

Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

In your mind, what does it mean to be "in fellowship" with one another?

Perhaps this term recalls potluck dinners, church events, and time spent in casual friendship, under the banner of a common faith and tradition.

Prior to my final year in seminary, I had never heard of the "Kirkin' o' the Tartans." In fact, before coming here, I had never seen one. Indeed, it is a beautiful sight to behold. This presentation of flags inside the church from many families, tribes, or clans proclaims that we are bound together. It says we are woven and stitched together just like the many colors woven and stitched together in each tartan.

For me, this spoke of our scriptural "fellowship," far more than a typical church event. Scripture speaks of fellowship as a life in common and by this, it means a shared life, uniting us like family in our whole being. We sometimes limit fellowship to some time we share together and miss fellowship as truly "being together."

The flags, as they were displayed in the service, put every family in our building on an equal footing as one family in Christ. Yet, if there is one risk, it's that when we take this tradition across the Atlantic, the Kirkin' can be perceived as simply a "Scottish" thing.

However, the input of Mary Conner and Rev. Richard Hart re-aligned this moment more closely to its roots by including all heritages of any nation in the presence of God as one. This upholds the true meaning of fellowship in this moment. And what's more, the plan for a 'Shelby Presbyterian Tartan' will further secure that all of us no matter what family or tradition we come from, share in the honor of being called followers of Christ our King.

I am grateful to have been a part of this moment. I want you to hold this moment alongside the confirmation and church retreat in September, with the first communion, baptisms, church picnic on Consecration Sunday, and new member class of October. We can and will build on this, growing closer to one another in our shared life.

There is so much to be thankful for as we head toward Thanksgiving this month. The Spirit is alive and well in this church. My prayer is that we grow in true fellowship of sharing of our lives in worship together, and that we take our shared life out, beyond our walls, to the places where so many need the living community we can offer in and through Christ.

— Drew

P.S.—Thank you for your many expressions of appreciation last month. Since we first arrived in Shelby, we have felt welcomed and appreciated here. Your kind many words, cards and more last month were further confirmation. Thank you.

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Growing • Praising • Serving

From the Desk of Carol Ann

Last month, the youth got to experience one of my favorite places- The Virginia Creeper Trail. The Creeper trail is an old

railroad path that has been turned into a bike trail. I like it because it is all downhill. I was trying to catch up with some of the youth and was by myself when I noticed the beauty of the leaves. I went to college at App State and was around the mountains during the changing of the leaves and never really paid much attention to them. Maybe



I noticed the leaves on the creeper trail because I am getting older and starting to appreciate the little things like leaves changing colors. Maybe I noticed them because of the changes in my life. New denomination, son graduating college, son graduating high school, learning to be an empty nester, making new friends.... Sometimes we think change is not a good thing. We tend to stay in our comfort zone, and we are content. Other times we can't stop it, change is just going to happen.



I am a true believer once you get the courage and take the first step to change or accept change, you will see your life as a new opportunity, a new experience.

If you are going through a season of change, God's presence is with you every step of the way. It may be hard, but you have a God who loves you and wants the best for you. God will offer guidance through uncertain times. God is constantly giving us grace upon grace and looks forward to each new season with us. I promise, there is something good in this season. Let's keep trusting God to walk with us in the beautiful leaves and thanking God for the new day ahead and the new grace that comes with it.

Let's show our College Students some LOVE with homemade goodies for their Care Boxes. Please bring them individually packaged on Sunday November 27th. Let CA know what you are bringing.





Growing in Grace

Join us as our children work on the Christmas Program Wednesday at 6:00pm-7:00pm November 2nd come at 5:30 if you want supper!

We will not meet November 23rd







Save the date.. Children's Christmas Program Sunday, December 11

Important Rehearsals on Wednesday, at 5:30 November 30 and December 7

College Students Addresses

If you want your college student to receive a care package, please have the address in by November 6th

From the Desk of Carol Ann



In Advent, we anticipate the coming of Jesus, not only at Christmas, but in our hearts and the church by the Spirit, and his eventual return. Like

Lent before Easter, it is a season of mindful preparation where we can grow in prayer and other spiritual exercises with hope, joy, love and peace.

Let's kick off Advent as a community with a workshop from 3-5 p.m. on November 27th where we can come together to learn about Christmas Around the World with stations featuring crafts and food tastings.

This is a great opportunity for all of us, young and old, families and individuals, to grow as one church in fellowship, finding new ways to prepare for Christmas and making things to share with others.







Do you like to cook? Or order out?

Youth Suppers are needed on November 6th and 13th.

If you are willing to prepare and serve a meal for the youth let CA know! Plan for 15-20 people.























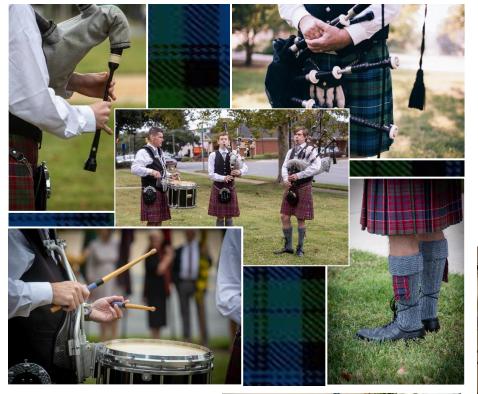
















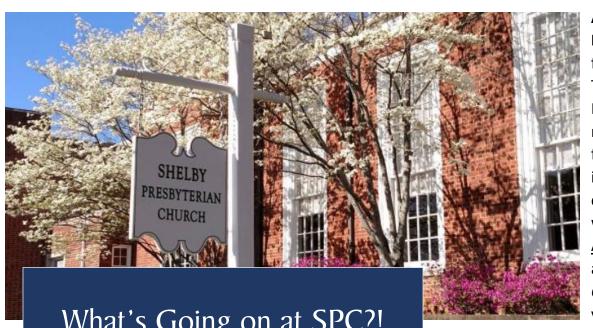












ALL OFFICERS PAST AND **PRESENT:** If you have finished using your Officer Training and/or Officer Retreat notebooks, please return them to the office for recycling. If there is information you need and can remove easily, that would be helpful.

All Outgoing Officers: If you are not using our Book of Confessions please turn your copy in to Miranda.

What's Going on at SPC?!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

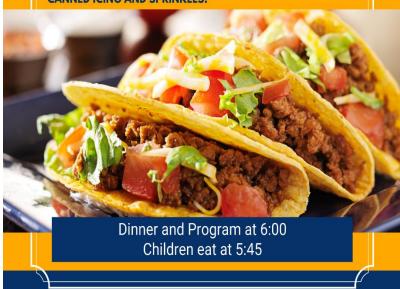
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NOVEMBER 2ND

THIS MONTH THE F3 CLASS WILL PROVIDE TACOS AND ALL THE TOPPINGS. WE ENCOURAGE FAMILIES TO BRING THEIR OWN PLATES, CUTLERY, AND CUPS AS A WAY TO BE BETTER STEWARDS OF OUR EARTH.

OUR PROGRAM WILL FEATURE THE WORK THAT FEEDING KIDS CLEVELAND COUNTY AND READING KIDS CLEVELAND CO. ARE DOING IN OUR COMMUNITY.

IN LIEU OF A DONATION TOWARD THE MEAL, PLEASE BRING FOOD DONATIONS TO SUPPORT FKCC. WE ARE COLLECTING CANNED YAMS, BOXES OF STUFFING, SUGAR COOKIE MIX, **CANNED ICING AND SPRINKLES.**







On Sunday, November 6th, the names of all Shelby Presbyterian Church members who have died since November 1, 2021 will be read at the 10 o'clock Worship Service. **We remember:** Lloyd Clark, Sid Dixon, Bob Eddins, Homer Haworth, Morris Lacey, Jane McBrayer, Joe Miller, and Jessi Ogburn.

VETERANS DAY LUNCHEON

NOVEMBER 10TH AT 11:30 AT THE NEAL SENIOR CENTER

Free of charge for all veterans, non-veterans \$8. Reservations by 12 noon on Thursday, November 3 by calling Daniel Dedmon, Senior Center, 704-481-7387.





Veterans Sunday



If you served in the military, please call the church office by November 9th, if you think we may not have your name from last year. Names will be published in the bulletin on November 13th in honor of Veterans Day.





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 (\$45). There is 1 6-7 ft. tree available for purchase (\$50). There is 1 large sanctuary wreath available for purchase (\$45). There are 12 outside door wreaths available for purchase (\$25 each). There are 80 poinsettias available for purchase (\$15 each). If you would like to purchase a tree or a wreath, please call Miranda in the church office, 704-487-8503. If you would like to order a poinsettia(s) to be placed in the church for December 11th, and the Christmas Eve Services, 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 Nov. 20th.

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Wednesday, November 30th at 6:00 Meet in Ellis Hall

At 6:30 we will have a special worship service after which we will decorate the outside tree! Ornaments will be available for the outdoor tree or you can bring one.



IMPORTANT DATES

NOVEMBER 6TH: All Saints Day – we will remember all members who have died since November 1, 2021.

NOVEMBER 13TH: Veterans Sunday – Veterans will be recognized at the 10 o'clock Worship Service.

NOVEMBER 20TH: Christ the King Sunday with Communion, Rev. Bryon Wade will be preaching.

NOVEMBER 21ST: NEWSLETTER ARTICLES for the DECEMBER edition of *The Shelby Pres(s)* are due to Miranda.

NOVEMBER 24 – 25TH: The Church Office will be CLOSED Thursday and Friday for Thanksgiving Holiday.

NOVEMBER 27TH: Carol Ann is preaching, Advent Around World at 3:00 in Ellis Hall.

NOVEMBER 30TH: Hanging of the Greens service and decorating at 6:30.





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	NEEDED	ITEMS	NEEDED		
Tooth Paste	20	Floss	71		
Toothbrushes	30	Shampoo	74		
Deodorant	30	Toilet Paper	74		
Shaving Cream	74	Body Gel	28		
Razors	20	Combs	60		
Soap	66	Miscellaneous	65		
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Feeding Kids Cleveland County and Community Partners are joining together to host the annual Community Table Thanksgiving Meal on Wednesday, November 23rd at Jefferson Park at 4:00 pm. We need YOUR HELP to volunteer at Jefferson Park for this upcoming event. Set up is at 2:30. Help needed to set up chairs, tables, receiving food, serving food, decorating and clean up. Food. Fun and Fellowship for everyone! Call



up. Food, Fun and Fellowship for everyone! Call Richard Hart 229-563-1253 or Debbie 229-563-3142.



THE FRIENDLY BEASTS: Shelby Presbyterian's claim to fame, The Friendly Beasts, needs beasts!! We will do the show during the Christmas Eve service, and if possible, for Rainbow Connection sometime between December 5th through 15th. No memorization required, just the ability to speak/sing somewhat clearly and like an animal! Please be an equal opportunity puppeteer, no guarantees on which puppet you'll be. They're all fun! Contact Laura Wheeler if you want to make puppet magic, lauraew66@gmail.com or text 704-438-0513.

ARE YOU ON DUTY IN NOVEMBER?

Acolyte & Chimer

Nov. volunteers needed

Deacons Taking Up Offering & Ushers

Nov. Claire McCullough
Holly Petrilli
Tabatha Coker
Debbie Hart

Worship Liturgist

Nov. 6 John Schweppe III 13 Carolyn Billings 20 Marlene Lovelace 27 Carolyn Jackson

Sanctuary Worship Guild

Nov. 6 Beverly Elmore
Stuart Scwheppe
13 Barbara Blackburn
Barbara Hannah

20 Marlene Lovelace Margie Trivett

27 Paul & Joyce Couey

Sanctuary Flowers

Nov. 6 available 13 available 20 available 27 available

*A Flower Calendar is posted on the bulletin board at the Harris Street entrance outside the fellowship hall. If there is a Sunday that you would like to reserve, please call the church office and we'll sign you up.



The goal of the Member Life Ministry 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 Lori Wehmueller, Member Life Ministry Chairperson, 704.472.5253 or loriwehmueller@gmail.com or the church office 704.487.8503.

Please include the following in your prayers:

Amy Brown Faye McCants Jo Ann Callahan & Family Ryder Moore Karen Carpenter **Barbara Ormand** Myra Carpenter **Pauline Persing** Matthew Carpenter Ann Pharr **David Pharr** Bert & Joy Cushman Debbie Ferrell **Rick Steeves** Ina Harrington **Beverly Styers** Joan Hunt Barbara Weller David Kelley Diane Windham David LeGrand Terricia Wingo Cheryl Lutz

- Children and Staff of Turning Point Academy
- •Covid-19 research, caregivers, and patients
- Racial injustices
- •U. S. Economy
- All those serving in the military
- •Our brothers & sisters of Monte los Olivos
- •John McCall in Taiwan
- 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 November, pray for our **Fifth Grader:** Walker Borders; and our **Sixth Graders:** Anna Greer, Alex McIntyre, Benjamin Pruitt, and Foster Warrick.

Prayers and Sympathy

Harper Banks Burns, infant granddaughter of Robert and Cathy Burns, daughter of Chris and Erin Burns of Tega Cay, South Carolina.

Born October 7, 2022 and passed away at Novant Hospital in Charlotte on October 15, 2022.

Please keep the Burns Family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Happy Birthday!

November 1	May Reed
November 2	Carolyn Jackson
	Claudia Allen Wall
	Todd Cerwin
	Merridith Martin
November 3	Brett Niblack Andrew Wehmueller
	Susan Jones
	Barry Persing
	Mary Lampley
	Lucas Stern
November 7	Joyce Boyette
November 7	Chandler Young
November 8	Spencer Borders
November 8	Bee Strain
November 9	John Brotherton
November 9	Thomas Hannah
	Alex Niblack
	Julie Bryan
	Susie Brown
November 13	Charlie Brownlee
	Janie Brownlee
	Lorraine Clark
	Robin Smith
	Micah Zehnder
	Tyler Hendrix
	Dottie Vincent
	Paxton Warrick
	Devin McCullough
	Holly Conner
	Richard Hart
	Marie Patterson
	Lane Wilson-Powell
	Carolyn Cooper
	Danielle Yocum
	Tori Clifton
	Steele Bryant
	Tabatha Coker
	Jessica Stern
	Barbara Blackburn
	Barbara Hannah
	Suzanne Waldrop
	Eliza Stern
	Dennis Beam IV
November 30	Margie Trivett

SPC Reports & Minutes

News from Rainbow Connection

Can you believe it's November? It's hard to believe that we are fast approaching the end of 2022! This month we will discuss all of the things we are thankful for, and we will create all kinds of fall art. On November 17th we will have our Thanksgiving Luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. We ask all of our families to donate certain items to create "Cowboy Soup", and everyone eats for free! It is a nice way to really see how everyone can come together for one meal.

Some of us sit around a table every evening to share our meals, and some of us toss a McDonald's happy meal into the back seat to our youngest... while we drive 20 minutes to get their sibling from soccer. Whether you are the parent that spends hours on supper, or the parent that forgot to take the chicken out- we can always remind our little ones about being thankful.

Thankful for the clean water, thankful for the frozen chicken, thankful for Mcdonald's, and thankful for each other.

We are also so thankful for our SPC community for all of the wonderful things they do for us at Rainbow Connection,

> Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind. (Psalm 107:21)

> > - Abby Goins, Director



THANK YOU SPC for all you support, love, and prayers. We appreciate you all so much!

FOURTH QUARTER DONATIONS: As we come to the end of the year (believe it or not), we are looking out for any "end-of-the-year" donations from stocks. If you give in this way, please arrange for those donations to be in the office before Christmas or immediately after. That would be very helpful. The office will be closed for Christmas, Monday 12/26 and Tuesday 12/27. Thank you for your cooperation.

OCTOBER 2022 STEWARDSHIP REPORT

2022 Operating Budget		\$590,326.00
Needed Weekly		\$11,352.42
OCT. 2: Received\$16,289.00	5¢-A-Meal \$290.	38 Worship115 Livestream Views91
OCT. 9: Received\$11,148.63	Worship126	Livestream Views92
OCT. 16: Received\$9,998.00	Worship150	Livestream Views44
OCT. 23: Received\$5,449.96	Worship167	Livestream Views68

STATED SESSION MINUTES SEPTEMBER 20, 2022

COMMUNICATIONS

<u>Clerk's Report</u> – John Schweppe suggested that committee chairs utilize the form provided by Drew and Miranda to create committee meeting minutes and that the same be promptly submitted to Miranda so as to include scheduled events in forthcoming church calendars.

• John noted that Holly Petrilli is the incoming chair of the media committee and will serve the remainder of 2022 and all of 2023.

<u>Deacon's Report</u> – Elizabeth Schweppe requested:

• That session work with their respective deacon counterparts for creative neighborhood group activities.

Pastor's Report - Drew reported:

- Drew provided a report on the success of the Montreat Family Reunion joined by members of the session sharing comments regarding the weekend.
- Communion Training. Margie Trivett and the session met in the parlor and the sanctuary for communion training. Standard procedure for serving communion along with a graphic were presented to each elder, along with a list of contact information for College of Elders.

ONLINE VOTES AND MINUTES APPROVAL

- Minutes from the session meeting of August 9th were reviewed and approved unanimously.
- Session voted unanimously to ratify the on-line votes for Carol Ann's participation in Confirmation Sunday on behalf of the Session.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

<u>Finance Committee</u> - Scoot Dixon reported:

- The budget review and updates are progressing.
- Delivery of the new kitchen range and van are forthcoming.

<u>Fellowship</u> - Nancy Hendrix: Reported October 5th will be the next Wednesday night supper and October 9th will be the Consecration Sunday Picnic at the Wilsons which will include having a lifeguard on site.

<u>Personnel</u> - Darlene Gravett: Reported work continues the Youth Safety and Leave policies with completion and approval foreseen by November.

<u>Property</u> – Richard Fletcher: Reported that the water heater in the kitchen has been replaced. The freezer was repaired and that its service life is short-term.

• Workday – To be scheduled for some time in October or November.

Media – Roger Holland: Offered thanks to those, particularly Michelle Moser, on the church website.

<u>Worship and Music</u> – Ben Brooks: Reported on the forthcoming Heritage Sunday, September 25, 2022. - 32 Tartans will be presented.

OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

Old Business - None

New Business:

- Drew reviewed the request by the Stern Family for the Baptism of their four children, Corban, Oliver, Aletheia and Eliza on October 16th. Passed unanimously.
- Cheryl Sisk introduced the possibility that the Discipleship Committee be divided into two committees.

SHELBY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH – NOVEMBER 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		 10:30 Staff Meeting 1:00 Rainbow Staff Meeting 7:00 Worship & Music 	• 11:00 Member Life • 11:30 Rainbow Cmte • 6:00 Wednesday Night Supper • 6:00 Kids – Growing in Grace • 6:00 Youth – Creative Mission	7:00 Men's Breakfast at Ken & Mary's8:00 AA & Al-Anon	4	5
22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time All Saints' Day Five-Cents-A-Meal Offering 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship in Sanctuary & livestreaming on YouTube & Facebook. 5:00 Youth Night Daylight Savings Time ENDS	• 6:00 Discipleship Ministry Cmte. • 7:00 Boy Scouts • 8:00 AA	• 10:30 Staff Meeting • 2:00 Clerk's Council	• 6:00 Kids – Growing in Grace • 6:00 Youth – Creative Mission	1012:00 Finance Cmte.8:00 AA & Al-Anon	11 Veterans Day	12
23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time 13 Veterans Sunday 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship in Sanctuary & livestreaming on YouTube & Facebook. 11:00 – Handbell Rehearsal 5:00 Deacons Meeting 5:00 Youth Night	• 9:30 Soup Lunch • 7:00 Boy Scouts • 8:00 AA	 15 10:30 Staff Meeting 5:15 Personnel 6:00 Fellowship Cmte. 6:30 Session 	• 6:00 Kids – Growing in Grace • 6:00 Youth – Creative Mission	• 11:30 Rainbow Thanksgiving • 8:00 AA & Al-Anon	18	19
Christ the King Sunday Byron Wade preaching Communion 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship in Sanctuary & livestreaming on YouTube & Facebook. 11:00 – Handbell Rehearsal 5:00 Friendsgiving @ CA & Joel's	Newsletters Due • 9:30 Soup Lunch • 7:00 Boy Scouts • 8:00 AA	• 10:30 Staff Meeting	• 4:00 Community Thanksgiving	Thanksgiving Day Church Office Closed • 8:00 AA & Al-Anon	Church Office Closed	26
25 th Sunday of Ordinary Time 27 Carol Ann preaching • 9:00 Sunday School •10:00 Worship in Sanctuary & livestreaming on YouTube & Facebook. • 11:00 – Handbell Rehearsal • 3:00 Advent Workshop	• 9:30 Soup Lunch • 7:00 Boy Scouts • 8:00 AA	• 10:30 Staff Meeting • 6:30 Media	• 5:30 Kids – Growing in Grace • 6:30 Hanging of the Greens		*\00	P

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