

Announcements for October 29– November 5

Scripture Readings for Sunday, November 2

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4; Psalm 149:1-9; Ephesians 1:11-23

Scripture Readings for Sunday, November 9

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17; Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21;
Haggai 1:15b-2:9

Daily and Sunday Lectionary Readings can be found at <https://pcusa.org/devotion/revised-common-lectionary>.

Join us every Thursday in the Conference Room of the Education Building from 12:00-1:00 to read the scripture for the upcoming worship service. Bring a lunch along and join us for an informal conversation.

UPCOMING Events

October 29—Good Samaritan Dinner, 6:00pm, FH

November 1—Fall Festival at the Copley farm, 4:00pm

November 2—All Saints' Day and City Cemetery Dedication

November 9—Church Conversations, 11:30, Church Parlor

FINAL Food Box Packing, 11:30, Lobby

November 11—Office Closed, Veteran's Day

November 16—Theater Church Outing, 2:00pm, UMW

November 27-28—Office Closed for Thanksgiving

Church Conversations November 9

after worship in the Church House Parlor

Join Rev. Milford and other leaders for conversations about Reformed History, Presbyterian theology and polity, and to learn more about our congregation. Those who wish to join us in membership may do so on November 9. While this is designed for potential new members, all are welcome to come with questions and join the conversation!

All Saints' Day Remembrance and City Cemetery Dedication—On November 2, our worship in the Sanctuary will include giving thanks to God for the saints who have gone before us and remembering those loved ones who have died in the past year. Following worship, we will continue to the City Cemetery and offer words of dedication for this final resting place for members of our congregation.

LIFT (Living In Faith Together)

All Ages LIFT this Sunday—As we celebrate All Saints Sunday, come join us for All Ages LIFT from 09:00-10:00am in the Fellowship Hall to learn about Holy Troublemakers and Unconventional Saints. We'll learn about the lives of Francis of Assisi, Bayard Rustin, Broderick Greer, & Gustavo Gutierrez and discuss how they spread love & kindness, pursued peace, and fought for justice even if it rocked the religious boat.



Movie Club—The movie club will discuss the Netflix, Emmy Award winning mini-series "Adolescence" on **Wednesday, November 19th**, 10 AM in the Middle House. Bring your own drinks and/or snacks. Contact Karen Johnson if you have any questions, (540) 621-5685, ksjohnson422@msn.com.



Sanctuary Flowers—If you would like to order flowers, in memory or honor of someone, or for a special occasion, please contact Sharon Humes, pshumes1@gmail.com. The cost of the flowers is \$70.00. You are welcome to take the flowers with you, or our deacons will arrange for them to be taken to members who are home-centered or recovering from surgery or illness.



A Message of Thanks from Marjolijn Bijlefeld

Thank you all for, as one friend said, "storming heaven's gate" with your prayers for my healing! Your emails, phone calls and visits helped distract me and buoy me. I felt the love and prayerful support, and I'm grateful for this wonderful church family.



Fellowship



Join us for Godspell— Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord for an unforgettable experience full of All Good Gifts where we'll witness a Beautiful City created by a moving performance. Please join us at 2:00pm on November 16 for a matinee performance of *Godspell at the Klein Theatre at the University of Mary Washington*.

We know that to Learn Your Lessons Well and secure All For The Best seats at \$21.00, you will need to act fast. You won't want to miss this Light of the World. Don't be the one to say, "Alas for You," because you missed it!

We will be taking reservations during the Community Gathering before Sunday worship, or you can reserve your ticket by contacting Scott Fischer at VaNavigator@msn.com or 540-899-6064. We Beseech Thee to sign up by Sunday November 2 if you want to Save the People and join us for this incredible show.



Churchwide Fall Festival—Come and enjoy fellowship under the full moon! Join us November 1st from 4:00-8:00pm for our annual Churchwide Fall Festival at the Copley Farm (63 Springfield Lane). We will roast hotdogs, make s'mores, paint pumpkins, go on hayrides, and more! Feel free to bring a chair or blankets to sit on. Please bring a dessert or salad to share!

Outreach



Thanksgiving Food Box Update: We are over our halfway mark! Our children have packed 66 boxes with 34 more to go! Please bring any/all of the following items to the lobby of the Ed building ASAP so we can provide for the families in the Fredericksburg City School system who are living with food insecurity! **Items needed: 2 cans corn, 2 cans green beans, 2 cans "other" veggies, 1 can fruit, 1 can cranberry sauce, 1 box instant potatoes, 1 box rice, 1 box mac & cheese, 1 box stuffing mix, 1 pack gravy mix, 1 box corn muffin mix, 1 box pie shell mix, 1 can pie filling, 1 box cake mix, 1 can frosting, AND 1 \$10 Giant/Walmart gift card for fresh ingredients.** Can't shop? A donation of \$40 will fill a box completely! Make checks payable to TPC with "food box" in the memo line. **Don't forget those gift cards - we will be including one card in each box to cover the fresh ingredients needed!** Contact Krista (or Tom Lovell for more info. **AND.....We need volunteers to deliver the boxes to the schools on November 20! Contact Jim Toler if you can help!**



Calling All Bakers! Pies will be used for dessert and given away at the **November 15th Community Dinner**. Contact Karen Johnson, ksjohnson422@msn.com, (540) 621-5685, if you would like to donate a pie and/or help at the dinner.



Ring in Christmas Joy for All

The holidays will soon be here and with the season comes the sounds of bells ringing beside Salvation Army red kettles. It's a sound that calls people to spread Christmas joy to those in need. Our congregation will assist the local Salvation Army by ringing outside the two main entrances to the **Walmart in Central Park on Saturday, Dec. 6 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.**

Bell Ringers Needed!

Please consider signing up for a two-hour shift. Bring a friend or family member with you to greet shoppers and encourage them to share with the community. Contact Steve Spratt to sign up for a time slot, sprathomeimprovements@gmail.com, or check in Realm under Serving opportunities.



Two Volunteer Opportunities for Micah Grab and Go Lunches starting January

Looking for groups or individuals to shop for and make bag lunches once a month for the Grab and Go lunch distributions on Fridays. Lunches need to be made (either at home or at church) and brought to the Church house kitchen by the end of each month for the next month's weekly Friday lunch distribution. Judy Lowman has a standard shopping list and instructions if anyone needs it.

We are also looking for volunteers to hand out Micah Grab and Go lunches from the back porch of the row homes every Friday from 11:30am-1:00pm.

Questions about either of these opportunities or to sign up, see Judy Lowman or Jim Toler. You may also sign up through Serving Opportunities on Realm.