

ELDERTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NOVEMBER- NEWSLETTER - 2021

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"Answered Prayer"

Psalms 145:18-20

¹⁸ The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.¹⁹ He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.²⁰ The LORD preserves all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.

The Psalms is a book of prayers and praise. Repeatedly we can turn to the Psalms and experience the prayers of God's people. It is a book filled with prayers by individuals as well as corporate prayer. Today, we concentrate on Psalms 145:18-20. Psalms 145 beautifully demonstrates the church as it prays and believes. It is an extended prayer of praise that has been used in the worship life of the people of God. This much beloved Psalms is found in both Jewish and Christian traditions. The theological emphasis of this Psalms is the greatness and graciousness of God.

Verse 18 recites the ability of God to be close to us while answering our prayers. Sometimes we don't feel as though God is close to us but we don't have to be overwhelmed with the feeling of God being near, God is near whether we feel it or not. God's closeness is magnified and expanded in Psalms 145.

We also see God wanting to fulfill the desire of our prayer in verse 19. God is not only concerned with answering prayers for our needs but answers some of the desires we may have. This does not mean that God is a cosmic Santa Clause that we can drop a list off and go about our way. The word "desire" in verse 19 identifies a relationship with God that God would fulfill some desires also.

Prayer is communication between God and his people. We, through the blood of Jesus Christ, have access to talk with God and receive from him his promises. We can be intimate through Christ. This Thanksgiving season let us seek God in prayer and praise. Let's take some time and dwell in the presence of a God who is available to answer our deepest need and promote our highest good.

Join me in the Lord's Prayer.....

Our Father which art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever Amen.

During the month of November take the time to give thanks and praise during your times of prayer. Remember the Lord is near to you when you call on him to all who call on him in truth.

Your Brother Because of Jesus, Angel

<u>GREETERS & ACOLYTE'S</u> (Mark Your Calendars) This is the only list you will receive – so PLEASE look this over

If the date assigned to you conflicts with your schedule, PLEASE TRADE with someone else on the list and let the church office know of this change.

GREETERS should be at the door at 10:10 AM and the bell should be rung 10 times at 10:15 and again at 10:30 AM. Please hand out the morning bulletin. <u>Before worship – open doors into the sanctuary and close when the service begins</u>. They should also get the collection plates before the service begins; the collection plates are on the first pew in the back section of the church (in the black cloth bag).

Please lock the front doors into the church. Pull to make sure the door is latched, use the small "key" found on the window ledge, insert it into the bar of the door and turn until the bar pops out. The handicap door will remain unlocked until 10 minutes into service (Cassie will take care of this.)

DATE	GREETERS	<u>ACOLYTES</u>
November 7	John and Dee Craig	Emily Johns
November 14	Women's Associtation	Mia Scrips
November 21	Jeff and Shawnee Hohl	Liam Scrips
November 28	Paul and Merilyn Meyers	Aaron Quinn
December 5	Barb Spangler and Jeanne Speer	Jonah Scrips

FLOWERS FOR NOVEMBER

November 7 and 14 – Sue Quinn November 21 and 28 – Peg Rowan

All dates in December are open, please see Joanie to schedule.

Joanie Riggle is the contact person for the flower calendar. If anyone wishes to request a date for chancel flowers or for an organ or table arrangement, please schedule with Joanie 724-954-1671.



NURSERY TIME

We would like to start offering nursery care during worship service for children age's birth through 5 years old.

In order to provide this service we need several volunteers to help, this includes the parents of children who will attend nursery.

If you are interested in helping in the nursery please see Susan.

PLEASE REMEMBER THERE IS HAND SANITIZER AND FACE MASKS AT EACH ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH FOR YOU TO USE.



Hate has 4 letters, so does Love.

Enemies has 7 letters, so does Friends. Lying has 5 letters, so does Truth. Negative has 8, so does Positive. Under has 5, so does above. Cry has 3 letters, so does Joy. Anger has 5 letters, so does Happy. Right has 5 letters, so does wrong. Hurt has 4 letters, so does Heal. It means life is like double edged sword... so transform every negative side into an aura of positivity... We should choose the better side of the life.

LifeLearnedFeelings

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP



Westminster College in New Wilmington, PA invites the congregation to identify and nominate rising high school seniors to receive a minimum \$21,000 scholarship each year for four years for a total of \$84,000 four year scholarship.

Called the Young Presbyterian Scholars Program, the scholarship is available to students who possess at least 3.5 (cumulative) high school GPA, who are members of a Presbyterian church, and are nominated by the pastor/congregation.

Nominations must be returned on or before December 1, 2021.

For more information please contact the church office – 724-354-3117



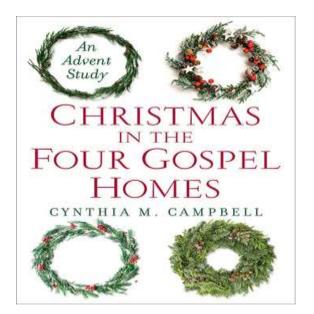
Please join us for communion during worship service as we celebrate Christ the King Sunday

November 21, 2021

ADVENT BIBLE STUDY

Nov 28, Dec 7, 14 and 21 6:00 PM in the Upper Room

Please call the office 724-354-3117 by November 7 to sign up or put your name on the signup sheet on the bulletin board in the Upper Room vestibule.



In *Christmas in the Four Gospel Homes,* beautiful illustrations from architect Kevin Burns reimagine each of the four Gospels as a "house," which the church visits at Christmas.

In each section, Cynthia M. Campbell reflects on the distinctive perspective of the birth of Jesus or the incarnation offered by each Gospel.

"In His Name Fund"

We would like to thank the congregation for their donations to the In His Name Fund.

Donations like yours make a big difference in the work our church is doing in the community.

Because of this mission fund we were able to help four families in our community who were faced with emergency needs.

We will continue to collect for this mission fund throughout the year.

If you would like to donate to this fund, please use a pew envelope and mark it "In His Name" or mail it to the church.

Helping Hands

Volunteering at Helping Hand by accepting, sorting, displaying, and selling goods is just a small part of the blessed day. There is a beautiful rapport between customers and volunteers... a chance to meet new people, catch up with former acquaintances, share stories with strangers, illnesses are revealed, and a lot of promised prayers for one another are made.

If you would like to help with this mission please contact Peg Rowan 724-354-3399

November 9 – 10:00 – 3:00 November 20 – 9:00 -12:00

December 1 – 10:00 – 3:00 December 23 – 10:00 – 3:00



Preschool Happenings

<u> Butterflies – Pre-K Class</u>

- Watched monarch caterpillars turn into a chrysalis, then two butterflies appeared. Released them outside in flower garden. The children named them "Rose" & "Jimmy".
- Fire Safety & Fire Drill
 - Took children outside to a "safe place"
 - One child said "but we gotta get our stuff"
 - Lesson learned "get out, stay out, don't go back in".
- Letter Days
 - Letter T Bible Verse -"Trust in the Lord"
 - Letter F Share A real fox pelt was brought in.
- A child came to preschool dressed as a princess, when asked if she was a Princess, she said "No, I am a Queen".
- October Bible Song -"Light Up the World"

<u>Caterpillars – 3-year old Class</u>

- Balloon Day (Colors)
 - \circ $\;$ Fun with balloons $\;$
 - Batted balloons with pool noodles.
 - Make sure you hit the balloon & not your friends.
- Apples
 - Brought an apple to class
 - Made applesauce
 - Did you know God put a "star" in the middle of the apple? When you cut the apple crosswise you can see the "star".
- October Bible Song -

"Little Wheel Turning" This cute song has hand motions of turning a wheel in your heart. One little boy was not making his wheel turn and the teacher ask why. He said "but, I can't - because my wheel is broke".

<u> Toddler Time - 2-year old Class</u>

- 2 year olds are settling into routine quickly
 October Bible Song "Jesus Loves Me"
- They love the Happy Dance with baton ribbons
- Raked leaves
- Halloween & Pumpkins

Asked the children what they wanted to put on their Halloween Treat Bags, one little boy looked at the teacher and said, "a skeleton with a bow tie"!

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES Larry Prugh - 1st Tom and Phyllis Popp – 1st, 1963 Gary and Cindy Henderson – 3rd, 1973 Kyle Beers - 2nd Maryanne Xiong – 2nd Sally and Ed Fink - 12th , 2016 -5 years Travis Anderson – 3rd Don and Marion Kunkle – 15th, 1958 Luke Ramer – 5th Kurt and Gyennie Flickinger – 15th ,2008 Emma Cessna – 6th Bob and Loretta Coleman - 24th, 1961 - 60 years Gabe Creighton - 8th Dave and Kris Hilty - 24th , 1990 Alexandra Maughan – 8th Crystal Peffer – 9th Ethan Rearick - 9th Chester Schall – 11th Cheryl Hankey - 11th Debbie Keeler – 12th Jaylin Freeman – 12th Veda Stephens - 13th Margie Wood - 13th Charlene De La Cruz – 14th Happy Thanksgiving! Kristy Dickman - 16th Bethany Smith - 16th Dean Howard - 17th Gary Henderson - 18th "Whatever you do in word or deed, Devin Creighton – 18th do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, Bills Krebs – 19th giving thanks through Him Lucy Creighton - 20th Brian Dyott – 21st to God the Father." Leah Tatsak - 22nd Colossians 3:17 Kathy Jo Scrips – 22nd Adam Howard – 23rd Butch Rodgers - 26th Brenda Salley – 26th Alissa Meyer – 26th Beth Schrecengost - 29th Joanie Riggle – 30th Julie Perry – 30th

November 2021								
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
Count theme	1	2	3	4	5	6		
7 9:15 – Sunday School 10:30 –Worship Service	8	9 10:00 – 3:00 Helping Hand	10	11 VETERANS DAY 6:00 – Deacons Meeting 6:30 – Session Meeting	12	13		
14 9:15 – Sunday School 10:30 –Worship Service	15	16	17	18	19	20 9:00 – 12:00 Helping Hand		
21 9:15 – Sunday School 10:30 –Worship Service - Communion	22	23	24	25	26	27		
28 9:15 – Sunday School 10:30 –Worship Service	29	30 6:00 - Advent Bible Study						