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Rev. Meta S. Cramer, Pastor
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (110)
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall)

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Sunday, November 19 — The 24th Sunday after Pentecost

Scripture: Habakkuk 3:2-6, 16-19
Psalm 126
Philippians 4:10-14
Sermon: "Thanks Anyway"
Anthem: *A Jubilant Celebration* -
The Haviland Choir
Liturgist: Barbara Yonker



Sunday, November 26 — Christ the King The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper The Western Reserve Brass



Scripture: 2 Samuel 23:1-7; Psalm 96:10-13;
Matthew 25:31-46
Sermon: "The One We're Waiting For"
Anthem: *At the Name of Jesus, and
Crown Him the Lord of Life* -
The Haviland Choir
Liturgist: Ruth Newman

Dear Friends,

I hope that all of you who attended our Consecration Sunday worship feel as inspired and energized as I do! We enjoyed *wonderful* music from Cody Tonkinson; the Praise Chime Choir, directed by Cheryl McDevitt; the Praise and Cherub vocal Choirs, directed by Jayne Bricker and Sue Skiba; *and* the Haviland Choir, directed by John Krauss and accompanied by Nancy McNeal and Gary Kekel. As yesterday's lesson from the Letter of James tells us, "Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise"! And that we did!

Our guest preacher, the Rev. Cathy Ulrich, reminded us to pray when we are suffering and to let others pray for us when we are in need. She also stressed the centrality of forgiveness, something we are able to do only because Christ works in us and among us to empower us to do what seems virtually impossible. Yet another of the *Church House Rules* she shared is our commitment to supporting our community of faith with our material gifts as we are able to do so. In addition to singing praises, praying, and forgiving, we are called to give as generously as God has given to us.

Many thanks to our Congregational Care Committee for our Soup and Dessert Luncheon! You donated over \$200 more to our Good Neighbors Offering, making a total of over \$1900 for the support of the Salem Police Department's K-9 officers and the work of CEDEPCA in Guatemala. *Thank you* for those gifts!

The Season of Advent is fast approaching, though it doesn't begin until December 3. Please take note of the time-sensitive information within these pages regarding *Tinsel and Talents*, the *Salvation Army Angel Tree*, and the sale of *Poinsettias*. And mark your calendars for more great music when the Haviland Choir presents *Winter's Grace* on December 17! Grace abounds!

Blessings, Meta

Prayer Concerns

It's a privilege to pray for each and every one on our Prayer List. We would appreciate your keeping the office updated on your prayer request. Names will remain on the list for 1 month unless an update is received.

Denny Amelung (Gloria Shafer's uncle), Rhys Barnett (Arlene and Bob Barnett's grandson), Roger Berger (Carol Ricciardi's friend), Chuck Boing (Gloria Shafer's brother in law), Brenda Bradley, Kay Bryant (Judy Sicilia's friend), Sandy Byers (Carol Ricciardi's sister), Marcia Clark (Jan Jones' friend), Carol Dougherty, Matthew Drake (Jim and Nancy McNeal's grandson), Kim and Mark Evans (Ruth Newman's niece), Morgan Fennema and Nicole Fennema (Paul and Barbara Fennema's grand-daughter, daughter-in-law), Matthew Gorley (Scott and Debbie Boyd's nephew), Dwight Guthrie (Meta Cramer's cousin), Ryan Hack (Roger and Darlene Hack's son), Amy Hall (Tom Mercer's friend), Charles Hamilton (Rich and Pat Eichler's nephew), Bill Hannay, Jeff Hendricks (Ruth Newman's nephew), Tom Henry (Susan Merry's brother in law), Marilyn Herron, Rita Hovis, Hayden Johnson, Jan Joan Jones (Sally Collins' mother), Brenda Lipp, Ricki Looser (Jan Jones' friend), Mary Luecke (Barb Loudon's mother), Claude and Marie Mosher (Curt's brother and wife), Shirl O'Rourke (A.I.D. Volunteer), Don Palmer (Rich Eichler's uncle), Mark Parker (Penny Lippiatt's nephew), Katie-Adam-Frankie Pawlosky (Jim and Ruth Newman's daughter and family - Adam preparing for deployment), Mary Jane (Ellie Parker's friend), Clarence and Joan Reed (Sue Skiba's parents), Charity Ricciardi (Carol Ricciardi's daughter-in-law), Maria Ricciardi (Carol Ricciardi's mother-in-law), Dr. Marilyn Roderick (Juanita Latham's daughter), Cody Roman (Kathie Baker's grandson), Steve Rozeski (Sandra Arter's friend), Ann Sandrock, Bob Schneider (Judy Sicilia's friend), Gene Shafer, Tom Shafer and Carol Shaw (Gloria Shafer's husband, mother), Michael Shepard (Lorin and Marcia Shepard's son), Luke Spielman (Sam and Julie Johnson's friend of family), Lana Tonkinson (Ed and Melissa Tonkinson's daughter), Jerry Toot (Sandra Arter's friend)continued in next column

Good Neighbors Offering (K-9 Fund and CEDEPCA)	\$ 1,937.00
Per Capita (\$32 per Active Member)	\$ 1,876.00
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance	\$ 600.00

Harry Veon (Bob and Sue Merry's family friend), Robert Wheatley (Gloria Shafer's co-worker), Elizabeth Wilkins (Lucy Works' aunt, Margaret Gibbs sister), Ruth Wright (Ann Sandrock's friend)

Special Care Facilities

Birchaven Village: Jean Leimbach, 124; 15100 Birchaven Ln, Findlay OH 45840

Brookdale Salem: Pat Butler, 305

Crandall: Betsy Johnson, 251; Marty Hollinger, 298

Essex III: Janice Olmstead, 223

Inn at Poland Way: Norman and Jeanne Smith, 6501 Poland Way, Poland OH 44514

Lake Vista at Cortland: Margaret Sheets, Apt 105; 303 North Mecca St, Cortland OH 44410

Regency on the Lake: Joyce Smith, Room 205; 5669 Lakeshore Rd, Fort Gratiot MI 48059

Village at Westerville: Bruno and Kay Stanga; 215 Huber Village Blvd, C100, Westerville OH 43081

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

Whispering Pines: Dottie Zimmerman; 937 E Park Ave, Columbiana OH 44408

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The Sympathy and Surrounding Love of Our Congregation are extended to Steve and Kathy Stewart and the family on the death of Kathy's sister, Karen Wilson.

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Daytimers

Wednesday, December 6
12 Noon - Fellowship Hall
Christmas Music -
Lois Dunn, Barbara Fennema



Thank You

Thank you so much for donating 307 pairs of socks to the Salvation Army from our 'Sock-tober' project. We did an amazing job!

Barbara Yonker

Thank you for your thoughts and prayers, cards, and the flowers delivered by Deacon Tricia Jackson.

Karl Wright

A special thanks to Lucy Works for her strong determination to find me and deliver the beautiful church flowers from the worship service for my birthday. My heartfelt thanks,

Marilyn Loudon

Special thanks to Gary Kekel for repairing the Hearing Aids in the Sanctuary.

Red Poinsettias

Order on Sundays or in Church Office during the week. / \$7.00 each

Last day to order is December 10.



Salvation Army "Christmas Angel" Program

We are sponsoring 40 children for the Christmas Angel program in which children's genders, ages, needs, and Christmas wish lists are on tags which will be on the Christmas tree in Fellowship Hall this Sunday, November 19. 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. Do Not Include Gift Receipts. All gifts must be returned to the church by Sunday, December 10.



Mark Your Calendars!

- Dec 3** **Tinsel and Talents** at 5 p.m. Christmas music performed by bell choirs and musicians of all ages. Art Items Display in Fellowship Hall following music program. Refreshments. Sign-up sheets are at Sanctuary entrances and should be turned in to Cheryl McDevitt (music offerings), Barb Yonker (art entries), or Lois Dunn (handicraft entries). Deadline for inclusion in the music program is November 26.
- Dec 10** **Youth Program** during 10:30 a.m. worship. **Open House** from 4-7 p.m. at home of Steve and Meta Cramer
- Dec 17** **Advent Music Program** - The Haviland Choir and Guest Musicians present "Winter's Grace: A Cantata for Christmas" by Joseph M. Martin during 10:30 a.m. worship.
- Dec 17** **Basket Raffle** by Women's Association. Any group, committee, or individual wishing to create a themed basket should call Jan Jones, 330-332-4549.

Earth Friendly Fall Garden Ideas

If you still have a layer of leaves covering your lawn, don't worry! Its ok. There are some definite benefits to wildlife and your garden by leaving some leaves on the ground. Let me explain. Here are some reasons why from David Mizejewski who wrote in the National Wildlife Federation's blog.

- Many wildlife species live in or rely on that leaf layer throughout the winter.
- Many butterfly and moth species overwinter as pupae in leaf litter. Many of them serve as a food source for birds and their young in the spring, or develop into pollinators for our gardens.
- Leaves are a natural mulch that helps suppress weeds and at the same time fertilize the soil as they break down.
- If you must rake up your leaves, don't throw them in the trash. Remember to put them out in the paper bags for the curbside pick-up.

AND, one more thought! Please don't put those pumpkins in the trash. Find someone who has chickens or pigs. They will relish the post Halloween treat. They can be cut up and put in your compost (or a neighbor's) or if you live near a wooded area, you can put them out for a treat for the wild animals. Find something, just try not to put them in the trash.

~ Youth News ~

Sunday School:

9:15 - 10:00 a.m.

Classes will combine for Advent Lessons in Fellowship Hall beginning December 3 - *The Magi*.

Pres-Bees Youth Club:

4:30-6:00 p.m. on Sundays / Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 5 Choir, Lesson, Craft; Shared Meal with LOGOS at 5:30 p.m.

- November 19 Regular Gathering
Hot Turkey Sandwiches, Corn,
Applesauce, Pumpkin Dessert
- November 26 No Gathering - *Happy Thanksgiving!*
- December 3 No Gathering - *Tinsel and Talents*
- December 10 Regular Gathering

Note: Cherub Choir, Praise Choir, and Pres-Bees Chimers held during Pres-Bees Youth Club.

Note: Drop off and pick up for Pres-Bees Youth Club will be from Fellowship Hall. Use the west entrance near the kitchen.

LOGOS:

5:00-6:30 p.m. on Sundays / Youth in Grades 6-12
Shared Meal with Pres-Bees Youth Club at 5:30 p.m.

- November 19 After Worship - Visit to The Courtyard at Lexington with Lunch at Wendy's
No Gathering
- November 26 No Gathering - *Happy Thanksgiving!*
- December 3 No Gathering - *Tinsel and Talents*
- December 10 Regular Gathering
- December 17 Christmas Party

Note: LOGOS Bell Choir - Sundays at 4:15 p.m. in Room 200

Live Evergreen Sale

LOGOS Fundraiser

Order on Sundays, November 19 and 26 or through the Church Office. Pick up on Sunday, December 3.
Sign-up Sheet in Fellowship Hall.

20" Wreath - \$28 22" Cross - \$23
24" Wreath - \$34 30" Cross - \$30



Advent Wreath Centerpiece with Live Greenery

LOGOS Fundraiser

\$12.00 (sample in Fellowship Hall)

November

Happy Birthday!

Dolores Kynett (14), Ruth Varkonda (15)

15 / Weds 6:00 Carillon Ringers (200)
7:00 Haviland Choir (S) / Men's Bible Study

16 / Thurs **7:30 Regular Session Meeting (107)**

17 / Fri Quilt Group (107)

18 / Sat Making Soup-to-Go (K) *Chili*

19 / Sun 9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
9:15 Sunday School
9:15 SFPC Women's Assoc. (107)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Lord's Day Worship
11:30 Soup-to-Go (K) Chili
LOGOS to Courtyard at Lexington
after Worship
4:30-6:00 Pres-Bees Youth Club
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (FH)



20 / Mon Preschool Thanksgiving Feast (FH)
6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)

21 / Tues Preschool Thanksgiving Feast (FH)

23 / Thurs *Happy Thanksgiving!*



24 / Fri Church Office Closed

26 / Sun 9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
9:15 Sunday School
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Lord's Day Worship - *Communion*
No Pres-Bees, LOGOS
No Cub Scouts



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

29 / Weds 6:00 Carillon Ringers (S)
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
7:00 Men's Bible Study (110)

30 / Weds **7:00 Movie Night (107)**

Happy Birthday!

Jean Johnson (2), Janice Olmstead (4),
Joyce Smith (10), Elizabeth Thatcher (13),
Jim Gibbs (13), Rita Hovis (13),
Marge Wright (15), Charles Gibbs (27),
Juanita Latham (29)

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9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
9:15 Sunday School Together Time
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Lord's Day Worship
5:00 Tinsel and Talents (S/FH)
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)

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3 / Sun

4 / Mon 6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
7:00 Board of Deacons (107)
9:15 Sunday School Together Time
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Lord's Day Worship
4:00-7:00 Open House at home of Steve and Meta Cramer
5 / Tues **4:15 LOGOS Bell Choir (200)**
10:00-9:00 **4:30 Pres-Bees Youth Club**
United Quilt **5:00 LOGOS**
Guild (FH) 6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)

10:00 Eastminster Presbytery Meeting at
Canfield Presbyterian Church



Salem Community Pantry

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

ITEMS NEEDED:

Peanut Butter, Plastic Grocery Bags, Empty Egg Cartons. Place items in Fellowship Hall.

Worship Schedule on Cable TV Channel 9

Sunday – 1 and 9 am / Monday – 1am
Tuesday – 3 am, 12 & 4 pm / Wednesday – 1 am, 4 & 9 pm
Friday – 1 am / Saturday – 3 am, 12 & 4 pm

Services can also be seen on You Tube: FPCSALEM