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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF Washington



Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. – Joshua 1:9

PASTOR'S PEN

The future can be a scary, intimidating thing. We are always afraid of the unknown and we don't know what the future holds for us. Yet, at the same time, it's hard not to get filled with hope and possibilities. At the beginning of a new year, it's hard not to look forward and dream big. THIS year will be different! THIS year things will finally change.

New Year's Day is a chance to look forward AND look back. We look back at 2022 with either fondness or frustration, depending on our experiences. We either want things to stay the same in 2023 or we NEED them to change. But, change itself can be a scary thing. Are we willing to change our behaviors and attitudes in order to help God bring about those changes? Or will fear of change and the unknown prevent us from growing as individuals and as a church.

The words from God to Joshua and the people of Israel quoted above have helped me overcome those times when I become afraid to make a change in my life. God is with me. God will be with me wherever I go. There is no reason for me to be afraid or dismayed. And with that knowledge, I can be strong and courageous. I hope you can apply these words to your own life and situation. And, I hope we can apply this to our congregational life as well.

For nearly ten years, I have heard the same refrain: "We need more young families. We need more young families. We need more young families." I wish I had a blueprint for how to attract young families to church, because if I did, I would write a book that every church could put in their library. I have read many books with different theories and theologies on how to attract young families to engage with the church.

One theme I read again and again is that churches that want to get younger need to ask themselves this question: "Do we REALLY want to get younger?"

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Potluck & Israel

Tuesday, January 31st at 5:30p

Ordination Sunday

Sunday, January 22nd

Congregational Mtg

Sunday, January 29th.
following worship

Annual Meeting

The Annual Congregational Meeting of PCW will be held following worship on Sunday, January 29th. Annual reports will be made available by Sunday, January 22nd.

Please read the reports prior to the meeting. Hard copies of the report will also be available in the church office. If you are a committee chairperson, please submit an annual report to our Clerk of Session, Nancy Sebastian by Tuesday, January 10th.

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Because, the churches that have been successful at reaching young families have two things in common. One, they were strong and courageous enough to make significant changes in how they worshipped, educated, fellowshiped and served. And two, they dedicated considerable resources into those changes.

Those are scary steps to take: change and investment. Will the changes and investments net the results we pray for? Maybe... Maybe not. I have been praying about some possible ideas that could work. But, vision doesn't always come with guarantees. I'll share those ideas at a different time. But, before I spring these

ideas on the congregation, we have to take a look at ourselves.

So, as we stand at the brink of 2023, I have these questions to post to the congregation. Does the Presbyterian Church of Washington REALLY want to attract young families? Are we ready to stop lamenting our age or are we ready to take actions that will require risk? Can we find strength and courage in our faith that God will be with us wherever we go?

In 2023, let's answer these questions together and dare to dream of significant change.

Blessings in Christ,
Pastor Pat

During this past month we served 325 meals. Our menu items included:

- corn chowder
- chicken rice casserole
- lasagna
- 3 bean chili
- meatloaf with noodles and gravy
- pork stuffing apple bake

MEALS ON WHEELS



	1/7	1/14	1/21	1/28
Cooks	Lifestream	Beth Bonney & Francie Turnure	Sarah Spear & Jane Bugele	Jolene Patterson & Barbara Mullins
Packers	Lifestream	Angela & Ian McCracken	Debbie Bandy & Mauri Truesdell	The Gruber's
Drivers	Lifestream	Angela McCracken, The Carpenter's & The Kempf's	Val Baldum, Vivian Marshall & Kathy Rogers	The Brehe's, Gruber's, & Anglin's

First Methodist Food Pantry

The First Methodist Church of Washington has recently launched their own food pantry. Beginning January 8 and through Sunday, February 12th (Souper Bowl of Caring), PCW will be gathering food for our neighbor's new food pantry. In turn, our Methodist neighbors will be supporting our

Weekend Meals on Wheels ministry.

Here is a list of items that you can donate:

Peanut butter (small jar)
Grape & strawberry Jelly (regular or sugar-free)
Cold cereal boxes
Pancake mix
Pancake syrup (regular & sugar free)
Peanut butter crackers (snack package)
Ramen noodles
Mac n cheese boxes & microwave style
Instant mashed potatoes
Rice a roni style mix
Can tuna or chicken
Ham spread
Spam
Vienna sausages
Can beanie Weenies
Chunky soups
Cr of mushroom/Chicken soup
Cans Beef stew
Can pasta w/meat and w/out meat
All types canned fruit
Muffin mixes and brownie mixes
Hamburger helper box meal
Saltine crackers
Snack pack applesauce or fruit cups

January Birthdays

5th - Linda Booher

8th - Bob Eade

10th - Shirley Coulter

11th - Mary Eleanor Farrell

11th - Bob Turnure

12th - Gary McElhinney

22nd - Craig Matzes

24th - Susan Benedict

30th - Kathy Froning



Installation/Ordination Sunday

On Sunday, January 22nd, our new elders will be ordained and/or installed during worship. Join us in person or watch online and celebrate with Gerry Urban as she is officially ordained as a Ruling Elder in the Presbyterian Church and installed to her ministries. Linda Booher, David Brunworth, Tom Farrell, Kathy Rogers, and Mauri Truesdell (who have all been previously ordained) will also be installed that morning.

2023 Harvest Table dates and a BIG thank you!

Merry Christmas from the Harvest Table and thank you very much for all your help this past year! We had four dinner events that we helped with this past year, with food and volunteers, and we are signed up to do four more this next year 2023: March 4, May 20, August 5 and November 11, all Saturday evenings and all need our volunteers at St. Peter's UCC from about 4pm – 6:30pm. We feed almost 100 people at each event, our Washington area neighbors that just love to have some company while at a wonderful and delicious sit down meal. So, mark your calendars with those dates, check out the church bulletin boards about three weeks out from each date to check on the volunteer list and any possible food donation list. THANK YOU!! Gretchen Farrell

Worship Leader:

Joe Hagan

Ushers

1/1

Linda Booher &

Kathy Rogers

1/8

The Sebastians

1/15

Vivian Marshall

& Sarah Spear

1/22

Michele Zumsteg

& Christy Eckert

1/29

Phyllis & Gary

McElhinney

Sound

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Ed Bonney

1/8

Scott Brauer

1/15

Kevin Brauer

1/22

Mark Thayer

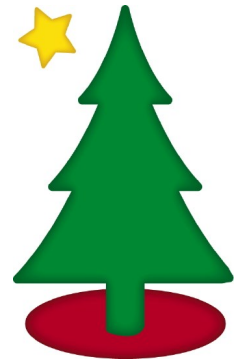
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Tom Ellenberger

The Giving Tree

Thanks to all for contributing to the Giving Tree. It was very successful and we provided gifts for 2 families (one with a special needs child) to make their Christmas very happy. In addition, we will be able to furnish gas gift cards to the Pregnancy Assistance Center to aid in transportation for their clients in need.

This outpouring shows the importance of mission work of our congregation.



Warner's Winter Warm-Up wrap up!

Thank you for all of the coats, jackets, and accessories that were donated from our church towards the big Franklin County Drive this past October/November timeframe. Our church alone collected 76 clothing articles that were added to our Franklin County total of 952 coats/jackets and other winter apparel. That is great to see everyone pitch in and help collect! Please keep in mind that our church has a coat collection box in our own coat closet where we are collecting all year long, so please feel free to fill it up! Thank you, again, for your generosity!

Gretchen Farrell

Franklin county human society needs blankets comforters throws etc. Anything that can be used to keep the animals warm during these cold days. If u have something please contact Linda Booher 636-283-5042

POTLUCK DINNER AND ISRAEL PRESENTATION!

ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 31ST, PASTOR PAT AND KAREN WILL BE SHARING MEMORIES, PHOTOS AND MEMENTOS FROM THEIR TRIP TO ISRAEL AND EGYPT THIS PAST NOVEMBER. WE WILL BEGIN THE EVEN-

ING AT 5:30PM WITH A POTLUCK DINNER IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL. A SIGN UP SHEET WILL BE POSTED SOON FOR THE EVENT. YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS IT!



PRESBY SCRIP PROGRAM INFO

SCRIP GIFT CARD PURCHASES are EASY fundraisers that help our church immensely and immediately!

The Presby Scrip Program sells gift cards to you, and OUR church gets an immediate cash percentage just for selling those cards to you!

1. You purchase a gift card through the Scrip Program. (You buy a \$25 gift card and you GET a \$25 gift card.)
2. All the merchants pay the National Scrip Program an incentive for each gift card purchased.
3. The National Scrip Program passes that incentive to our Church's Scrip Program.
4. YOU get a church contribution credit for the funds that your card purchase gives to OUR church as a rebate percent! (One \$25 card may have a 10% rebate, so that adds \$2.50 for that one gift card purchase to your church contribution statement. Does any other store purchase do THAT?!)
5. At the end of the year our Scrip Program donates this money to our Church Fundraiser Account.
6. Our Presby Scrip Program donates on average \$2000 each year!
7. We place a Scrip order on the first Sunday of each month (unless that Sunday falls on a holiday, then it will be the second Sunday).

PRESBY SCRIP PROGRAM

Our next monthly church Scrip order is scheduled for
Sunday, January 8th.

- You can bring your order form and payment to worship that Sunday and give to any of the Scrip Representatives.
- Orders, along with your check, can be placed in the Scrip box located in the church office at any time of the month for the next order date.
- Or you can place your order all ONLINE at www.raiseright.com (please note, new website address) or through the RaiseRight app.

It is all quite easy, quick, and contactless and your order will be personally delivered to your doorstep at your convenience, if you would like.

Please check out all the merchants on our order form plus there are 800+ more merchants online!! These can be ordered on **January 8th.**

All the great rebates go directly and immediately to our church. Any questions? Please contact this month's Presby Scrip coordinator Kathy Froning.

January's featured merchants will be Imo's and Sugar Fire.

IMO'S - Specializing in St. Louis style pizza with thin crust and Provel cheese! Yum!! Pasta, Salad and Much More!

Sugarfire - is a BBQ restaurant located on the Washington River front, featuring one of the most delicious and unique menus around. From picky eaters to the most daring and bold adventurer you will find something for everyone here. Dine-In, Carry-Out or delivery, Sugarfire has your next meal covered.

MEMBERS WITH CONTINUING NEEDS

Scott McCracken, Heather Miller, Joy Kopp, Jan Eade, Karla Becker, Jamie Tucker, Sid Thayer, Bill Kellermann, Jocelyn VanBuskirk, Barbara Hagan, Brian Hall,

UNION CARE CENTER: *George Peters* **GROUP HOMES:** Lisa Conrad, Laura Fenner

FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH REQUESTING PRAYERS:

Eddie & Sarah McGurthy & family
(daughter and son-in-law of Ollie & Virginia Whyte)
Patricia Huckle (daughter of Kay Huckle)
Pam Evangelist (sister of Sharon Fenner)
Grady Thayer (Grandson of Mark & Robbin Thayer)
Phyllis Rocco (Lois Kempf's Sister-in-Law)
Loyd & Louise Gordy (Parents of Beth Brehe)
Jan (Sister-in-Law of Lois Kempf)
Samantha (Friend of Lois Kempf)
Betsy Hazel (Daughter in Law of Kay Hazel)
Jane Lohmyer (Sister of Barbara Hagan)
Michele (Virginia Boren's Great Niece)
Cherie Stormer (Friend of Lois Kempf)
Betty Buerk (Becky Vogt's Cousin)
Wendy Dennison (friend of Rebecca Brehe)
Ida Greer (Dan's Mother)
Marjorie Hines (Ian and Miles McCracken's Grand mother)
Howard Thiesmann (friend of Tom Kempf)
Dennis Whitworth (friend of Anna Mae)
Lauren Kellermann (daughter of Bill and Pamela)
Dora Ficklin and Parents (Great Granddaughter of Gary and Beth Brehe)
Ken Jones (friend of Steve and Nancy Sebastian)
Bob Turnure (husband of Francie Turnure)
Andrea Brown (Daughter-in-law of Dean and Aneeta)
Ric Guthrie (Son in Law of Vivian Marshall)
Rick Tyler (Friend of Lois & Tom Kempf)
Marsha Roy (Friend of Lois & Tom Kempf)
Sarah Price (Friend of Lois & Tom Kempf)
Denise Turnure (DIL of Francie & Bob)
Michael Fortner (friend of Marcy and Jeffrey Su)
Joe Schneider (Friend of Vivian Marshall) \
Michael Lacy (Friend of Francie & Bob)
Carol Perkins (Friend of Karen Ladd)
Josh Kresse (Mauri's Son in Law)
George Brehe (Brother of Gary)
George Miller (Heather's Husband)
Michael Lacy (Friend of Francie & Bob)
Grady Thayer (Grandson of Mark & Robbin)
Josh Kresse (Mauri's Son in Law)
Family of Rev. Dr. Howard Whitebred (Gretchen Farrell's Father)
Ralph (Nancy Thater's Father in Law)
Georgia Gealson (Linda Booher's G. Niece)
Family of Jerry Boren (Virginia's Brother)
Anna Roetheli (Wife of Ken Roetheli)
Teagan Brinkmann (Niece of Jaime Brinkmann)



January 2023

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1 New Year's Day	2 Office Closed	3 9a Circle of Unity	4 5:30p Bell Choir 6p Al-Anon 6:30p Choir	5 9a PFL 10a Book Club	6	7 Lifestream MOW Pickleball 10a-12p
8 11:30a Property Scrip Orders Due	9 11a Mission	10 9a Circle of Unity 9:30a Church Life 6p Personnel	11 5:30p Bell Choir 6p Al-Anon 6:30p Choir	12 9a PFL 10a Book Club 6:30p Out-reach	13	14 MOW Pickleball 10a-12p
15	16 12p Finance	17 7p Christian Ed	18 5:30p Bell Choir 6p Al-Anon 6:30p Choir	19 9a PFL 10a Book Club 7p Worship	20	21 MOW Pickleball 10a-12p
22 Ordination Sunday	23	24	25 5:30p Bell Choir 6p Al-Anon 6:30p Choir	26 9a PFL 10a Book Club 7p Session	27	28 MOW Pickleball 10a-12p
29 Annual Meeting	30	31 5:30p Potluck				

SESSION MEMBERS

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CHRISTIAN ED

3rd Tuesday at 7pm

Ian McCracken

Craig Matzes

Jocelyn VanBuskirk

Gerry Urban* **Co-Chair**

Gary Brehe

Heather Miller

Jolene Patterson*

Kathy Rogers* **Co-Chair**

CHURCH LIFE

2nd Tuesday at 9:30am

Sarah Spear* **Co-Chair**

Karen Ladd

Jean Weekley

Shirley Coulter

Jan Hardin

Sharon Wiese

Jan Eade

Linda Booher* **Co-Chair**

Beth Bonney

Jane Bugele

Barbara Mullins

Francie Turnure

PERSONNEL

Meets the 2nd Tuesday at 6pm

Mauri Truesdell* **Chair**

Joe Hagan*

Mary Ellenberger

Gretchen Farrell

Tim Urban

Elda Seener*

FINANCE

Meets the 2nd Monday at 12pm

Tom Farrell* **Chair**

Karen Ladd

Bruce Wiese

Linda Booher*

Ed Bonney

Phyllis McElhinney

Elda Seener*

MISSION

Meets the 1st Monday at 11am

Jolene Patterson* **Chair**

David Brunworth*

Jean Weekley

Christy Eckert

Gretchen Farrell

Lois Kempf

Debbie Bandy

Kathy Rogers*

Sarah Spear*

Barbara Mullins

WORSHIP

*Meets the 3rd Thursday
at 7pm*

Tom Kempf* **Chair**

John Anglin

Vivian Marshall

John Bugele

Tom Ellenberger

Kate Hall

Vivian Marshall

OUTREACH

*Meets the 2nd Thursday at
6:30pm*

Tom Farrell * **Chair**

Ian McCracken

Denise Brauer

Katie Farrell

Andrew Brehe

Michelle Matzes

Nancy Sebastian*

Heather Miller

PROPERTY

Meets the 2nd Sunday at 11:30am

Joe Hagan* **Chair**

John Bugele

Bob Eade

David Brunworth*

Roland Schwarzen

Steve Sebastian

Mary Ellenberger

Tom Kempf*

Barbara Schofield

Mike Mullins

Jim Glamann

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Members

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•	Macy's \$25, \$100	10		
•	Maurice's \$20	7		
•	Ross Dress for Less \$25	8		
•	Sam's Club \$25, \$100, \$250	2.5		
•	Shoe Carnival \$25	5		
•	Target \$25, \$100	2.5		
•	Walmart \$25, \$100, \$250	2.5		
	DRUG STORES			
	Schroeder Drug \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50	5		
•	Walgreens \$25, \$100	5		
	GROCERY STORES			
	Frick's Market, Union \$25	5		
	Williams Bros. Meat Mkt. \$25	5		
•	Honey-Baked Ham \$25	12		
	HOME IMPROVEMENTS			
•	Ace Hardware \$25, \$100	4		
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	MAIL ORDER-ONLINE			
•	Amazon \$25, \$100	2		
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January Word Search

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Heat
Fireplace
Chill
Arctic

Wintertime
Snowflake
Scarf
Icy
Frost
Fire
Blizzard

Windy
Snowboard
Polar
Ice Skates
Frosty
earmuffs
Blanket

Wind
Snow
Mittens
Ice
Frostbite
Comforter
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Thermal
Slippery
Melt
Hot Chocolate
Freezing Rain
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Bitter Cold

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