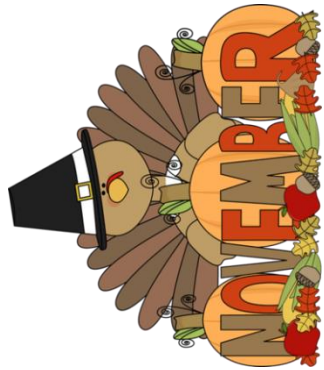


Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church
321 Rocky Grove Avenue
Franklin, PA 16323



SONSHINE NEWSLETTER

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“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

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

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|----------------------|-----------------|
| 1 Ellen Gierlach | 23 Arika Songer |
| 9 Lucas Hickey | 24 Dan Hickey |
| 10 Margaret Wielandt | 26 Todd Wetjen |
| 11 Joan Partridge | 27 Joyce Wetjen |



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

ACTIONS TAKEN BY SESSION ~ September 13, 2023

1. Approved the minutes of the July 12, 2023 Session Meeting.
2. Approved the financial reports for July and August 2023 as prepared by the Financial Secretary and Treasurer.
3. Set the next session meeting for November 8, 2023 at 1:15 p.m.



SERVANTS FOR NOVEMBER

Recorders: Lois Pierce & Joyce Wetjen

Pulpit Supply:

5	Rev. Becky Patterson
12	Rev. Ed Patterson
19	Rev. Joseph Martin
26	Rose Hilliard

Worship Leaders:

5	Rhonda Rust
12	Lois Pierce
19	Rhonda Rust
26	Lois Pierce



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: 2023 per capita amount is **\$33.00** per RGAPC member, of which \$20.75 is designated for Lake Erie Presbytery, \$2.40 for Synod and \$9.85 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 "2023 PER CAPITA" and place it in the offering plate.

Lake Erie Presbytery Prayer List for November

Week of November 5th

Rev. Lee Beckes (Honorably Retired)

Rev. Hal Kelley (Honorably Retired)

Week of November 12th

District Pastor, *Rev. Seth Nipani*

Second Pastor, *Rev. Salome Oye*

9 Congregatons of Katiejeli District

Upper Northern Presbytery (Ghana)

District Pastor, *Rev. Victor K. Tulasi*

Second Pastor, *Rev. Sylvanus Gawuga*

4 Congregations of Bolga and Wa Districts

Upper Northern Presbytery (Ghana)

Week of November 19th

Cooperstown Presbyterian Church

Diane Whitman, Commissioned Pastor

Josh Botts, Commissioned Pastor

Moderator of the Coordinating Committee

Week of November 26th

Eastminster Presbyterian Church (Erie)

Henry Rafferty, Commissioned Pastor

Rev. Nelson "Bud" Horne (Honorably Retired)

Hartstown Presbyterian Church

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**Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> - *Hangings 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!



*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 3, 2023. Watch future bulletins for additional information.*

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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.

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# November 2023



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

*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.*