

YOUR PRESBYTERIAN NEIGHBOR

November 2018

Please join us for worship on November 4, when we celebrate All Saints Day. We will honor those members who left this earth to join their Heavenly Father in the past year. They include Nancy Ann Nichols, Jerrold Leon Satterlee, and Robert Norman Butler.

All Saints Day

The Lord redeems the life of his servants;

None of those who take refuge

In him will be condemned.

Psalm 34:22



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CALENDAR

- 11/1 2-4 P.M. Prayer Shawl Group
- 11/4 8:30 A.M. Handbell practice
10:00 A.M. Worship
Guest Speaker—Dr. Chris Dorn
Sunday School, All Saints Day
11:00 Fellowship and Refreshments
- 11/7 9:30 A.M. Quilters
4:00 P.M. Children's Choir practice
- 11/8 2-4 P.M. Prayer Shawl
- 11/11 8:30 A.M. Handbells practice
10:00 A.M. Worship
Guest Speaker—Dr. Chris Dorn
Sunday School
11:00 Fellowship and Refreshments
6:00 P.M. Salute to Veterans
- 11/13 5:30 P.M. Family night
- 11/14 9:30 A.M. Quilters
4:00 P.M. Children's Choir
- 11/15 2-4 P.M. Prayer Shawl Group
5:00 P.M. Soup Kitchen
Captain Cindy Rozich
- 11/18 8:30 A.M. Handbells practice
10:00 A.M. Worship
Guest Speaker, Dr. Chris Dorn
11:00 A.M. Fellowship and Refreshments
- 11/21 9:30 A.M. Quilters
4:00 P.M. Children's choir
- 11/22 Thanksgiving Day
- 11/25 8:30 A.M. Handbells practice
10:00 A.M. Worship
Guest Speaker—Dr. Chris Dorn
11:00 A.M. Fellowship and Refreshments
- 11/27 9:00 A.M.—11:15 A.M. Office hours
Deb has lunch date
- 11/28 9:30 A.M. Quilters
4:00 P.M. Children's Choir
- 11/29 2-4 P.M. Prayer Shawl Group

Birthdays

- 11/1 Allison McKay
- 11/2 Steve Slaughter
- 11/9 John McKay
- 11/13 Judi Emlinger
- 11/14 Fred Fuhrman
- 11/17 Bonnie Hadder
- 11/25 Sue Reglin
- 11/27 David Furman
- 11/29 Linda Hood
- 11/30 Sarah Jane Hanson

**Soup Kitchen****November 15th @ 5:00 P.M.****Team #3****Captain, Cindy Rozich**

November Worship Stewards

Nov. 4—Liturgist—Marilyn McKay; **Ushers/Greeters:** Duane and Judi Emlinger, Pat Gustafson; **Children’s Message:** Sue Thompson

Nov. 11—Liturgist: Jim VanSyckle; **Usher//Greeters:** Barb Klenk, Lee Hunsberger, Bill Robinson; **Children’s Message:** Marilyn McKay

Nov. 18—Liturgist: Kathy VanSyckle; **Ushers/Greeters:** Sue Reglin, Norma Kilpatrick, Evelyn Ransom; **Children’s Message:** Lee Hunsberger

Nov. 25—Liturgist: Shelly Reglin; **Ushers/Greeters:** Lavonna and David Hoover, Marilyn McKay; **Children’s Message:** Judi Emlinger

Prayer Shawl Group News

Just a reminder that blankets are available for all ages. Recipient does not need to be a church member. If you know of someone who could use a blanket, please contact Mary Williams or Evelyn Ransom.

Prayer Shawl Group

Please note the “Presbyterians on the Go” will continue meeting the first Thursday of each month at 10:30 A.M. for a travelogue. Everyone is welcome to come, young or old.

Headstart News

The Ionia Head Start has two new teachers this year, Mel, Lisa and Renee. We look forward to working with them and hope to continue our ongoing support.

Thanksgiving pies will be purchased from the Mission Committee for the 50 families. We include a flier with our church’s info/events and a Thanksgiving prayer. The staff distribute the pies which is greatly appreciated.

Keep in mind their need for children’s coats, hats and mittens. They can be gently used and placed in the shopping car. Boys and girls sizes 4 or 5.

Missions News

\$500.00 was sent to Presbyterian Disaster Relief to help victims of the recent hurricanes in Florida and the Carolinas.

UPCOMING EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 11TH A SALUTE TO VETERANS
AN EVENT TO HONOR VETERANS BEGINNING AT **6:00PM**
ALL ARE WELCOME, MORE INFO TO FOLLOW

NOVEMBER 13TH FEEDING THE BODY AND SOUL
SESSION 2 THE GOSPEL OF DR. SEUSS
WHAT WAS I SCARED OF?
FOR ALL AGES
BEGINS AT 5:30 WITH A SIMPLE SUPPER
PROGRAM ENDS BY 7:00PM

Join us for our next
Feeding the Body and Soul Gathering

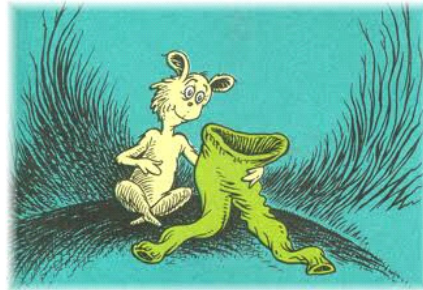


November 13, 2018

A simple meal will be served at 5:30 in Fellowship Hall, followed by a lesson from Dr. Seuss in the Memorial Room.

What Was I scared of?

will provide our inspiration and lesson.



The Gospel According to Dr. Seuss

lessons for all of God's people, young and old

Seek

Do you remember the song “Seek Ye First” found in our hymnal and in countless more across the globe? I heard that it’s been sung at church-based youth camps. Sometimes it is sung like a round with overlapping parts (as common for the kids’ song “Row Row Your Boat”). Here are the first two verses:

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
 And His righteousness
 And all these things shall be added unto you
 Allelu Alleluia
 Man shall not live by bread alone
 But by every word
 That proceeds from the mouth of God
 Allelu Alleluia

Read on as Karen Lafferty tells her story of composing this signature song which now helps to support a ministry.

What was the origin of “Seek Ye First”?

“It was back in 1971. I had quit my entertainment job and was trying to support myself with teaching guitar lessons. I had three students! When my savings were all gone and I had no money to make my car payments, I became very discouraged and confused.

“One evening I went to a Bible study at church, and we talked about Matthew 6:33. I
³³**But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.**

was tremendously encouraged and challenged by the words about Christ’s kingdom. So I went home, wrote the tune, recorded it on a tape recorder, and then sang this little descant part [high harmony part].”

“I taught the song at church the next week, and it caught on right away. The Lord really paved the way for me with that song. “Seek Ye First” has opened doors for me all over the world. And because it’s in so many hymnbooks, about 40 percent of my mission support comes from that song!”

Karen founded Musicians For Missions International (MFMI) in 1981. She adds, *“God has called me to be a ‘Musicianary’; to seek those places where others aren’t going and to disciple the national musicians who can then reach their own nations. I believe there are other Christian musicians with that calling too.”* MFMI’s goal is to work with the local churches to facilitate these musicians into ministry, especially “missions.” It is

part of the Youth With a Mission ministry across the globe.

What about the youth right here in our communities?

Musicianary: A missionary whose primary too is one of music, using songs to spread the Gospel.

How can we use music to spread the Gospel to the young, the old, and the in-betweeners inside and outside our homes and church?

Please note our new website address and email address!!

Newsletters, Calendar and more at 1stpreshurchionia.com

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Church Office Hours - Monday through Thursday

9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M., Phone 527-2320
