

Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church  
321 Rocky Grove Avenue  
Franklin, PA 16323



# SONSHINE NEWSLETTER

## November 2020

*A Publication of Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church*



*“Sharing, Preparing and Caring in Jesus’ Name”*

**Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church**  
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**Worship – 9:00 a.m.**

### **Church Staff**

Rev. Rachel J. Johns, Pastor  
Rhonda Rust, Secretary  
Mike Burkhardt, Organist  
Janet Bish, Assistant Organist  
Scott Donaldson, Custodian

### **Church Office Hours**

*Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.*



## November Birthdays

1	Ellen Gierlach	23	Oliver Feather (2011)
9	Gene Sheffer	23	Arika Songer
10	Margaret Wielandt	26	Todd Wetjen
11	Joan Partridge	27	Joyce Wetjen

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## SERVANTS FOR NOVEMBER

### Recorders:

Lois Pierce & Joyce Wetjen

### Worship Leaders:

1 Lois Pierce  
8 Rhonda Rust  
15 Pastor Rachel Johns  
22 Lois Pierce  
29 Rhonda Rust

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If you would like to provide flowers for Sunday morning worship, please contact the church office (432-4162). You will want to advise the office as to whether you will order your own flowers, how you want it listed in the bulletin and if you will be removing them after the service.

## Lake Erie Presbytery Prayer List for November

### Week of November 1<sup>st</sup>

Kane Presbyterian Church

15 Congregations of Chereponi District,  
Upper Northern Presbytery (Ghana)

### Week of November 8<sup>th</sup>

*Rev. Lee Beckes* (Honorably Retired)

*Rev. Hal Kelley* (Honorably Retired)

### Week of November 15<sup>th</sup>

Corry Presbyterian Church

*Dan McEldowney*, Commissioned Pastor

*Rev. David Lee* (Honorably Retired)

### Week of November 22<sup>nd</sup>

Cooperstown Presbyterian Church

*Diane Whitman*, Commissioned Pastor

*Teaching Elder Ronee Christy*

Moderator of the Coordinating Committee

### Week of November 29<sup>th</sup>

Eastminister Presbyterian Church (Erie)

*Rev. Steve Morse*, Temporary Supply Pastor

*Rev. Emily Rodgers Bissett*

Valid Minister, Presbyterian Church, Canada

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Answers to "November questions to ponder":

- 1) *Plymouth Rock!* 2) *A Poultry-geist!* 3) *To prove he wasn't chicken!*  
4) *Gobble-ins!* 5) *A Goblet!* 6) *A casse-role!* 7) *Quack! Quack!*

## ELECTION DAY – NOVEMBER 3, 2020

*Don't forget to vote. Your vote does count!*

### Saturday, November 28<sup>th</sup> - *Hanging of the Greens*

Join in the fun of decorating the church for Advent and Christmas. It all starts at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary. The more the merrier!

### MISSIONS CORNER:

A cherished Presbyterian tradition since the 1930s, the Christmas Joy Offering is one of the special offerings designated by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). By giving to the Christ Joy Offering, we honor God's gift of Jesus Christ by providing assistance to current and retired church workers in their time of need and developing our future leaders at Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color.

Special Christmas Joy Offering envelopes will be in the pews during Advent. If you are writing a check, **please mark "Christmas Joy" on the memo line.**

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

### Congregation/Corporation Meeting - November 29, 2020

The Session has set November 29th for a Congregation & the Annual Corporation meeting. The minutes of the last congregational meeting, the 2019 Annual Reports and the 2021 Budget will be presented; a report from the Board of Trustees will be presented as well.

### November questions to ponder:

What kind of music did the Pilgrims like?

What would you get if you crossed a turkey with a ghost?

Why did the turkey cross the road twice?

What does Thanksgiving have in common with Halloween?

If you call a large turkey a Gobbler, what do you call a small one?

What role do green beans play in Thanksgiving dinner?

What did the turkey say to the hunter?

*(Answers on last page of this newsletter)*



If you desire to place a memorial poinsettia in the church for Christmas, please place this form with payment in the offering plate or send to the church office:

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**Deadline to order is Sunday, December 6, 2020.**

Attached is my check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ (**\$7.50 each**) payable to:

**"Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church Deacons' Fund"**

Please mark color preferred:

\_\_\_\_Red \_\_\_\_White \_\_\_\_Pink

\_\_\_\_Marble \_\_\_\_Burgundy

\_\_\_\_Christmas Rose (flower in shape of an open rose)

**(Please print clearly.)**

NAME(S) OF DONOR:

\_\_\_\_\_

IN MEMORY OF:

\_\_\_\_\_

IN HONOR OF:

\_\_\_\_\_

**Poinsettias will be displayed in the church beginning December 13<sup>th</sup>.**

☐ Please check if you would like your flower(s) to go to a shut-in.

***If at all possible, please do not pick up your flower(s) until  
AFTER our worship service on December 20, 2020.***



# November 2020



| SUNDAY                                                                                       | MONDAY    | TUESDAY                                                | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY                                                                                                                                                | FRIDAY                                                                                                                                          | SATURDAY                                                                                                                                                                 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b><br>9:00 Worship ~<br><i>Communion</i><br><i>Daylight Saving</i><br><i>Time ends</i> | <b>2</b>  | <b>3</b> <b>ELECTION DAY</b><br>6:30 Sweet<br>Adelines | <b>4</b>  | <b>5</b>                                                                                                                                                | <b>6</b>                                                                                                                                        | <b>7</b><br>9:30 Overeaters<br>Anonymous                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>8</b><br>9:00 Worship                                                                     | <b>9</b>  | <b>10</b><br>6:30 Sweet<br>Adelines                    | <b>11</b> | <b>12</b><br><b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>                                                                                                                       | <b>13</b>                                                                                                                                       | <b>14</b><br>9:30 Overeaters<br>Anonymous                                                                                                                                |
| <b>15</b><br>9:00 Worship                                                                    | <b>16</b> | <b>17</b><br>6:30 Sweet<br>Adelines                    | <b>18</b> | <b>19</b><br><b>OFFICE CLOSED</b><br><br><b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>                                                                                     | <b>20</b>                                                                                                                                       | <b>21</b><br>9:30 Overeaters<br>Anonymous                                                                                                                                |
| <b>22</b><br>9:00 Worship ~<br><i>Communion</i>                                              | <b>23</b> | <b>24</b><br>6:30 Sweet<br>Adelines                    | <b>25</b> | <b>26</b><br><br><b>Happy Thanksgiving</b><br><b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> | <b>27</b><br><br><i>December Sonshine</i><br><i>Newsletter available:</i><br><a href="http://www.rockygrovepres.org">www.rockygrovepres.org</a> | <b>28</b><br>9:30 Overeaters<br>Anonymous<br>10:00 <i>Hanging of the Greens</i><br> |
| <b>29</b><br>9:00 Worship ~<br><i>Congregational/</i><br><i>Corporation Meeting</i>          | <b>30</b> |                                                        |           |                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                          |

*Newsletter articles are due in the church office by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month or run risk of being omitted from next month's issue.*