

THE NEW COVENANT



News of the Family from The United Presbyterian Church at Whitinsville

Homespun Holidays

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Kathryn M. Huston Mission Circle
of the
Whitinsville United Presbyterian Church
50 Cottage Street
will host a


"Homespun Holidays"

Craft Fair

Saturday, November 9th
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.


CRISPY CHICKEN AND NOODLES • VEGETABLES
APPLE CRISP • BEVERAGE

Adults - \$7.00 10 yrs and under - \$3.00
Serving begins at 11:00 a.m. - take-out will be available



Crafts • Attic Treasures
Bake Sale • Harvest Table
Holiday Decorations
Silent Auction • Kid's Corner
Gift Baskets
18" Doll Clothes

**All proceeds from this event
devoted to our missions**



November
2019

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8:00 AM - 12:00 PM Thursday & Friday

*The church office is CLOSED on Tuesdays.

In case of emergencies, please call 774-246-6313

~ November ~					
MINISTRIES	Nov 3	Nov 10	Nov 17	Nov 24	Dec 1
Worship Leader	G. Shannon	B. Widner	R. Thomas	K. Bilodeau	M. Widner
Children's Sermon	Rev. DeHoff	A. Santoro	C. Matchett	K. Bilodeau	Rev. DeHoff
Welcome Center	S. Santoro	C. Matchett	B. Keeler	R Thomas & C. Lee	M. Reynolds
Greeter	S. Mateer	J. Baker	L Joyce	K Miedema	A. Castonguay
Offering Counters	C. Pilibosian & N Joyce	D & S Mateer	L. Austin & G. Giemza	D & K Miedema	
Power Point	M. Thomas	G. Giemza	K. Bilodeau	N. Redden	M. Thomas
Communion Deacons	B. Giemza & J. Finnegan				B. Giemza & L. Joyce
Communion Elders	A. Reichert & G. Shannon				G. Shannon & C. Matchett
In-Home communion	A. Reichert & N. Redden				C. Matchett & M. Thomas

*****Sunday Morning Worship Schedule*****

***Adult Education
Morning Worship Service
Coffee Fellowship***

***9:30AM - 10:30AM
10:30AM - 11:30AM
11:30 AM***

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them " Matthew 18:20



Our fair is just around the corner! Chairman Suzanne Santoro (508-234-6456) and her committees have finalized plans for a better-than-ever fair!

On Wednesday, November 6th, tables will be arranged in the Fellowship Hall after Peace of Bread.



“Homespun Holidays” will feature Crafts, Harvest Table, Theme Baskets, Silent Auction, Bake Sale featuring our famous Cookie Walk, Attic Treasures, Kid’s Corner, and our delicious Crunchy Chicken Luncheon served from 11:00 AM on! Take-outs will be available (\$7 adults—\$3 10 years and under)

On Thursday Evening, November 7th, from 6 PM to 8:30 PM the doors will be opened for Theme Baskets and Craft Donations.



On Monday evening, November 4th at 6:30 PM our Attic Treasures will be transported to the church from the Office Building. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated!

On Friday evening, November 8th, from 6 PM—8:30 PM the doors will be opened for Food and Craft Donations.



On Saturday, November 9th the doors will be opened for food donations at 8:30 AM, and doors will be opened to the public at 10:00 AM.



“Homespun Holidays” Contact People

Chairperson, Crafts and Harvest Tales – Suzanne Santoro (508-234-6456)

Theme Basket Consultant and Silent Auction – Harriet Platt (508-278-2725) and Anna Santoro (417-849-1056)

Bake Sale – Rena Matchett (508-234-1624)

Attic Treasures – Carol Pilibosian (508-234-5368) and Bev Keeler (508-476-5218)

Kids’ Corner – Melody & Molly Powers

Happy Homespun Holidays 2019



November is known for many different things. It is voting month; the month we decide what to do with all that leftover Halloween candy; the month when Fall color slowly comes to an end, apple picking season winds down, and we begin see “The

Holidays” on the near horizon.

Perhaps the coziest thing for which November is known is that time when “all is safely gathered in.” Nowadays we do not worry so much about making sure all the food crops and all the animals are safely gathered in for the winter, but it was not so long ago that such gathering in was of vital importance. It meant the difference between making it through the winter relatively comfortably and safely and perhaps not making it through the winter. The bountiful harvest gave rise to many meals before which grateful thanks was given to God.

Still, there is something haunting about that statement “all is safely gathered in.” There is such warm assurance that all will be well in what may be a harsh and difficult winter. We all want, and need, to feel that warm assurance that all will be well with us and those we hold dear.

So what is the “all” for us that is safely gathered in this month? Perhaps it is family and close friends who went through tough times this past year but came through safely. Perhaps it is our own health, financial security, and home that are now all “safely gathered in.”

But I wonder if it is something even deeper than that. I wonder if there is a sense in which we feel in calm, quiet moments that our spiritual life is at peace. There is often an inner turmoil when we wrestle with God, when we question God’s presence in our life, even if God cares about what happens to us in this life. Such struggles of the soul are deeply troubling; if we cannot trust in God to care for us at that deepest level of our being, we cannot trust anyone or anything.

We all experience struggles of the soul from time to time. It has long been my belief and my experience that those times usually end with faith deepened and with the spirit dimension of our nature just a bit stronger. When we find ourselves at that endpoint of a spiritual struggle, we find without fail that God is, and has been, in the midst of that struggle ensuring that we come through with deeper faith and stronger spirit. There is a feeling at such moments that all is, indeed, safely gathered in.

More than anything else, November is the month during which we focus on giving thanks to God. We give faith-full thanks to God, thanks that is filled with the faith and love God has given us, not only for all we receive from God but more importantly for God’s watchful care that sees us through the turbulence of life and blesses us with moments of peace and calm when all does, indeed, see safely gathered in.

May this Thanksgiving time be a blessing to this faith community, as we realize that once again, all is safely gathered in.

Rev. Dr. DeHoff

Would you like to help out with Coffee Fellowship? You can now SIGNUP to serve by writing your name on the schedule in the Gathering Place, or by contacting the Church Office. Signup alone or with a friend, and please plan on bringing one or two goodies to share. Thank you!

Women’s Book Club

Women’s Book Club for November will be Friday, November 15th at 6:30 pm. We are reading the book “Potluck Club” by Linda Evans & Eva Marie Everson

Deacon's Corner

It is hard to believe that we are beginning to see the end of another year...

But the reality of the changing weather and seasons is upon us and showing its splendor in many ways. Even here in our church, we have been exposed to a few extra blessings through worship, songs, and the members that make our church. The deacons have been busy in their own planning and support system for the church through prayer and concerns, and the many blessings that we are most thankful for, especially to our church family.

For those who are not sure what the Deacon's do, we have a very diverse list of responsibilities. A few of our activities include serving communion both in church, and to homebound individuals, providing meals to those in need while ill, or experiencing a hardship, sending cards for special occasions such as a wedding or birthday, illness, (or other noteworthy care receivers), and recognizing our youth in college or military status. In addition to these worthy causes, we also support the Peace of Bread ministry by submitting money each time our church serves a meal to those in our community who are in need of extra support. Likewise, we also provide food bags for Peace of Bread, so that they can be filled with groceries for the needy on the week before our turn to serve at Peace of Bread.

Other items that we tend to are providing rides for individuals needing rides to church or doctor appointments, provide Food baskets or gift cards to St. Patrick's Church for Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas, and acknowledge our newborns by arranging an altar rose for each one, and providing a note in the bulletin, and plan, prepare and serve a meal to the congregation on the second Sunday in April.

If anyone has a need, they can come to any deacon for support, and we will be more than glad to support you as much as possible. We will welcome you with open arms, and will not turn anyone away who needs an extra support system. Even Christ himself provided us with a special message from his heavenly father (God) by sharing the beatitudes (or blessings) that He bestows on us. (You can find these in the Bible in Matthew 5: 1-12)

50 Year Members



Pictured Back Row, Left to Right. Andrew McIntosh (Bagpiper), Mike Sabourin, Bill Spalton, Dave Miedema. Middle Row (Left to Right) Rev. Dr. Susan DeHoff, Gay McCrea, Bev Keeler, Lois Convent, Anne Macleod, Carol Pilibosian, Harriet Platt, Kathy Miedema. In front, Jean Finnegan, Marion Boyd (in wheelchair)

Heritage/Reformation Sunday



Andrew McIntosh - Bagpiper

Gave demonstration to our Children's Sunday School



Recessional led by Bagpiper



Bill and Mary Spalton's Farewell reception
November 3rd.

Church Family News

Michaela Joyce & Tim Buono Wedding



Nick, Michael, Michaela and Laura Joyce



Laura Joyce's parents, Verle & Darlene Zuehl with Michaela and Tim



Ken Remillard, Chair of the Historical Committee



Historical Committee put on a wonderful display for Heritage Sunday



The KMHMC appreciates your support of the fair and hopes to see everyone of you there!

People of all ages working together makes hard work light as a feather!

Raising money for Missions is what it's about, "To God Be the Glory" is our joyous shout!



Church Clean Up Day! Saturday, November 16

8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Come help get ready for the holidays and clean the church inside and out!

See Susan Mateer for more info.

Second Sunday Social

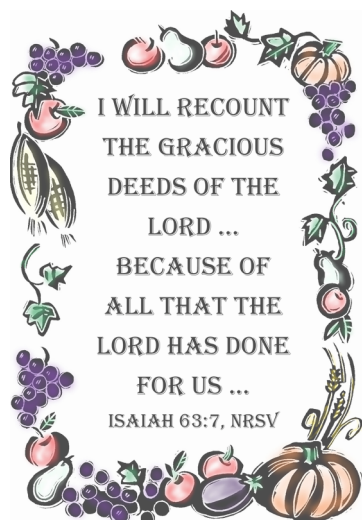
Our regular Second Sunday Social will be **MOVED** to the **THIRD SUNDAY** of November due to the fair. Join us on Sunday, November 17 for a pot luck social after church! The committee will be serving ham (we have lots left over from last month) and we are asking that you bring a side or a dessert. We suggest either baked beans, potato salad, pasta salad, mac -n-cheese, scalloped or cheese potatoes, etc. We are asking folks to please sign up with what you are bringing **BUT** as always if you decide at the last minute to come, we welcome **YOU!!!!**

Saturday morning Bible Study

Our study on Saturday morning from 8:00 am - 9:30 am will resume on Saturday, November 16 in the church office. Kevin Redden will be leading us on a study on the Book of Job. Come anytime even if you wake up late or need to skip a Saturday on occasion! We welcome you!



50th annual Blackstone Valley Crop Hunger Walk, held on Saturday October 19th, had a total of 18 walkers & collected over \$2,000 dollars. Donations can still be accepted at www.crophungerwalk.org/northbridgema OR checks can be made out to: CWS/ CROP (list Blackstone Valley in memo line). For more details, contact Tanya Morin at [508-341-6652](tel:508-341-6652) or danvillegirl348@gmail.com



The first church, located where the current church stands, was built in 1882 at a cost of about \$6000. P.S. If you saw the historical presentation on October 27th, then you already knew this.



November Birthday Corner

Celeste Frederickson	11/6
Molly Powers	11/6
Marcie Brandriff	11/9
Greg Giemza	11/10
Melody Powers	11/10
Kelly LaCava	11/12
Rena Matchett	11/13
Amy Nadeau	11/14
Jennifer Connelly	11/15
Liz Redden	11/15
Jennifer Szajna	11/28

November Anniversary Corner

Tony & Suzanne Santoro	11/29
Chuck & Clara Holding	11/30



Prayers of Joys and Concerns

JOYS

Laurie Sabourin expressed joy and gratitude for the Boy Scouts who had their food drive last Saturday and replenished the food pantry.

Kevin Redden praised God that **Robie Sabourin** was back home with us from completing his tour in Afghanistan and gave thanks for his service. He also requested continued prayer for him as he continues to serve.

Greg Giemza thanks everyone for all the cards, phone calls and meals for **Brandy**. And thanks to God that her surgery was successful.

Tanya Morin is thankful that her brothers knee surgery went well, recovering well.

PLEASE BE IN PRAYER FOR:

Rob Frazier, a coach in the area who died suddenly, pray for the family as well as all the students who are mourning for their coach.

Carol Pilibosian asked for prayer for a former student who had a house fire and lost both their boys, ages 5 and 11 months. Annmarie praised God that her father in law Bob is on the mend, and asked that we continue to pray for blessings and healing for him.

Lori Ryan asked for prayer for her friend **Anna** who has cancer and currently in hospice care.

Diane Copp has been struggling with breathing problems since July. The drs. have run all sorts of tests and cannot find what is causing the problem. She has another app't this week. Please pray that the dr. can find a way to relieve her breathing difficulty so she can get back to church.

Please keep **Judy Salzberg** in your prayers for recovery from knee replacement surgery. Her physical therapy is coming along well, but she continues to experience a great deal of pain.

Please continue pray for **Brandy Giemza**. The surgical procedure to clean out her right carotid artery was successful and Brandy is at home with orders to rest for ten days. Please also keep Greg in your prayers as he assists Brandy in following doctor's orders.

Laura Joyce's Mom, Darlene, is recovering quite well from injuries she sustained from a bad fall and hopes to not overdo as she heals.

Please keep **Tammy Cullen and Ron Whitney** and their families in your prayers as they continue to mourn the passing of their mother, **Andrea Whitney**.

Remember The Homebound and Those in Hospitals, Rehab Centers and Nursing Homes:

Leona Cook - St. Camillus Health Center, 447 Hill Street, Whitinsville, MA 01588

Marion Boyd – Beaumont Assisted Living, 85 Beaumont Dr., Rm 21, Northbridge, MA 01534

Arlene Koopman - Beaumont Assisted Living, 85 Beaumont Dr., Rm 17, Northbridge, MA 01534

Gloria Rauth - Beaumont Assisted Living, 85 Beaumont Dr., Rm 11, Northbridge, MA 01534

Ruth Hoekstra - Linwood Apartments No. 105, 670 Linwood Avenue, Whitinsville, MA 01588

Jim Remillard – 20 Fair Street, Uxbridge, MA 01569

Nancy Freiswyk – Beaumont Rehabilitation and Skilled Nursing Center, Beaumont Dr., Room 222, Northbridge, MA 01534

Making Your Requests for Prayer Known

(1) You may use our Email prayer chain (upcwprayerchain@googlegroups.com) to share your prayer request. (2) Before the worship service, write your request on a piece of paper & give it to the worship leader. (3) During the worship service, share your request during the "Prayers of the People" segment. OR (4) Call (508-234-8220) or Email (whitinpres@gmail.com) your request to the church office.

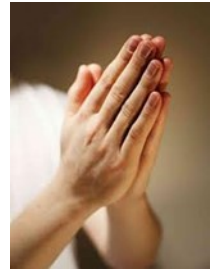
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 Daylight Saving 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service 11:30 Luncheon	4 6:30 PM Moving Attic Treasure items 7:00 Trustees 7:00 Session Prayer	5 7:00PM Worship Comm	6 2:45 PrimeTime 4:30 PM Bible Study 5:30 Peace of Bread 7:00 Set up for Fair 7:30 Choir	7	8 6:00 am Men's Bible Study 6:30 - 8:30 pm Doors open For Fair donations	9 10-2 Homespun Holidays
10 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service 11:30 Coffee Fellowship	11 Veterans Day	12 7:00 PM Joint Sub Comm	13 2:45 PrimeTime 4:30 PM Bible Study 5:30 Peace of Bread 7:30 Choir	14	15 6:00 am Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm Women's Book Club	16 8 AM Bible Study - Job
17 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service 11:30 Second Sunday Social	18 7:00 Session	19	20 2:45 PrimeTime 4:30 PM Bible Study 5:30 Peace of Bread 7:30 Choir	21	22 6:00 am Men's Bible Study	23 8 AM Bible Study - Job
24 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Service 11:30 Second Sunday Social/church decorating party	25 6:30 Deacons	26	27 2:45 PrimeTime 4:30 PM Bible Study 5:30 Peace of Bread 7:30 Choir	28 Thanksgiving	29	30 8 AM Bible Study - Job



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Holiday Cheer to ALL!
Apple pies rule!
Pastries of all kinds
Presents for Christmas
Yummy cookies at our famous Cookie walk!



Harvest results—jams, jellies, and relishes
Oppportunity to visit with friends in the valley
More Money for Missions!
Everyone loves a Bargain!
Stylish clothes for 18 inch dolls
Plenty of fun items in Attic Treasures
Unique, quality crafts for every occasion
Never forget the Reason for the Season!

Happy faces everywhere!
Often finding that special something you always wanted
Luncheon favorite—Crunchy Chicken with Apple Crisp
Includes a Silent Auction with unusual items
Doing crafts and face painting in the kids' Corner
Another display of attractive Theme Baskets
Yearly event—always in November
Spirit of the Season prevails!

