



THE LAMPLIGHTER

Presbyterian Church of West Salem
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October 2021

Updated protocols for Covid-19.

Session has considered the May 13 guidance from the CDC on the wearing of masks by vaccinated individuals. The CDC does leave it up to local jurisdictions, businesses, and venues to set their own rules for Covid protections.

The following guidelines will be followed to ensure a safe experience for In-person Worship:

- **Due to the rise in Covid cases, masks will be required during services – regardless of vaccination status.**
- Seating has returned to normal (pre-Covid) capacity.
- There will be live song leaders and special music. Worshipers are welcome to sing along.
- For the children's message, kids are invited to come up front. There will be marks on the floor for them to sit on to maintain social distance.
- Offerings will again be collected by the ushers.
- **There will be no nursery provided.**



Sunday School Starts October 10, 2021

9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

and is open to all students 4k through 5th grade.

Interested in teaching or helping out with Sunday school?
We would love to have you!

See Becca Bohnsack or Sara Oldenburg for more info.

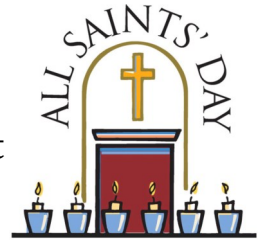
Session Meeting Highlights

- Discussed tracking volunteer hours to help the session have a clearer idea of who is doing what in the church, for purposes of thanking volunteers and planning our events accordingly.
- Personnel discussed expectations of new church administrator, both long term and in the interim.
- Christian Ed discussed beginning Sunday School and Adult Bible Study.

**ALL SAINTS' DAY WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7**

We will be remembering all of the loved ones that were lost
since October 2020 at our All Saints' Day Service
on Sunday, November 7 at 10:15 a.m.

If you have lost a loved one this past year,
please notify the office at:
preschurchws@gmail.com by October 31.



COME JOIN US FOR PUMPKIN PAINTING !!!!!



Please join us for pumpkin painting after church on October 24. Masks will be required and we are asking everyone to social distance. Families will be encouraged to sit together at the tables. We will do our best to stay safe, but still have fun. Pumpkins and supplies will be provided. LET'S HAVE FUN!!!!



FALL FESTIVAL NEWS



Fall Festival will be held Saturday, November 13. Raffle tickets are available, \$1 each or 6 for \$5! There are some really great prizes this year. See a member of the PW to purchase your tickets.

Fall Stewardship Campaign



With autumn soon upon us, it is once again time to begin our fall stewardship campaign. This year our theme is "The Secret of our Strength." Watch your mail for this year's letter and pledge card and be in prayer about your giving for 2022. The return of your pledge cards gives the Finance Committee a direction for the upcoming year when planning our budget. Through our giving of our time, talents, and financial gifts, we continue to be a light of Christ in our church, our community, and the world.

Thank Offering

The Presbyterian Women Thank offering was begun in 1888 by a woman in Springfield, Ohio who asked women to give \$1.00 over their usual mission giving. Funds go both here and overseas. There are envelopes in the chair pockets or you can write a check to the church with "Thank offering" listed in the memo. Please give as you are able and thank you for your help.



October Birthdays

October 3

Larry Haverly
Carlin Servias

October 4

Natalie Haverly
Mark Wolf

October 5

Margie Denson
Diana Engel

October 6

David Noel

October 7

Pat Brummond
Trisha Jones
Payton Wolf

October 8

Helen Harold
Kristjan Sells

October 10

Clark Burdick
Gwyn Calvetti
Randy Griffin

October 11

Vickie Bain
Pete Hass

October 17

Sheryl Lee
Terry Loging
Sharon Shaw

October 19

Lynda Bahr

October 20

Heidi Horton

October 21

Rachel Winther

October 22

Ava Schuster
Kim Seeger

October 25

Scott Griffin

October 26

Christopher Matthews

October 28

Colin Hass
Gideon Wolbrink

October 30

Jaycob Brown

October 31

Joyce Garves



OCTOBER WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Communion Servers

- * Shayna Arndt
- * Richard Calvetti
- * Lois Sanwick
- * Nancy Olson
- * Charles Engel
- * Norm Sanwick

Liturgists

10/3 Barbara Hopkins
10/10 Jackie Siekert
10/17 Tiffani LaJeunesse
10/24 Avis Evenson
10/31 Kevin Arndt

Sound Room

10/3 Lily Oldenburg
10/10 Evan Crusan
10/17 Josiah Wolbrink
10/24 Dane Bohnsack
10/31 Logan Oldenburg

Head Usher: Charles Engel

HATS OFF TO:

All those who have helped with the Live Stream
Worship Services in September:

Nick Miller, Helen Harold, Barbara Hopkins, Howard Garves,
Dane Bohnsack, Logan Oldenberg, Ethan Crusan,
Gideon Wolbrink, Julie Baker, and Pastor Dan!



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This month's article from me was going to be all about Christian Education, and how important that it is. And that article is still coming, but at this particular moment I have something even more pressing to discuss with you all... and that is THANKFULNESS.

I am back in the office for the first time in a while today. Katrina was a little sick, nothing bad, especially for a kiddo who just started kindergarten, but the symptoms included a cough and a fever, and so the school COVID protocols had to go into place. Include the fact that Rose is in Texas to help her sick mother, and things got real complicated, real quickly in the McCurdy household. And you all... just stepped up. It was amazing. You sat with Katrina in worship, and accommodated me electronically when I needed to stay at home with her during meetings. You'd already visited Rose when she got the news about her mother while I was at my conference. You even helped me get Trina an earlier COVID test, which is how we were able to get her back in school today, which she was VERY happy about.

But it's not just the personal stuff this congregation has done. We've concluded the rummage sales for the year, and the amount of volunteers and energy I saw going into that was also remarkable, and now left overs are headed to places like ReStore, and the refugees at Fort McCoy, to help even more people. After such a big fundraiser you'd think it would be enough, but no, now our volunteers are preparing a community dinner that will feed hundreds.

I'm not even kidding... you lot are AMAZING.

And that's not even talking about the other gifts that you all give year in, year out, that allow us to keep the doors open, the lights on, and the ministry going, even in the midst of a Global Pandemic. You all make all of that happen, through gifts, volunteering, etc., and you do it not for your own gratification, but to the greater glory of God. It's honestly hard to think of a greater act of worship.

So I hope you know, PCOWS, that I am so deeply thankful for all that you do, all of you. Some have more time, some have more money, and our ability to give of either is dependent on lots of other factors. But you all give, of your time, talent, and treasure, and with that, together you have created an amazing ministry here in West Salem.

Thank you SO much for it. And here is to so much more ministry to come!

Pastor Dan

Deacons

Class of 2021

Norm Sanwick
Lois Sanwick
Helen Harold
Diana Swim
Rose Wolbrink

Class of 2022

Becky Auna
Vickie Holt
Janice Seeger
Jackie Siekert
Mary Tschida

Prayer Chain

Helen Harold	786-0856
Sharon Shaw	786-0653
Vickie Holt	786-1659
Sharon Cullmann	608-797-1732
Marilyn Bahr	786-0315
Diana Engel	786-1560
Becky Auna	786-0097
Rose Cooper	608-369-3848

Elders

Class of 2021

Barbara Hopkins
Sherry Bonsall
Becca Bohnsack
Greg Meeuwsen

Class of 2022

Anna Bohnsack—Youth
Shayna Arndt
Kristjan Sells
Nancy Olson
Mike Siekert

Class of 2023

Sara Oldenburg
Nick Miller
Charles Engel
Richard Calvetti

Community Dinner 2021

For the Community Dinners people will drive up to the church under the canopy and remain in their cars. They will be asked how many dinners they would like: the Community Dinner workers will bring them out and put them in their car.

The next drive through

Community Dinner:

Wednesday, October 27 at 5:00 pm

Per Capita is an obligation for each member of the Presbyterian Church. The Per Capita is \$33.70 for 2021.

Tithes and Offerings can be mailed to:

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*Please do not use
the church street address.*



OCTOBER 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 10:15 am Worship with Communion	4 1:00 pm Tabitha Circle	5	6 7:00 pm AA and Al-Anon	7	8	9
10 Sunday School Begins 10:15 am Worship	11 Committee Meetings	12 9:00 am Quilt Group	13 7:00 pm AA and Al-Anon	14	15	16
17 Sunday School 10:15 am Worship	18 1:00 pm Tabitha Circle 7:00 Session Meeting	19	20 7:00 pm AA and Al-Anon	21	22	23
24 Sunday School 10:15 am Worship 11:30 am Pumpkin Painting 31 Sunday School 10:15 am Worship	25	26 9:00 am Quilt Group	27 5:00 pm Community Dinner 7:00 pm AA and Al-Anon	28	29	30

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Read all about it:

- **Drive-thru Community Dinner – Wednesday, October 27 at 5:00 am**
- **Mark Your Calendars: Sunday School Starts October 10!**

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Please inform the church office of any change in your address.