

### HEWITT HAPPENINGS OCTOBER 2021

### Pastor's Message

### Greetings,

October is the month of turning leaves, raking leaves, a chill in the air, high school football, and fall clothing. But for many people it is the month of Halloween. I have seen many yards decorated for the holiday already. I have never been a big fan of Halloween. When I was a kid I would go for the candy, but was never into the scary side of ghosts and goblins. Our kids dress for school and community candy hand-outs, but always in a movie or game character costume. I am not a prude, but I believe there is a spiritual side of Halloween that we should not encourage. However, that is not what the world wants us to do. They want us to be scared.

1 John 4:4 tells us that Christ in us is greater that he who is in the world. We need not be afraid of anything the world throws at us. No matter what time of year it is. So, celebrate if you wish, but always realize Jesus is your protector every single day.

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### **CONGREGATIONAL NEWS**

### OFFICE HOURS FOR REV. PARKER

Monday/ 12-3 PM Wednesday/2-4 PM



### PRAYER CONCERNS HEWITT CHURCH FAMILY and FRIENDS

Mary Bayard
Peggy Behm
Kenneth Breakiron
Marge Breakiron
Carol Christen
Shelby Clark
A.J. Curler
Scott DeBerry
Loretta DiBiase
Rosemary Dittman
Linda Enstrom Fetig
Fred Gaggani
John Green
Glenn Hall
Hayden Jack

Bob Kelly
Allison Kiger
Marilee Lanxner
John Laskosky
Mary Ann Mauck
Maggie Miller
Jim Minor
Joann Morrow
Cathy Murral
Julie O'Mara
Carly Orris
Gary Stevenson
Doug Suhoski
Patricia Yeager
\*Bebekka Church\*

We would like to bring our Prayer List as up to date as possible.

Please let Amy at the church office know if someone has recovered from an illness so that their names can be removed with praise!

### **NOTES OF THANKS RECEIVED**

"Thank you so much for the flowers (Sheaf of Wheat), they were beautiful." Ruth McCollum Family

"Dear Hewitt Presbyterian,
Thank you for supporting Urban
Impact! We are honored to partner
with you as we work to advance God's
Kingdom on the North Side of
Pittsburgh. We are so excited to have
our students back in our fall (sports)
programs...and the Performing Arts
Academy...Our Options Resource
Center also opens this month which
aids high school students in their
transition into post-high school life...

We are so grateful for this time with our students and we pray that God will use these programs to glorify Him!"

The donation to the Urban Impact was sent from the Mission and Evangelism "Tithe" Fund for Kortney Orwig as suggested by the Ankrom Family. Kortney was a Waynesburg University Student who helped with the Youth Group of Hewitt and Jefferson Baptist.

### **DARTBALL NEWS/RADA ORDERS**

#### DARTBALL HAS RETURNED!

The Hewitt Dartball team started the season off with a **BANG** by sweeping Crabapple Community last Monday 3-0. The scores on the night were 5-0 win, 2-1 win and 8-4 win. With our record 3-0-0, we are currently in 4th place with 9 points in the 17-team league. On the night, Sara Parker registered a teamhigh 5 hits, including a perfect 4-for-4 in Game One. Cathy Brewer slugged three home runs and led the team with 14 total bases. Barry Elliott, Rachie Teegarden and Chad Ludrosky also chipped in with four hits apiece, while Matthew Parker scored a home run in his very first at-bat of his dartball career.



### **RADA ORDERS**

We are taking orders from the RADA catalog. You can order cutlery, helpful utensils, kitchen gadgets, seasonings, marinades, cheeseballs, party dips, soups and cookbooks.

Please see Rachie Teegarden or Debbie Wilson if interested.

### **EXCELLENT CHRISTMAS GIFTS!!**



#### **HEWITT CHURCH WOMEN**

### Women's Bible Study Meeting

A Women's Bible Study
"Life Lessons from 1 Corinthians"
by Max Lucado meets on
Mondays, 12:30 PM

@ the church.

# FALL GATHERING OF PRESBYTERY WOMEN IN WASHINGTON PRESBYTERY: Thursday, October 14, 2021

Church of the Covenant, Washington Registration: 9:00 AM Meeting begins: 9:30 AM

#### **Hewitt Knit Whits**

The "Knit Whits" of Hewitt Church will deliver baby hats to Washington Hospital the first week of December. Please bring your hats to the church by November 21 or contact Ellen Pahanish @ 724-377-2012. Thanks to all who have contributed to this project! Ellen Pahanish



### **DUE TO COVID-19**

the following events have been cancelled for this year:

TALENT NIGHT

SPAGHETTI DINNER

TURTLE MAKING (??)

Hopefully 2022 will enable us to return to these events.

## THANKOFFERING SERVICE: Sunday, October 24, 2021

Guest Speaker: Jennifer Zebo, Mission from Mars

### SHOEBOXES for SAMARITAN'S PURSE

Goal for 2021: 60
Information/Shoeboxes available soon.
Collection/Dedication:
Sunday, November 7, 2021

### HCW RECIPE OF THE MONTH From the kitchen of CATHY BREWER

### **No Bake Cookies**

2 CUPS SUGAR

3 TABLESPOONS COCOA

½ CUP MILK

1 STICK BUTTER

BRING TO A BOIL FOR THREE MINUTES.

THEN ADD:

**3 CUPS QUICK OATS** 

½ CUP PEANUT BUTTER

1 TEASPOON VANILLA

MIX WELL AND DROP WHATEVER SIZE YOU WANT ON WAX PAPER.

ENJOY!!!



### Attention: Women of Hewitt Church

Please submit your favorite recipes to Cathy Brewer so that our secretary can have them on file to publish in upcoming newsletters!

Thank you for your help!!!

### SESSION, MISSION AND EVANGELISM

### **CONTINUED PRAYERS:**

Please continue to pray for our family—the secret Christians of Afghanistan. Afghanistan is #2 on Open Doors list of countries where Christians are persecuted.

Prayers for the people of Haiti and for the situation on our southern border.

### **FEED MY LAMBS**

Remember the Styrofoam cups labeled "Feed My Lambs?" It is time to return them filled with your loose change or even checks on Sunday, October 10. This is a hunger mission offering sponsored by Hewitt Church Women. One half of the funds go to Jefferson Morgan Food Pantry and the other half goes to the Presbyterian Hunger Fund.

### PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY.

**THANK YOU!!** 

### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

#### FIRST DAY SCHOOL



#### **NURSERY**

Nursery for toddlers
will begin on
November 7.
Sarah Ankrom has
volunteered to be our
staff person for the
Nursery.

Thank you, Sarah!

Amy Wilson plans to begin First Day School for children age 5 through 6th grade on November 7. The delay in starting is caused by the continuing work in Fellowship Hall and the need to clean the Nursery. Special children's bulletins have been ordered which will be available each Sunday beginning the first or second week of October.

Special thanks is extended to Tom Wilson for his generous donation to secure these bulletins.

### <u>Can YOU help with First Day</u> <u>School???</u>

Volunteers are needed! Please see or call:

Amy Wilson, 724-627-4037 or Debbie Wilson, 724-852-6417.

If we can get enough helpers, you would only be responsible for 1 Sunday every 3 months.
Lessons will be provided using the Children's Sunday Bulletins.

### What My Grandmothers Taught Me

Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus, By Merryl Blair

Lesson 3

Rahab "...and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab..."

Scripture Joshua 2, 6:22-25

**Opening Prayer** 

Creating and loving God, As we read your word together, may we allow it to read us. As we enter into your story, may we understand our own stories with more clarity and wisdom. Help us to remember that you have always worked through the lives of ordinary women and men, with all their faults and failings--people like us. We bring our ordinary lives before you today. Transform our expectations, so that as we study stories of the past, we may be open to your extraordinary future. Amen.

#### Introduction

Rahab was possibly the most marginalized woman in the genealogy of Jesus. She lived on the margins, while the wealthy lived in the center of the city. She was vulnerable to attack from enemy armies and her job as a prostitute made her susceptible to abuse.

Looking through our eyes, we might wonder how God could use a person who sells her body. As we study the story of Rahab, we are challenged to look through God's eyes at the judgments we make based on our limited knowledge of people around us.

### The Story

Rahab is an outsider, she is a foreigner (to the Israelites). She is a prostitute, she lives on the margins of the city and she speaks for herself and her family as evidence that there is no adult male to ensure the family's survival.

This lesson discusses the social structure of the ancient Near East and the situation for women at that time. We are asked the question "Do you think attitudes towards women's bodies have changed since the days of Rahab and Tamar? How do you see similar attitudes in our world? "

Moses died before entering the land God had promised. Joshua is now the new leader. Joshua sent two spies into the land to check things out. The spies head to Rahab's house for the night. Rahab had an advantage of living on the city wall and was in a good place to gather information. The king heard about the spies and questioned Rahab. Rahab dared to cover for the spies and risked a death sentence as she lied to the king.

As Rahab talked to the spies, she proclaimed her belief in their God, Yahweh. She then told these Israelite men their whole salvation story, from their liberation from Egypt to the present time. Rahab begins negotiation with the spies to keep her family safe. As she does this she is performing roles usually taken by a male head of the family. Rahab brings up God's steadfast love and reminds the spies that she has treated them with steadfast love and asked them to also treat her family with steadfast love, The spies make arrangements with Rahab to keep her family safe, her marginality becomes her salvation. Her story ends with the words, "But Rahab the prostitute, with her family and all who belonged to her, Joshua spared. Her family has lived in Israel ever since. For she hid the messengers whom Joshua sent to spy out Jericho." Josh. 6:25.

### Prayer

God of possibility, I look at Rahab and I see so much of myself. Busy, trying to feed all those mouths, aware of a load of responsibility. Aging parents, young children, an ill neighbor--always something to be done. I feel so insignificant, so voiceless! Important decisions seem to be made elsewhere, out of my control.

And yet--Rahab was able to speak with courage when loyalty was needed. Give me the strength of Rahab, not afraid to step outside the limits society has determined for me, confident in my own protective, nurturing instincts and open to your surprising possibilities. Let Rahab teach me not to make assumptions that limit others. In their search for your fullness of life. Amen This complete study is available from www.presbyterianwomen.org/shop.

### **FOOD PANTRY NEWS**

Ezekiel 18:7 "He is a merciful creditor, not keeping the items given as security by poor debtors. He does not rob the poor but instead gives food to the hungry and provides clothes for the needy".

As the summer months are behind us now, the month of October will hopefully bring better, cooler weather and more sense of normalcy for our area and community. The Food Bank is still actively serving those families in need and just as busy as any other month.

For the month of September, the following items were donated:

Two boxes of Corn Flakes
Two boxes of Crisp Rice cereal
1 can of peaches
1 can of pear slices
1 can of fruit cocktail

Once again, 100 percent of the money and food received goes directly to the Jefferson Food Bank. We collect and transport the food **every third Sunday of the month**.

We know that money can be tight and it is always tough to remember to bring food in on Sundays, but we urge everyone to help in any way they can with contributions. Over 100 families benefit from these donations every month. There are baskets to place the food in at both entrances to the church The glass jars for monetary donations are also at both entrances.

The Food of the Month for October is **Dried Pasta**. **As with any month, any non-perishable food items are welcomed!!** Some popular items that are always welcome are:

- \*Boxes of cereal
- \*Peanut butter
- \*Jell-O mix
- \*Boxes of Macaroni & Cheese
- \*Candy for kids

If anyone has any questions or suggestions for the Jefferson Food Bank, please do not hesitate to ask a Deacon. Thank you and God Bless!!

Respectfully submitted,

**Hewitt Board of Deacons** 



"We want to thank the Congregation of Hewitt Presbyterian Church for their donation to the Jefferson Morgan Food Pantry. It was greatly appreciated. May God Bless You."

 George Nutt, Coordinator of Jefferson Morgan Food Pantry

### OCTOBER 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Worship Every Sunday 11:00 AM	Women's Bible Study 12:30 PM @ church Mondays	Bible Study @ Ginger Wainwright's home 7:00 PM on Tuesdays	Bells- 6 PM Choir—7 PM Every Wednesday		1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 <u>Deacons</u> <u>Meeting</u> Following  worship	18	19 Session Meeting 6:30 PM	20	21	22 Newsletter Articles Due! Thank You!	23
24 Thank Offering Service	25	26	27	28	29	30

#### **OCTOBER Birthdays**

#### **OCTOBER Wedding Anniversaries**

1	Lenora Melega
3	<b>Kelly Cartwright</b>

- 4 Dustin Teegarden
- 8 Mary Bayard
- 17 Jill Lanxner
- 23 Lynn Cunningham
- 24 Dean Cochran
- 25 Drew Cartwright
- 29 George Phillips
- 30 Kim Cottle

18 Roger & Laci Myers 31 Bob & Karen Kelly



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### OCTOBER 2021 HEWITT HAPPENINGS

### **SAVE THESE DATES:**

<u>Friday, November 26</u> Decorate Church for Christmas @

6:00 PM

**Sunday, November 28** Hanging of the Christmas Greens

\*Depending on COVID, Birthday

Party for Jesus.

<u>Collection of Baby and new mother items for</u>
<u>Love In A Basket</u>—a cooperative ministry with

Laboratory Presbyterian Church

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**Saturday, December 4** Advent Brunch for women of Hewitt

Church

Join us Sunday Mornings-WORSHIP @ 11 AM