



UP Church

Love God. Love Others.

November 2019



November Highlights

3rd Daylight Saving
4th Deacons
5th Lion's Pancake Supper
17th Uplift

19th Finance
20th Praise Café
24th Thank Offering Sunday
27th Soup Supper
Weeks of 11th, 18th, 25th Meals on Wheels



From the Pastor...

Friends,

Our Stewardship Series this month encourages us to gratitude. Additionally, we are rapidly approaching my one year anniversary of serving this church. I must be having fun, because the time has flown by! Both our Stewardship Series and the arrival of this important anniversary have caused me to look back over the past year and think about what I am thankful for.

While there are too many things to truly count (or remember), there are some highlights on which my mind lingers. I am thankful for people. For my husband, children, and extended family, who are not called to be installed pastors but who do so much to make my ministry possible. For the committee who called me to this church (Jim Cuddeback, Krista Gaal, Julie Johnson, Lynn Loula, Katie Lujan, Jordan Youngman). For the people of this church family who have received us so gracefully and treated us so well. For the staff with whom I am blessed to work – Jared, Jess, Ginny, MaryJo, Brenda, and Cory. For the session members who have served so faithfully in the positions to which they have been called. For my colleagues in ministry and the people in this town who love living here and want to make it a better place. There are so many good people in this world!



I am thankful for the saints who have gone before me. For those men and women who nurtured the faith of the people who nurtured me. For those women and men who set a solid foundation for the United Presbyterian Church of Washington - spiritually, financially, and emotionally.

I am most thankful for the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, which goes before us all, is within us all, and surrounds us all.

What are you thankful for?

Out of Office

Erin will be gone Monday, November 4th and November 11th-24th
Ginny will be gone November 10th
Jared will be gone Wednesday, November 27th
The office/church will be closed Thursday, November 28th and Friday 29th
in observance of Thanksgiving



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CREW (Middle School Ministry)

Nov 3rd: 3:30pm - Going to HACAP to pack food (maybe)

Nov 17th: 3:30pm @ UPChurch

CREW: Packing Food For HACAP

On Nov. 3rd (or perhaps 17th) CREW will load up and head over to HACAP to pack food for this local mission that does so much to help feed those who are food insecure in our community. We will meet at normal time, though we do ask folks to be punctual because we will need to head over soon after we meet.

Inside Out (Senior High Ministry)

Nov 3rd: Going shopping for HACAP

Nov 10th: 6:30pm @ UP Church

Nov 17th: 6:30pm @ UP Church

Nov 24th: 6:30pm @ UP Church

Nov 27th: 5:30pm - Soup Supper

Son City (Elementary School Ministry)

Nov 4th: 8:45am - Unit 2: Freedom: Cooking

Nov 11th: 8:45am - Unit 2: Freedom: Spiritual Practices/Games

Nov 18th: 8:45am - Unit 2: Freedom: Creation Station

Nov 25th: 8:45am - Unit 2: Freedom: Missions

Inside Out: Soup Supper Mission Trip Fundraiser

On Wednesday Nov. 27th the Senior High youth will be hosting their annual Soup Supper Mission Trip Fundraiser @ 5:30pm. Take a break from all of the preparations at home for Thanksgiving and come join us in the fellowship hall for some hot soup and warm conversation.

The Mission Trip Planning Team is looking into the many different options we have to serve next summer. Please pray with us as we try to determine where God can use us in 2020.

Inside Out: Leaf Raking

We are hoping to be able to help out some of our neighbors again this year by doing some leaf raking, though it is always a challenge to time it just right (if only the leaves dropped at an agreed upon pre-arranged time). We will continue to monitor the turning and dropping of the leaves, hopefully the timing will work out for us.



In October the Kingdom Kids traveled to Paws and More, the fire station and the library. Now Fall is here. We have been exploring the changes all around us: leaves falling, cooler temps, the squirrel on our playground hiding nuts, pumpkins and scarecrows popping up around town. We cut open apples, peppers, squash, pumpkins, pears, and cucumbers to find seeds in each. We have shelled, popped, and eaten popcorn, and played in our seed collection in the sensory table. Thank you to Jane Cuddeback for supplying apples for us to examine, peel, cut, balance, cook, and eat. Next month I will hold conferences and we will be discussing Thankfulness, and being grateful. On the Tuesday before Thanksgiving we will have our annual feast. Kids prepare the meal, decorations, and entertainment for our guests. Time is flying by for us. Thank you for your continued prayers for our children, families, and staff.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTMAS SHARING

We have many opportunities coming up to share our love for the Lord.

The Mission Committee will have the mitten tree up so that people can give either new or slightly used mittens, gloves, scarves or hats to those in need in our school system and Head Start. They have more of a need for gloves and mittens since children tend to lose one of the set and then do not have anything to keep their hands warm.



The Mission Committee is also working with HACAP to “Adopt a Family” to provide gifts to children that otherwise would not be able to receive any gifts. Jordan Youngman is in charge of that and if you or a group that you belong to would like to donate to this cause, please contact Jordan.

We will again have an ornament that you can purchase for the loved ones in your lives, with the money going to our Sunday School project this year- Heifer International.



Bell Ringing opportunities for the Salvation Army will be available this holiday season. The date is yet to be determined. Contact Sue Reed to sign up (319-591-0929 reed4tack@hotmail.com)

As you can tell, we have a lot of opportunities for sharing God's love.



Homeless Shelter Open House

604 S Iowa Ave
(formally 180 Teen Center/Hamakua)

November 1st
4-8 pm



Do you have a real belief that homebound folks in Washington should be able to receive a hot and healthy meal every day? Do you also believe everyone should have human contact with at least one person each day? If so, being a part of our Meals on Wheels team is a way that you can serve as Jesus taught us to!

The Board of Deacons of our church are responsible to make these deliveries two different months each year. The YMCA coordinates the list of individuals who have requested meals, the local hospital prepares the meals, and nine local churches alternate in the delivery of the meals to the individual homes.



Generally, there are around 12-14 meals to be delivered. This takes place at 11:30 A.M. each week day and takes about one hour of your time. Our church is responsible for these deliveries for 4-5 weeks in the spring and another four weeks in the fall.

Our fall deliveries begin November 11 and run through December 6th. Deacon Kathy Hunt is our coordinator. If you can help serve in this way, contact Kathy at 653-6379. Serve like Jesus!



the saturday kitchen

taste and see that the Lord is good!

The past several months have been busy filling all 52 Saturdays in 2020 with host churches and groups! All 2019 hosts are contacted to see if they plan to continue and we proceed from there. We're always on the lookout for new hosts!

We're thrilled to have all the dates now filled and we have 26 host groups with a few working jointly! Each group feels called to serve others in this caring way.

It's been a privilege for our UP Church to serve as the Saturday Kitchen coordinators and event site these past 8 years. We're very grateful to our 80-100 guests who attend and to all the host groups and their coordinators.

Mark your calendars for OUR NEXT HOSTING DATE: DEC. 7TH. Please contact the church office (653-6588) or Joe or Marde McConnell (653-3884) to volunteer and to be a part of this community outreach.



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Thank Offering



Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you.
When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart . . .
—Jeremiah 29:12–13

Annual Thank Offering Sunday November 24, 2019

The Thank Offering has been received by Presbyterian Women since 1888 and has raised tens of millions of dollars for mission. Grants from the 2019 Thank Offering will aid twelve projects in the United States and six international projects. More than 40 percent of the projects funded are health ministries. If you will not be in church on November 24th, please put your gift in the offering on November 17th or December 1st. All gifts, large or small, will help fund the projects this year. Thank you!



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WHO: All are invited!

WHAT: A chance to learn

WHEN: January, time now flexible

WHERE: UPC, of course

WHY: Be reminded or informed about “us”
and perhaps be interested in membership?

Contact Pastor Erin or church office (653-6588)
for more info or to sign up



Welcome Team Audit Completed!

Thanks to everyone for your very helpful input. Hopefully, you’ve already noticed a change or two!
We appreciate your patience as we continue to move forward with your suggestions.

Thanks, Church Family!

We are so very grateful
for your help.

Fantastic Oct. 27th
Outdoor “Fall Fun” Event
where SO much was accomplished!

All 37 Participants GREATLY
Appreciated!!

Stewardship Drive

November is Stewardship time. The theme of this year's campaign is "Gratitude is the Heart of Stewardship". We are encouraging you to search your heart in gratitude for what our Church offers. We are asking you to give generously, not out of obligation, but because you are grateful to be a part of our church family.

Our committee believes there are four cornerstones of stewardship:

- Attending Worship
- Growing our Faith
- Serving Others
- Giving Generously

We hope you are able to attend the worship services as we present testimonials relating to each of these subjects. Betty Beenblossom gave the first testimonial last Sunday about attending worship at the UP Home. We will have testimonials the next three Sundays on each of the remaining cornerstones.

Finally, there will be a Stewardship Celebration brunch on Sunday, December 1st.

Please consider giving generously from your heart. Thank you.

The Stewardship Committee: Erika Bishop, Sandy Dunlap, Julie Johnson, Joe McConnell, Steve Liebe, and Mary Lou Saforek



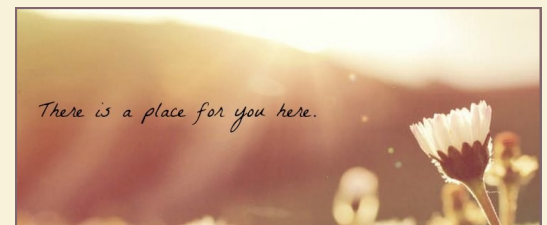
As a member of the Adult Sunday School class that meets every Sunday morning in the church lounge, I want to extend an invitation to anyone who is interested in finding a Sunday School home to come and join our class.

We are a group that is interested in studying the scriptures and want to encourage others who have a thirst for knowing and understanding God's word.

We feel strongly that the word of God is our guide for navigating the complicated world in which we live.

We are a self-led class that uses the Standard Lesson Quarterly from Standard Publishing for our lessons. Using the questions accompanying each lesson, we have great discussions on applying God's word to life's challenges.

We welcome any and all to join us. We hope to see you there. Julie Mangold



"Love Story" by Karen Kingsbury

"Two Weeks" by Karen Kingsbury

"Daily Readings from the Life of Christ" by John MacArthur

Stop by and check out our wide variety of books and dvds!



Wednesday, November 20th
5:15pm
Meal provided by the Pathfinders
Sunday School Class

Personnel updates



The Personnel Committee will be interviewing applicants this month for three of the four part time positions we have available. We are also completing a yearly evaluation of our current staff. If you have questions or feedback please let us know. Personnel members are Randy Fehr, Brad Alderton, Cyndy McCall, Travis Moore, Jacob Thorius, Layne Twinam, and Pastor Erin Kaye.



Jan-Sept represents 75% of the year.
Our income came in at 66%
Our expenses came in at 76%



Articles for the December
newsletter are due
Monday, November 18



Church Family News

Did you know...

ANN CONKLIN prepared all the attractive and yummy cupcakes for Pastor Erin's Installation Service. Thanks, Ann, and an official welcome and "glad you're here" to Pastor Erin!

FAMILY OF FAITH Sunday School Class hosted the first Praise Café. Everyone in attendance was so pleased to have "The Café" back! Plan to attend our November 20TH Praise Café.

IN OCTOBER PASTOR ERIN AND DEACONS served communion at UP Home's Brownlee Center to over twenty people and to several individuals at Halcyon House.

DONATIONS TO OUR SATURDAY KITCHEN GUESTS are occasionally made - loaves of bread? paper products? hygiene items? Such items, perhaps purchased on sale, are available on a first come basis. Contact Joe or Marde McConnell (653-3884) if you have items to share.



NEW UP Church Apparel

New Design, New Items, New Colors

Chance to get some cool gifts & support UP youth!

Watch for order forms, coming soon

***Polos, Winter hats, Baseball caps, ¼ Zip pullovers,
Short & Long Sleeve Tees, Hoodies, Crew Sweatshirts***



1 Dean Garrett
1 Carol Winga
2 Arnel Baughman
2 Gavin Smith
3 Rodney Letts
8 Ben Baughman
8 Dorothy Miller

9 Gary Murphy
11 Julie See
12 Ron Brock
17 Wanda Skubal
20 Amy Kleese
20 Katie McCall
21 Halle Cuddeback

21 Julie Zahs
22 Judy Wertz
23 Myron Krotz
24 Dick Colby
24 Ben Schiefer
26 Richard McCall
26 Tom Murphy



LION's
PANCAKE
SUPPER

November 5th
5-7 pm
Fellowship Hall



Bells and Christmas
Go Together
Rehearsals
Wednesdays - 6pm

Plan to play one or two Sundays
during the Christmas season.

Questions
Contact Arnel Baughman
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