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Sunday, November 18 — Consecration Sunday Proclamation of the Word:

The Spiritual Strategic Journey Leadership Team (Paul Fennema, Lynne Peterson, Mark Smith, Denise Weingart, Sis Winch) will present the "Future Story" of First Presbyterian Church

Scripture: Exodus 14:15-18, 21-25, 30-31; Psalm 29; Luke 5:1-11

Homily: Deep Water by General Presbyter, Dan Schomer

Music: Haviland Choir

Sunday, November 25 Christ the King Sunday

Scripture: Psalm 93

Revelation 1:4-8

Luke 17:20-21

Sermon: 'Till Kingdom Come

Music: Haviland Choir Liturgist: Marilyn Ward

Dear Friends,

Next Sunday is Consecration Sunday. I hope that you have made your reservation for the "Thanksgiving" Dinner following worship. These annual dinners have been wonderful occasions for fellowship, conversation, and giving praise for all the good gifts God continues to provide for us. In Deuteronomy, God's people are instructed to use their tithes to buy food, "and you shall eat there in the presence of the LORD your God, you and your household rejoicing together" (Deuteronomy 14:26).

Worship next Sunday will also be very interesting! As Denise Weingart said this past Sunday, the presentation by our SSJ Team will <u>not</u> consist of them sharing a traditional "report" with us. Suffice it to say that our team brought down the house when they first debuted their presentation for the other teams involved in this SSJ process. You will find yourselves both entertained and enlightened.

The Spiritual Strategic Journey process, in which so many of you participated through small prayer groups, was made possible through Eastminster Presbytery. Dan Schomer, our General Presbyter, has been with us every step of the way, offering support and guidance. It is very appropriate that Dan be with us this Sunday as our team makes its presentation to you.

Many thanks to Mark Smith, Bill Rousseau, Mo Hofmeister, and Julie Mackall, each of whom shared his or her personal journey of faith with us over the past few Sundays. Each of us has a story to tell of God's goodness and grace in our lives. Each of our personal stories contributes to the story of First Presbyterian Church's faithfulness to God's work. For God's faithfulness -- and yours -- let us give thanks!

Blessings, Meta

Prayer Concerns

Wavelene Arnold, Chris Brown (UMC Choir Director, needs kidney transplant), Ryan Christian (Nancy Fawcett's friend), Steven Courtwright (Dolly Millikin's nephew), Dan and Audrey Crawford (Linda Crawford's brother & sister in law), Stella Dominic, Alex Evans (Lucy Works' friend), Morgan Fennema (Paul and Barbara Fennema's granddaughter), Ruth Garvey (Angela Milligan's mother), Yvonne Goll (Missionary in LA, "Saving Innocence"), Dustin Gorby (Mickey Buck's friend), Ruth Gould, Jack and Rita Hovis, Hayden Johnson, Bill and Theresa Jones, Char McDevitt, Bill Phillips (Joyce Smith's son -in-law), Sam Pridon, Charles and Charity Ricciardi, Connie Bowman Rowe (Helen Hayes' friend), Gene Shafer, Brian Smith (Dan Smith's grandson), Roland and Mary Smith (Susan Smith's parents), Ann Theil, Scott Theil (Ann Theil's son), Lucy Works

Special Care Facilities

Blossom: Georgiana Costa, 204B; Ellie Parker, 413B (PLEASE, NO VISITORS) Clare Bridge of Austintown: Bill Butler (Pat Butler's husband); 1420 S Canfield Niles Rd, Austintown OH 44515

Community Care Center: Rosann Butler, 131; PO Box 2720, Alliance OH 44601 Copeland Oaks: Chet Roof, 6-202

Courtyard: Phyllis Lamb, 109; Linda Tonti,

209 (John Tonti's mother)

Crandall: Marilyn Clark, 185; Betsy Johnson,

251 (Tom Johnson's wife)

Essex 3: Ibby Dales, 211

Grace Woods Village: Jo Hawkins, 234 Lake Huron Woods: Joyce Smith;

5221 Lakeshore Rd, Fort Gratiot MI 48059

<u>Pleasant View North</u>: Helen Hum <u>Sterling House</u>: Dorothy Gibson, 303

<u>Vista Center, Lisbon</u>: Virginia Calabrese

(Dawn Billham's grandmother)

Weatherwood Manor: Dolores Kynett, 201; 896 Weatherwood Lane, Greensburg PA 15601

Whispering Pines Village: Rolin Herron, 317; 937 E Park Ave, Columbiana OH 44408

Military

SGT Fennema, John T. fennema33@yahoo.com Paul and Barb Fennema's son

Envelope Income received November 4	\$ 6,165.00
General Fund Balance, September 30, 2012 October Revenues October Expenses General Fund Balance, October 31, 2012	\$ 1,431.14 \$17,369.41 \$22,319.44 (-\$3,518.89)
Per Capita (\$30 / 2012 Goal: \$12,090) 2¢ a Meal for Hunger	\$ 2,663.00 \$ 31.00

Gorley, Matthew
PSC 831 Box 0022
FPO AE 09363
Scott and Debbie Boyd's nephew

1LT Halverstadt, Jon
Dave and Becky Halverstadt's son

LCPL Harp, Alex 539 Richlands Rd Trenton NC 28585 John and Joetta Tonti's grandson

SPC Hill, Zachary
A CO 1-17 IN 2-2 SBCT
ATTN: 1st PLT
FOB Azzilluah APO AE 09370
Zachary.J.Hill@us.army.mil
Gloria Shafer's son

SSGT Stith, Ryan Kilo Company / MCT SOI Camp Pendleton CA 92055 Harvey and Sally Mason's grandson



In Memoriam Juanita "Polly" Williams Kendall

> Joined First Church October 29, 1950

Died November 3, 2012

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord hence forth...that they may rest from their labors for their deeds follow them." Revelation 14:13



The Sympathy and Surrounding Love of Our Congregation are extended to the family of Polly Kendall; to Karen Lorden and the family on the death of her mother-in-law, Mary Barnes; and to the family of Olivia Thompson.



Dear Friends,

I am doing well and find Weatherwood Manor a lovely place to be. I want to thank my friends who send me cards. I very much enjoy them! Dolores Kynett

A BIG note of thanks to all who donated shampoo and conditioner and other items for the "We Care" Ministry!



\$7 per plant / Order in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, or call Church Office. Orders due December 2. * No Color Selection *

Mobile Meals is looking for individuals who will give 2 hours of their time as many days during the month that they are available. Deliveries are Monday through Friday and at the conclusion of the volunteer's delivery route, the Salem Community Hospital invites them for a free lunch in the hospital cafeteria. If interested, call Terri Baird, 330-332-2160.



The pantry is in need of stuffing for Thanksgiving meals. Please put on the stage in Fellowship Hall.

Presbyterian Women's Association

Basket Auction

Sunday, December 16
Proceeds Dedicated for Local Christmas Mission

TICKETS WILL BE SOLD.

Baskets will be on display on Sunday, December 9 before and after Worship.

Any group wishing to create a themed basket should call the Church Office.

Hurricane Sandy Relief

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance has already sent One Great Hour of Sharing funds and members of the National Response Team to help mid councils in affected U.S. areas in their response efforts. Locally, the Salvation Army is collecting donations of money, clothes, food, and blankets (all to be in good condition). Please take to the Salvation Army.

Our Church History ...

From the Messenger, November 15, 1942

PARISH NOTES

The Women's Bible Class is sending out Christmas cards to all of our solders.

Last week Rev. Walter sent out a letter to all the soldiers at home and abroad.

Next week Rev. Walter has agreed to help during the afternoons in gas rationing, so that pastoral calling will of necessity be limited. He can be reached, however, by telephone at the study in the forenoons.

From the Messenger, November 23, 1952

A Special Congregational Meeting has been called by the Session to follow a trial sermon by the Rev. A. Laten Carter, Director of Westminster Foundation at Kent State University, candidate for our pulpit, at 7:30 Tuesday evening, November 25th.

From the Messenger, November 1, 1962

TITHING — The simplest definition of Christian tithing is that is is a Christian man tithing. This is not just a play on words. For the point that such a definition emphasizes is that it is not tithing that makes a person a Christian. He is a Christian first — through faith in Jesus Christ — and then a tither. Let no one believe that tithing and the tithe are tests of one's Christianity. They are but the evidence of one's faith.



Salvation Army "Christmas Angel"

We are sponsoring 40 children for the Christmas Angel program in which children's genders, ages, needs and Christmas wish lists are on tags and members of the community can choose a child in need of some Christmas joy. Please buy one outfit and one toy from the child's tag and return it to the Church Office or Fellowship Hall stage. Gifts should not be wrapped, but instead placed in a garbage bag or large shopping bag with the tag affixed to the outside. All gifts must be returned to the church no later than December 13.

Projects and Fundraisers

"Backpack Buddies" is a program to help feed children who depend on the school cafeteria as their main source of nutrition. "Backpack Buddies" will send home some nutritious foods to sustain the kids over the weekend. These items will be delivered to children at the Buckeye Elementary School in Salem on Friday afternoons. Items we are looking for include:

Peanut Butter Crackers, Granola Bars, Apples, Oranges, Non Refrigerated Pudding Cups, Jello Cups, Trail Mixes, Fig Newtons, Raisins and Other Dried Fruits, Pretzels, Yogurt Covered Snacks, Fruit Cups.

Paper Products for St. Vincent DePaul -

Paper Towels, Dish Soap, Sporks, Napkins, Paper Plates, Hand Soap, Toilet Paper. Place items in box on stage.

Evergreen Wreath & Cross Orders

Sunday, November 18, is last day to place your orders. Prices are same as last year and they come from a florist in Columbiana. Place order in Fellowship Hall on Sunday or call the Church Office. Payment is due with order.

20" Wreath (\$22), 24" Wreath (\$25) – pick up Nov. 25 22" Cross (\$18), 30" Cross (\$25) – pick up Nov. 25

Hard Tack Orders

Sunday, December 2, is last day to place your orders. Price is \$5 a bag. Place order in Fellowship Hall on Sunday or call the Church Office. When ordering, please specify Spice or Fruit flavor. Pick up on Dec. 16.

Buckeye Orders

\$6.00 a dozen – pick up on Dec. 16 Supplies needed (thank you!) – Creamy Peanut Butter, Nestle's Milk Chocolate Morsels, Margarine, Powdered Sugar Place items in box on stage.

November

Happy Birthday!

Dolores Kynett (14), Elizabeth Dales (22), Minnie Rhea Carter (25)

14 / Weds 9:00 February Circle

9:45 March Circle (110) 5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club 7:00 Haviland Choir (S) 7:00 Men's Bible Study (110)

15 / Thurs 9:00-3:00 Preschool (FH) - Th/F

7:00 Session (107)

18 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School; Adult Bible Study (110)

9:00 Adult Sunday School (107) 10:00 Fellowship/Coffee Hour (FH)

10:30 Worship (S) - SSJ Presentation;

Rev. Dan Schomer in Pulpit; followed by Congregational Dinner of Thanks-giving

LOGOS - Making Hard Tack (K) 5:30-6:15 Youth Bell Practice (S)

6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)

19 / Mon Preschool Feast Day — M/Tu

6:30 Book Study 6 (107) - Sacred Necessities

6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)

21 / Weds No Preschool

22 / Thurs Happy Thanksoning

23 / Fri No Preschool / Church Office Closed

25 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School; Adult Bible Study (110)

9:00 Adult Sunday School (107) 10:00 Fellowship/Coffee Hour (FH)

10:30 Worship (S)

26 / Mon 6:30 Book Study 7 (107) - Sacred Necessities

6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)

27 / Weds 5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club

7:00 Haviland Choir (S) 7:00 Men's Bible Study (110)

Salem Community Pantry

Mon., Fri., 9-11:30 a.m. / Tues., 5-7:30 p.m.

Urgent Needs — <u>stuffing</u>, canned soup, small jars of peanut butter, and personal hygiene items.

Place items in box on stage. Thank you!

28 / Thurs 9:00-3:00 Preschool (FH) - Th/F

December

Happy Birthday!

Joyce Smith (10), Jim Gibbs (13), Rita Hovis (13), Phyllis Lamb (25), Charles Gibbs (27), Juanita Latham (29)

2 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School; Adult Bible Study (110)

Advent I 9:00 Adult Sunday School (107)

10:00 Fellowship/Coffee Hour (FH)

10:30 Worship (S) - Sacrament of Communion

LOGOS - Making Hard Tack 5:30-6:15 Youth Bell Practice (S)

6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)

3 / Mon 6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)

4 / Tues **7:00 Board of Deacons (107)**

5 / Weds 12:00 Daytimers (FH) - Bring Covered Dish

Program: Women's Trio (Jayne Bricker, Cheryl

McDevitt, Ruth Newman)
5:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
7:00 Men's Bible Study (110)

6 / Thurs 9:00-3:00 Preschool (FH) - Th/F

7:00 Salem Bird Study Club (110)

7:00 Committees: Christian Ed (106),
Mission I and S (FH), Property (107),
Worship (109)

9 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School; Adult Bible Study (110)

Advent 2 9:00 Adult Sunday School (107) 10:00 Fellowship/Coffee Hour (FH)

10:30 Worship (S) - Children's Music Program

LOGOS: Schoenbrunn Village after Church

6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)

10 / Mon 6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)

7:00 Congregational Care (107)

12 / Weds 9:00 February Circle

9:45 March Circle (110)

'NEW' Worship Schedule on TV

Sunday – I & 9 a.m.; Tuesday – I2 & 3 p.m.;

Wednesday – I a.m., 4 & 9 p.m.;

Friday – I a.m., 4 p.m.; / Saturday – 3 a.m., I2 & 4 p.m.

Cable TV Channel 9 / Schedule Subject to Change