring in. We have some great finds, come check it out! Pam Camren & Carole Polk, co-moderators

PW has donated 56 baby bundles in 2018. They are given to the social worker at SJRMC, who knows what moms would benefit from receiving a baby bundle. We have strict guidelines on how much PW can spend on
each bundle, and we try to not spend more than \$4 per bundle. That's for a heavy blanket, a receiving blanket, onesie, and an outfit. We also put hats and socks in the bundles when we get them. We really appreciate it when folks donate items in the bassinet in the CE lobby. You can go to Kids' Konsignment or Once Upon a Child and put together an entire bundle and place in the bassinet, and it's fun buying baby things!



Ruth Circle meets the 3rd Thursday of each month.

This month's meeting will be at Lynett's home on the 15th.

Elizabeth Circle meets the 3rd Monday of each month

This month's meeting will be at Mary Ann Dentino's home on the 19th.



Book Club; In November: <u>Sleep No More: 6 Murderous Tales</u> by PD James. 11/18/18 2pm Lynett is hosting and Darlene will lead this discussion. James, writes of the perfect crimes, ones where the perpetrator gets away with it. Knowing who the culprit is from the start may seem unusual but these are page-turning tales, and who cares if you know who the guilty party is?

Book Club takes place the 3rd Sunday of the month, 2pm, and we take turns hosting, leading and providing snacks. Come once, every time, what ever your pleasure...even if you have not read the book. *Happy Reading!* Questions: contact Judy Green at <a href="mailto:mtcgjag@aol.com">mtcgjag@aol.com</a>

#### WORSHIP AND MUSIC

A huge thank you to those who filled our pulpit in October: Rev. Don Neely, Rev. Walter Davis, Lay Leader David Abbott.

November Worship leaders are:

November 4 - David Abbott with celebration of All Saints Day and Communion

November 11 - Rev. Anna Parkinson and Stewardship Sunday

November 18 is open at this time.

November 25 - St Andrew's Day with Bagpipes, shortbread and Chris Sneddon joining us in worship.

In December we can look forward to Lay Leader Nancy Brinklow leading worship. Darlene, chair



#### CHURCH STAFF

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#### **<u>Church Officers and Committees</u>**

Session: Angela Bellinger, Alan Camren, Ron May, Janna McLean, Darlene Seufert, Chuck Wukovits Board of Deacons: Dick Dentino, Lynett Heritz; moderator, Pam Martz, Teresa Primmer, Jason Pursehouse, Judy Sulak Facilities and Operations Chuck Wukovits, Chair Ethan DeMaegd, Dick Dentino

Book Club: Judy Green Clerk of Session: Teresa Primmer Christian Education: Janna McLean, Chair Finance: Ron May, Chair Mission and Evangelism: Angela Bellinger, Chair Newsletter: Sue Rice Personnel: Alan Camren, Chair Prayer Chain: Lynett Heritz Presbyterian Women: Pam Camren and Carole Polk Scrap Booking: Brittany Rice Special Gifts: Sue Rice, Chair Stewardship: Ron May, Chair Treasurer: John Rice Worship and Music: Darlene Seufert, Chair

#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Financial Secretary hours: Mon. & Thurs. 9 - noon Custodian hours: Monday thru Friday 8am to 1 pm Contact us at (574) 259-7874 or fpcmishawaka@gmail.com OUR MAIL ADDRESS: First Presbyterian Church-Mishawaka P.O. Box 744 Mishawaka, Indiana 46546

#### NEWS FROM THE MICHIANA ALLIANCE OF CARE

Pantry director, Shelia Swinehart, reported unexpected changes at the Food Bank following the resignation of the Food Bank director resulting in difficulties with the day-to-day operation of the Food Bank as the staff reorganizes. Ordering and pick-up schedules, along with incoming FDA shipments, the MAC Pantry has had to adjust as well.

It is amazing how flexible the Pantry volunteers are. What it amounts to is in the variety of items available. The goal is to provide a mixture of items in the grocery bag which will help Pantry clients prepare as nourishing a meal as possible. The September statistics: 207 families, numbering 688 individuals were served.

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The Vineyard Church Food Drop occurred Sunday, October 14. The Vineyard Church is a long time member of the MAC. Volunteers come as a group once each month in order to <u>prepare for either a</u> <u>Tuesday evening or a Friday morning</u> Pantry Day. In announcing the October Food Drop, additional volunteers would be needed, and as always, people did step up. Approximately 3000 pounds of donations of all kinds were unloaded in two hours using the "bucket brigade" method with only one mishap, a jar of gravy.

At the end of the event volunteers gathered in the Albright UMC basement to see the results of their work by giving thanks to God for the love and fellowship, once again aware, "it does take a village". Respectfully submitted by Janet Freeman



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Worship 10 am Fellowship at 11 am

# November 2018

| Sun  | Mon                              | Tue                | Wed                             | Thu                         | Fri   | Sat                                  |
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|  |                                  |                    |                                 | 1                           | 2   | 3<br>Fall Back<br>Clocks             |
| <ul> <li><i>All Saints Day</i></li> <li>Greeter: Janet Freeman</li> <li>Usher: Ethan D &amp; Dan B</li> <li>W. Leader: Judy Green</li> <li>Pulpit: David Abbott</li> <li><i>PWCT 11:30 am</i></li> </ul> | 5<br>P                           | 6 V<br>O<br>T<br>E | 7<br>ght                        | 8                           | 9<br>Donations<br>to the<br>church by<br>5 pm             | Sale                                 |
| <ul> <li>11 Stewardship Sunday</li> <li>Greeter: Ethan DeMaegd</li> <li>Ushers: Carole P &amp; Bill B</li> <li>W. Leader: Chris Wukovits</li> <li>Pulpit: Rev Anna Parkinson</li> </ul>                  | 12                               | 13                 | 14<br>Work<br>night for<br>sale | 15<br>Ruth<br>circle<br>7pm | 16 Scrap<br>booking in<br>fellowship<br>hall<br>6 to 11pm | 17<br>PW<br>Upper room sale<br>9 — 2 |
| 18<br>Greeter: Bill Bellairs<br>Ushers: Michael G & Judy S<br>W. Leader: Chuck Wukovits<br><i>Mission's basket delivery</i><br><i>Book club 2pm</i>  | 19<br>Elizabeth<br>circle<br>7pm | 20                 | 21                              | 22                          | 23  | 24                                   |
| 25 <i>St. Andrew's Day</i><br>Greeter: Bill Bellairs<br>Ushers: Greg P & Neil S<br>W. Leader: Dyan Phillips<br><i>Hanging of Greens</i>  | 26                               | 27                 | 28                              | 29                          | 30  | Deacons<br>Christmas<br>Shopping     |

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First Presbyterian Church Mishawaka Stewardship Letter and Pledge Card

This year we are inviting members to gather together on Sunday November 11 to reaffirm our commitment to the mission of First Presbyterian Church.

First Presbyterian Church Mishawaka is a welcoming community called by God to be followers of Jesus Christ, fed by the word of God, and sent by the Holy Spirit into the world to live lives of stewardship and service. We do this through worship, music, pastoral care, congregational life, education programs, programs for children and youth, financial support for agencies doing God's work locally and elsewhere, and maintaining our facilities. The fulfillment of this depends upon financial support by all members. Your timely submission of a pledge for next year will help advance our mission for 2019.

The Stewardship Committee asks that all members please bring a completed 2019 pledge card (enclosed) to worship on November 11. Pledge cards will also be available to complete at the November 11 worship service. If you cannot attend, please bring or mail your pledge to the church as soon as possible.

We look forward to seeing you on Commitment Sunday November 11.

Yours in Christ, The Stewardship Committee: Ronald May, chair; Dick Dentino, John Rice

#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**TAKE A STEP FORWARD FOR CHRIST!** In response to God's love and as a concrete expression of my faith and in commitment to Christ and his church, I plan to take this step forward in my giving (check one as appropriate):

STEP UP TOWARD TITHING. I will move toward the goal of tithing.
 STEP UP TO TITHING. I will give a tenth of my income to God's work.
 STEP UP BEYOND TITHING. I wish to do more than God's minimum.

*MY COMMITMENT FOR 2019 IS* \$\_\_\_\_\_ *per <u>week month quarter year</u> (circle one) \_\_\_\_\_ check if this is an increase over 2018.* 

NAME:

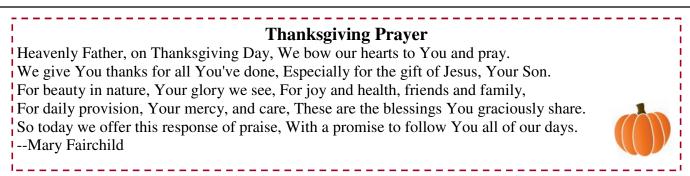
\_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

2019 Member Pledge Card

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This commitment may be changed at any time due to changing circumstances

Your offering envelope box contains a late November "Special" envelope. This may be used for the DEACONS SHOPPING FUND! Thank you.



# Presbyterian Women Vendor Fair & Bake Sale

Sat. November 10<sup>™</sup> 9 am - 2 pm

First Presbyterian Church Mishawaka 401 Lincolnway East

homemade noodles \* cheeseballs

soup mixes \* fresh baked goods \* breads

cookies by the pound

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Seasonal Crafters and Décor

Handcrafted Items for yourself & your home

Thirty-One Mary Kay Norwex lu la Roe Pampered Chef Damsel in Defense Perfectly Posh

Wink Naturals It Works! Scentsy

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## Lunch starts at 11:00 a.m.

\*\*\*Thank you for supporting our Mission Work both locally and abroad.