

SONSHINE NEWSLETTER

December 2022

A Publication of Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church



“Sharing, Preparing and Caring in Jesus’ Name”

Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church

321 Rocky Grove Avenue, Franklin, PA 16323

Church Phone: 814-432-4162

Website: www.rockygrovepres.org

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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.

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Lake Erie Presbytery Prayer List for for December

Week of December 4th

Conneaut Lake Presbyterian Church
Sam Heagy, Preaching

Rev. Jim McCormack (Honorably Retired)
C.P Tim Olsen (Honorably Retired)

Week of December 11th

First Presbyterian Church, Meadville
Rev. Brian Jensen, Pastor
Rev. Dan Corll, Pastor of Visitation

Rev. G. Doh-Nami, District Pastor
10 Congregations of Chereponi District,
Upper Norther Presbytery (Ghana)

Week of December 18th

First Presbyterian Church, Bradford
Rev. Katherine Randall & Rev. Rob Kluow, Co-Pastors

Rev. Christopher Fujii (Honorably Retired)
Commissioned Pastor Dan McEldowney (Retired)

Week of December 25th

Missionaries of the PC(USA) throughout the world

December Birthdays



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| 6 Rhonda Rust | 21 Pastor Rachel Johns |
| 10 Duncan Hickey | 29 Mike Burkhardt |



Servants for DECEMBER

Counters: Lois Pierce & Joyce Wetjen

- Worship Leaders:**
- 4 Pastor Rachel Johns
 - 11 Pastor Rachel Johns
 - 18 Lois Pierce
 - 24 Rev. Joe Martin
 - 25 Pastor Rachel Johns



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.



We extend Christian sympathy to the family of Doris "Dorie" Feather, who was called home on Monday, October 31, 2022. Dorie had been a member of RGAPC since June 25, 1961. She had served as a Deacon for five (5) terms during which she helped with funeral luncheons and as an Elder for three (3) terms.

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 was received during November for the purpose of contributing to Community Services of Venango County’s “Adopt-a-Family for Christmas” campaign. Donations collected will go to hopefully make some family’s Christmas more meaningful.



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 4, 2022.

Attached is my check for \$_____ (**\$8.00 each**) payable to:

“RGAPC Deacons’ Fund”

Please mark color preferred:

____Red ____White ____Pink

(Please print clearly.)

NAME(S) OF DONOR:

IN MEMORY OF:

IN HONOR OF:

Poinsettias will be displayed in the church beginning December 11th.

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 Christmas Day Service on December 25, 2022.



December 2022



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous
4 9:30 Worship	5	6	7	8 <i>OFFICE CLOSED</i>	9	10 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous
11 9:30 Worship	12	13	14	15	16	17 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous
18 9:30 Worship	19	20 <i>January NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</i>	21	22	23	24 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous  7:00 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
25 9:30 Worship 	26	27	28	29	30 January Sunshine Newsletter available: www.rockygrovepres.org	31 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous

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.