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**NOVEMBER 2018**

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## Dear Members and Friends,

I would like to invite you to join us on a pilgrimage to Israel next spring. The "Roots of Your Faith Pilgrimage" will begin in Tel Aviv on Sunday, May 19, 2019 and conclude on Sunday, May 26 with an additional day for travel each way. Carolyn and I traveled with America Israel Tours last May and were most impressed. America Israel is top-rated on Trip Advisor and has an A+ rating with the Better Business Bureau. I had been asked for several years by members of our church to plan such a trip, so this was an opportunity to see first-hand what to expect. It was a life-changing experience, and one that I look forward to sharing with you. I have included the recommended itinerary that we followed as well as costs involved.

Once we arrive in Israel, we will be visiting many sites including Nazareth, Cana, the Sea of Galilee, the Jordan River, the Dead Sea, Bethlehem, and Jerusalem. We will visit Mount Carmel where the prophet Elijah faced the false prophets, Joppa, the ancient seaport where Peter's rooftop vision opened the door for Gentile believers, and the shepherd's field in Bethlehem. We will retrace the steps of Jesus from the Mount of Olives to Jerusalem, experience a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, have an opportunity to renew baptismal vows by the Jordan River, ride a cable car to the fortress at Masada, float in the Dead Sea, visit the Western Wall, walk the Via Dolorosa, and share communion at the Garden Tomb. It is a powerful experience to visit holy sites as passages from Scripture are read by our guide. It has been said that before you visit Israel you read the Bible in black and white. After this experience you read the Bible in living color!

We will be staying in five-star hotels, enjoy wonderful food with a daily breakfast and evening buffet, travel in a comfortable air-conditioned bus, and be led by

an outstanding professional guide. Admission to all sites is included. The cost is \$2,395 plus airfare. There is an additional \$75 one-time expense for tips (guide, driver, bell-hops) plus \$100 per person for lodging at the airport on the night before our departure from Israel. This will allow a good night's rest before our flight home! When you decide to join us, you will pay a \$500 deposit (fully refundable until February 1, 2019). You will also confirm your airline reservations (fully refundable until February 1, 2019).

For those departing from Charlotte, we have made group reservations with Lufthansa Airlines flying from Charlotte to Tel Aviv, Israel through Munich, Germany. The flight departs Charlotte Saturday, May 17 at 6:30 p.m. and arrives in Israel at 4:55 p.m. the next day. On the return we depart on Monday, May 27 at 6:55 a.m., arriving in Charlotte at 4:55 p.m. Cost of flight: \$1,671.45 including taxes with no payment due until February. Lufthansa has an excellent reputation for safety and service. Also, flying to Munich makes the longest leg of the flight 2 hours and 30 minutes shorter than flying from New York!

I am very pleased with how the trip has come together. I hope you will consider whether this is a time for you to travel to the Holy Land. We would love to have you join us. Also, we still have space if you have family or friends who would like to join us. Please contact me by phone (704-477-7838), text, or email ([harkeyml@gmail.com](mailto:harkeyml@gmail.com)) if you have any questions.

Detailed Flight Schedule:

LH 429 18MAY CLTMUC 630P 925A LH 688 19MAY  
MUCLTV 1220P 455P

LH 681 27MAY TLVMUC 655A 955A LH 428 27MAY  
MUCCLT 1215P 425P

**Luke Harkey, Pastor**

## NEWS FROM THE CHURCH EDUCATOR

Sunday School for all ages is in full swing and it appears that there is an increase in attendance!! Yes! Our Sunday School Music Makers are working really hard to review “old” songs and learn “new” songs. We will hear their beautiful voices as they make joyful noises in upcoming worship services.

As difficult as it may seem, Christmas is fast approaching. The children will be participating in the 5:00 Christmas Eve service. New costumes are in progress. Please let me know if your child wishes to participate and what part they would like to have. When this information comes in, we will set a time for costume fittings. We will also determine practice times and get that information to you.

Enjoy the cooler weather and the beauty of this autumn season.

Linda Ware

## NEWS FROM RAINBOW CONNECTION

October was a busy month at Rainbow Connection! We started with our Hot Dog Supper/Open House on October 3. Thank you to all who came! I love to see SPC members joining together with our Rainbow families.

In the following weeks, we had school pictures, Farm Day, music with Pastor Luke, a visit to the Fire Station, Fall Festival, dance with Ms. Beth Mayo and Halloween parties. The teachers worked all of this in around our usual crafts, stories, songs, games and playtime. As I said, a very busy month!

On Wednesday, November 14 at 11:30 am, we will have our annual Thanksgiving luncheon. The menu will include vegetable soup, sandwiches, chicken nuggets and dessert. The Rainbow parents provide the ingredients and, by working together, we feed everyone. There is no charge for the meal. Hope you can join us!

Happy Thanksgiving from our Rainbow Connection family!

-Becky Dorsey, Director

## LIBRARY NEWS

We still have free items, including DVDs for children, available on a small bookcase outside the library. Also, there is a green bin inside the library for donations of books/DVDs in good condition.

-Darlene Gravett

## SPECIAL OFFERINGS

We give thanks to you for your support of Special Offerings, our collective witness to the love of Jesus Christ. By participating in Special Offerings, your congregation joins other churches to change lives around the world - through ministries of compassion, advocacy, development, peacemaking, Christian formation, education and witness.

Thank you for the following support to Special Offerings: On August 14, 2018, we received \$1,471.36 for One Great Hour of Sharing. Your congregation's gift, when combined with that of others, will share the love of Christ with those in need.

The Fall is a time of new energy and excitement within many churches. Mission Committees and Sessions are often discerning where the congregation will grow and move in the coming year. It is also a time when many engage A Season of Peace which culminates with the Peace & Global Witness Offering, usually received on World Communion Sunday. This Offering celebrates that Jesus Christ is the Prince of Peace who reigns for all people and nations. If your congregation has never received this Offering, which is uniquely split 50% to the national church for peacemaking and reconciliation efforts, 25% to the mid council, and 25% retained by your church, please let us know. We would love to talk with you about the transformative work made possible through your gifts, which touch every part of the church and world. You can contact me at [bryce.wiebe@pcusa.org](mailto:bryce.wiebe@pcusa.org) with any questions. If you have any additional question about the Offerings or Presbyterian mission, or your Mission Engagement Advisor, Sy Hughes. Sy can be reached at (540) 458-1869 or [Sy.Hughes@pcusa.org](mailto:Sy.Hughes@pcusa.org).

Again, thank you for giving to enable all people to know God's life-giving welcome in Jesus Christ. You are a valued partner in mission. Please let me know how we can support your efforts.

With gratitude to God for our shared mission,

Bryce Wiebe

Director, Special Offerings

## HURRICANE FLORENCE RESPONSE

Assist homeowners affected by Hurricane Florence.

**Project Description:** Volunteers will be assisting homeowners affected by flooding and storm damage from Hurricane Florence. Volunteers will assist with mud-outs, roof tarping, chainsaw work and debris cleanup.

**Background Information:** The National Weather Service has referred to Florence as the "storm of a lifetime" for the region. Hurricane Florence made landfall near Wrightsville Beach, North Carolina, on Friday, Sept. 14, packing sustained 90 mph winds and heavy rain. The storm crawled through the Carolinas dumping record-breaking rainfall and causing severe flooding.

**Length of Stay:** Minimum stay of three days for overnight volunteers. There are opportunities for both overnight and day volunteers.

**Maximum Team Size:** Fifteen people. Both teams and individuals are welcome.

**Minimum Age:** Volunteers must be at least 14 years or older. Youth, ages 14-15, must be accompanied by their parent/legal guardian and youth, ages 16-17, must be accompanied by an adult chaperone unless the team is registered as a youth group. Youth groups may serve with Samaritan's Purse and are required to complete a Youth Leader Covenant.

**Additional Information:** Meals and sleeping quarters will be provided for overnight volunteers. Volunteers need to bring twin size air mattress or cot, linens/sleeping bag, pillow, towels and personal hygiene items. Tools will be provided, but volunteers may bring their own tool belts and small hand tools. Volunteers should dress in long pants and bring work gloves, safety glasses, and sturdy boots. Volunteers should bring rubber boots for working in flooded areas.

**Local / Day Volunteers:** If you are local to the area or do not need overnight accommodations we welcome you to serve for the day. Please arrive at our host church: Port City Community Church - Wilmington, 250 Vision Dr., Wilmington, NC 28403 at 7:30 am or 12:30 pm for orientation. Volunteers will work Mondays - Saturdays and some Sunday afternoons, beginning Wednesday, September 19. Please bring a bagged lunch and water with you. If you have questions about serving please contact Paul Woodard, [pwoodard52@gmail.com](mailto:pwoodard52@gmail.com) or the church office.

## THE FOOD MINISTRY

The Food Ministry is looking ahead to Christmas. Every year, we give each guest a bag that contains useful everyday items. Any help collecting these items would be greatly appreciated. Please drop off contributions at the church office.

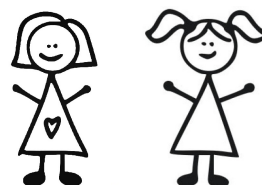
Thank you,  
The Food Ministry

ITEMS	QTY ON HAND	NEEDED
Tooth Past	45	30
Tooth Brushes	25	50
Deodorant	47	28
Shaving Cream	1	74
Razors	82	0
Soap	9	66
Floss	4	71
Shampoo	1	74
Toilet Paper	1	74
Body Gel	47	28
Miscellaneous (finger nail clippers, emery boards, etc.)	10	65
Combs	17	58

## DRESS A GIRL AROUND THE WORLD

Have any extra material, bias tape, elastic, or thread to donate? Enjoy sewing simple projects? I have been making "pillowcase dresses" for several years for the Dress a Girl Around the World campaign ([dressagirlaroundtheworld.com](http://dressagirlaroundtheworld.com)) Each dress takes a minimum of 24" of cotton material, two yards of extra wide double fold bias tape, and 15" of ½" elastic. Remnants from Hobby Lobby, Walmart and my neighbor have provided material for over 200 dresses thus far. If you are interested in making dresses, I have the printed directions that I received from The Rag Bag and I would be happy to talk to you, if you have supplies, you may leave them in the church office.

Thank you,  
Patsy McBride  
704-477-8785



## GIRL SCOUTS NEEDS YOUR HELP

Girl Scout Troop 20032 at Shelby Presbyterian Church has decided to do a service project. We have two girls who are in need that are 7 and 8 years old. Our 7 year old is 8-10 in clothes and 12 in shoes. Our 8 year old is a size 12-14 in clothes and size 3 in shoes. Both girls need shirts, pants, coat, underwear, socks, hair accessories, body spray, body lotion and hand sanitizer. They both like the colors pink and purple, dolls, books, make-up, art supplies, baby doll accessories and CDs. If you would like to help, please contact Jennifer Ormand or Miranda Wood. All these things are needed by December 7th. Again thank you for all your support.

-Jennifer Ormand, Scout Leader

[jenniferormand@yahoo.com](mailto:jenniferormand@yahoo.com) or 704.477.0235

-Miranda Wood, Co-Leader

[miranda@shelbypres.org](mailto:miranda@shelbypres.org)

## VETERANS

If you served in the military, please call the church office by November 7 if you think we may not have your name from last year. Names will be published in the bulletin on November 11 in honor of Veterans Day.

We ask all Veterans to meet in the narthex at 10:45 a.m. on November 11 to process in as a group and to sit together.

## ALL OFFICERS

Past and Present Officers: If you have finished using your Officer Training and/or Officer Retreat notebooks, please return them to the office for recycling. If there is information you need and can remove easily, that would be helpful.

## CONGRATULATIONS

... to Meg and TJ Brown on the birth of their daughter, Mary Margaret Brown, born Thursday, September 20, 2018 in Savannah, Georgia. Overjoyed grandparents are Rusty and Marie Patterson. We are so happy that she and her mother are healthy and happy!

## MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS IN OCTOBER

... to the Marion School Back Pack Food Ministry in honor of the 90<sup>th</sup> birthdays of Dick and Betty Bowling

... to the Youth Ministry Fund in memory of Tom Blackburn, Grethel Boyette, Carolyn Gaston, Al Mancinelli, Betsy Martin, Carolyn Quinn, Jim Taylor, Jim Teddy Jr., and Pearl Weathers

... to the Youth Ministry Fund in honor of Steve and Cheryl Sisk.

## THANK YOU

Thank you for the wonderful response to our nephew, John's recital. Much work went into the publicity and the reception was wonderful. John was truly impressed with the attendance and response. As he said during the recital, we are very thankful to be part of a congregation that appreciates the importance of music and willing to invest in an instrument to offer glory to God for many years to come. Thanks again!

-Libby and Mike Alexander

## NOTES RECEIVED

*November is a wonderful month to focus more deeply on gratitude. Thank you for the countless ways you have blessed and inspired us during our time among you. Snippets of conversations, passing moments, and echoes of melodies have taken on new meaning in memory. Most of all, you have become very dear to us. We are missing you!*

*If you travel to Maine, we would love to see you--and we wish each of you all the best.*

*With love,*

*Adele and Tom Aylmer*

*New address:*

*57 Coventry Drive*

*Limington, Maine 04049*

## DIRECTORY CHANGE

Betsy Fonvielle has a new mailing address:

857 Panther Branch Rd.

P. O. Box 625

Hot Springs, NC 28743



## MEMBER CARE

The goal of the Member Care Committee is to extend love and care to all of our Shelby Presbyterian Church Family. If you find anyone in need of attention in our church family, in your neighborhood or beyond, please contact Margie McSwain Member Care Chairperson, 704-484-0585, or [margieabt@carolina.rr.com](mailto:margieabt@carolina.rr.com) or the church office 704-487-8503.

Please include the following in your prayers:

Jack Breen	Rebecca Jones
Anne Brooks	Peggy Lattimore
Joey Carpenter	Faye & Glenn McCants
Karen Carpenter	Joe Miller
Myra Carpenter	Ellis Monroe
Lacey Chambless	Betty Monteith
Charles & Jennifer Clyatt	Tom Moss
Susan Coiner	Judy Neville
Rip Collins	Catherine Porter
Ed Cushman	Sandy Poston
Carolyn & Ira Darnell	Patrick Potts
Val Donaldson	Joyce Ruark
Louis DuBois	Jim Simmons
Joyce Haydon	Steve Sisk
Fred & Joan Hunt	Steve Vaughn
Watt Jackson	Anne Woodard

- All those serving in the military
- Our brothers & sisters of Monte los Olivos
- John McCall in Taiwan
- Dr. Steve & Alene Burgert in Kenya
- Jo Ella Holman in the Caribbean
- Martha Sommers in Malawi
- Food Ministry •Rainbow Connection
- Christians who are persecuted for their faith
- All disaster victims (volcanoes, floods, fires, etc.)
- All victims of violence
- All refugees

Thank you for expanding your prayer list to include specific children and youth each month. During October, pray for our **Eleventh Grade Youth:** Tori Clifton, Morgan Dixon, Lilly Hamilton, Alex Haydon, Thomas Neville, Alex Niblack, Nick Stites, Reece Ware, Malachi Zehnder; and **Twelfth Grade Youth:** Alexis Aldinger, Drew Hendrick, Matthew Rybnicek, Ben Schweppe, Meredith Teddy.

## STEWARDSHIP TASK FORCE 2019 PLEDGE UPDATE

As of Sunday, October 21, 69 families have pledged \$337,684.00. Thanks to all who have pledged, if you have not completed your pledge, please place it in the offering plate or turn it in to Miranda in the office so the Finance Committee can prepare a budget for next year. All pledges are held in confidence by Miranda. Last year 117 families pledged \$486,985.40 so we have a way to go.

### OCTOBER 2018 STEWARDSHIP REPORT

2018 Operating Budget . . . . . \$568,665.00  
Needed Weekly . . . . . \$ 10,935.87

#### **October 7, World Communion Sunday**

Received . . . . . \$ 11,915.00  
5¢-A-Meal Offering (total Oct.) . . . . . \$201.48  
Sunday School Attendance . . . . . 83  
8:30 A.M. Worship Attendance . . . . . 25  
11:00 A.M. Worship Attendance . . . . . 110

#### **October 14, Consecration Sunday**

Received . . . . . \$ 11,904.50  
Sunday School Attendance . . . . . 85  
8:30 A.M. Worship Attendance . . . . . 23  
11:00 A.M. Worship Attendance . . . . . 108

#### **October 21**

Received . . . . . \$5,187.60  
Sunday School Attendance . . . . . 88  
8:30 A.M. Worship Attendance . . . . . 41  
11:00 A.M. Worship Attendance . . . . . 142

### UPDATE ON ORGAN FUND

Need . . . . . \$120,000.00  
Received as of 10/22/2018 . . . . . \$ 118,732.02

### 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER DONATIONS

As we come to the end of the year (believe it or not), we are looking to those “end-of-the-year” donations that come from stocks. If you could please arrange for those donations to be in the office **before** Christmas or **immediately after**, it would be very helpful. The office will be closed for the Christmas Holidays, Monday 12/24 - Wednesday 12/26. As you can see, this leaves only 3 days to the end of the year. Remember ALL donations must be in or postmarked by December 31, 2018. This includes those giving invested/stock checks. Please plan ahead, as I’m sure you want to have 2018 tax credit. Thank you. Thank you for your cooperation.

-June Hatfield, Bookkeeper

**SESSION MEETING NOTES**  
**SEPTEMBER 18, 2018**

Kyle Persing was presented to Session for church membership and approved. He was accompanied by his mother Julia, and was sponsored by Heidi Steeves.

Spencer brought a discussion from the Diaconate relating to having one service on Sunday morning instead of two. A motion was made to refer the discussion back to the Worship and Music Committee and carried.

Luke reported that the wedding of Stephanie Ellis and Alex Martin took place in the church instead of an outdoor setting so as to avoid inclement weather over this past weekend.

He requested for Billy Robinson to preach on October 21<sup>st</sup>, it has been forwarded to Worship and Music.

Luke also said that there has been interest from within the congregation to assist in hurricane recovery. He and Paul will look into the opportunities and report back.

**Finance** - Jill Venable reported Church finances have continued strong through the summer. The Finance Committee met with Bank OZK and received a strong report on our holdings that matched our conservative investment plan. Scholarship pledges are paid in full.

**Mission and Ministry** - Paul Woodard Permission to present to Congregation Samaritan's Purse Shoebox information. Approved

**Personnel** - Jeff Hamilton reported that Chrystal Lively has submitted her resignation effective the end of this year.

**PneuMatrix** - Jeff Hamilton reported that the PneuMatrix group is still meeting regularly and are working on the best way to present this information to the church.

**Property** - Brock Taylor reported that a bid of \$400 has been received to install handrails on the front steps of the Chancel. Still waiting on Shuford Heating & Air to install unit for the women's bathroom.

**Rainbow Connection** - Robin Holland shared a letter from a Rainbow parent expressing appreciation for the Rainbow scholarship program and to show the positive impact the scholarships are having on families lives.

**Security and Safety** - Doug Boyette reported that CPR classes have been scheduled for Wednesday October 17th from 6:30-8:00 pm and on Sunday October 28 from 6:00-7:30 pm. Child care will be provided.

Also, Doug will do a CPR 101 as a Wednesday night program on October 24th.

Lloyd reported that the Safety group is developing a safety plan for the church.

**Worship and Music** - Jeanne Spragins made a

recommendation that approval be given for Sherry Young and Scott Thomas to be married in the chapel on December 26, 2018. Approved

**Congregational Care** - Margie McSwain reported that the committee would begin providing gifts and prayer shawls to families in the Rainbow program with newborns.

**SESSION MEETING NOTES**  
**OCTOBER 16, 2018**

Doug Boyette asked to have Elders sign up to lead the Affirmation of Faith. A sign up sheet was passed around the table. Officer Committee assignments for 2019 will be distributed at the joint Session- Diaconate meeting in December, 2018. Also, discussion of creating a Mission Plan and submitting it to Presbytery as well as the pending formation of a PNC.

Luke Harkey reported that Billy Robinson will preach during both services on October 21<sup>st</sup>. Luke reported that officer training is underway with examinations at the next meeting on October 21. Ordination and Installation will be on December 2.

Luke also shared an article to be placed in the newsletter about the 2019 trip to Israel that is being planned.

**Finance** - Jill Venable reported that church finances are good.

**Personnel** - Jeff Hamilton reported that Personnel is considering contracting with a company to clean the church rather than hire a new sextant when Chrystal Lively retires.

**PneuMatrix** - Jeff Hamilton reported that the group will have one more meeting upcoming at PWNC.

Also, he will present the conclusions at the officer retreat in January.

**Property** - Brock Taylor reported that Shuford Heating & Air came back in and are ordering unit for the women's bathroom. The cost is \$1000.00 higher than originally quoted. An alternate bid has been asked of Shelby Heating and Air.

**Security and Safety** - Doug Boyette reported that CPR Classes will be held Wednesday October 17th from 6:30-8:00 pm and Sunday October 28 from 6:00-7:30 pm. Doug is also doing a program on CPR at Wednesday Night Supper October 24th.

Lloyd Williams reported that the Safety Committee is making good progress on the Safety Study.

**Stewardship** - Trip Boine reported that 56 pledge cards had been received to date.

**Worship and Music** - Jeanne Spragins reported that Worship and Music will meet with Christian Education to discuss the children's involvement/presence during worship services. Worship and Music continues to review worship schedules.

☺ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** ☺

November 2 . . . . . Pete Gilbert  
 November 2 . . . . . Carolyn Jackson  
 November 2 . . . . . Betty Monteith  
 November 2 . . . . . Claudia Allen Wall  
 November 3 . . . . . Todd Cerwin  
 November 3 . . . . . Merridith Martin  
 November 3 . . . . . Brett Niblack  
 November 3 . . . . . Andrew Wehmuller  
 November 4 . . . . . Susan Jones  
 November 4 . . . . . Walter McSwain  
 November 5 . . . . . Barry Persing  
 November 5 . . . . . Nick Stites  
 November 6 . . . . . Mary Lampley  
 November 7 . . . . . Joyce Boyette  
 November 7 . . . . . Chandler Young  
 November 8 . . . . . Spencer Borders  
 November 8 . . . . . Bee Strain  
 November 9 . . . . . John Brotherton  
 November 9 . . . . . Thomas Hannah  
 November 9 . . . . . Alex Niblack  
 November 10 . . . . . Dino Nicopoulos  
 November 11 . . . . . Susie Brown  
 November 11 . . . . . Baird Yasenchok  
 November 12 . . . . . Beverly Phillips  
 November 13 . . . . . Charlie Brownlee  
 November 13 . . . . . Janie Brownlee  
 November 13 . . . . . Lorraine Clark  
 November 14 . . . . . Robin Smith  
 November 14 . . . . . David Yourick  
 November 15 . . . . . Troy Goss  
 November 15 . . . . . Micah Zehnder  
 November 16 . . . . . Tyler Hendrix  
 November 16 . . . . . Wesley Smith  
 November 17 . . . . . Dottie Vincent  
 November 19 . . . . . Jane McBrayer  
 November 20 . . . . . Devin McCullough  
 November 21 . . . . . Holly Conner  
 November 21 . . . . . Teddy Griffin  
 November 21 . . . . . Marie Patterson  
 November 21 . . . . . Lane Wilson-Powell  
 November 22 . . . . . Hank Griffin  
 November 22 . . . . . Danielle Yocum  
 November 23 . . . . . Tori Clifton  
 November 23 . . . . . Carolyn Harkey  
 November 23 . . . . . David LeGrand Jr.  
 November 26 . . . . . Barbara Blackburn  
 November 27 . . . . . Barbara Hannah  
 November 27 . . . . . Chrystal Lively  
 November 27 . . . . . Suzanne Waldrop

November 28 . . . . . John Carney  
 November 30 . . . . . Dennis Beam IV  
 November 30 . . . . . Margie McSwain

**FIRST THURSDAY WITH SUSAN BELL**

Bible Study with Susan Bell has been canceled for November and will meet again Thursday, December 6, 12:00-1:00 p.m., at Central United Methodist Fellowship Hall. All are invited. Feel free to bring a bag lunch.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN**

**Martha/Mary Circle** will meet Tuesday morning, November 6, at 11:30 in the home of Shannon Blackley, 812 Hawthorne Road. A light lunch will be served. RSVP Shannon at 704-704-481-0753, or [shannonblackley@gmail.com](mailto:shannonblackley@gmail.com). Nancy Blackley is the contact person for this circle, 704-484-2964, or email her at [nancyblackley@gmail.com](mailto:nancyblackley@gmail.com).

**Deborah & Sarah Circles** will meet Tuesday morning, November 13, at 11:30 in the home of Rachel White, 342 Circleview Drive. Pat Byers will lead a study on the 2018-2019 Horizons Bible Study book, *God's Promise: I Am with You*, by Amy Poling Sutherlun. Pat, 704-477-1260, is the contact person for this circle.

**MEN'S FOOD & FELLOWSHIP**

There are two opportunities for all men to join with other men from Shelby Presbyterian Church for food and fellowship. Come to breakfast or lunch or both!

●**First Thursday, November 1**, 7:00 a.m. at Ken & Mary's Restaurant, 1628 S. DeKalb St., for breakfast and sharing prayer concerns.

●**Fifth Thursday**, (moved from 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday due to Thanksgiving) **November 15**, at 1:00 for lunch and fellowship at Joe's Place, 206 South Lafayette Street.

**ALL SAINTS' DAY**

On Sunday, November 4, the names of all Shelby Presbyterian Church members who have died since Oct. 31, 2017 will be read at both morning worship services. We remember:

**Thomas Blackburn**  
**Lois Carney**  
**Carolyn Gaston**  
**Marjorie Haworth**  
**James Taylor Jr.**

**JOIN US IN ELLIS HALL FOR  
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS IN OCTOBER  
6:00 pm Meal - 6:30 pm Program**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Meal</u>	<u>Program</u>
Nov. 7	*Chicken Strips	Greg McIntyre is sharing from his book "Hometown Heroes" in honor of Veteran's Day
Nov. 14	*Pizza	"Thanksgiving Collage"
Nov. 21	No Supper or Program Tonight	
Nov. 28	*Sub Sandwiches	"Hanging of the Greens"

\*Bring side dishes & desserts--peanut free please.

☺To be more environmentally friendly, don't forget your plate.

\*\$3/adult; \$1/under 12; \$10/family max.

Child care is available for infants-four year olds.

**The Church Office will be closed  
November 22 and 23  
for the Thanksgiving holiday.**

YOU ARE INVITED  
to our 64<sup>rd</sup> annual  
**Thanksgiving Breakfast**  
and  
**Worship Service**

on November 22.

Breakfast begins at 8:00  
in Ellis fellowship hall.

The Thanksgiving Service will  
begin at 9:00 in the Sanctuary.  
A special offering will be taken  
for Black Mountain Home  
for Children, Youth & Families.

Everyone is welcome. If you unable to attend  
on Thanksgiving you can drop your offering off  
at the office.

**Thanksgiving Plans and Volunteer Opportunities**

●**Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:45 am and 11 am  
Thanksgiving Sunday Worship**

●**Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Community  
Thanksgiving Worship at Lutheran Church, Lafayette  
Street.**

**Needed:** Singers for Community Thanksgiving Choir  
- rehearsal at 6 p.m. before worship

**Needed:** baked goods or fruit for reception after  
worship

**Needed:** canned goods for Shepherd's Table at  
Episcopal Church. There will also be an offering in  
support of the Men's and Women's Shelters  
(Cleveland County Rescue Mission) and the Abuse  
Prevention Council shelter.

●**Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 4 p.m. Community  
Table Thanksgiving Meal**

4 locations: Jefferson Park, Hope Community Church,  
Graham School, Burns High

**Needed:** volunteers to help serve meal - to sign up or  
for more information see [www.feedingkidscc.org](http://www.feedingkidscc.org).  
There is also a need for people to come and share  
the meal with our neighbors!

●**Thursday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8 a.m. Thanksgiving  
Breakfast in Ellis Hall**

●**9 a.m. Thanksgiving Vesper Service**

**Needed:** Men of the Church to help prepare the  
meal, please contact Tom Martin, 704-477-6958 or  
[tom@flowersmartin.com](mailto:tom@flowersmartin.com).

●**Scouts from Troop 100 will help serve the meal.**

**Needed:** Ushers to take up the thanksgiving offering  
for the Black Mountain Home for Children, Youth,  
and Families.

●**10 a.m. Deliveries begin at Shelby Mission Camp  
(last year over 700 Thanksgiving meals were  
delivered to homebound persons in our  
community).**

**Needed:** volunteers (Monday - Wednesday to carve  
turkeys and bake pies) and Thursday to help with  
deliveries. Contact David or Janet Brown at  
919-422-9990.



## POINSETTIAS & WREATHS & TREES

This year you may purchase trees, door wreaths, large sanctuary wreath or poinsettias, either in memory or in honor of someone.

There is 1 5-6 ft. tree available for purchase (\$25). There is 1 7-8 ft. tree available for purchase (\$40). There is 1 large sanctuary wreath available for purchase (\$45). There are 12 outside door wreaths available for purchase (\$18 each). There are 80 poinsettias available for purchase (\$12 each).

If you would like to purchase a tree or a wreath, please call Jane in the church office, 704-487-8503.

If you would like to order a poinsettia(s) to be placed in the church for December 16, and the Christmas Eve Services, either in memory or in honor of someone, we ask that your check accompany the order form below and that it be made payable to "Shelby Presbyterian Church." Turn your form and check into the church office **no later than Dec. 3.**

Yes, I (We) would like \_\_\_\_\_ poinsettia(s) placed in the church.

Enclosed is \$\_\_\_\_\_.

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

## ARE YOU ON DUTY IN NOVEMBER?

### 9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Fellowship Time

- Nov. 4 Beverly Styers
- 11 Agaat Den Hertog
- 18 Kathryn & Don Bridges
- 25 Nancy Fichter

### Deacons Taking Up Offering & Ushers

Jennifer Ormand, Captain (Nov. 11 Heidi Steeves)  
Mary Lampley  
Thomas Couch (Nov. 11 Spencer Borders)  
Anne Kennedy  
Brett Niblack  
Wiley Smith

### Sound Board

- Nov. 4 Chip Blackley
- 11 Joe Petrilli
- 18 Lee Huston
- 25 John Brotherton

### 8:30/11:00 A. M. Worship Liturgist

- Nov. 4 Dan McLaurin/John Schweppe III
- 11 Julia Persing/Steve Sisk
- 18 Sydney Davis/*Liturgist needed*
- 25 Heidi Steeves/Margie McSwain

### Offering Counter with Bookkeeper

Marlene Lovelace

### Sanctuary Worship Guild

- Nov. 4 Harriette Beam & Laura Beam
- 11 Judy Greer & Rachel White
- 18 Beverly Elmore & Stuart Schweppe
- 25 Marlene Lovelace & Lori Wehmuller

### Wednesday Night Elders & Deacons

- Nov. 7 Jennifer Ormand & Beverly Styers  
Jeff Hamilton & Agaat Den Hertog
- 14 Thomas Couch & Barbara Moore  
Anne Langley & Jill Venable
- 21 No Wednesday Night Supper  
Come to Thanksgiving  
Breakfast/Worship
- 28 Tom Greene & Heidi Steeves  
Paul Woodard & Robin Holland

### Sanctuary Flowers

Nov. 4, 11, 18, are all available at press time. If you would like to provide flowers for the sanctuary on a Sunday in November, please call the church office, 704-487-8503.

## HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving is a festival, which is celebrated with much enthusiasm and joy in many parts of the world, especially the countries of US and Canada. People express gratitude to God on this day, for all the valuable things they possess in life. Near and dear ones are also thanked for their love and support. Feasting with family and friends is a very important aspect of this festival. In fact, it is also the most delightful part of this festival. The entire family comes together to offer prayers to the Almighty, before the Thanksgiving dinner and show their appreciation. Given below is a soulful prayer to be offered in honor of God.

Thanksgiving

By Ralph Waldo Emerson

*For each new morning with its light,  
For rest and shelter of the night,  
For health and food,  
For love and friends,  
For everything Thy goodness sends.*

