Announcements

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

October 1st Patric Neiters

October 2nd Mary Mellinger, David Neihart

October 3rd Tom Horn
October 6th Jacque Nielsen

October 7th Connie Fisher, Sean Murray

October 8th Sara Murray

October 11th Marilyn Faber, Vayda McNeill

October 12th **Eunice Watson** October 13th Linda Jones October 15th Joan Wright October 16th Kurt Mellinger October 17th Jan Bensink October 20th Sheldon Leong October 22nd Joni Seuferer October 23rd Daniel Solie October 27th Bev Reisch

October 30th

CODY CUPBOARD

October Items needed below:

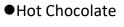
Hamburger Helper

Bill Reisch

Pancake Mixes

●Cooking Oil

Crackers



● Coffee



Session Reminder:

Session will be held Wednesday, October 16th at 6:00pm in the Parlor.

FALL FESTIVAL

Presbyterian Women are busy baking pies and cookies, making soup and holiday crafts for our annual Fall Festival!

Saturday, November 2

9:00am – 1:00 pm. Mark your calendars!



Worship Committee

Would you be interested in delivering a Sunday message next year? Well, here's your chance! The Worship Committee is looking ahead to services after Pat's retirement and invite you to prayerfully consider this opportunity.

For those who are interested but feel they need a little training and guidance, Pat has offered to lead a workshop to cover some basics. Contact Jan Jones (250-2423), Fred Hynek (899-5286), or anyone on the Worship Committee for more information or with questions. This opportunity is open to members and non-members alike.



ATTENTION ALL COOKIE BAKERS AND CUPCAKE MAKERS!

The fellowship treat supply is getting low, please bring in your best goodies in freezer safe bags and help restore our stock. Thank you!

Children's Sunday School



Christian Education: Sunday School

All children are welcome! First Sunday of each month. Gather in the green room downstairs at 10:45am.

Parents pick up at noon!



Please fill out attendance form and pass it along your row

Praise Music

Come Into His Presence The King of Love Clap Your Hands

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship

The God who frees us invites us to worship. The God of law welcomes our loyal response.

The heavens are telling the glory of God.
The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

God is present with us, eager to speak to us. Our Creator is here to test us and to keep us from sin.

The law of God is perfect, reviving the soul.
God's decrees are sure, making wise the simple.

We tremble before God, yet are not afraid. We are ready to listen to God's word.

May our awe before God be pure and enduring.

May our thoughts and our words be acceptable to God.

Hymn "Holy, Holy Holy, Lord God Almighty" Hymn #138

Unison Prayer of Confession

O God, we have no righteousness of our own. We have bent and ignored your law. Your commandments inform us but do not transform. We give lip service to your law but seek to avoid its implication for our lives. We recognize some of our errors, but many are hidden from us. We devote our energies to accumulating possessions that function as idols in our lives. We depend on them more than we honor you. Save us, we pray, from great transgressions and help us to reorder our days. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen

Gloria Patri

Offertory

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn "O Master, Let me Walk with Thee" Hymn #357

Children's Time

Scripture 2 Samuel 14:1-21

Sermon "Old Wounds"

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory" Hymn #420

Benediction and Blessing

Postlude

Ushers: Rod and Kay Soulek Music Director: Wendy Corr Accompanist: Tim Schoessler Message: Pat Montgomery

2 Samuel 14:1-21 (NIV)

Absalom Returns to Jerusalem

¹ Joab son of Zeruiah knew that the king's heart longed for Absalom. ² So Joab sent someone to Tekoa and had a wise woman brought from there. He said to her, "Pretend you are in mourning. Dress in mourning clothes, and don't use any cosmetic lotions. Act like a woman who has spent many days grieving for the dead.

³Then go to the king and speak these words to him." And Joab put the words in her mouth.

⁴When the woman from Tekoa went^[a] to the king, she fell with her face to the ground to pay him honor, and she said, "Help me, Your Majesty!"

⁵The king asked her, "What is troubling you?"

She said, "I am a widow; my husband is dead.

⁶I your servant had two sons. They got into a fight with each other in the field, and no one was there to separate them. One struck the other and killed him.

⁷ Now the whole clan has risen up against your servant; they say, 'Hand over the one who struck his brother down, so that we may put him to death for the life of his brother whom he killed; then we will get rid of the heir as well.' They would put out the only burning coal I have left, leaving my husband neither name nor descendant on the face of the earth."

⁸The king said to the woman, "Go home, and I will issue an order in your behalf."

⁹ But the woman from Tekoa said to him, "Let my lord the king pardon me and my family, and let the king and his throne be without guilt."

¹⁰ The king replied, "If anyone says anything to you, bring them to me, and they will not bother you again."

¹¹ She said, "Then let the king invoke the LORD his God to prevent the avenger of blood from adding to the destruction, so that my son will not be destroyed."

"As surely as the LORD lives," he said, "not one hair of your son's head will fall to the ground."

 $^{\mathbf{12}}$ Then the woman said, "Let your servant speak a word to my lord the king."

"Speak," he replied.

¹³ The woman said, "Why then have you devised a thing like this against the people of God? When the king says this, does he not convict himself, for the king has not brought back his banished son? ¹⁴ Like water spilled on the ground, which cannot be recovered, so we must die. But that is not what God desires; rather, he devises ways so that a banished person does not remain banished from him.

¹⁵ "And now I have come to say this to my lord the king because the people have made me afraid. Your servant thought, 'I will speak to the king; perhaps he will grant his servant's request.

¹⁶ Perhaps the king will agree to deliver his servant from the hand of the man who is trying to cut off both me and my son from God's inheritance.'

¹⁷ "And now your servant says, 'May the word of my lord the king secure my inheritance, for my lord the king is like an angel of God in discerning good and evil. May the LORD your God be with you.'"

¹⁸ Then the king said to the woman, "Don't keep from me the answer to what I am going to ask you."

"Let my lord the king speak," the woman said.

¹⁹ The king asked, "Isn't the hand of Joab with you in all this?" The woman answered, "As surely as you live, my lord the king, no one can turn to the right or to the left from anything my lord the king says. Yes, it was your servant Joab who instructed me to do this and who put all these words into the mouth of your servant.

²⁰ Your servant Joab did this to change the present situation. My lord has wisdom like that of an angel of God—he knows everything that happens in the land."

²¹ The king said to Joab, "Very well, I will do it. Go, bring back the young man Absalom."

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

October 27th, 2024 after Worship

Items to be discussed:
Elect Officers
Approval of Pastor's Terms of Call



All Saints Day

November 1st, 2024

To lift up those who have died and for God's comfort for those who are grieving.