



**2024**

# ELDERTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## PASTOR'S PAGE

### Thanksgiving!

2 Corinthians 9:10-11

*<sup>10</sup> Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, <sup>11</sup> while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God.*

I appreciate that our nation celebrates the day of Thanksgiving. The first Thanksgiving Day on the North American continent was declared by Governor Bradford of Plymouth Plantation after the harvest in 1621. In 1789, President Washington appointed Thursday, November 26th, as a day to give thanks for the establishment of a form of government necessary for safety and happiness.

While our nation's founding father, George Washington, saw a definite good reason to give thanks, the Apostle Paul saw it differently.

Paul says God has supplied all that is good in our lives. We have good jobs, groceries in the fridge, and relatively safe families. We have it good! Sometimes, we say, "Life is Good."

For the Christian, God is the source of anything good we have. It is why, this Thanksgiving, the Apostle Paul wants us to look at what we have and share it with others.

Paul said to the Corinthians, "You have it pretty good. Can you share something with those less fortunate than you?"

Thanksgiving is one of the best times of the year. God has been good to us. Maybe during this holiday season, we will share our thanks in tangible ways. Amen.

Your Brother Because of Calvary,

Dr. Angel L. De La Cruz

# GREETERS & ACOLYTE'S

**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 10:00 AM, the bell should be rung 10 times at 10:15 and again at 10:30 AM. Please hand out the morning bulletin. Close the doors when the service begins. You will also take up the offering and get the collection plates before the service begins; they are in the black cloth bag on the first pew in the back section of the church.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GREETERS</u>	<u>ACOLYTES</u>
November 3	Krista and Grant Johnston	Cooper Grantz
November 10	Dylan Shankle and Alyssa Duplinsky	Adalyn Quinn
November 17	Chet Schall and Chandler Blose	Emily Johns
November 24	Presbyterian Women	Jonah Scrips
December 1	Mark and Pat Schrecengost	Aaron Quinn



### FLOWERS FOR NOVEMBER

November 3 and 10 – open  
November 17 and 24 – open  
December 1 and 8 - open

If anyone wishes to request a date for chancel flowers or for an organ/table arrangement please schedule with Joanie - 724-954-1671.



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

**November 24, 2024, 10:30 AM**



The fall special offering collected in October will benefit Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. (PDA)

The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) through the PDA is on the ground responding to the many urgent needs following the destruction Hurricane Helene left in its path.

Because of your generosity, we will send  
\$1990.00  
to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance  
Thank you!



Please join us in the church office, every  
Tuesday, at 10:00 am for Prayer Time.

This is an opportunity for many to  
come together to continue to  
pray for our joys and concerns.

*Jesus said, "For where two or three have  
gathered in my name, I am there among them."  
Matthew 18:20*



## **BUTTERFLY HILL PRESCHOOL**

### **Giving Thanks in November**

God Gave us a wonderful month of October  
here at Butterfly Hill Preschool.

We are getting right into the swing of our routine and adding a few extras. In October we all participated in the Pumpkin Drop, Sink or Float Experiment, and numerous pumpkin investigations. We ended our pumpkin lessons with a family trip to Renshaw Farms.

With the holidays quickly approaching, we'll focus on gratitude and sharing, with activities that highlight the spirit of Thanksgiving.

Be sure to look around the community for some of our classroom artwork.

All of us here at Butterfly Hill would like to **Thank You All** for your continued support. We're excited to learn and play together this November and we look forward to the festive seasons ahead.

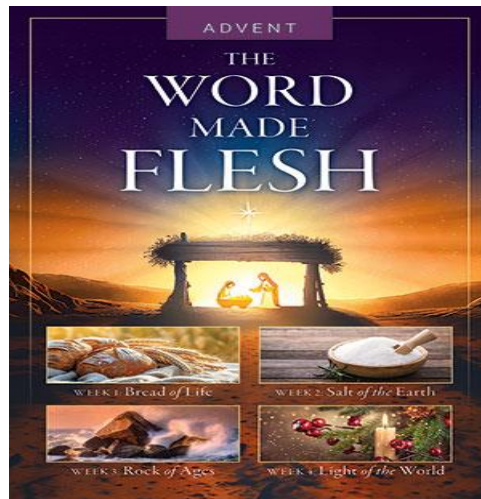
God Bless you all,  
Butterfly Hill Staff



PLEASE JOIN THE YOUTH GROUP FOR A  
PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE LUNCHEON

**NOVEMBER 17, 2024**  
**AFTER WORSHIP SERVICE**

A FREE WILL OFFERING  
WILL BENEFIT THE "IN HIS NAME" FUND



**ADVENT BIBLE STUDY**

**December 3, 10 and 17**  
**6:00 PM**  
**in the Upper Room**

In this Bible study for Advent, we will explore the biblical background and impact of the earthly substances of bread, salt, rock, and light.

As we welcome the Baby Jesus during this season, our understanding of who he is and what he has done for us will undoubtedly expand through the study of these four earthly substances.

So we can order enough books, please see Susan to sign up.



# ELDERTON COMMUNITY LIGHT-UP NIGHT

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH, 2024

4PM - 9PM

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FEATURING

🎁 RAFFLES 🎵 MUSIC 🍷 FOOD 🎲 ACTIVITIES 📷 PICTURES WITH SANTA

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Festivities at Elderton Volunteer Fire Department at 4PM  
Parade at 5:45PM with the Tree lighting following the parade  
Pictures with Santa at the Firehall following the Tree lighting



For more event information follow the event on Facebook @ Elderton Community Light-Up Night 2024

### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Larry Prugh – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Maryanne Xiong – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Travis Anderson – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Alexandra Maughan – 8<sup>th</sup>  
Chester Schall – 11<sup>th</sup>  
Cheryl Hankey – 11<sup>th</sup>  
Debbie Keeler – 12<sup>th</sup>  
Jaylin Freeman – 12<sup>th</sup>  
Eric Pinkerton – 12<sup>th</sup>  
Veda Hixenbaugh – 13<sup>th</sup>  
Margie Wood – 13<sup>th</sup>  
Charlene De La Cruz – 14<sup>th</sup>  
Sandy Peterman- 15<sup>th</sup>  
Bethany Smith – 16<sup>th</sup>  
Dean Howard – 17<sup>th</sup>  
Gary Henderson – 18<sup>th</sup>  
Bills Krebs – 19<sup>th</sup>  
Brian Dyott – 21<sup>st</sup>  
Leah Tatsak – 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Kathy Jo Scrips – 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Pat Schrecengost – 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Adam Howard – 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Butch Rodgers – 26<sup>th</sup>  
Brenda Salley – 26<sup>th</sup>  
Alissa Meyer – 26<sup>th</sup>  
Beth Schrecengost - 29<sup>th</sup>  
Joanie Riggle – 30<sup>th</sup>  
Julie Perry – 30<sup>th</sup>

### NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Tom and Phyllis Popp – 1<sup>st</sup>, 1963  
Gary and Cindy Henderson – 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1973  
Ed and Sally Fink – 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
Don and Marion Kunkle – 15<sup>th</sup>, 1958  
Kurt and Gyennie Flickinger – 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
Bob and Loretta Coleman – 24<sup>th</sup>, 1961  
Dave and Kris Hilty – 24<sup>th</sup>, 1990

You are holding a cup of coffee and someone accidentally bumps into you,  
causing it to spill everywhere.

Why did you spill the coffee? “Because someone bumped into me.”

Wrong answer.

You spilled the coffee because there was coffee in your cup.  
If there had been tea in the cup, you would have spilled tea.

Whatever is in the cup is what will spill out.

So, when life shakes you up, whatever is inside you will come out.  
It’s easy to pretend everything’s fine until you’re shaken.

So, we have to ask ourselves, “What’s in my cup”

When life gets tough, what spills over?

Joy? Gratitude? Peace? Humility? Anger? Bitterness? A victim mentality? A tendency to quit?

**Remember life gives you the cup; YOU choose what to fill it with!**

# November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 8:30- Choir Practice 9:30- Sunday School 10:30- Worship Service	4	5	6	7	8	9 9:00-12:00 Helping Hand
10 8:30- Choir Practice 9:30- Sunday School 10:30- Worship Service	11 Veterans Day	12	13 1:00 – Circle Meeting	14 6:00 – Session Meeting Deacons Meeting	15	16
17 8:30- Choir Practice 9:30- Sunday School 10:30- Worship Service- Pancake and Sausage Dinner	18	19 10:00-3:00 Helping Hand	20	21	22	23
24 8:30- Choir Practice 9:30- Sunday School 10:30- Worship Service- Communion	25	26	27	28 HAPPY THANKSGIVING 	29	30