



GOOD NEWS FROM YOUR CHURCH

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SUNDAY

November 11, 2018

9:30 A.M.

WORSHIP SERVICE

NO Church School

SUNDAY

November 18, 2018

9:30 A.M.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Bible Sunday

11:00 A.M.

Church School for All Ages

COMMUNITY DINNER

Thursday,
Annual Thanksgiving Meal
November 8th
5:30 P.M.



Join the church and
community for a time of
delicious food and fellowship.

RUMMAGE SALE! The Women's Association brought in over \$2800! Thanks for everyone who donated, helped and shopped the Rummage Sale!

From the Pastor...

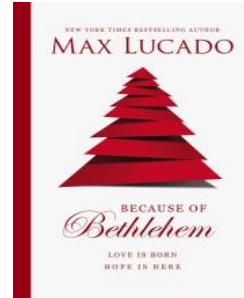
On Sunday, November 4th, Rev. Ellie Johns-Kelley preached for our annual stewardship commitment Sunday. During her sermon, she challenged us to give in a PERSONALLY MEANINGFUL way. Each member of the church would need to determine what that meant. Ellie gave the example of her sister taking the daily money she would spend at Starbucks and donate that to her church above her regular pledge. She also mentioned taking time from her schedule and reading to children in the local elementary school instead of spending time with her family. A final example was working towards a tithe (10%), not out of guilt or obligation, but to support the ministry and mission of Jesus Christ. This ten percent was not simply our finances, but our hours and our talents. The challenge laid before the Presbyterian Church at Woodbury was will we tell our story about what God has done in our lives with our time, talents and treasures. Will we be like the Gerasene Demoniac in Mark 5?

“As Jesus was getting into the boat, the demon-delivered man begged to go along, but he wouldn't let him. Jesus said, “Go home to your own people. Tell them your story—what the Master did, how he had mercy on you.” The man went back and began to preach in the Ten Towns area about what Jesus had done for him. He was the talk of the town.”

It is my prayer that each of you will “tell your story” – what Jesus is doing in your life and offer your time, talent and treasure in PERSONALLY MEANINGFUL ways, so that God's mission might continue through this church. If you haven't submitted an “Intention of Giving” card, please send to church at your earliest convenience.

In Christ,
Phil

2018 Advent Study December 2018



A remarkable gift can arrive in an unremarkable package. One did in Bethlehem more than 2000 years ago. No one expected God to come the way he did. Yet the way

he came was every bit as important as the coming itself. The manger is the message.

In this four-session video Bible study, Max Lucado explores how the One who made everything chose to make himself nothing for us. He experienced hunger and thirst. He went through the stages of human development. He taught to walk, stand and wash his face. He was completely and genuinely human.

Because of Bethlehem, we no longer have marks on our record...just grace. We have the promise that God is always near us, always with us, always within us – and that we have a friend and Savior in heaven. Long after the guests have left, the carolers have gone home, and the lights have come down, these promises endure.

Sunday Mornings beginning at 11am

December 2 - God Has a Face

The Word became flesh and blood, and moved into the neighborhood. ~ John 1:14

December 9 - Worship Works Wonders

Oh, how my soul praises the Lord. How my spirit rejoices in God my Savior! For the Mighty One is holy, and he has done great things for me. ~ Luke 1:46-47, 49

December 16 -God Guides the Wise

The star they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! ~ Matthew 2:9-10

December 23 - Every Heart a Manger

For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. ~ John 3:16

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS:
FALL BLOCK 2:
HEARING AND DOING**

Led by Judy Platt

Why and how do we put faith into action? Does the news call you to action? Do Sermons? Do your prayers? Do your neighbors? Come join us on Sundays, November 4, 18, and 25 at 11:00 am .

ADVENT PARTY: Join us on Sunday, December 2 from 12 – 2 pm for the start of Advent. There will be wreath-making and crafts. Lunch will be provided – bring a dessert or side to share! To make an Advent wreath, bring clippers and additional greens (greens will also be provided). There is a sign-up sheet in the chapel. Hope to see you there!

DEACONS NEWS: The Deacons will be running a gift drive for the Greater Cooperative Ministries Food Bank for Christmas. The collection will run through the month of November. The Food Bank needs gifts for teenagers, men and women. Here are some suggestions: *For Teenagers:* gift cards to iTunes, Google, Amazon, pajamas. *For Women:* decorative scarves, sweaters, pajamas, underwear, turtlenecks, costume jewelry. *For Men:* sweatshirts, sweatpants, flannel shirts, socks, pajamas, underwear. All sizes are needed. Thank you in advance for your donations!



CUBA MISSION TRIP 2019: The Presbyterian Church at Woodbury is scheduling a Mission Trip to Cuba **Monday, March 11 - through Tuesday, March 19, 2019.** The

Mission Team will fly from Philadelphia to Miami and on to Santa Clara, Cuba. We will spend the week in Placetas Cuba with a stop at the Matanzas Evangelical Theological Seminary before spending Monday afternoon in Havana. We will fly out of Havana on Tuesday morning. The approximate cost is \$1500 per person. A deposit of \$150.00 for the Travel VISA is due on Saturday, December 1, 2018. This is a trip to build relationships with Cuban Christians and experience their ministry first hand. Typically, the mission team carries down over the counter medical supplies and spends time visiting members of the local church. If you have questions, please contact Wendy Kunz at wendy.kunz@verizon.net

YOUTH NEWS:

SNL Contemporary Service –
Saturday, November 10th at 6:30 pm.
Come worship and support our youth!

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION: The next communion will be served to our homebound members on December 2nd. If you are able to serve, please sign up in the chapel to help out. Thank you.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Fred Petri in Manor Care, Florence Hillman, Wendy Kunz, Anita Cobin, Alex Jenei, Florence Meyer, Fred Davis, Emma Mustard, Brian Praetzel, Meg Lolly, Dorothy VanHorn, Amelia Exley, Meghan Orem, Judy Fetty, and Marie Batten. A reminder to keep our military personnel in your prayers, including Jonathan Gabler, Nathan Wadding, Cameron Wadding, Jarrod Fetty, and Wesley Tatham.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK: NOVEMBER 11-17, 2018

Sunday:	8:45 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	9:00 AM	Prayer Room 3
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
	10:45 AM	Children's Choir
	11:00 AM	300 th Anniversary Meeting
Monday:	TBA	Youth Group Veteran's Project
	10:00 AM	Pitman Manor Bible Study
	6:30 PM	Girl Scouts
Tuesday:	6:30 PM	SJ Choral Arts
	7:00 PM	Trustees
	1:00 PM	60 Plus Bible Study
Wednesday:	6:30 PM	Cub Scouts
	10:00 AM	Staff Meeting
Thursday:	6:30 PM	Cub Scouts
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ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK: NOVEMBER 18-25, 2018

Sunday:	8:45 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	9:00 AM	Prayer Room 3
	9:30 AM	Worship Service/Bible Sunday
	10:45 AM	Children's Choir
	11:00 AM	Church School for all ages
	3:00 PM	Boy Scouts
	5:00 PM	Vision Meeting
Monday:	7:00 PM	Community Thanksgiving Service at Holy Angels Parish
	6:30 PM	Girl Scouts
	6:30 PM	SJ Choral Arts
	7:00 PM	Session
Tuesday:	10:00 AM	Women's Association
	1:00 PM	60 Plus Bible Study
	6:30 PM	Cub Scouts
Wednesday:	8:30 AM	Men's Breakfast
	10:00 AM	Staff Meeting
	6:30 PM	Cub Scouts
Thanksgiving:	7:00 PM	Cub Scouts Leader's Meeting
		Church Office Closed
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