

**GREETERS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

December 1<sup>st</sup> Roy & Mona Hilderman

**ACOLYTE FOR NEXT WEEK:**

December 1<sup>st</sup> Grace Almendinger

**NURSERY FOR NEXT WEEK:**

December 1<sup>st</sup> Amy Wagner

**JUNIOR CHURCH FOR NEXT WEEK:**

December 1<sup>st</sup> Carrie Almendinger

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE FOR NEXT WEEK:**

December 1<sup>st</sup> Pat Blair

**WORSHIP LEADER FOR NEXT WEEK:**

December 1<sup>st</sup> Diane Frazier

**FLOWERS**

Today's beautiful flowers were given by Jim & Pat Blair and Mike & Barbara Derenburger thanking God for all of our blessings.

**BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY WISHES**

A special and heartfelt congratulations goes out to all those with Birthdays and Anniversaries this week.

November

25<sup>th</sup> Nicholas Willeke

26<sup>th</sup> Lee & Karen Mansell

Mike & Laurie Mooney

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013

**HAPPENINGS THIS COMING WEEK**

Sunday, November 24 <sup>th</sup>	8:30am Sounds of Celebration & Teen Choir 9:15am Sunday-School 10:30am Worship Service/Teen Service
Monday, November 25 <sup>th</sup>	4pm Prayer Walk, Bike Path *weather permitting
Tuesday, November 26 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am Bible Study 1pm Tabitha Sewing Circle 5:30pm TOPS
Thursday, November 28 <sup>th</sup>	Thanksgiving Day
Sunday, December 1 <sup>st</sup>	8:30am Sounds of Celebration & Teen Choir 9:15am Sunday-School 10:30am Worship Service/Communion

**Office hours & Contacts**

Pastor Kevin's hours are Monday - Thursday 9am to 5pm.  
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### Congregational Meeting

On Dec 8<sup>th</sup> following our Worship Service we will hold a Congregational meeting to elect the Class of 2017 elders.

### Young at Heart

TODAY is the deadline for your reservation for our Christmas luncheon on Thurs. Dec. 19 at Davis Shea house. Please see Mona or Ann now. The cost is \$18 for the lunch and tour of the Victorian house.



### Mitten Tree Challenge



Praise and Thanksgiving! The mitten tree is beautifully decorated with over 100 mittens. You are a kind and bounteous Congregation. Hallelujah!

### WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

Set aside the evening of December 12<sup>th</sup> to attend our annual Angel Program. We will continue with many of the traditions of the past years and perhaps add new idea.

The program will begin at 6:30 pm with refreshments and Cille's wonderful coffee bar in our Fellowship Hall. Immediately afterwards, we will proceed to the Sanctuary for the remainder of the program. The JHS Apogee Choir will be performing once again for us. Please try to come as it is a beautiful evening.



### 2014 Lenten Devotional--The 33rd Edition!

As the year comes close to an end and before the busy holiday season begins, it might be good to consider the blessings you have received this year by writing a devotional to be put into the Lenten Devotional booklet. There is not a better time than Thanksgiving to consider an article for the 2014 Lenten Devotional! You don't have to wait to turn it in--they can be turned in now.

Rhonda Deeds will be assisting this coming year and for the publishing of the Devotional. If anyone else would like to assist in proofreading typing or compilation in this short term project prior to Easter, please let me know.

We need a lot of writing, so send your devotional to me, or any questions you may have to me at [scottnlinda@columbus.rr.com](mailto:scottnlinda@columbus.rr.com). Follow the example of the Upper Room Devotional which can be found in the magazine rack.

Blessings, Linda Lockwood

### Come and Decorate the Church for Christmas

Yes, yes it is that time of year! We know we all enjoy our beautiful church during the Christmas Season but what gives it true meaning is when we come together decorate! It is a "good" job but what helps is when you come to help. It does not happen on its own. The more volunteers we have the better!! We have tasks for all levels of ability - just show up and be a part of making YOUR CHURCH ready for the arrival of Jesus Christ. Mark your calendar for Monday, Nov. 25 at 6:30.



**Hearing Assist Devices Available**

Having trouble hearing during the worship service? We have hearing assist devices available to make you worship more enjoyable. Simply ask for one from the sound system operator.



**Weekly Tithes and Offerings - November 17, 2013**

	<u>Received</u>	!
Current (Operating) Fund	\$1,670.00	\$ 3,468
Building Expansion Fund	\$686.00	
Basement Classroom Fund	\$135.00	

**New Member Class**

There will be a new member class offered in January. Classes will be on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup>, Sunday mornings beginning at 9:15 am. For your convenience we will be providing childcare during these classes. If you are interested or have questions please contact Pastor Kevin at [pastorkevin@thejpc.org](mailto:pastorkevin@thejpc.org) or Lee Mansell at [jlmansell@aep.com](mailto:jlmansell@aep.com).

**Adopt a Family**

Our Church has adopted a family of 4 Children and 2 Parents. You may sign up to purchase a gift by seeing Bob Pardee for the list.



Y-LED BUDGET	CURRENT	BENEVOLENCE UNDETERMINED	EXPANSION FUND	BASEMENT	MEMORIAL	TOTAL
	\$141,362.50		\$26,181.60	\$12,518.50	0	\$180,062.60
JAN 1,2013 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$13,236.65	\$1,452.10	\$12,802.48	\$10,478.79	\$2,163.17	\$40,133.19
RECEIPTS TO DATE	\$117,495.60	\$7,025.57	\$22,065.00	\$7,846.00	\$50.00	\$154,482.17
BALANCE	\$130,732.25	\$8,477.67	\$34,867.48	\$18,324.79	\$2,213.17	\$194,615.36
EXPENSES TO DATE	\$104,344.06	\$3,918.32	\$29,566.10	\$16,697.76	\$324.46	\$154,850.70
OCTOBER 31,2013 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$26,388.19	\$4,559.35	\$5,301.38	\$1,627.03	\$1,888.71	\$39,764.66

AMOUNT OF INDEBTEDNESS  
 (Oregon St. Property)\$96,389.57  
 Loan-Presby Church, U.S.A. \$346,643.38

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,  
 KAREN MANSSELL

## **“GIVE THANKS”**

Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One. Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son. Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One. Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say I am strong. Let the poor say I am rich, because of what the Lord has done for us. And now let the weak say I am strong. Let the poor say I am rich, because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks, give thanks.

## **“THANK YOU FOR BEING”**

Thank you for being just who You are; thank you for shining like the morning star. Jesus, oh Jesus, thank you for being my bright and morning star.

I love You because You first loved me; Your healing touch has set me free. Jesus, oh Jesus, Your healing touch has set my spirit free. Jesus, oh Jesus, thank you for being my bright and morning star.

## **SERMON NOTES**

“A Love that Is Better than Life” – Psalm 63 (NIV)

The Flow of God’s Love...

### 1. The Direction

*“Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.” (1 John 4:7-8)*

### 2. The Purpose

*“Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you!”  
(Psalm 63:3)*

## Prayer Concerns

11-21-2013

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### Continued Prayers

- Our Governmental Leaders
- The Filipinos' situation after the typhoon

### Healing

- Lucy Heller, Ed and Teri Heller's daughter had the first of two surgeries Nov. 14. She is now home but is facing lots of healing.
- Josh Hall, friend of Diane Frazier, should have had abdominal/intestinal surgery on November 7. No update.
- Barbara Haines has a serious autoimmune disorder. She is improving but still using a feeding tube.
- Melody Frazier Dickens was in a car accident and was seriously injured. She has been moved from rehab to her home.
- Maxine Pardee myasthenia gravis. .
- Joan and Gene Shellenbarger —poor health
- Ron Goodman, latter stages of Parkinson's disease (brother-in-law to Jane Muller)
- Jane, (aunt of Susie Speck) stroke and failing heart
- Margaret and Tom Jolley
- Rev. Edward Carlson, Maxine Pardee's son-in-law, now has a heart monitor. He has other serious medical issues.

### Cancer

- David Irwin's cancer is decreasing. His doctor is very pleased.
- Bob Maibach is staying at Heartland of Westerville while receiving treatments and the James.
- Brandin O'Keefe, aged 31, recent Fire Academy graduate, has been diagnosed with cancer. Now on light duty.

- Colton Zigo, Northridge graduate. Second round of chemotherapy. Pray for success and his healing.
- Carl, Roger, Kathy, (Susie Speck's cousins)
- Brian Fisher, friend of the Miller's and the Frazier's, diagnosed with colon cancer. Had surgery and cancer has spread to lymph nodes. The blood clots have cleared up. He has 3 chemo treatments left.
- Megan Johnson Cervi, daughter of Bill Johnson and newlywed is being treated for two areas of melanoma.
- Diane Crooks and Nancy Wiseman, Suzy Sayer's friends, have ovarian cancer.
- Mike McLaughlin, friend of Maxine Pardee, has terminal cancer.

### Those Shut in or Confined to their Homes

- Roy H. Sarbaugh (Carol Hoff's father)
- Alice Neibarger
- Ellen Howell. (Hazel Almendinger's sister) is house bound. She is in pain management.
- Betty Ford
- Lawrence Bishop at Sharonbrooke Senior Living Center in Newark
- Cecil and Maryann Grimes. Cecil has worsening Alzheimer's and Maryann has a lung condition. They are elderly and day-to-day activities are getting harder.

### Deaths

- Cloetta Lockwood, Scott Lockwood's mother, died the afternoon of November 6. Memorial service will be Dec. 6, 11 AM, at the Second Presbyterian Church in Newark.

### Life Events

- Oluf came home from the hospital November 19 and all is well.