



## Prayers this week

Prayers for Becky Arblaster, Julie Powell's neighbor, for her continued cancer treatments.

Ed Ford is now back home and please continue to pray for him.

Mack Porter is asking for prayers for his sister, Leslie. Her health has deteriorated and the family will have to make some difficult decisions going forward for her. Please keep Leslie and her family in your prayers.

Benjamin Irwin who was a student and was coming to church a few years ago is fighting cancer now and could use a lot of prayers as he goes through radiation every day.

Lara Mumaw is asking prayers for my friend's brother Earnie Zilka. Here is the update on Earnie, he had several jaw surgeries to fix his broken jaw from his track accident and is doing well.

Please keep Denise Brydon in your prayers she is at home with several home services and will be starting cardiac therapy in about a week and a half.

Please keep Mike and Sandy Montgomery's neighbor, Bev in your prayers.

Please keep Mary Decker's great grand baby in your prayers at this week's doctor appointment the sonogram showed positive improvements.

Robyn Gregg's daughter, Lindsay is having some health issues and is asking for continued prayers.

Mary Hines Formeck is asking for prayers for her brother, Ed Hines as he recovers from a pelvic fracture.

Bill Mills is asking for prayers for his great-grandson, Liam is in Cleveland Clinic with a head infection.

Jody Sperry is asking for continued prayers for Ben and Lisa Sperry as they recover from the bone marrow transplant and Ben on his continued fight against his leukemia.

Please keep Dean, the father of one of Heather Runtas' cheerleaders in your prayers. He is battling multiple brain tumors and is now going to Hospice. They don't expect him to have much time left. This has been really hard on the family. Please keep them in your prayers as well. God Bless.

LaDonna is asking for prayers for her niece, Barb Renker. She was taken to the ER on Friday night in respiratory distress and has been moved to ICU in critical condition. Your prayers are appreciated

John and Jody Sperry's daughter in laws brother was diagnosed with cancer this week. They are doing surgery today to determine where and how extensive. He is only in his 30's. This is the same family that the father passed suddenly in July. His name is Kevin.

**Please remember to update your prayers as needed. We would like to keep everyone up to date on the status.**



## September Stats 2022

Families	103	Total Family Members	199				
Adults	90	Children	41	Seniors	68	New Families	12
Slippery Rock Boro	27	Slippery Rock Area	65	Harrisville Area	11		
Out/Area Emergency/New Family	0						

Wish List: Four and Sugar

*Thank you to one and all for your generous support. We could not help our friends and neighbors without you.*

If you know someone who is in need of our help, please give them our contact number.

Contact number: 724-421-5274

JUST A LITTLE  
*Reminder*

If you are in need of a something please reach out to the church and we may be able to accommodate you with your needs.

## October 30, 2022

### Pastor Bill's Weekly Message

“Zacchaeus was a wee little man and a wee little man was he, he climbed up in a sycamore tree, the Savior for to see.

And as the Savior passed that way he looked up in the tree, and he said, “Zacchaeus you come down, for I’m going to your house today, for I’m going to your house today.”

*Some of you may remember that song from your youth.*

*It is such a simple song with basic melody.*

*Please know, that I am not the only one that may struggle to carry that tune!*

*Whether we can still sing this song or not, we can't spare the fact that at some point we are all like Zacchaeus, (wee little men and women). Regardless of how tall we are, at some point in our lives and faith we've known what it feels like to be "short in stature".*

*What I mean is to be "short in stature" is not always about our height in inches and feet, it is also a "Spiritual Condition" that affects people of all ages- and sizes. Thank goodness, that Jesus sees us and calls out to us too.*

*Can you hear Him doing this now?*

Join me this week, as we take a closer look at the story of Zacchaeus!

**Below is our ENTIRE bulletin for Oct. 30th.**

*God bless you, and see you in church or online.*

*Rev. William C. Mumaw II*

**Prelude:** *Bells There is a Redeemer Arr. Patricia Cota*

## **Welcome and Announcements**

**Introit** Praise the Lord, For He is Good

## **Praise Sentences (Based on Luke 19)**

L: As Jesus called to Zacchaeus, so he calls to us.

**P: Jesus longs to abide with us:**

L: Here in this place, in our homes, and wherever the body of Christ is gathered.

**P: Jesus invites us, just as we are.**

L: Let us worship God, who calls us by name, who came to seek and save the lost.

**P: Let us praise God's name together!**

Opening Hymn - #442 “The Church’s One Foundation” (All 5 verses!) -  
Presbyterian Blue Hymnal

Opening Prayer – Unison

O God, help me to live today. I have had my yesterdays and some were not so good. What happened yesterday cannot be changed, but I can be changed. Breathe upon me, O God, and grant me the courage to sincerely strive to be the person I know I should be, that in so being, I might gain the peace I seek. Help me to live today the way You would have me live, in Your will and to Your praise and glory.

(Brief Moment of Silent Confession)

Pastor’s Amen

Church Song of Response

Time with Children

Choir Anthem O Great God Bob Kauflin

Scripture Isaiah 1:10-18

Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom; listen to the instruction of our God, you people of Gomorrah! <sup>11</sup> “The multitude of your sacrifices—what are they to me?” says the Lord. “I have more than enough of burnt offerings, of rams and the fat of fattened animals; I have no pleasure in the blood of bulls and lambs and goats. <sup>2</sup> When you come to appear before me, who has asked this of you, this trampling of my courts? <sup>13</sup> Stop bringing meaningless offerings! Your incense is detestable to me. New Moons, Sabbaths and convocations—I cannot bear your worthless assemblies. <sup>14</sup> Your New Moon feasts and your appointed festivals I hate with all my being. They have become a burden to me; I am weary of bearing them. <sup>15</sup> When you spread out your hands in prayer, I hide my eyes from you; even when you offer many prayers, I am not listening. Your hands are full of blood! <sup>16</sup> Wash and make yourselves clean. Take your evil deeds out of my sight; stop doing wrong. <sup>17</sup> Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow. <sup>18</sup> “Come now, let us settle the matter,” says the Lord. “Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool.

Special Music Bells I Love You, Lord Arr. Patricia Cota

## Scripture Luke 19:1-10

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. <sup>2</sup> A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. <sup>3</sup> He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. <sup>4</sup> So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way. <sup>5</sup> When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.” <sup>6</sup> So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly. <sup>7</sup> All the people saw this and began to mutter, “He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.” <sup>8</sup> But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, “Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.” <sup>9</sup> Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. <sup>10</sup> For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

## Message

Reflection Hymn – #383 “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” – Presbyterian Blue Hymnal

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Closing Hymn – #438 “Blessed Be the Tie That Binds” - Presbyterian Blue Hymnal

Blessing

Benediction Response      Make Me a Servant

Postlude: Alleluia! Alleluia! Edward Broughton



*Calvin*



Last Week Pastor Bill preached about giving to the church.

His Message reminded me of a story that I’m sharing this week.

*A father and small son were traveling. The boy says he’s hungry and would love to stop for a snack. They see the Golden Arches ahead and pull in. The son sits at one of the tables in the restaurant and the father returns with hamburgers and fresh French Fries. The boy’s face brightens with delight! He is hungry. The father sets the fries before the boy and takes his seat opposite him. He loves his son and loves to watch him eat so heartily.*

*The two sit at the table together while the boy munches away at the snack. Then the dad does what all dads would do. He reaches over and takes one French-fry for himself. The little boy snaps - "Dad! These are mine. Why don't you get your own?"*

*The dad thinks about this incident on the long, silent drive home: I gave my son every fry he had....and all I wanted was one.*

*My son doesn't understand something. He doesn't know that I could take all those fries away in an instant.*

*Or, if I felt it best for him, I could add to that bag of fries so abundantly that he'd be overwhelmed by them.*

*He thinks that they are his.*

*How did he forget who bought them and brought them to him?*

As a parent or grandparent, maybe you can relate to this.

But the point is made: God has given *us* our resources and money and when He asks for a tithe, many of us figuratively slap His hand and say, "Hands off my money."

King David's prayer calls us back to basic truths:

*"All things come of thee O Lord, and of thine own, have we given thee". ([1 Chronicles](#)).*

Hopefully, this story about the fries brings that point home!

BYE!





## Quarts of Soup and Rummage Sale

# SALE

*Saturday, November 5, 2022*

*7:30 AM—1:00 PM*

*Center Presbyterian Church*

*211 Center Street*

*Slippery Rock, PA 16057*

**Accepting Donations Wednesday,  
November 2, Thursday, November 3,  
and Friday November 4<sup>th</sup>  
from 9 AM – 12 PM.**



It is Poinsettia  
time again!!!!  
The Deacons  
have once again  
decided to

decorate the Church with Poinsettias. This year  
will offer an 8-inch pot with 3 stems. Colors  
selection in great again and we are offering  
your choice. Orders need to be placed by  
November 27th, pick up will be after service  
December 25th. The cost is \$20. Sign-up sheet  
will be on office door. Check made to church  
with notation of Poinsettia. Thank you in  
advance. Example of colors below: Marble,  
Iced Punch, Jingle Bell and Burgundy.



## Worship Leaders Wanted

We invite you to take a turn as Worship Leader. This position has an important place in the worship service. It was initiated in October 1992 after John Peterson had to sadly announce to the congregation that Nancy had been diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor. Session and Deacons determined that the best response was for members to take over part of the service to assist John, and the Worship Leader was born. For the past 30 years this has been an integral part of the service and has proved invaluable when we have had guest preachers.

The only requirements are a clear speaking voice and the willingness to stand up in front of the congregation. You will be provided with a copy of the responses, Scripture and an opening statement for your chosen week.

Please consider volunteering for one Sunday this upcoming year. The view from the Lectern is great, the choir provides back up and the chairs are cushioned.

Sign-up sheets are on the Bulletin Board by the elevator.



## Center Presbyterian Church Music Ministry Program

This is a special invitation to anyone interested in music. Our choirs, orchestra, and handbells are preparing to return to the Sunday morning worship services this month and we would love to have you join us. Below is some important information and who to see about getting all the details for each group. **Come be part of the music!**

All of our music groups run from September through May.

**Adult Choir** sings weekly for the Sunday morning worship service. Rehearsals are held each **Wednesday at 7:00pm** in the Sanctuary, **beginning on Sept 7<sup>th</sup>**. The choir will begin singing for the **10:30am** services on **Sunday, Sept 11<sup>th</sup>**.

**Children's Choir** practices each Sunday at **9:45am** upstairs beginning **Sept 11<sup>th</sup>**. They will sing for the morning worship service on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month**.

**Handbells** play for the Sunday morning worship service on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday each month**. They rehearse weekly on Sunday morning, typically **right after the worship service**. However, on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, they rehearse before service**.

**Contact David Mruk** for details about the Adult & Children's Choirs and Handbells.

[stripe@zoominternet.net](mailto:stripe@zoominternet.net)

Phone: 412-445-3909

**Orchestra** meets **once each month on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday**. That morning they **rehearse at 9:00am**, then play that same morning for the **10:30am worship service**.

**Contact LaDonna Linamen** for details about the Orchestra

[llinamen@zoominternet.net](mailto:llinamen@zoominternet.net)

Home Phone: 724-406-0345

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When calling or emailing either David or LaDonna, please be sure to leave your name, phone#, & message about what music group(s) you are interested in. They will contact you.