

October 2024 Newsletter

West Alexander Presbyterian Church

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This Month's Message

The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) is making progress as fast as we can. We have received some good comments from the congregation's suggestion box and are giving them respectful consideration. We have finalized our MDP (Ministry Discernment Profile - the church's resumé for potential candidates to look at). We are now, in fact, in the process of interviewing several candidates. Both the national level and the Presbytery level of this process have some cumbersome machinery and your chairman is working to push things along as quickly as possible.

Your PNC members are:

Jane Noble
Lou Winters
Helen Buckholt
Kathy Morgan
Regina Wood
Gino Delbert



Opportunities to learn and grow with others

Adult Friendship Class —Choir Room 9:30 am

Adult Praying Hearts Group— Fellowship Hall 9:30 am

Children's Christian Education —Nursery 9:30 am



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2024

The Session- Lynne Glessner, Mary Lea Dutton, Jane Noble,
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The Trustees- Helen Buckholt, Dick Burig, Will Noble

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The Trustees— Lee Rodgers, Barb Rodgers, Michele Buckholt

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Remember in Prayer

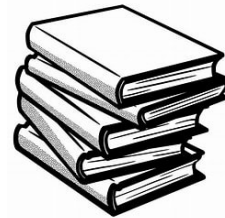
To request prayer by the church, call or email the church office at wapc-admin@comcast.net or 724-484-7542. Praying Hearts Christian Education Class will receive your request and honor it. Also, Elder Jane Noble, Clerk of Session, 304.639.9148, and Deacon Kathy Morgan, 724.255.1845, welcome your prayer requests. Please tell us if your request is to be held in confidence or included in the Prayers for the People in morning worship.

Bill, Sherry, Laura

In May we collected books for military families. Recently we received this message from Deb Krall, our contact for this and past military projects.

From Deb

I am delivering the books this weekend to the Johnstown Air National Guard Unit for their Family Day. They often feel they are left out due to their location. Please thank all the donors for allowing me to represent your caring spirit. I will make sure the families know where the books came from!



ETHIOPIA CHILDREN'S LITERACY PROJECT

Although we will not be selling pumpkins this year, a fundraiser will be held in November. Details to follow.



7 Prayers for October

- 1. May your *finances* multiply**
- 2. May your *health* improve**
- 3. May your *friends* prosper**
- 4. May your *family* be loved**
- 5. May your *pains* be less**
- 6. May your *worries* disappear**
- 7. May God *bless* you.**

God is Love

Amen

No Confidence in the Flesh

Further, my brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord! It is no trouble for me to write the same things to you again, and it is a safeguard for you. **2** Watch out for those dogs, those evildoers, those mutilators of the flesh. **3** For it is we who are the circumcision, we who serve God by his Spirit, who boast in Christ Jesus, and who put no confidence in the flesh— **4** though I myself have reasons for such confidence.

If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: **5** circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; **6** as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless.

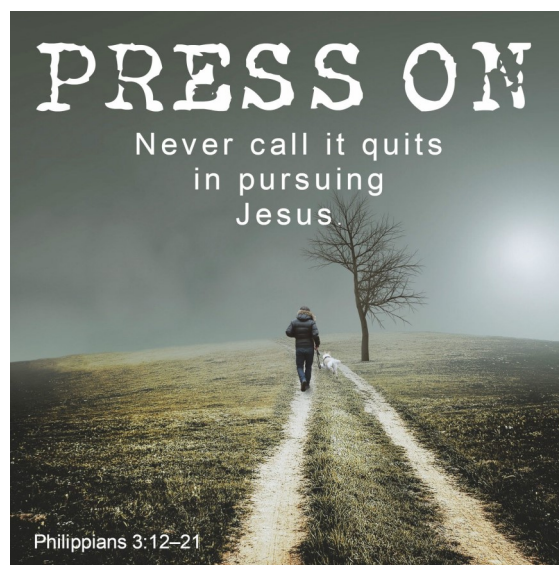
7 But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. **8** What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ **9** and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in[a] Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. **10** I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, **11** and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

12 Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. **13** Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, **14** I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

Following Paul's Example

15 All of us, then, who are mature should take such a view of things. And if on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you. **16** Only let us live up to what we have already attained.

17 Join together in following my example, brothers and sisters, and just as you have us as a model, keep your eyes on those who live as we do. **18** For, as I have often told you before and now tell you again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. **19** Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is set on earthly things. **20** But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, **21** who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.





FOOD HELPERS

Feeding ♦ Training ♦ Thrifting ♦ Farming
Home of the Greater Washington County Food Bank

FREE Truck to Trunk FREE

The Mission/Evangelism Committee of the WAPC
partnering with FOOD HELPERS

**The 2nd Wednesday of every month, 9-11 am.
West Alexander Fair Grounds**

Beginning October 1, 2024, there are two changes:

- 1). Pennsylvania guidelines require you to register your income and family information on-line at : www.foodhelpers.org.
You must re-register even if you have picked up a food box previously
- 2). Restrictions apply—**Washington County Residents ONLY**

After your on-line registration is complete, just pull up, open your trunk and a box of non-perishable food items will be loaded into your vehicle.

Please plan on coming every month
Questions? Call Lynne at 724-678-0738 or visit
Food Helper's website at www.foodhelpers.org



Psalm 123

A song of ascents.

- 1 I lift up my eyes to you,
to you who sit enthroned in heaven.
- 2 As the eyes of slaves look to the hand of their master,
as the eyes of a female slave look to the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes look to the Lord our God,
till he shows us his mercy.
- 3 Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy on us,
for we have endured no end of contempt.
- 4 We have endured no end
of ridicule from the arrogant,
of contempt from the proud.



Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Song by Helen H. Lemmel

O soul are you weary and troubled
No light in the darkness you see
There's light for a look at the Savior
And life more abundant and free

Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in his wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow
strangely dim
In the light of his glory and grace

His word shall not fail you he promised
Believe him and all will be well
Then go to a world that is dying
His perfect salvation to tell

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Oct 1	Spencer Anderson
Oct 7	Shelli Arnold
Oct 12	Martha McAdoo
Oct 14	Melinda Kane
Oct 14	Jim Arnold
Oct 14	Alexis Garrett
Oct 16	Breanne Hunter
Oct 16	Addison Anderson
Oct 17	Mary Jo Koehler
Oct 17	David Kuhn
Oct 19	Larry Johnson
Oct 20	Eric Johnson
Oct 25	Lemoyne McNinch
Oct 25	David Koehler
Oct 28	Becky Hunter



PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING is one of our four PC(USA) Special Offerings each year. The ministries of the Peace & Global Witness Offering help congregations engage in active peacemaking in their communities while also participating in peacemaking around the world.

This offering will be collected October 6, 2024.



SPECIAL OFFERINGS

October 2024 Lectionary Readings

Tuesday, October 1
Morning: Pss. 12; 146
Evening: Pss. 36; 7
Hos. 2:16–23
Acts 21:1–14
Luke 5:12–26

Wednesday, October 2
Morning: Pss. 96; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 132; 134
Hos. 3:1–5
Acts 21:15–26
Luke 5:27–39

Thursday, October 3
Morning: Pss. 116; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 26; 130
Hos. 4:1–10
Acts 21:27–36
Luke 6:1–11

Friday, October 4
Morning: Pss. 84; 148
Evening: Pss. 25; 40
Hos. 4:11–19
Acts 21:37–22:16
Luke 6:12–26

Saturday, October 5
Morning: Pss. 63; 149
Evening: Pss. 125; 90
Hos. 5:1–7
Acts 22:17–29
Luke 6:27–38

Sunday, October 6
Morning: Pss. 103; 150
Evening: Pss. 117; 139
Hos. 5:8–6:6
1 Cor. 2:6–16
Matt. 14:1–12

Monday, October 7
Morning: Pss. 5; 145
Evening: Pss. 82; 29
Hos. 6:7–7:7
Acts 22:30–23:11
Luke 6:39–49

Tuesday, October 8
Morning: Pss. 42; 146
Evening: Pss. 102; 133
Hos. 7:8–16
Acts 23:12–24
Luke 7:1–17

Wednesday, October 9
Morning: Pss. 89:1–18; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 1; 33
Hos. 8:1–14
Acts 23:23–35
Luke 7:18–35

Thursday, October 10
Morning: Pss. 97; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 16; 62
Hos. 9:1–9
Acts 24:1–23
Luke 7:36–50

Friday, October 11
Morning: Pss. 51; 148
Evening: Pss. 142; 65
Hos. 9:10–17
Acts 24:24–25:12
Luke 8:1–15

Saturday, October 12
Morning: Pss. 104; 149
Evening: Pss. 138; 98
Hos. 10:1–15
Acts 25:13–27
Luke 8:16–25

Sunday, October 13
Morning: Pss. 19; 150
Evening: Pss. 81; 113
Hos. 11:1–11
1 Cor. 4:9–16
Matt. 15:21–28

Monday, October 14
Morning: Pss. 135; 145
Evening: Pss. 97; 112
Hos. 11:12–12:1
Acts 26:1–23
Luke 8:26–39

Tuesday, October 15
Morning: Pss. 123; 146
Evening: Pss. 30; 86
Hos. 12:2–14
Acts 26:24–27:8
Luke 8:40–56

Wednesday, October 16
Morning: Pss. 15; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 48; 4
Hos. 13:1–3
Acts 27:9–26
Luke 9:1–17

Thursday, October 17
Morning: Pss. 36; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 80; 27
Hos. 13:4–8
Acts 27:27–44
Luke 9:18–27

Friday, October 18
Morning: Pss. 130; 148
Evening: Pss. 32; 139
Hos. 13:9–16
Acts 28:1–16
Luke 9:28–36

Saturday, October 19
Morning: Pss. 56; 149
Evening: Pss. 118; 111
Hos. 14:1–9
Acts 28:17–31
Luke 9:37–50

Sunday, October 20
Morning: Pss. 67; 150
Evening: Pss. 46; 93
Micah 1:1–9
1 Cor. 10:1–13
Matt. 16:13–20

Monday, October 21
Morning: Pss. 57; 145
Evening: Pss. 85; 47
Micah 2:1–13
Rev. 7:1–8
Luke 9:51–62

Tuesday, October 22
Morning: Pss. 54; 146
Evening: Pss. 28; 99
Micah 3:1–8
Rev. 7:9–17
Luke 10:1–16

Wednesday, October 23
Morning: Pss. 65; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 125; 91
Micah 3:9–4:5
Rev. 8:1–13
Luke 10:17–24



Thursday, October 24
Morning: Pss. 143; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 81; 116
Micah 5:1–4, 10–15
Rev. 9:1–12
Luke 10:25–37

Friday, October 25
Morning: Pss. 88; 148
Evening: Pss. 6; 20
Micah 6:1–8
Rev. 9:13–21
Luke 10:38–42

Saturday, October 26
Morning: Pss. 122; 149
Evening: Pss. 100; 63
Micah 7:1–7
Rev. 10:1–11
Luke 11:1–13

Sunday, October 27
Morning: Pss. 108; 150
Evening: Pss. 66; 23
Jonah 1:1–17a
1 Cor. 10:15–24
Matt. 18:15–20

Monday, October 28
Morning: Pss. 62; 145
Evening: Pss. 73; 9
Jonah 1:17–2:10
Rev. 11:1–14
Luke 11:14–26

Tuesday, October 29
Morning: Pss. 12; 146
Evening: Pss. 36; 7
Jonah 3:1–4:11
Rev. 11:14–19
Luke 11:27–36

Wednesday, October 30
Morning: Pss. 96; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 132; 134
Nahum 1:1–14
Rev. 12:1–6
Luke 11:37–52

Thursday, October 31
Morning: Pss. 116; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 26; 130
Nahum 1:15–2:12
Rev. 12:7–17
Luke 11:53–12:12

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