

SONSHINE NEWSLETTER

January 2022

A Publication of Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church



“Sharing, Preparing and Caring in Jesus’ Name”

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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.

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Lake Erie Presbytery Prayer List for month of January

JANUARY Birthdays



- 5 Elissa Stuttler
- 11 Jessica Songer
- 20 Lois Pierce
- 20 Konner Hartman
- 26 Mike Hartman
- 28 David Sparling



Servants for January

- Counters:** Lois Pierce & Joyce Wetjen
- Worship Leaders:**
 - 2 Rhonda Rust
 - 9 Pastor Rachel Johns
 - 16 Lois Pierce
 - 23 Rhonda Rust
 - 30 Pastor Rachel Johns



2021 PER CAPITA

If you were not able to pay your per capita tax for 2021 because of the closing of the church the last few weeks of the year due to COVID-19, you may still do so. Per Capita payments make a difference as the Presbytery of Lake Erie seeks to work together to build the Kingdom of God. The 2021 per capita amount per member is \$32.00. If you have not done so already, please pay your 2021 per capita now and mark your check or envelope with 2021 per capita.

P.S. 2022 per capita is \$33.00 and may be paid any time during 2022. (\$21.62 to Presbytery of Lake Erie, \$2.40 to Synod and \$8.98 to General Assembly).

Week of January 2nd

Harborcreek Presbyterian Church
Robin Cuneo, Commissioned Pastor
 Rev. *Keith Sundberg* (Honorably Retired)
 Resource Consultant, Presbytery of Lake Erie

Week of January 9th

Oil City Second Presbyterian Church
Josh Botts, Commissioned Pastor/Minister Community Engagement

Moderators of the 225th General Assembly
 (*Gregory J. Bentley*, Teaching Elder and
Elona Street-Stewart, Ruling Elder)

Week of January 16th

New Hope Presbyterian Church
Clay Woodring, Preaching
 Rev. *Dale Francis* (Honorably Retired)
 Rev. *Charlie McClung* (Honorably Retired)

Week of January 23rd

Westminster Presbyterian Church (Erie)
Darin Alvis, Preaching
 Rev. *Emily Rodgers Bissett*
 Validated Ministry, Presbyterian Church, Canada

Week of January 30th

First Church of the Covenant (Erie)
Rev. Chris Weichman, Pastor
Rev. Britney Knight, Associate Pastor
 Wayside Presbyterian Church (Erie)
Rev. James Bernhardt, Pastor
Rev. Nathan Royster, Associate Pastor



If you would like to provide flowers for Sunday morning worship, please contact the church office (814-432-4162). You will want to advise Rhonda 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.

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**MISSIONS CORNER:**

Thank you for your contributions to the “Adopt-a-Family for Christmas” Offering. We collected a total of \$205.00, which was sent to Community Services of Venango County

We would also like to thank you for your support of the Missions projects that have been presented this year. We are truly blessed at RGAPC to have a loving church family that answers the call to “Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature”. We pray that you will have a wonderful 2022.

Your Missions & Outreach Ministry Team

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT RGAPC

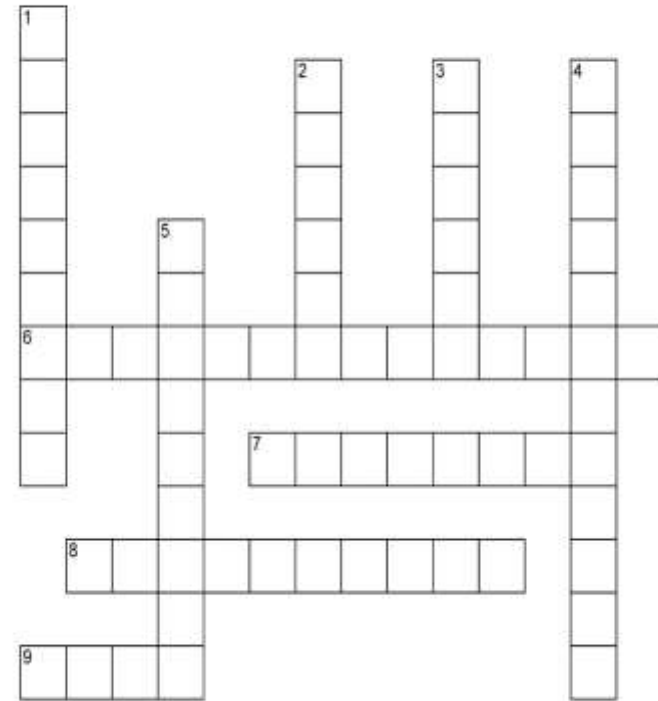
Saturday, January 8th – 10:00 a.m. -- *“Unhanging of the Greens”* -- *MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK*

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**Answers to crossword:**

- Across:** 6) Maundy Thursday 7) Epiphany 8) Good Friday 9) Lent  
**Down:** 1) Christmas 2) Advent 3) Easter 4) ordinary time 5) Pentecost

# Christian Church Calendar

Liturgical Year



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**ACROSS**

- 6 Thursday before Easter; remembers the Last Supper
- 7 Celebrates the magi's visit to see the newborn Christ
- 8 Remembers the arrest, trial, and crucifixion of Jesus
- 9 Forty day period of fasting and prayer before Easter

**DOWN**

- 1 Celebrates the birth of Jesus
- 2 Four weeks before Christmas; time of preparing for the birth of Christ
- 3 Celebrates the resurrection of Jesus from the dead
- 4 The time between holidays
- 5 Remembers the coming of the Holy Spirit; Fifty days after Easter

**WORD BANK:** Advent, christmas, easter, epiphany, goodfriday, lent, maundythursday, ordinarytime, pentecost.



# JANUARY 2022



| SUNDAY                                                                                                 | MONDAY                                          | TUESDAY                                          | WEDNESDAY                   | THURSDAY                                | FRIDAY                                                                                                                                   | SATURDAY                                                                                        |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                        |                                                 |                                                  |                             |                                         |                                                                                                                                          | <b>1</b><br> |
| <b>2</b><br>9:00 Worship                                                                               | <b>3</b><br>6:00 Trustees                       | <b>4</b><br>6:30 Sweet Adelines                  | <b>5</b><br>6:30 Boy Scouts | <b>6</b>                                | <b>7</b>                                                                                                                                 | <b>8</b><br>9:30 Overeaters Anonymous<br>10:00 Unhanging of the Greens                          |
| <b>9</b><br>9:00 Worship ~<br><i>Baptism of the Lord ~<br/>           Communion</i><br>5:30 Boy Scouts | <b>10</b>                                       | <b>11</b><br>1:00 Session<br>6:30 Sweet Adelines | <b>12</b>                   | <b>13</b>                               | <b>14</b>                                                                                                                                | <b>15</b><br>9:30 Overeaters Anonymous                                                          |
| <b>16</b><br>9:00 Worship<br>5:30 Boy Scouts                                                           | <b>17</b><br><i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i> | <b>18</b><br>6:30 Sweet Adelines                 | <b>19</b>                   | <b>20</b><br><b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b> | <b>21</b>                                                                                                                                | <b>22</b><br>9:30 Overeaters Anonymous                                                          |
| <b>23</b><br>9:00 Worship<br>5:30 Boy Scouts                                                           | <b>24</b>                                       | <b>25</b><br>6:30 Sweet Adelines                 | <b>26</b>                   | <b>27</b>                               | <b>28</b> <i>February</i><br><i>Sonshine Newsletter available:</i><br><a href="http://www.rockygrovepres.org">www.rockygrovepres.org</a> | <b>29</b><br>9:30 Overeaters Anonymous                                                          |
| <b>30</b><br>9:00 Worship<br>5:30 Boy Scouts                                                           | <b>31</b>                                       |                                                  |                             |                                         |                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                 |

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