



November 2021 Newsletter

Flushing Presbyterian Church

Worship: 10:00 AM Year Round

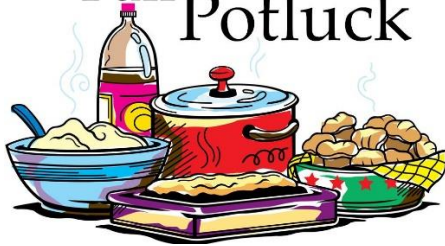
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Fall Potluck



Join us for our **Fall Potluck at 5:00 PM on Saturday, November 6th**. Come enjoy an evening of fellowship with our church family. All are welcome and encouraged to come. Please bring a dish to pass and your own table service.



Daylight Savings Time ends at 2:00 AM on Sunday, November 7th. Don't forget to set your clock back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night (and enjoy the extra hour of sleep).



Thanksgiving



Warmth Tree

The **Warmth Tree** is now up in the **narthex** for the donations of warm gloves, mittens, scarves, hats and socks for both children and adults. **The deadline for adding items is Sunday, November 14.**



The **Angel Tree** will soon be in the **narthex** on in order to provide Christmas gifts to children in need in the Flushing area. If you wish to participate, you will need to select an angel and sign your name after the appropriate number on the sign-up sheet next to the tree. If you would like to participate, but are unable to shop, you may make a donation for a gift. Please indicate "*Angel Tree*" on the memo line of your check.



NO CANNED VEGETABLE COLLECTION THIS YEAR

Due to Covid-19, we will not be collecting vegetables for the Thanksgiving boxes this year. With Covid cases on the rise around the state, there remains great concern for the health and safety of ourselves, our friends, and our neighbors. For that reason, the Nazarene Church has decided to again this year minimize the risk and distribute Thanksgiving dinners the way we did last year: FCOC will provide a Thanksgiving dinner, in addition to their monthly food items, for their guests (clients) and the Nazarene church will provide a Thanksgiving dinner to the 100-125 Flushing school families. We are being asked for donations to assist with this outreach. If you are willing to help, please make your check payable to Flushing Presbyterian Church and indicate "Thanksgiving" on the memo line. The need is especially great this year, so any help you can give will be much appreciated. **The deadline for donating is November 21.**



WREATH AND GRAVE BLANKET SALE

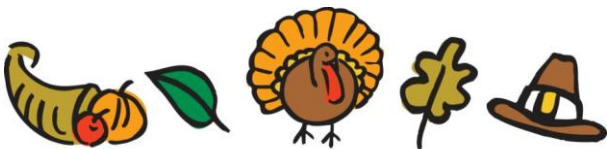
Sandy Tucker is taking orders for Christmas Wreaths, Grave Blankets and Crosses. There are order forms available on the Welcome Desk. Orders are due by November 15th and items will be delivered to the church on a date yet to be determined. If you have any questions, please contact Sandy.



A Much-Needed Message

National Bible Week, now observed every Thanksgiving week, got its start on a turbulent day. Founders of the National Bible Association were reading Scripture over the NBC radio network on Sunday morning, December 7, 1941, when Pearl Harbor was attacked. Because of the traumatic events, the network asked that the Bible-reading continue all day, in between news updates. Radio stations throughout America picked up the programming, allowing countless listeners to receive words from God — “who comforts you” (Isaiah 51:12) — when they needed it most.

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SO MANY BLESSINGS



Hanging of the Greens

It will soon be time to celebrate the start of the Advent season by decorating our church for the birth of God's son. The Hanging of the Greens will take place **Sunday, November 21st**. We will take down the harvest decorations and hang the greens after you've had a chance to grab a cup of coffee and a donut. There are many areas of the church to decorate, and all are welcome to partake in this fun event. Please join us for a wonderful start to the Advent season!

Christmas Music



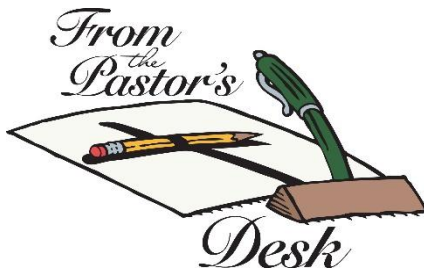
The Flint Concert Band will be performing a Christmas concert in our sanctuary on **Sunday, December 12th, at 3:00 PM**. Invite your friends and bring your family to this wonderful evening of Christmas music. A reception with refreshments will follow the concert. **If you would be willing to bake cookies for the reception following the concert, please sign up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board.**



After Pastor Teresa's departure, Kay Hall stepped up and took on the task of being our valued source of email updates. She regularly sent out emails with prayer requests, concerns and joys, and many important announcements, especially during the pandemic beginnings and throughout! We are so blessed to have had great people dedicated to keeping our church going during our time without a full-time minister. And we are blessed again, now that we have Pastor Paul for our Spiritual leadership and guidance. Please forward all of your spiritual prayer requests, your joys and your concerns to Pastor Paul at paul.pfueffer@outlook.com. If you have Team or Committee announcements, general informative notifications or event information, please continue to pass those items along to Kay Hall at kayhall329@comcast.net, and she will kindly make sure those items get forwarded to the email distribution list.



We will be holding a Blood Drive on Monday, December 6th, from 12:00 - 5:45 PM. Appointments are required at this time: to schedule an appointment, log onto redcrossblood.org, sponsor code: Flushing Community or call 1-800-Red-Cross (1-800-733-2767). **This is our month to provide volunteers. If you are willing to help, please contact Kathy Miller.**



Grace and peace, saints of Flushing! As we enter this season of thankfulness, I attempt to count my blessings and each time I lose track! A new baby on the way, an ordination service that was a beautiful occasion and the proper capstone for this last part of my faith journey, and the continued opportunity to serve you. Take some time to pause and reflect during this very busy season. There are meals to be served, family to visit, and people to feed. Always remember, however, that you need to spiritually feed yourself before you can spiritually feed others. Find your sabbath where you can, taking rest

and taking your delight in the one who made you in His image. You were blessed by God's love so that you may be a blessing unto others, sharing in the love that first found you.

“Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before him with thanksgiving
and extol him with music and song.
For the Lord is the great God,
the great King above all gods.”

--Psalm 95:1-3

“Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.”

--Hebrews 13:15-16

Session Highlights

- Funeral dinners will be reinstated moving forward. Member Care will once again be ready in your time of need to provide this ministry for your loved one, if you so desire.
- Flushing Presbyterian Church was well represented at the recent Family Promise training held at Flushing United Methodist Church. Thank you to all who attended. Unfortunately, Family Promise of Genesee County has made the decision to continue to postpone hosting families at the churches. The hope and plan is that Family Promise hosting duties will resume in January, with our scheduled months being yet to be determined.
- A Called Meeting of the Congregation is scheduled to take place on Sunday, December 5th, immediately following our worship service for the purpose of electing officers for the 2023 Class AND to vote on the Pastor's Terms of Call for 2022. The 2023 Class slate of names are: RULING ELDERS: Carol Dulin (Community Outreach), Pat Bemis (Member Care), Mike Keeler (Spiritual Growth), Gary Stuber (Property) and Debbie Bayer (Budget & Finance). MEMORIAL COMMITTEE: Dick Barnett and Dennis Sanborn. NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Kathy Miller, Scott Tucker, Gary Albert.
- Thank you to Dick Barnett for submitting our name to The Lions Club to receive a grant that will cover the \$3,890 cost of the tree clean up around the pavilion and back lot area from our recent storm damage, and a huge thanks to The Lions Club for choosing us!!



Christmas Floral Decorations

Our sanctuary is traditionally and beautifully decorated for Christmas. You can help with this by purchasing poinsettia(s) in honor or memory of persons dear to you.

Complete the form below, enclose your check for \$18.00 per plant, and place in the offering plate on Sunday morning or mail to the church office.

Acknowledgments of contributions will be printed, as you have designated, in the worship bulletin for the Christmas Eve service. Poinsettias may be taken home following the Christmas Eve Worship Service.

IN HONOR OF _____

Relationship (if any) _____

IN MEMORY OF _____

Relationship (if any) _____


I would like ____ poinsettias at a cost of \$18.00 each.

(Please indicate color preferred. The florist has been having difficulty getting pink and white poinsettias the last couple years. If they are not available, red will be substituted.)

_____ Red _____ Pink _____ White

YOUR NAME _____ *PHONE NO.* _____

DEADLINE FOR ORDERING POINSETTIAS IS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5th



This Month's Schedule

November 7

Communion Preparer: Shirley Sanborn

Flowers:

Sound Board Operator: Brett Albert

Ushers: Gary Albert, Mike & Sylvia Keeler

Lay Leader: Chris Albert

November 14

Flowers:

Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker

Ushers: Karen & Steve Howe, Mark Jacobson

Lay Leader: Marsha Judd

November 21

Flowers:

Sound Board Operator: Randy Socha

Ushers: Natalie Lucas, Kathy Miller, Dennis Sanborn

Lay Leader: Julie Socha

November 28

Flowers:

Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker

Ushers: Carole Noye, Randy Socha, Bill Weiss

Lay Leader: Sylvia Keeler



November

- 2 Janet Ballagh
- 3 Gillian Besko
- 5 Natalie Lucas
- 6 Sarah Bemis
- 7 Jeanne Blanton
- 9 Sue Lannon
- 11 Matt & Linda Bemis
- 13 Marian McTaggart
- 15 Sylvia Keeler
- 16 Lucille Mars
- 17 Alta Amy
- 18 Natalie & Dave Lucas, Dennis & Shirley Sanborn
- 20 Dean Bemis
- 22 Mark Jacobson, Leone & Norbert Burwell
- 23 Benjamin S
- 24 Luella Daig
- 25 Olivia M
- 27 Scott Smith
- 30 Kathy Miller



Financial Highlights

Average 2021 Collections	\$3,163
Average September Collections	\$3,443
Average 2020 Collections	\$3,069
Average needed for 2021 Budget	\$3,173



FLUSHING CHRISTIAN OUTREACH CENTER

The special focus items requested by the Flushing Christian Outreach Center (FCOC) for November are cereal and liquid hand soap. If you can help by providing these items, or any other non-perishable food or personal care items, there is a collection basket for the FCOC in the shelving unit just outside of the kitchen.



Card Ministry



Card Ministry...Sympathy, Get Well, Thinking of You, Birthday and Christmas cards are collected for our on-going card ministry. If you have any cards you are willing to donate, please deliver them to the church office.

Lectionary Readings

November 7: Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17 and Ps. 127; 1 Kgs. 17:8-16 and Ps. 146; Heb. 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

November 14: 1 Sam. 1:4-20, 2:1-10; Dan. 12:1-3 and Ps. 16; Heb. 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25; Mark 13:1-8

November 21: 2 Sam. 23:1-7 and Ps. 132:1-12 (13-18) or Dan. 7:9-10, 13-14 and Ps. 93; Rev. 1:4b-8; John 18:33-37

November 28: Jer. 33:14-16 and Ps. 25:1-10; 1 Thess. 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36

Flushing Presbyterian Church 2021 Session

Budget & Finance

Brett Albert
Steve Howe

Community Outreach

Carol Dulin
Sylvia Keeler

Member Care

Denise Churchill
Shirley Sanborn

Property Team

Scott Tucker
Bill Weiss

Spiritual Growth

Julie Socha
Carrie Younkin

November



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:30 PM – Boy Scouts - Pavilion	2 1:00 PM - MARSP 6:30 PM - Handbell Choir	3 6:00 PM - Girl Scouts	4 7:15 PM - Chancel Choir	5 Church Office Closed	6 5:00 PM - Potluck
7 Communion	8 3:45 PM - Member Care 6:00 PM – B&F 6:30 PM - Girl Scouts 6:30 PM - Spiritual Growth 6:30 PM – Boy Scouts - Pavilion	9 1:00 PM - Tuesday Book Club, Kathy’s Restaurant 6:00 PM - GFWC (Flushing Women’s Club) 6:30 PM - Property 6:30 PM - Handbell Choir	10 10:00 AM - Community Outreach 6:00 PM - Girl Scouts	11 7:15 PM - Chancel Choir	12 Church Office Closed	13
14 Noisy Offering	15 6:30 PM – Boy Scouts – Pavilion	16 6:30 PM - Handbell Choir	17 6:00 PM - Girl Scouts	18 7:15 PM - Chancel Choir	19 Church Office Closed	20
21	22 6:30 PM – Boy Scouts - Pavilion 6:45 PM - Session	23 6:30 PM - GFWC (Flushing Women's Club) 6:30 PM - Handbell Choir	24 6:00 PM - Girl Scouts	25 Happy Thanksgiving  Church Office Closed	26 Church Office Closed	27
28	29 6:30 PM – Boy Scouts - Pavilion	30 6:30 PM - Handbell Choir				

*****Please note that the church office is closed on Fridays*****