



HEWITT HAPPENINGS/ NOVEMBER 2020



Pastor's Message

Greetings Everyone,

**“O give thanks to
the LORD, for he
is good; his
steadfast love
endures forever!”
Psalm 118**

November brings us shorter days, colder temperatures, and fewer shopping days until Christmas, but most importantly, it brings us to a time of thanks. Now, we might not think that this year we have much to be thankful for, however, if we just open our eyes, we will see the many blessings that God has given us. Family, friends, church, and freedom are just a few. Forgiveness of sin, hope of eternal life, and unconditional love should be celebrated as well. As a nation, we have been divided for too long. Surely on our national day of Thanksgiving we should be able to set aside our differences and concentrate on the important things in life. In all things give thanks.

Blessings,

Rev. Bill Parker

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Please note that you may continue to mail your offerings to:

**Hewitt Presbyterian Church
1206 Crucible Road
Rice's Landing, PA 15357**

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Church services are now being held in the sanctuary. Until further notice all other church activities will be cancelled due to COVID-19 and the need for social distancing. The “Good News” of the church will not be silenced. Reverend Parker will continue to record his sermons and upload them onto YouTube (www.YouTube.com) and Facebook so that you may listen to them from your homes on Sunday mornings. If utilizing YouTube you will need to search www.YouTube.com for Hewitt PC or Pastor Bill Parker on Sunday mornings at 11:00 AM. If using Facebook you will need an account and friend request Bill Parker. Also, an Evening Meditation will be given by Rev. Parker @ 8:00 PM, Monday thru Friday on Facebook and YouTube. We will rely on God to help us through these uncertain and stressful times.

If you should need anything, please call the church office at 724-592-6111 during office hours. Call Amy Ankrom @ (412)720-6939 or Bill Ankrom @ (412)370-3827 for things such as rides, groceries or computer assistance.

PRAYER CONCERNS

HEWITT CHURCH FAMILY and FRIENDS

Erica Bastilone
Mary Bayard
Peggy Behm
Glen Bistlina
Kenneth Breakiron
Marge Breakiron
Robert Bryan
Dr. Matthew Burkett
Dorothy Burwell
Travis Burwell
Carol Christen
Abby Cipoletti
Joey Cipoletti
Shelby Clark
Kim Cottle
A.J. Curler
Loretta DiBiase
Betty Dick
Bob English
Linda Enstrom Fetig

Gene Franks
John Green
David Hall
Glenn Hall
Hayden Jack
Bob Kelly
Allison Kiger
John Krajnak
Linda Krajnak
Keith Krause
Jill Kubasik
Marilee Lanxner
John Laskosky
Jackie Lindeman
Marlene Link
Mary Ann Mauck
Shawn Mayle Family
Ruth McCollum
Marjorie McKnight
Maggie Miller

Jim Minor
Joann Morrow
Sabrina Murrall
Carly Orris
John Ozohonish
Rev. Bill Parker
Lucianna Rach
Marhea Ruzanic
Addy Shaffer
Colby Simkovic
Patty Simkovic
Pat Snyder
Tom Spishock
Gary Stevenson
Doug Suhoski
Patty Vincent
Patricia Yeager
Heather Zuccoolotto
Bebeka Church

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS—Continued**Sympathy Extended**

Sympathy is extended to the family of Carol Teegarden on the death of her brother, John Summersgill. John died on Sunday, October 4, 2020. Carol would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards and gifts during this time.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

GREENE COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM
918 Rolling Meadows Road, Waynesburg

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSES

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28 AND 29
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5 AND 6
3 TO 7 pm



Trees, trains, circus display, music, Santa, old-fashioned Christmas in Log Cabin;
door prize and opportunities on trees and other items.

Gift Shop Open
MASKS required due to COVID-19
SORRY—NO REFRESHMENTS



HEWITT CHURCH WOMEN**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY—THE WORD LIVES**

“The Word Lives” Bible Study has ended for the fall season. The Study will begin again in March, 2021. See Ellen Pahanish if you have any questions. **724-377-2012.**

VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY

A small group is meeting at Ginger Wainwright's home along with other people **virtually** to study “Finding Hope Through Prayers of Lament”. The group meets Wednesdays at 7:00 PM. Study, prayer and social distancing are practiced. Call Virginia Wainwright at 724-317-6685.

RADA ORDERS

Hewitt Church Women will take RADA orders (knives, etc.) until November 15. Please see Debbie Wilson or call her at 724-852-6417 for a catalog.

MAKES GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFTS!**THE KNIT WHITS- “Sharing a bit of God's Love”**

Infant hats totaling “47” were delivered to the Washington Hospital in September. Anyone wishing to join in our project may do so. We plan on delivering more hats the first week of December. Thanks to all who helped! For more information call Ellen Pahanish at **724-377-2012.**

**HCW SPAGHETTI DINNER**

The Hewitt Church Women's Spaghetti dinner scheduled for Saturday, November 7 has been **cancelled due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.**

HEWITT CHURCH WOMEN—CONTINUED**THANKOFFERING SUNDAY**

On Sunday, October 11, 2020 Hewitt Church Women held their annual Thank Offering Service with Rusty Salminen who brought us a video and news from Bebekka Church. Bebekka is our sister Church in Ethiopia. The church is located in the middle of a large coffee plantation and has five out preaching posts where people who live in surrounding communities can come and worship. Rusty informed us that our gifts to the Bebekka Church have enabled two of their evangelists to become educated.

After the service, the Mission Committee discussed the possibility of continuing to assist them with educated evangelists. The Committee met by phone and came to an agreement to send tuition money for one evangelist. The Hewitt Church Women (not to be outdone) also made some quick phone calls and will be matching the funds the church is sending. Now we are able to send two evangelists to the Charles Haspels Bible School in Ethiopia.

The two evangelists are Solomom Mesheshe and Sintayehu Tadese. Solomon will be serving at Argonne Berhane at the Katika preaching place. Sintayehu will be serving at Kochira preaching place. These two young men will be attending the Charles Haspels Bible School for one year and they began their education on Thursday, October 15, 2020.

The cost of training for an evangelist for one year of training is \$650. We are praising God that we are able to provide this assistance to help evangelists to preach the gospel and to increase his Kingdom.

SESSION, MISSION AND EVANGELISM**NOVEMBER PRAYER LIST**

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember I am with you always, to the end of the age. Matthew 28:19-20.

***Pray for Solomon Mesheshe and Sintayehu Tadese as they pursue their education at Charles Haspels Bible School in Ethiopia.**

***Pray for college students and instructors here as they pursue their education with the challenges of the pandemic.**

***Pray for the scientists working to discover effective treatment to end this COVID pandemic.**

*** Pray for our church members that we will soon be able to worship together and have fellowship as we prepare for the coming Advent season beginning on Nov. 29, 2020.**

*** Pray for our Session and Deacons as this year is quickly nearing the end and we are searching for officers to replace those whose terms will be completed.**

*** Pray for the election of government leaders who are God fearing, morally and ethically minded for the good of this nation and for our world.**

SESSION, MISSION AND EVANGELISM

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS

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JORDAN

Population: 9,904,000

Christians: 130,000

Main Religion: Islam

“Converts to Christianity from Islam experience a great deal of persecution from all parts of Jordanian society, usually beginning at home—which can include serious violence and even killing. Radical Islamic movements are also a source of persecution for Christians and Jordanians of other religious faiths. Christians in Jordan who belong to the Orthodox and Roman Catholic denominations enjoy a relatively high level of religious freedom but still experience discrimination.”

Prayer Points:

- * Pray for wisdom and courage for believers in a Muslim-dominated culture.
- * Pray for Christian converts interrogated by police and abused by family members.
- * Pray the Lord would provide protection and healing.
- * Pray the Muslims would be overwhelmed by the love of their Christian neighbors and begin to ask questions that draw them toward Christ.
- ** If you are reading these articles about Persecuted Christians, do you notice the relationship between Islam and persecution?

SESSION, MISSION AND EVANGELISM—CONTINUED**SHOEBOXES**

We have been collecting items for the Shoebox project over the past several months. On **Sunday, November 8** we will have a “shoebox packing party” immediately after Worship Service (hopefully in our newly “floored” Fellowship Hall).

On **Sunday, November 15** we will collect and dedicate shoeboxes filled with gifts for children who live all over the world, including the United States. This is a mission of an organization called Samaritan’s Purse which is headed by Franklin Graham, Billy Graham’s son.

Of course, the mission is to give gifts to needy children, many of who have never received a gift of any kind before, but the greatest gift is to teach these children about Jesus Christ, our savior. Along with the box will come gospel booklets called The Greatest Gift. The children will have an opportunity to enroll in a 12 lesson discipleship program called The Greatest Journey. Through the children, whole families are reached. Some churches have even grown and new churches have been started.

Our goal is 50 boxes. You may use any standard-size shoebox. Samaritan Purse shoeboxes are available in the Church Office or during worship. A donation of \$9/box is requested to cover shipping. However, HCW will cover the cost of any shoeboxes donated without the \$9.

Pray for those children who will receive our shoeboxes. Thank You!



J-M Food Pantry News

October's Food Pantry returned to something closer to "normal" than the past few months since the start of the pandemic. Distribution was held in the same manner as last month in that it was held at the Jefferson Baptist Church with two of the usual volunteers, not the coordinator, being in charge. Patrons did not enter the building.

Boxes were filled inside and delivered to their vehicles by workers, some of the regular volunteers who were comfortable being there, as well as others who willingly volunteered to assist them. Social distancing and mask wearing continued to be practiced. Hours of distribution were once again shortened. However, it was determined at the September distribution that setup as well as distribution are somewhat difficult to do on the same day, especially with shortened hours. To enable all to go more smoothly, some of the usual volunteers who do not yet feel comfortable working on the actual day of distribution went in on the previous day to set up.

This is where our church's donations, as well as those of other individuals or organizations, make a difference in the amount of food each family receives. These items are in addition to what is trucked in from the Central Food Bank on distribution day, so they definitely help to ensure that each family in need receives a more complete box.

This is the first time we noticed that Hewitt donations were down considerably. We did receive a few boxes of cereal and a few cans of soup, but not nearly the amount we have become accustomed to seeing. Perhaps some monetary donations were sent to the Pantry instead, which is helpful. Thank you to all who donated in any way. However, we do want to ask everyone to please continue to remember those in need with your monthly donations.

Sadly, the pandemic will be with us for a while so the need is still greater than ever. As always, we are very thankful to all who donated either food or monetarily.

Please continue to pray for those in need as you remember to donate in whatever way you prefer. All of your donations are appreciated and put to good use in helping to serve our community families.



**Feeding the
Community**

Thinking Ahead to Christmas!

Decorating the Church for Christmas

On Friday, November 27 @ 6:00 PM please join us in decorating the church for the Christmas season. Can you be of assistance? If so, just come prepared to work.

Hanging of the Christmas Greens

As has become a tradition at Hewitt, the Hanging of the Greens service will be held on Sunday, November 29 during the Worship Service. Debbie Wilson is requesting **YOUR** help with this Service. Could **YOU** be a reader or a presenter of the greens? If so, please see Debbie or call her at 724-852-6417.

Birthday Party for Jesus will not be held following the Hanging of the Greens Service due to COVID-19. However, we will be collecting baby items for "Love In a Basket" - a mission work of the Laboratory Presbyterian Church.

Thanks, Debbie Wilson



NOVEMBER 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <i>11:00 Am</i> <i>Worship</i> <i>Daylight Savings</i> <i>Time Ends</i>	2	3	4 <i><u>Every Wednesday</u></i> <i>Women's Bible</i> <i>Study</i> <i>7:00 PM Ginger</i> <i>Wainwright's</i> <i>Home</i>	5	6	7
8 <i>Fish Banks Due</i> <i>Shoe Box Packing</i> <i>following</i> <i>Worship</i>	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 <i>Dedication of</i> <i>Shoe Boxes</i>	16	17 <i>Session</i> <i>Meeting</i> <i>6:30 PM</i>	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 <i>Office Closed</i> <i>Happy</i> <i>Thanksgiving!</i>	27 <i>Office Closed</i> <i>Decorate</i> <i>Church for</i> <i>Christmas</i>	28
29 <i>Hanging of the</i> <i>Greens Service</i>	30					

November Birthdays

9 Roen McCollum
18 Greg Rohanna
18 Maya Makel
20 Matthew Cunningham
23 Charlotte Makel
24 Frank Rizzo
30 John Nedley



November Wedding Anniversaries

2 Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ankrom (Amy)
17 Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Murrall (Cathy)



HCW RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Submitted by: Deborah Wilson

DEVILS FOOD CAKE

Sift together twice:

3 cups flour

2 tsp. baking soda

2 cups sugar

1 tsp. salt (scant)

2/3 cup cocoa

On second sifting, sift into:

2 cups buttermilk

3 tsp. vanilla

2/3 cup melted butter or oleo

Mix thoroughly.

Bake in angel food cake pan, turk's head cake pan, layers (will make 2 large) or loaves.

Bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour or until cake tester comes out clean. Ice with your favorite icing or dust with powdered sugar.



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**Join us Sunday Mornings-
WORSHIP @ 11 AM
IN SANCTUARY**