



GOOD NEWS FROM YOUR CHURCH

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SUNDAY - GIVE

October 5, 2025

10:00 A.M.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Children's Sunday School

11:00 AM

Coffee and Fellowship

11:15 AM

Adult Sunday School

SUNDAY - THREAT

October 12, 2025

10:00 A.M.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Children's Sunday School

11:00 AM

Coffee and Fellowship

11:15 AM

Adult Sunday School

SUNDAY - OPPORTUNITY

October 19, 2025

10:00 A.M.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Children's Sunday School

11:00 AM

Coffee and Fellowship

11:15 AM

Adult Sunday School

SUNDAY - PROMISE

October 26, 2025

10:00 A.M.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Children's Sunday School

11:00 AM

Coffee and Fellowship

11:15 AM

Adult Sunday School

From the Pastor...

We are entering into our annual stewardship season for the Presbyterian Church at Woodbury. Our theme, this year is "Back to Basics," and so we want to ask: What do you think of when you see the word - STEWARDSHIP? Many of us think immediately of money. We recall the annual time in our congregation's life when we are asked to make a financial commitment for the coming year. At some level, however, we are aware that stewardship is more than money. Stewardship is how we live out our calling as followers of Christ. Stewardship is what we do after we say that we believe. This year, we will be focusing on the biblical understanding of being good stewards with the gifts that we hold in trust and our relationship with Jesus Christ! We will be centered upon the following themes during October:

GIVE: OCTOBER 5 Focus on the need of the giver to give of their time talents and treasures, not the need of the church to receive: The Bible seldom mentions the need of the temple or the church to receive the resources. Rather, the focus stays on the giver's need to give. Giving is an act of worship that acknowledges our dependence upon God. Generous giving is an act of discipleship.

THREAT: OCTOBER 12 Focus on money's inherent threat: The Bible recognizes that money has the potential to be a huge roadblock in one's relationship with Jesus, who says, "You cannot serve God & wealth" (Matthew 6:24; Luke 16:13). In a land of so much affluence, followers of Jesus need to take this seriously.

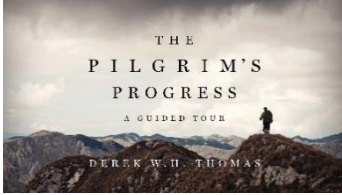
OPPORTUNITY: OCTOBER 19 Focus on the inherent opportunity to share our time, talents and treasures: Jesus provides us with an incredible promise when he says, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" (Matthew 6:21; Luke 12:34). Our resources have the ability to lead the heart. When we give generously to Christ's mission, we embrace Jesus' promise that our hearts will be led to him as well.

PROMISE: OCTOBER 26 *Commitment Sunday* – presentation of pledge cards in 10:00 am worship. During the service, we will make our promise to God, and "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's." This promise will allow the continued ministry of the Presbyterian Church at Woodbury, but also remind us of our relationship with God.

In Christ,
Phil

IN MEMORIAM

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:



We are doing a 19 week study of John Bunyan's classic book, The Pilgrims Progress...a guided tour...this book which was written over 300 years ago in prison is one of the most widely-circulated books to be published in the English language. This book has influenced countless peoples of all ages and cultures. We will be using a DVD program 23 minutes long led by Dr. Derek Thomas, a Ligonier teaching fellow. We will follow up the teaching with a lively discussion. The path of the Christian life is riddled with many trials, dangers, and obstacles as Christian (the main character) journeys to the Celestial City and is graced by God's love and faithfulness. We too will be graced as we journey together in this very timely and practical study. All are welcome!

OUTSIDE EVENTS:

- Music at Bunker Hill PC in Sewell on October 5th and November 16th at 3:00 pm.
- Exploring Innovative Land Stewardship – A workshop by PSNJ held at Trinity PC in Cherry Hill on October 25th.
- Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering on October 18 from 9:30 am to Noon at First Presbyterian Church – Haddonfield.
- Job Seekers – Get a list of jobs in Gloucester Country by scanning the QR code.

Check out the bulletin board in the chapel for more info!

Robert Harris

November 11, 1952 - September 15, 2025

"I am the Resurrection and the Life; he who believes in Me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die." John 11:25

FALL RUMMAGE SALE: November 1, 2025

- Drop off items:
Sunday October 26 after church from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm
Monday thru Thursday, October 27- 30 from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.
Thursday evening – final drop off from 6-8 pm.
Please note: **NO** items are to be dropped off on Friday, Oct. 31.
 - Sorting:
Monday thru Thursday, October 27-30 from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Thursday, October 30 from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
 - Sale: Saturday, November 1 from 8:45 am – 2:00 pm
 - Cleanup: Saturday, November 1 starting at 1:45
- There is a sign-up sheet in the chapel to help with Sorting, Selling and Clean-up. Thank you in advance for your donations!*



shopping pass. Buy several and support the GWCM Food Pantry. Best bargain in town.

BOSCOV SHOPPING PASSES are available for \$5.00. The entire \$5 goes to the Food Pantry, and you get 25% off on most store items on **Wednesday, October 22** from 8AM to 11PM. Please see Judy Roberts to purchase your

DEACON NEWS: Please help the Deacon's with their two Back to School Ministries:

- Local Hospital Donations: You can help by donating crayons, coloring books, Puzzles and Kid's Books.
- West End Elementary School: Donations of Socks, Underwear, Sweat Pants and Shorts for boys and girls in grades Pre-K to 5.

There is a bin on the Deacon's Table in the chapel where you can leave your donations.

MISSION GIFT CARDS: The Mission Task Force is asking for monetary donations so they can supply gift cards to the homeless in our neighborhood. You can drop off checks or cash to the church office.



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: The family of Bob Harris, and a reminder to keep our military personnel in your prayers, including Nathan Wadding, Cameron Wadding, Jarrod Fetty, and Wesley Tatham.