

Dear Members and Friends of New Bedford Church,

This month we celebrate Thanksgiving. Allow me to share areas of praise we have as a church. We praise God he has given us the resources and the facilities to minister in our community. The resources we have (both building and money) belong to the Lord. We are called to be faithful stewards of the gifts given to us by all of you. The Session has asked me to share some of the decisions they and the Administration Committee have made as they serve as stewards of our gifts and resources.

In our parking lot is a newer bus. Every Wednesday we transport almost seventy children to our church for Kids Zone. It is a wonderful, wonderful ministry of the church. The bus is needed for this ministry. We also take youth trips throughout the year. We purchased the bus for \$4100.00. We had a designated gift for the bus of \$1500.00 and expect to receive \$500.00 to \$800.00 for the old bus. The total cost will be around \$2000.00.

We are also very thankful for the building we have. Many of you gave generously in the building of our facilities. We are called to maintain and upgrade our building. Again, allow me to share how we are stewards of the building. Last year we put a new roof on our Sanctuary and Offices. This was a major expense needed to stop leaks we were experiencing.

We are now focusing our attention on energy efficiency.

- A couple years ago volunteers put plexiglass over all our old windows adding great warmth to our rooms
- Last month we replaced our boiler. Our old boiler (installed in 1967) was in need of repairs and was terribly inefficient. We received three bids to replace the boiler and Love Heating was by far the lowest bid. We now have two new boilers and are in the process of replacing our thermostats. Thank you for your patience as we work the 'kinks' (mostly in the form of air in the lines) out. These new boilers heat the entire building... both Sunday School and Sanctuary side.
- Using the moneys from the Amos gift and the Kitchen Fund we are upgrading our kitchen equipment.
 - We are purchasing a new commercial refrigerator and freezer. Our old refrigerator died and the new ones should be in the church before you receive this Newsletter in time for the bazaar).
 - In the next few weeks we are installing a new hood over our stoves. This will allow for the removal of smoke and be a fire safety system.
 - The flat roof over the kitchen needs to be replaced.
 - Also, in the next few months we will purchase a commercial dishwasher for the kitchen. This has been one of the most requested upgrades we have had over the years. This will allow us to be more environmentally supportive as we use less paper products and health conscience as the new dishwasher will sanitize our glasses and dishes.
- We are upgrading all our lighting in the church. We have already replaced all the bulbs in the Sunday School hallway with energy efficient bulbs. We have applied for and been approved for an "Energy Grant" to upgrade all the florescent lights in the classrooms. We will soon purchase new ballasts for all the lights at a cost of \$3000.00 and will receive a grant of over \$2000.00. The energy savings will be between \$300.00 to \$500.00 per year. We will recover our costs in two to three years. Installation is by volunteers and will take a few months. We have been told, in a couple of years, the traditional florescent bulbs will no longer be available. We are also pricing new energy efficient bulbs for the Sanctuary. The bulbs we have been using in the Sanctuary are no longer available.
- Volunteers have installed a new energy efficient front door on the manse. This new door is attractive and far more energy efficient than the old door. The total cost of the new door was \$1000.00

We are blessed as a church. The blessing is you! Thank you for your gifts that make ministry possible. Thank you for your gifts that make our building a place for ministry. Happy Thanksgiving!

In Him,
Doug

SESSION NEWS

The next Session meeting will be held on Thursday, November 18th at 7:00 P.M.

A congregational meeting has been called for Sunday, November 28th following worship service.

Purpose of the meeting is to elect officers and approve the change of call of the Pastor.



On Sunday, November 21st the Women have invited Kevin Green to be the guest speaker for Thankoffering Service. The women will lead the service and Mr. Green will bring the message.

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

Community



We will be having a Thanksgiving Eve Service at our church on Wednesday evening November 24th at 7:00P.M. Pastor Albert Librizzi from Barnstone Ministries will be preaching.

Thanksgiving Service

COMING DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Wednesday,----November 24 at 7:00P.M.

Thanksgiving Eve Service here

Sunday, November 28--First Sunday in Advent

Thursday, December 2nd at 6:00P.M.

Women's Association Dinner

Saturday, December 11, 2010 9:00A.M.

Breakfast in Bethlehem

Sunday, December 12, 5:00 P.M.

Church Wide Christmas Dinner

MISSION COMMITTEE

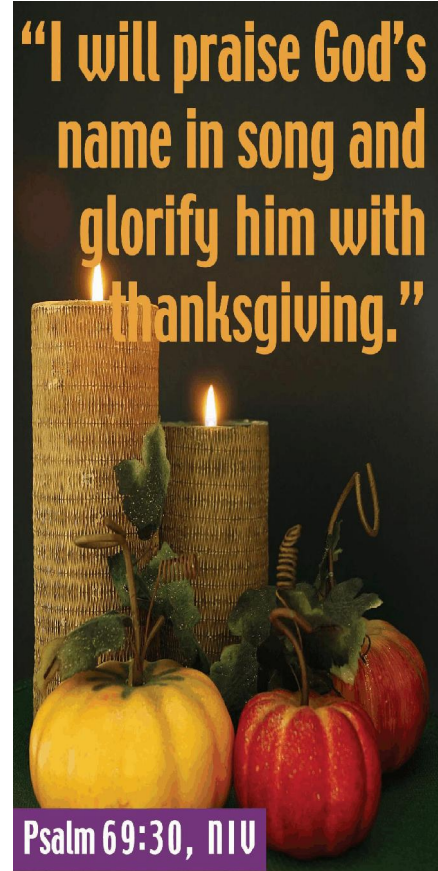
The Mission Committee will be collecting several items to be given to the city Rescue Mission for their

Thanksgiving baskets. We are asking for Stuffing mix; Canned yams, Pumpkin pie filling,

and canned vegetables and fruit. A large box is in the vestibule where you may put these items.



The next Mission meeting will be held on Monday evening, November 8th at 6:30P.M.



BIRTHDAYS FOR NOVEMBER

- Violet Hilliard-----3
- Lee Harris-----6
- Tara Underwood-----13
- Eric Stuhlmann-----15
- Bob Rishel-----16
- Elizabeth Fox-----18
- Collin Fulkman-----21
- Rachel Whiting-----23
- Bernice Boyer-----25
- Dee Welker-----26
- Linda Travers-----26
- John Reynolds Sr.-----27
- Curtis Bretz-----29
- Alyssa Boyer-----29



Please remember in prayer the people who are hospitalized, receiving treatments, recuperating at home and those who have ask for prayer.

- Verda Hepler-----Home
- Nancy Templeton-----Overlook
- Gertie Bretz-----Home
- Shirley Cramer-----Home
- Chuck Ruby-----Avalon Nursing Home
- Jo Ruby-----Home
- George Snyder-----Home
- John Book-----Home
- Elaine Slagle-----Home
- Denny Eppinger-----Colorado
- Bob Rishel-----Shenango Home
- George Fulkman—(Gary’s uncle) UPMC –Pittsburgh

PLEASE NOTE

There are many dishes left in the kitchen from funeral dinners. Please check and see if any of them are yours. We need all the counter space for the Bazaar.

The Pittsburgh Community Food Bank will be distributing the food on November 5th from 3:00- 4:30P.M.

BRICKS

The bricks have been ordered for out around the monument and should be arriving soon.

NEEDED

Clothing is needed for two little girls. One is age 6 and one is 3 years old. If you could help with this please call or see Evelyn Exley..



As brothers and sisters in Christ we extend our sincere sympathy to the Chrobak Family at the death of Ted’s mother, Bernice this past month.



We also extend our sympathy, love and support to Martha, Debbie, and Darla and the entire Boyer family at the passing of Jim this past month. Jim fought a long courageous battle following his kidney transplant. He served as an Elder and was a faithful member of the church.

“Weeping may tarry for the night but joy comes in the morning.” Psalm 30:5b

Did You Know

- The Financial Peace Group dressed up in outfits that had to do with their class on Sunday evening
- New boilers were installed last month
- Gary Fulkman had an encounter with a black cat
- Jess Halt was home for the weekend
- Lily Ayars is going to be the big sister
- Donna Fox and Doris Spence gave us beautiful music on piano and organ two weeks ago. (Wonderful)!!

DRIVE THRU NATIVITY

King’s Chapel United Methodist Church presents its 17th Annual Drive Thru Nativity. Live actors, Live animals. December 4 and 5, 2010 (Saturday and Sunday) from 6:00P.M. - 9:00P.M. Eleven scenes depict the events leading up to the birth of Christ. You simply “Drive Thru” and recall the Christmas story. Church located at the corner of Old Pulaski Road and Wallace Drive in Neshannock Township in New Castle. There is no charge

Women’s News

Many women (and men) have been working hard to get things set up and ready for the bazaar. It will be held this Saturday, November 6th from 9:00A.M. - 2:00P.M.

Again this year we will have the Trash and Treasure room, a Craft room, Christmas room,



Candy room, Country Store . Lunch will be served featuring sandwiches, soup (various kinds) hot and cold beverages and pies for dessert.

It takes a lot of work to get ready for the bazaar. We hope you will come out and support the work of the Women's Association. We use the profits from the bazaar this way—1/3 goes for Mission Projects 1/3 goes for our Local Church and 1/3 goes for our own projects that we support.

CIRCLES

The Deborah circle will meet on November 9th at 9:00 A.M. here at the church

The Rebekah Circle meets on November 15th at the church at 6:30P.M.

The Lydia circle will meet on November 15th at the church at 7:30P.M.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Women's Association Christmas Dinner will be held at Shenango on the Green. Date is December 2nd at 6:00P.M. The program is the "New Castle Playhouse mini stars of tomorrow."



Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Glenn (Verda) Hepler who will be celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary on November 16th. They are parents of Elaine Hepler and Sharon Book and grandparents of Nathan and Philip Book Let's shower them with cards on this special occasion. Their address is:



Box 111, New Bedford, PA 16140

PULASKI TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Coming Events:

Old timers Reminisce on Wednesday, November 10th at 7:00P.M. at Pulaski Township Park

Lawrence County Historical society House Tour in New Castle on Wednesday, December 15th at 7:00P.M.

THANK YOU

Dear Friends,

Our family wishes to express our heartfelt thanks for all the prayers from your congregation for Tom during his illness and at the time of his death.

We also want to thank you for the cards and visits. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

May God's richest blessings be upon each of you.

In His Love,

The Gates Family

June, Keith and family, Tammy and family

Dear Church Friends

Thank you so much for thinking of me and your many cards and prayers. I know the prayers were truly answered.

Thanks again,

Esther Williams

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the many expressions of sympathy after the death of our mother and grammy.

Through your prayers, visits, gifts, and cards you have offered love and kindness as well as comfort

Sincerely,

The Chrobak Family



Thank you for all the prayers and good wishes for me during my surgery and recuperation. Tests all came back clean/clear. Tim Smith

I would like to thank you all for the cards, prayers and visits. It has been a long four months being at either the VA hospital at Wade Park or the rehab center in Brecksville. I'm glad to be home but I have a long recovery ahead and would appreciate your continued prayers.

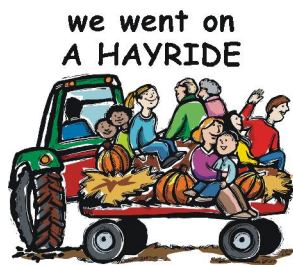
Sincerely

John Book

YOUTH NEWS

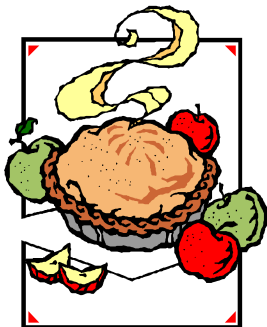
Jr./Sr. High youth groups are up and running. We've been meeting at the church on Sunday nights and have had wonderful times of praise and worship followed by a lesson. I will confess that one week we only had about 6 kids so Pastor Doug and I took the kids to Dairy Queen. See what happens when you don't come to youth group????!!!!!! This is why you don't ever want to miss!

Last Sunday, the Whiting's invited us to their home for a bonfire/hayride. About 20 of us had a great time of fellowship and food. We also had a few "unexpected" guests with chainsaws on the hayride!!! Thank you, thank you, thank you to the Whiting family for a wonderful evening.



The pies are ordered and will be delivered on Monday, November 15th. Unfortunately, I do

not yet have a time. We are still getting the pies from Bakemark; however, they now come from Buffalo and they will be delivering them to the church. They will call me with a delivery time the Friday before so I will announce it in church the Sunday before the delivery



day. Again, please make every effort to be there to pick up your pie. We just don't have the storage space for extras.

We will not be having a Sunday evening worship service in November. We will be combining the November and December service. More details will be coming.

Just a reminder that Jr./Sr. High youth groups

will be going to Niagara December 27th-30th. If you're interested, let Geniene know.

KidsZone

Wow!! What a year. We have over 50 kids registered just from Pulaski Elementary! It is going very well; however, there are more things that could be done. First, we are still looking for a third grade teacher. If anyone is interested, please let me know ASAP. I promise you that the rewards are tremendous. Also, I would love to have a shadow play once a month and a puppet show once a month. We still need a puppet leader and the shadow plays (with preparation included) would truly only take about ½ hour of someone's time once a month. They are easy to do and the kids LOVE them. Please prayerfully consider helping with this ministry.



I would like to thank Women's Association for donating money for food to feed the kids each week and to allow us to purchase the t-shirts for KidsZone. The kids love them and get so excited each year when they get their shirts. And what a witness! They wear their shirts proudly to school each week, unashamed to profess their belief in our Lord!



There will be no KidsZone on Wednesday, November 24th. Thanksgiving break!

To My Friends at New Bedford Presbyterian Church,

It has been almost 4 years since I began my “interim” youth director position here at our church. I can honestly say that I have loved just about every minute of it and have grown very close to many of your children. These kids have brought me so much joy and many “interesting” times. I pray that the kids, as well as myself, have grown closer to God as we have had this journey together.

However, I have to admit that it has been very difficult to manage my time. I have been working full-time hours at my nursing job and many times have put my church family over my own family. While I feel that these kids definitely are my family, (and always will be), there are situations in my own family that I need to be available for. I also recognize and understand that the kids deserve more than I feel I can give at this time.

Last Thursday I attended the session meeting and requested that we begin looking for a full-time youth director. With many prayers (and tears), I really do believe that it is time for me to allow someone to take over this role, hopefully in a full-time position. The work is definitely there. Our college-aged kids have been doing an amazing job with the Sunday evening worship services and we need someone who can encourage and lead them. They are such an example to the youth of our church and I’m so proud of them for all they’ve done. Our Sr. High is such a faithful group. They need the leadership to keep them close in the Word. And our Jr. High is a very large group that has the opportunity for tremendous spiritual growth! And KidsZone! WOW! What potential it has. It continues to grow every year and I was so thankful to see all the families who were in church this past Sunday to see their children sing.

We all know that hiring someone full-time is a very big financial commitment for our church. We all need to be praying for our session members as they evaluate the need and the availability of funds. I also ask for prayers for our Christian Education committee as they begin interviewing for this position. Whether it be full-time or part-time, we know that Christ has a perfect plan and we need to pray that His will be done.

I am not in big hurry for my duties to be done. I will go nowhere until we find someone suitable for our precious children. And believe me when I say that my involvement will continue, but as a parent. I will still be going to Seneca Hills, boating, and you will NEVER go to the beach without me!!!!!! I will still be here, I just won’t be the one planning everything. And our pool and our home will always be open.

Again, this is a very emotional time for me, but my family has been praying about this for a long time. And I do trust that God has a plan. Please pray for our board and committee members and especially for our children during this transition. I believe God has big plans for us and I trust and look forward to see what’s next in the life of the youth of our church.

In Him,

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