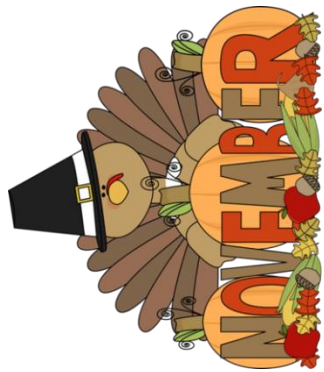


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321 Rocky Grove Avenue
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SONSHINE NEWSLETTER

November 2022

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“Sharing, Preparing and Caring in Jesus’ Name”

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321 Rocky Grove Avenue, Franklin, PA 16323

Church Phone: 814-432-4162

Website: www.rockygrovepres.org

Email Address: rgapc@verizon.net

Worship – 9:30 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)
10	Margaret Wielandt	23	Arika Songer
11	Joan Partridge	26	Todd Wetjen
		27	Joyce Wetjen



SERVANTS FOR NOVEMBER

Recorders: Lois Pierce & Joyce Wetjen

Worship Leaders: 6 Lois Pierce
13 Pastor Rachel Johns
20 Pastor Rachel Johns
26 Lois Pierce



*Don't forget! Turn your clocks back
Saturday night, November 5th!*

Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church lost a good and faithful friend on Saturday, October 1, 2022. Carol A. Rough, passed away peacefully at her home. Although not an official member of the church, she supported RGAPC financially, especially mission projects, and by sending cards for birthdays and illness. Our sympathy is extended to her family.



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

REMINDER: 2022 per capita amount is **\$33.00** per RGAPC member, of which \$21.62 is designated for Lake Erie Presbytery, \$2.40 for Synod and \$8.98 for General Assembly. Each member is encouraged to pay their portion. Please use the envelope that came with the offering envelopes or clearly mark your check as "2022 PER CAPITA" and place it in the offering plate.

Inspirational Thanksgiving Quotes

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words but to live by them." – **John F. Kennedy**

"Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more." – **Oprah Winfrey**

"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances..." – **I Thessalonians 5:16-18a**

Lake Erie Presbytery Prayer List for November

Week of November 6th

Rev. Lee Beckes (Honorably Retired)

Rev. Hal Kelley (Honorably Retired)

Week of November 13th

District Pastors

Rev. Joshua Nabauer & Rev. M. Agbo

9 Congregations of Katiejeli District,
Upper Northern Presbytery (Ghana)

Week of November 20th

Cooperstown Presbyterian Church

Diane Whitman, Commissioned Pastor

Rev. Keith Sundberg

Moderator of the Coordinating Committee

Week of November 27th

Eastminster Presbyterian Church (Erie)

Henry Rafferty, Commissioned Pastor

Rev. Nelson "Bud" Horne (Honorably Retired)

Rev. Don Gordon (Honorably Retired)



If you desire to place a memorial poinsettia in the church for Christmas, order forms will be available later in November. As is typical in years past payment will need to accompany the order and be submitted by Sunday, December 4, 2022. Watch future bulletins for additional information.

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.

A special offering will be received during November for the purpose of contributing to Community Services of Venango County's "Adopt-a-Family for Christmas" campaign. Donations may be placed in the offering plate in an envelope marked for this purpose or by noting same on memo line of a check.

Saturday, November 26th - *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!



November 2022



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous <i>Turn back clocks 1 hour!</i>
6 9:30 Worship 6:00 Trustees <i>Daylight Saving Time ends</i>	7	8 1:15 Session <i>ELECTION DAY</i>	9	10 <i>OFFICE CLOSED</i>	11	12 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous
13 9:30 Worship	14	15 2:00 Presbytery Meeting ~ TBA	16	17 <i>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</i>	18	19 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous
20 9:30 Worship ~ Communion	21	22	23	24  <i>Happy Thanksgiving</i> <i>OFFICE CLOSED</i>	25 <i>December Sonshine Newsletter available:</i> www.rockygrovepres.org	26 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous 10:00 <i>Hanging of the Greens</i> 
27 9:30 Worship	28	29	30			

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