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OCTOBER—STEWARDSHIP MONTH

¹⁰ Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.

— 1 Peter 4:10

Sunday, October 17, is Stewardship Sunday. Sermons throughout October will focus on stewardship—its meaning and its place in the Church and in our lives as Christians. Stewardship is basically sharing the varied gifts God has given each of us in support of our Church and its missions. Learn more about Memorial’s stewardship campaign for 2022 in a note from our Stewardship Committee on page 3.

ADDED NEW BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM:
At the request of some of our members, an additional Bible study program that will focus on the Book of Revelation will be held in person at the Church on Thursday mornings from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. Details about this new program to learn more about the Bible can be found on page 4.

Blessings,
Pastor Gladys



“Church isn’t just a place we go.



The Church is who we are.”

—anonymous

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DEACON’S SMOCK FOUNDATION FUNDS:

If you know someone who is a church member, who lives in Indiana, and who may need economic help due to an emergency, job loss, death of a family member, etc., please let a deacon know of the need.



The Smock Family has generously given funds for emergency needs. Priorities are given to senior adults within our church family.

The funds are given anonymously to the person.

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DMPC October Events

October 3

World Communion
Sunday
Peace & Global
Witness Offering



October 5

Trustees Meeting @
7:15 pm

October 7, 14, 21, 28

Food Pantry
Walk-in @ 9-11 a.m.
Pick-up @ 3-5 p.m.

October 10

Change for
Change



October 17

Stewardship
Sunday



October 20

Session meeting @ 7 pm

October 20-23

Pastor Gladys in VA for
Fall Board of Pensions
Meeting

October 25

Administrative Cmte
meeting @ 6 pm

** SESSION NOTES **

Your Session met on Tuesday evening, September 21, 2021, and during the meeting the Elders:

- Learned that the new furnaces and air conditioners for the south wing have been installed and are working fine.
- Sadly, reported the passing of Henry Ray Hicks, husband of Patty Hicks, on September 21.
- Learned that the Smock Foundation has awarded us a generous grant for the purpose of adding new technology (screens, cameras, etc.) to our sanctuary.
- Approved "Hanging of the Greens" for Sunday, November 28.
- Approved Sunday School Teachers for the new semester: Molly Childers, Hannah Boles, Zonda Bryant, Muriel Grimes, Julie Boles, and Jane Coleman.
- Learned that the Pastor's Bible Study (both morning and evening sessions) will begin on September 29 and run through the first week in December.

Michael E. Grimes, Clerk of Session



*We have lost
someone very special. . .*

*Thank you for
sharing our grief.*



Dear Congregation ~

*Thank you for the delicious
meal following Ray's burial.*

*We so appreciate your support,
thoughts and prayers.*

Blessings,

Patty Hicks and family

Stewardship Committee News
“Murmuration – What if?”
Stewardship Campaign Invitation



Psalm 133:1 *“How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in harmony!”*

As we kick off our 2021 stewardship campaign, the following excerpt from *“All God’s Creatures”* by Renee Yancy provides a beautiful visual image during these uncertain times.

“Starlings are rather ordinary birds. Many people consider them pests, and they are notorious for driving other birds away from their favored nesting sites. However, in one particular instance, plain, pesky starlings become a thing of beauty when hundreds of thousands of them flock together in what is called a murmuration.

As daylight wanes, large groups of starlings join together in a whirling, mesmerizing, pulsating dance, shifting and falling in dizzying spirals and clouds, moving and turning in the air as one at some invisible command.

They are searching for a roosting spot for the night, safe from predators. If a hawk or peregrine falcon approaches, the roaring sound of half a million beating wings will drive it off. It is difficult for the peregrine to target any particular bird in this seething mass.

The most amazing thing about starling murmurations is the sheer fluidity of their movement and the seemingly miraculous way they turn and soar or dive as one unit. How do thousands of birds, flying wingtip to wingtip, react almost simultaneously? The National Council of Research at the University of Rome studied this phenomenon in 2010 and discovered that starling flocks respond as one and cannot be divided into independent subparts.

What a lesson for the body of Christ. What if we couldn’t be divided into our “subparts”? What if we chose to overlook our petty differences and came together as one? What if we looked at ourselves like the starlings? All linked, all connected, all vital to one another, coming together for warmth and protection?

What a thing of beauty that would be.”

After last year’s virtual stewardship campaign, we’re so very grateful for the opportunity to participate in this year’s campaign live and in person. In addition, this is the first year in several in which we have a full-time pastor helping guide us through this vital activity. One might say we’re coming together in our own version of murmuration, both physically and as one, pastor and congregation. Imagine the possibilities. What if we looked at ourselves as all linked, all connected, all vital to one another, coming together for warmth and protection? What if “all” not only referred to current members and friends of Memorial Presbyterian Church, but to friends, family, neighbors and even strangers throughout our community?

(cont. on page 4)



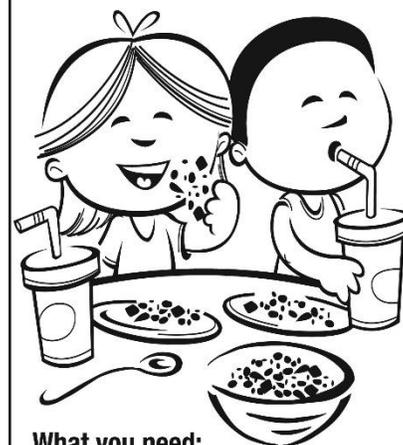
MAY GRACE AND PEACE
BE YOURS IN ABUNDANCE.

2 PETER 1:2, NRSV

HARVEST

Trail Mix

This portable snack combines favorite fall flavors.

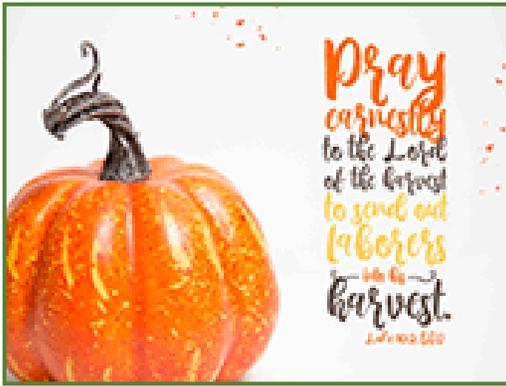


What you need:

- 1/4 cup maple syrup
- 1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
- 1/8 tsp. salt
- 2/3 cup pecan pieces
- 1/3 cup roasted pumpkin seeds
- 1/3 cup almonds
- 1/4 cup raisins
- 2/3 cup dried fruit (any)

What you do:

1. Microwave syrup, spices, seeds and nuts for 30 seconds at a time, stirring frequently, until mixture thickens.
2. Spread the mixture on a baking sheet lined with wax paper. Let cool and harden.
3. Break the candied nuts into chunks. Combine with dried fruit.
4. Store in airtight container.



Pastor's Bible Study--Fall 2021

The Fall Pastor's Bible Study began last week and continues through the first week of December; and you continue to be welcome at either the evening or morning sessions!! The focus of the Bible study will be the 9 essentials of spiritual well being—please remember to take the GPS inventory (see insert for more details).



Weekday
Bible Studies

NOTE: Both morning & evening Bible study groups will meet on Thursdays beginning the week of October 4.

Morning Bible study: in person at the Church; 10 a.m.

Evening Bible study: via Zoom; 7 p.m.

*Sign up by contacting the office or drop in
—You are always welcome!*

Details on the GPS Bible study program can be found in the September newsletter or call the office for more information.

SEED impressions

Create autumn-themed artwork using items from plants.



What you need:

- Seed pods, nuts, pine cones
- Mixing bowl
- 2 cups flour
- 1 cup salt
- 1 cup warm water
- Adult help

What you do:

1. Go on a nature walk and collect seeds with interesting textures.
2. In the bowl, mix flour and salt. Gradually add water. On a table, knead the dough. (If too dry, add more water; if too sticky, add more flour.)
3. Flatten a ball of dough and stamp impressions in it with the seeds.
4. If desired, bake for several hours at 150 degrees until dry and hard. Or, to reuse dough, store in an airtight container up to 6 months.

Save the Date!!

Jubilee Christmas



Saturday, December 11, 2021

For more information on LUM's Jubilee program:

<https://www.lumserve.org/programs/children-families/jubilee-christmas/>

Love
the Lord your God
with all your HEART
and with all your SOUL
and with all your MIND
and with all your STRENGTH.



Food Pantry

Please encourage anyone in need in our area to visit our Food Pantry, using either the traditional walk-in option from 9 to 11 a.m. on Thursday mornings OR the pre-order & pick up option on Thursday afternoons, 3 to 5 p.m. The new option operates in a way similar to the current Kids' Closet process. We are asking individuals to submit their names, phone numbers, addresses, and number of people in their families to let us know they would like to use our pick up option. We will do our best to fill orders received by Friday to be ready for pick up on Thursday of the following week. However, we will also contact individuals by phone to confirm when their orders will be ready. *NOTE: All restrictions on geographic area served and number of times individuals can come in will continue to apply. Order forms are available through the Church's Facebook pages and website, as well as on the Dayton and Mulberry town Facebook pages.*

Donations that have been made of food items and grocery bags continue to be most greatly appreciated! Just drop off donations at the office any Thursday between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. **Bring your receipt to the office, and you'll be reimbursed.**

If you have ideas of how we can better reach families in need about our Thursday morning and afternoon programs at the Dayton Food Pantry, please contact the office (see [pages 1 & 4 for contact information](#)).

The DMPC Food Pantry serves the geographical areas of Sheffield Township (which includes the town of Dayton, IN), Lauramie Township (which includes the towns of Clarks Hill and Stockwell, IN), and Clinton County. Families whose children attend Dayton Elementary may also be served by the DMPC Food. Each family/individual may come to the Food Pantry once every 30 days.

If you'd like to volunteer, please contact:
Paul Houser, (765) 404-3317



Food Pantry Items Needed:

- pork & beans (16 oz can)*
- pineapple (20 oz can)*
- applesauce
- tuna (5 oz can)*
- peanut butter (18 oz jar)*

*approximate sizes

Bring your receipt to the office, and you'll be reimbursed.



Church Office Hours & Contact Info:

Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Phone: 765.296.3199

Email:

secretary@daytonpres.org

Website: www.daytonpres.org

Facebook: Dayton Memorial Presbyterian Church Group (private page)

and Dayton Memorial Presbyterian Church /Religious Organization (public page)

Who refreshes others will be refreshed.

-Proverbs 11:25

KIDS' CLOSET



As we welcome the cooler temperatures, please think about school-appropriate clothing for children and teens AND warmer clothing! New or gently used donations are accepted during office hours—see right. We are asking that the donations are clean, placed in clean containers, and the containers/bags are dated. We are making a special request for **children's underclothing** (new, please) which are frequently needed by our families.

Our new system continues to operate smoothly. KC order forms are available through Facebook, our website, and in the Church office during office hours (see right). Please keep a watch in our newsletters, on our Facebook page and Church website for any further updates or changes.

For questions, please contact Julie Boles or Muriel Grimes.



PUZZLE

Harvest hunt

Directions: After unscrambling each leaf's word, follow the vine to complete the Bible verse.

caepe

reway

delfis

Galatians
6:9

James 3:18

John
4:35

Peacemakers who sow in _____ reap a harvest of righteousness. James 3:18, NIV

Let us not become _____ in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9, NIV

I tell you, open your eyes and look at the _____!
They are ripe for harvest. John 4:35, NIV

Answer: peace, weary, fields

*We always thank
God for all of you
and continually
mention you in
our prayers.*

1 Thessalonians 5:25

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS:

Our military, our nation & its leaders, persecuted Christians; people locally & nationally in need; victims of domestic violence;

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|---------------------|---------------------|--|
| Russell Lucas | Jeff Smith | Rick Stark |
| Jackie Ginther | Joan Shoemaker | Carol Frantz |
| Kevin Konrad | Ron Berry | Janet Arvin |
| Terry Lynn Pfeiffer | LuAlice Huston | Jerry Arvin |
| Bob Yost | Don & Joy Schwartz | the family of Hildred L. (Smith) Scott |
| Kennedy Alkire | Sarah & Jack Norris | the family of Steven Ade |
| Betty Pfeiffer | Jean McGill | the family of Tammy L. Franklin |
| Cindy DeGolyer | Fred Reichart | the family of Steve Franklin |
| Tracey Harris | James Franks | Bob Parker |
| Jon Grimes | Mary Dillman | the family of Ray Hicks |
| Sandi Stingley | Levi Chisholm | the family of Andrew Russian |
| Zachary King | Bonnie Robinson | the family of Gary D. (Sonny)
Gregory |
| Terry McKillip | | |

... and all who are dealing with the effects of COVID—health-related, financial challenges, separation from family and friends.



We so appreciate all of you who filled in and made the accommodations that allowed us to take our dream trip to Alaska. It was AMAZING—and so are all of you!!

Paul & Mary Houser



JOYS AND CONCERNS

¹² *Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.*

--Romans 12:12

JOYS

¹³ *May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

--Romans 15:13

- ✠ Esther Miller feeling much better as her hip improves and she is able to return to normal activities!
- ✠ Gratitude for all the “little things” God provides for us each and every day.

CONCERNS

⁷ *Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.*

--[1 Peter 5:7](#)

- ✠ Prayers for the families and friends of Dave Burns, Thomas Snyder, Pat Kepler, Rex Hammond, Hildred L. (Smith) Scott, Steven Ade, Tammy Franklin, Steve Franklin, Andrew Russian, Ray Hicks, Gary D. (Sonny) Gregory that they receive God’s strength and comfort
- ✠ Prayers for strength and comfort of those in our Church and their friends who are dealing with and recuperating from COVID and for those who have lost family and friends.

*Please send your
Joys and
Concerns to:*



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**Office hours: Tuesdays,
 Wednesdays, Thursdays,
 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

Our Church Family



ELDERS: PAUL HOUSER, COMMUNION;
FRED REICHART, DEVOTIONS

DEACONS: JANE PHILLIPS, CAPTAIN; ESTHER MILLER

- 1 JESSICA BUSH
- 1 DAVID COLEMAN
- 2 MATT DEGOLYER
- 2 WILL STANFORD
- 4 PATRICK GRIMES
- 4 ALEX STENE
- 5 LYNN RYAN
- 10 KAITLYN ALKIRE
- 10 LILY BOLES
- 10 NORM WILLIAMS
- 11 DOUG BIERY
- 11 PAIGE MURRAY
- 16 AMBER HOLSCLAW



- 17 NINA CHISM
- 18 BETTY PFEIFFER
- 18 FRED REICHART
- 19 SCOTT BASDEN
- 20 EMILY NORRIS
- 24 SARAH NORRIS
- 26 CHRIS VALENTA
- 28 PATTY HICKS
- 28 STEPHANIE HOLLADAY
- 29 MARISA (HILL) DUPRE
- 30 PATRICIA PERRY
- 30 SALLY SMITH
- 31 TORI ROSA



- 1 MIKE & JON GRIMES
- 7 TIM & MELISSA FITZGERALD
- 9 KURT & CAROLE KEMMER
- 16 TODD & TAMMY LINEBACK
- 26 PATRICK & LYNN GRIMES
- 26 PHIL & ESMERALDA SNYDER
- 28 NORM & RUTH WILLIAMS

OMISSIONS AND/OR ERRORS
IF YOU NOTICE ANY OMISSIONS OR INCORRECT ENTRIES IN THE BIRTHDATES AND
ANNIVERSARIES EACH MONTH, PLEASE CONTACT MARY HOUSER AT
SECRETARY@DAYTONPRES.ORG OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 296-3199.



October 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Food Pantry continues to be open at this time: Thursdays from 9 to 11 a.m.;</p> <p>NEW: 3-5 p.m. pick up on Thursdays</p> <p>Kids' Closet is providing services curbside. See page 5 for details on both.</p>					<p>1 I will also give that person a white stone with a new name written on it. [Revelation 2:17]</p>	<p>2 Oh, that their hearts would be inclined to fear me and keep all my commands always. [Deuteronomy 5:29]</p>
<p>3 Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. [2 Corinthians 4:16]</p>	<p>4 A time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. [John 4:23]</p>	<p>5 I will fear no evil, for you are with me. [Psalm 23:4]</p>	<p>6 Always strive to do what is good for each other and for everyone else. [1 Thessalonians 5:15]</p>	<p>7 If on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you. [Philippians 3:15]</p>	<p>8 These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised. [Hebrews 11:39]</p>	<p>9 Moses listened to his father-in-law and did everything he said. [Exodus 18:24]</p>
<p>10 All food is clean, but it is wrong for a person to eat anything that causes someone else to stumble. [Romans 14:20]</p>	<p>11 So Mephibosheth ate at David's table like one of the king's sons. [2 Samuel 9:11]</p>	<p>12 Who was it that taught [the Lord] knowledge? [Isaiah 40:14]</p>	<p>13 This word came to Jeremiah from the Lord. [Jeremiah 36:1]</p>	<p>14 The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. [Romans 6:23]</p>	<p>15 Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart. [Psalm 37:4]</p>	<p>16 Death is the destiny of everyone; the living should take this to heart. [Ecclesiastes 7:2]</p>
<p>17 When he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. [John 16:13]</p>	<p>18 There is a time for everything ... a time to be silent and a time to speak. [Ecclesiastes 3:1, 7]</p>	<p>19 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. [Galatians 5:22-23]</p>	<p>20 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." And you forgave the guilt of my sin. [Psalm 32:5]</p>	<p>21 [Jesus said], "These are the very Scriptures that testify about me." [John 5:39]</p>	<p>22 Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. [1 Peter 4:10]</p>	<p>23 The people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. [Luke 16:8]</p>
<p>24 The Spirit you received does not make you slaves so that you live in fear. [Romans 8:15]</p>	<p>25 Some time later God tested Abraham. [Genesis 22:1]</p>	<p>26 Paul was ... set apart for the gospel of God. [Romans 1:1]</p>	<p>27 I am angry with you and your two friends, because you have not spoken the truth about me, as my servant Job has. [Job 42:7]</p>	<p>28 If we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. [1 John 5:14]</p>	<p>29 [God] will rejoice over you with singing. [Zephaniah 3:17]</p>	<p>30 He has saved us and called us to a holy life. [2 Timothy 1:9]</p>
<p>31 He made the moon to mark the seasons. [Psalm 104:19]</p>	<p>The Church Office is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. (for more details, see page 5)</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Reminder #1!!</p> <p>Session Elders: Begin thinking about your annual report for 2021!! Due date will be sometime in mid-January!</p>			



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Sunday School for all ages begins at **9:00 a.m.**

In-Person Worship with Rev. Dr. Gladys Nwabah
Sundays at **10:30 a.m.**



November 2021 Newsletter DEADLINE
Please have submissions sent in by Tuesday, October 19