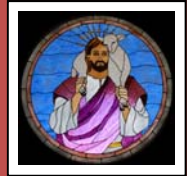




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6th St. George CROP Walk November 8th

The 6th St. George CROP Hunger walk will take place at 10:00 am on November 8th. Sponsored by the St. George Interfaith Council, the walk will begin in Larkspur Park in Bloomington Hills (Corner of Fort Pierce Drive & Larkspur Road by the LDS Chapel).

CROP stands for **C**ommunities **R**esponding to **O**vercome **P**overty. CROP Hunger Walks are community-wide events sponsored by Church World Service and organized by local volunteers to raise funds to end hunger.

The CROP Hunger walk is neighbors walking together to take a stand against hunger in our world. Different ages, faiths and backgrounds - together we raise awareness and funds for international relief and development, as well as local hunger-fighting. Some 2,000 communities across the country take part each year.

Why should I walk?

Hungry people in developing countries typically walk as many as six miles a day to get food, water and fuel, and to take their goods to market. We walk to be in solidarity with their struggle for existence. We walk because we want to end hunger - one step at a time.

I can't walk in the CROP Hunger Walk. How else can I help?

If you can't walk in the CROP Hunger Walk, you can donate by sponsoring a walker or you can help out with the operation of the walk. Good Shepherd sponsors one of the refreshment stands and Amy Craig will be manning the stand again this year. She would LOVE to have you help her!

You can walk and/or donate but however you choose to be a part of this important event, please GET INVOLVED.

For more information or to sign up, please get in touch with Chris Schleiter (627-9048). We hope to see you there!

Operation Christmas Child Up and Running

Operation Christmas Child kicked off in October with the distribution of shoeboxes to be filled and returned this month. You can still pick up a box, fill it with toys, school supplies, non-liquid hygiene items, t-shirts, socks, hats, sunglasses, hair clips, jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries), etc. You can also include a personal note and can even track your box online.

Bring your filled boxes to church on November 16 or November 23 and we'll make sure they get delivered to our local collection center.

A small shoebox can teach a child about the love of God, lead him or her to faith in Christ, inspire pastors, and plant new churches. What goes into the box is fun, but what comes out is eternal.

Be a part of changing lives through the power of a simple gift.

Prayer Concerns

Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may glorify in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it
John 14:13-14

Bob Prinselaar Larry Laubscher
Emily Penzari Roger Kitzman
Cathy Overkamp

Wendy Christianson as she continues her studies for the ministry in India
Our sister congregation in Dorogobuzh, Russia
Those Serving Our Country

Welcome New Member

Bob Moeller

If you are interested in joining our fellowship, please see Rev. Ralph or Session Clerk Ruth Ann Horvath

Deadline for November Newsletter

November 21, 2014

Worship Schedule

8:45 – 9:00 am
Service of Morning Prayer and Holy Communion - Sanctuary

9:00 – 9:45 am
Adult Education with Rev. Ralph
CE Building
Kerygma Study of The Book of Revelation

10:15 am
Children's Sunday School
10:30 am
Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
11:45 am
Fellowship Time

Ruling Elders Monthly Scriptures

Each month at our stated Session meetings, our Teaching and Ruling Elders are invited to share any scripture that has spoken to their hearts in the previous month as part of their report. I encourage our congregation, as part of their prayer life for the congregation, our Session and Pastor, to review their selections and continue to uphold them and one another in prayer.

The scriptures for October were:

Rev. Ralph	James 6:6-7	Casting Anxiety
Ruth Anne Horvath	Psalms 105:1-4	God's Greatness
Carolynn Jentzer	James 5:13-16	Effective prayer
Gay Cunningham	Psalms 121	Help from the Lord
Amy Craig	Colossians 4:2-6	Prayer and Thanksgiving
Jim Horvath	Proverbs 3:5-6	Trust in the Lord
Scott Florence	Psalms 136:1	Give Thanks
Chris Schleiter	Psalms 86:6-8	Thanks be to God
Pebble Mowery	Romans 8:31	God for us

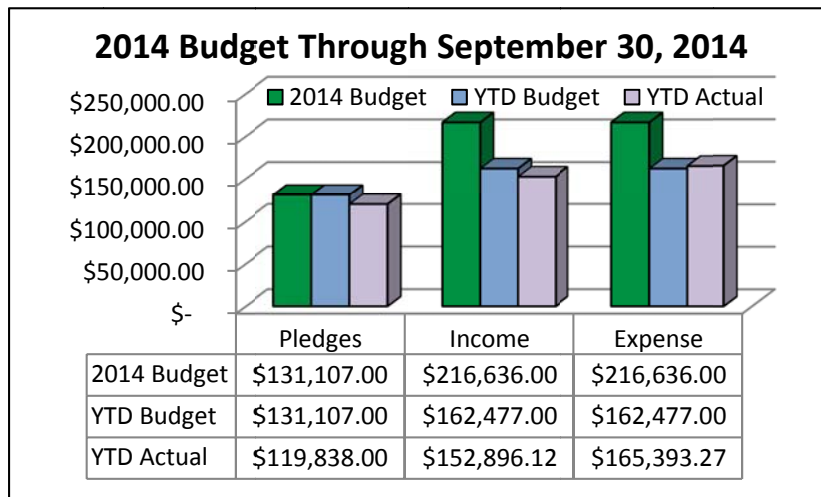
Thanks to our Volunteers

	Flowers	Fellowship
November		
November 2	Dick & Patti Babb	Potluck Sunday
November 9	Chris Wheeler	Available
November 16	Russ & Candy Hurlbut	Bill & Marge Linn
November 23	Available	Thanksgiving Brunch
November 30	Dave & Anne Patten	Available
December		
December 7	Paul & Charlotte Phipps & Laura Sanda	Available
December 14	Available	Available
December 21	Donna Beasley	Available
December 28	Chris Schleiter	Available

Signup on the boards between the narthex and the Fellowship Hall or on our Website gspscg.org

Treasurer's Report

General Fund As of September 30, 2014 September	
Receipts	\$ 11,741.02
Expenditures	\$ 17,881.29
2014 Budget vs Actual	
Budgeted Receipts	\$ 216,636.00
Actual Receipts	\$ 152,896.12
Budgeted Expenditures	\$ 216,636.00
Actual Expenditures	\$ 165,393.27
Building Fund	
Building Fund Cash	\$ 64,766.89
Loan Balance	\$ 168,375.48
Net Building Fund	\$ (103,608.59)
Fund Balances	
General Fund	\$ (3,951.93)
Memorial Fund	\$ 2,624.85
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 29,007.54



Pastor's Page

"As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

Col. 2:6-7

Rev. Ralph's Food for Thought



November is a very special month in the life of our nation as well as for our families. In general we begin the transition from the season of fall into the season of winter. We begin the month by thanking and recognizing our veterans, past and present, for their sacrifice on behalf of our nation as well as ourselves, and rightfully so. We end the month by thanking God for the many blessings we enjoy and have received as a nation and well as ourselves, and again rightfully so.

It would almost appear that the month of November should be referred to as the month of Thanksgiving. Yet for many perhaps the message is lost – Veterans day is a day given short notice for only vets and Thanksgiving a day about ourselves and what we possess.

No, November is a month to give thanks. In fact Paul, in his letter to the Colossians, would call us to abound in doing so. Perhaps just as we are grateful to our vets all year long the same should be the case in our Thanksgiving to God.

Thus the larger question becomes not do we give thanks but what thanks do we give? How do we live out our lives that reflect this attitude of thanksgiving?

To begin with, by not allowing our thanks to begin and end on one day a year but be reflected every day, to each day remember what God has done for us through Jesus Christ and continues to do for us in our common faith, and through the gift of our church and nation. For to abound in thanksgiving is as well to abound in hope and in joy.

That today and every day we say thank you to our vets and to Lord we give our lives and ourselves, thankfully.

A very grateful thank you to our vets and a very Happy Thanksgiving to you all!

*In Christ,
Rev. Ralph*

Death of Dean Wilson Reported

We were saddened to learn of the death of long-time member Dean Wilson who passed away peacefully in his sleep on October 7, 2014 at the age of 89.

Dean was born to Charles Innes and Stella Geneva Thomas Wilson, July 28, 1925 and married to the late, Alberta Elizabeth Loring for 42 years. He was a chemical engineer, avid golfer and WWII veteran. He believed in serving his community and volunteered for the St. George police department, food pantry and tutored math. Dean lived in St. George, Utah for over 20 years and made friends with everyone he met.

We will miss Dean and express our condolences to his family.

****Home Communion****

If you have difficulty getting to worship and would like to have the Visitation Pastor or Pastor serve you the Lord's Supper at home, please call the church office (628-9158).

****Pastor Note Regarding Hospital Visitation: ****

Please keep in mind that with the federal laws that went into force a number of years ago, hospitals are no longer allowed to give out any information in regards to patients to visitors, including clergy. Unless a visitor requests a specific name, the hospital desk is not allowed to give out any information, including religious affiliation.

So, if you or a family member is hospitalized please alert the Pastor, your Deacon, or the church office. Otherwise, we will not be informed of your presence there and unable to assist or offer pastoral care.

The Acts 16:5 Initiative

"Day after day the congregations became stronger in faith and larger in size." (Acts 16:5)

Building One Another

GOD SIGHTINGS

By Dr. E. Stanley Ott

Founder and President, Vital Churches Institute

I was coping with a number of uncertainties when someone facing his own unknowns remarked he was learning to trust our Lord more deeply. It was a direct word to me to trust more deeply as well. A God sighting happens as you see God's work in your life and in the world around you.

Luke 10 records what for Jesus Christ had to be one of the greatest moments in his ministry with his disciples. He sent seventy of them out in pairs with very specific instructions such as, "Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house! ' Cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'" Luke 10:5,9

Upon the return of the Seventy, they report with great joy, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" A God sighting has become common parlance for an awareness of the hand of God in the midst of some situation. Clearly the Seventy had experienced a lot of God sightings!

Jesus was enjoying his own God sighting as he saw his Father clearly working through his followers. "At that same hour Jesus rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.'" Luke 10:21

Ask your Lord to open your eyes that you may experience the joy of your own God sightings!

Joy to you

Courtesy of The Vital Churches Institute

Respite Care Survey Results

The Parish Nursing Ministry and Senior Ministries committee would like to thank all for their responses to our survey. We continue to encourage both your consideration and feedback in regards to the development of this project.

Thirty-two of our members responded to the survey. Those responding indicated that from seven to seventeen individuals were identified as being in need of such a program. (At this juncture we anticipate being able to serve eight to twelve)

A majority said they would see this project as a mission of our congregation and a large majority would encourage members to be involved with the program while eleven indicated an interest in volunteering.

Comments in regards to the program were mixed with some questions being raised that we have already answered while other questions we continue to consider as we develop this future project.

What should be mentioned is that we are in the developmental stage of this program with much to be done before its implementation. We will endeavor to keep the congregation informed as we progress but as yet do not have either a time line or date for its beginning.



Choir Notes

Not only do we enjoy the beauty of the autumn season, but November is the month set aside for giving Thanks. Let me take this opportunity to show my appreciation and gratitude to all the members of both the Bell Choir and the Chancel Choir for their efforts and hard work to prepare music for the Sunday services as well as the special Christmas Concert presented at the St. George Tabernacle on Monday, December 8th.

*With a grateful heart,
Barbara McConnell, Music Director*

Christian Education

Adult Bible Classes on Sunday Morning have been well attended and you should note that we will continue our in-depth study of the Book of Revelation for the rest of the fall. We still have a couple of books left and welcome anyone who would be interested in learning more about the last book of the Bible.

*Blessings to you all,
Catherine Overkamp*

Deacons

Since the last deacons' meeting, the number of the deacons has fallen by five: Scott and Barbara Henstrom have left the church, Judy Stringham has moved to Eugene, Oregon, and Don and Shirley Fennell will move this month. The parishes, however, are covered. Tineke Ingold is serving East St George; Janice Klein Old St George, and Molly Bass, East Bloomington.

No activity was report by the various committees. On November 1st, the Shalom Committee will assist at Gus Penzari's funeral.

Harold Wylie reported that Cindy Willard now resides at Seasons Health and Rehabilitation.

Tineke Ingold reported that two people requesting assistance were helped, one with a bus ticket and the other with a voucher for gas.

The Deacons have been giving rides to those members who otherwise would not be able to attend our services and are always available for home visits if requested. Also please remember that we have a Deacons' closet full of health aids for you to use. Bob Morgan is in charge of that so get in touch with him if you need to borrow something.

If you have any questions or suggestions, or don't know who your Deacon is, please call me at 435-574-3614.

Tineke Ingold, Moderator

Fellowship

As we head into the holiday season, Fellowship has several exciting events planned.

Our Thanksgiving Lunch will be Sunday, November 23 after the service. Please join us for turkey and all the fixings and bring your best side dish or dessert to share. Sign up during Fellowship Hour during November.

We will celebrate Christmas with a catered dinner on Saturday, December 13 at 5pm in Conklin Hall. The menu will be a choice of Chicken Marsala or Garlic Pepper Brisket. I have sampled both and they are wonderful. There will be salad and a choice of desserts, too. The price is \$25.00 per person, in advance. Reservations will be taken starting November 2.

LifeTouch Photographers will be taking pictures for a new GSPC directory the second week in January. I start scheduling the 20 minute appointments at Fellowship Hour on December 7. The sessions will be Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015 through Friday Jan. 16, 2015 from 1:30pm to 9:00pm. There will also be a session on Saturday, Jan. 17, from 9:30am to 5:00pm. You will get a free 8 x 10 of the photograph you select for the directory and an opportunity to have other portraits taken as well.

Join us for a festive holiday season.

Carolyn Jentzer

Growth

We kicked off the new church year with our second annual Fall Festival after church on Sunday, October 12. After a picnic lunch of chili dogs, chips, coleslaw and beverages (and deserts brought by the congregation), we retired to the CE Building to learn more about our church and members of our congregation.

Stewardship shared details of our pledge campaign for 2015 and, as last year, Mission-Outreach had demonstrations of our website and some booklets on the history of the church and some information on our sister congregation in Russia. Members signed up for the CROP Walk and picked up boxes for Operation Christmas Child.

The highlight, though, was the hobbies and interests shared by members of the congregation.

Everyone who stayed for lunch received a Good Shepherd Frisbee. Each booth in the CE Building had a different sticker. Everyone who collected ALL of the stickers was entered in a Frisbee throw and Gloria Reynolds won the contest (by about a quarter of an inch) and a \$50 Visa gift card.

It was an enjoyable day for everyone and a chance to get to know more about our church and the members of our congregation.

We're looking forward to doing it again next year!

Mission/Outreach

The Mission-Outreach Committee is busy with our two fall projects.

The annual St. George CROP Walk to End Hunger will be held on November 8th this year. Last year, our congregation raised about half of the total money raised by the event. This year, we're hoping for even more. You can walk or support someone else who is walking. Please see me to pick up your donation envelope. You'll have one last chance to support one of our walkers on November 2 when we'll have all of our walkers' envelopes on a table in Conklin Hall during Fellowship. Please support our efforts to end hunger in our community and the world. Please see me or Jeff Clingan if you have any questions about this year's walk.

Operation Christmas Child is in full on mode, as well. Be sure to pick up a shoebox, fill it and return it on November 16 or November 23. Please see Gloria Reynolds or Kathie Greear for more information.

Let us all continue to show our love for our fellow man through our efforts on these two important projects.

Blessings!

Chris Schleiter

Prayer Chain

I would ask anyone in the congregation that would like to join in prayers for the ill, people with problems, or those with happy news like a mending body to please contact Louise Routh at 628-7725 or on her cell 229-4733.

All prayers are important.

Louise Routh

Parish Nursing Ministry

At our Brown Bag Lunch on Wednesday, October 22, LuAnn Lundquist, Executive President of Alzheimer's and Dementia Society, presented an interesting talk on Communication Validation.

Communication Validation is one way we can communicate acceptance of ourselves and others, supporting them and strengthening a relationship while maintaining a different opinion. Validation doesn't mean agreeing or approving. It is especially helpful in interacting with people with Alzheimer's or dementia.

Validation builds relationships and understanding and shows the other person that they are important. Often one of the reasons other people are uncomfortable with intense emotion is that they don't know what to say. Just being present, paying complete attention to the person in a nonjudgmental way, reading a person's behavior and guessing what they might be feeling or thinking and understanding their behavior in terms of their history and biology is how to help. For emotionally sensitive people, self-validation and validation by others helps them manage their emotions more effectively.

Parish Nursing Ministry, continued

Did you know that, even if you miss a Brown Bag Lunch you can still listen to the presentation? The recording of each of our Brown Bag Lunches is available on our website, gspcsg.org. Just go to the Parish Nursing Ministry page in the Ministries menu and select the Brown Bag Lunch you would like to listen to.

Finally, it's that time of year again when we want your blood! Parish Nursing will be sponsoring a Red Cross blood drive on Friday, November 14, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm in the CE Building. There is always a shortage of blood during the holiday season so our donations at this time of year are especially important. Please see Anne Patten for an appointment to give the gift of life!

Also remember that we will be happy to check your blood pressure monthly. Stop by our table in Conklin Hall after worship on November 9th and we'll give you a quick BP check!

Anne Patten & Mitzi Rak

Session News

Session held their regular monthly meeting on October 14, 2014. Here is a synopsis of the actions:

- Met and welcomed Bob Moeller as a new member transferring from Community Grace Presbyterian Church in Sandy, Utah.
- Approved the baptism on October 19, 2014 of Anastazia Dorosky, daughter of Amanda Vilardo and Thomas Dorosky and great granddaughter of Janice Klein
- Authorized the purchase of a Nativity Scene and lighting to be taken from the Memorial Fund.
- Accepted a donation of Christmas wreaths for the fellowship hall.
- Approved a bid for tree pruning/removal.
- Approved a bid for deep fertilization of trees and shrubs.

Ruth Ann Horvath, Clerk

Senior Ministries

Our Soup and Bread Fellowship has been well supported and a joy. October 8 at Noon in Conklin Hall, our presenters were Anne Patten and Bob McGrath speaking about Stephen Ministry, since Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church is a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

Rev. Ralph and Tineke Ingold spoke of the Deacon Ministry and how that functions in our congregation. If you missed this presentation, you missed a wonderful experience.

Chris Schleter did an excellent job of recording their presentation and we were able to stream it on the big screen at Fall Festival. Sorry that we had to turn the sound down. (Rev. Ralph has a copy if you are interested in seeing and hearing that presentation.)

November 12th we will hear from Preston Hughes speaking about Turkey. Colonel Hughes is our expert on Turkey (and Islam) and we are privileged that he is in our congregation. He just returned from a visit to Turkey so he is very up to date! He is speaking at Noon in Conklin Hall and our lunch is Free! We hope you come and we welcome your friends.

Fall Festival was fun as we all agree. Parish Nursing and Senior Ministries paired up .Alicia Kitzman decorated and Charlotte Phipps was on hand taking Blood Pressures. Our new auto-defibrillator located in the CE Building was on display. We did a little survey looking for those of you willing to help us with our Soup and Bread Fellowship (thanks to those of you who responded!).

Pebble Mowery



Stewardship

As you are aware, Good Shepherd is in the middle of its fall pledge campaign. So far we have received 17 pledges totaling \$57,896. It is an excellent start to meeting our needs for 2015! Thank you so much for your generosity. While pledges are always welcome, you still have time to pledge before we dedicate all of our pledges on December 7. Please see the treasurer's report on page 2 to see our current financial status.

Showing our Gratitude

God gives us his love, goodness, and mercy daily. He has given us victory over sin and death through his Son. Christ has given us the blessings of forgiveness, justification, a new life, and an eternal hope. Because of his bountiful blessings, we should be compelled to show our gratitude. Do we? Could we, at times, be taking all that we receive for granted?

If Christ were to come into our homes in physical form, certainly we would express our thanks in tangible ways. We would make him comfortable, run errands for him, offer our best food, and give him our time and attention. However, we don't have that opportunity, so we show our gratitude in different ways.

One way that we express our gratitude is to give thanks throughout the day in our prayers and thoughts. When we see life and its blessings as gifts, we are prepared to offer our thanks. Our thanksgiving is expressed when we use the faith God has given us to live in obedience to his Word. God hears and sees our gratitude through the lives we live. When we generously share our time and money with others in Christian love, we show our thanksgiving for our gifts. Our giving reflects Christ's love in us. We extend our thanks to our heavenly Father when we give him praise and glory in weekly worship and privately throughout each day.

As stewards, we find that our gratitude to God opens our hearts to receive more of God's love, which enables us to be more faithful with our time, talents, and treasures. In response to God's love and grace, we give ourselves and our resources. When we acknowledge God as the creator and owner of all, we will serve the Lord faithfully out of gratitude for all his gifts to us. Our gratefulness to God will enable us to give thanks even during bad times because God promises to comfort and sustain us in all things.

Blessings during this Thanksgiving season!

Regardless of whether you tithe or use some other method of measure, the return you make to God should come from the "first fruits" of your labor. This means that your return to God comes first, before paying all your other bills.

If we give simply from what we have left over after all our needs are met, it is not really sacrificial. If there is no pain in our giving, then we can be sure that we are not giving enough.

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Amy Craig

Congregation News

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service

This year's Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service will be at Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church on November 25th at 7:00 pm. This will be a wonderful opportunity to share our faith with members of other faiths from the area and we hope everyone will be able to join us.

Sunday Bible Studies Canceled

Due to a leaky pipe that flooded his kitchen and part of his basement, Rev. Ralph has canceled the Sunday evening Bible study until further notice. Please check the weekly calendar on the website to see when the studies will resume.

Red Cross Blood Drive November 14

As was noted in the Parish Nursing Ministry column, we will be holding a Red Cross blood drive on Friday, November 14th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please see Anne Patten for an appointment.

NOVEMBER 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 11:00 Gus Penzari Funeral am
2 Daylight Savings Time ENDS - Fall Back! Dixie Care & Share 8:45 Prayer Service am 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Communion Worship am 11:45 Fellowship am 5:00 Bible Study pm @Rev Ralph's	3 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	4 9:30 Coordinating Council am Meeting 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 1:30 Stephen Minister pm Training 3:00 Exercise With Rev pm Ralph 4:15 Bell Choir pm	5 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Promenade Bakery 1:00 Stephen Ministry pm Supervision Group Meeting	6 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Cracker Barrel 3:00 Exercise With Rev pm Ralph 3:45 Chancel Choir pm	7 7:45 Men's Bible Study @ am Bishop's	8 10:00 C.R.O.P. Walk am
9 8:45 Prayer Service am 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship – Dick am Higgins preaching 11:45 Fellowship am 11:45 Blood Pressures am Taken 5:00 Bible Study pm @Rev Ralph's	10 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	11 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 1:30 Stephen Minister pm Training 3:00 Exercise With Rev pm Ralph 4:15 Bell Choir pm 5:15 Session Meeting pm	12 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Promenade Bakery	13 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Cracker Barrel 1:30 Parish Nursing pm Ministry Meeting 3:00 Exercise With Rev pm Ralph 3:45 Chancel Choir pm	14 7:45 Men's Bible Study @ am Bishop's 9:00 Red Cross Blood Drive am – See Anne Patten to sign up 1:00 pm	15
16 8:45 Prayer Service am 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship am 11:45 Fellowship am 5:00 Bible Study pm @Rev Ralph's	17 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	18 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 1:30 Stephen Minister pm Training 3:00 Exercise With Rev pm Ralph 4:15 Bell Choir pm	19 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Promenade Bakery 12:00 Soup & Bread Noon Fellowship – Preston Hughes on Turkey	20 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Cracker Barrel 3:00 Exercise With Rev pm Ralph 3:45 Chancel Choir pm	21 Newsletter Deadline 7:45 Men's Bible Study @ am Bishop's	22
23 8:45 Prayer Service am 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship am 11:45 Fellowship am 5:00 Bible Study pm @Rev Ralph's	24 1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	25 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 1:30 Stephen Minister pm Training 3:00 Exercise With Rev pm Ralph 4:15 Bell Choir pm 7:00 Ecumenical pm Thanksgiving Service @ Shepherd of the Hills UMC	26 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Promenade Bakery	27 Thanksgiving Day 11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Cracker Barrel 3:00 Exercise With Rev pm Ralph 3:45 Chancel Choir pm	28 7:45 Men's Bible Study @ am Bishop's 10:00 Hanging of the am Greens	29
30 8:45 Prayer Service am 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship am 11:45 Fellowship am 5:00 Bible Study pm @Rev Ralph's						

Rev. Ralph will be on vacation from November 9 through November 15. Please contact Rev. Harold (669-0330) with any concerns.
PLEASE NOTE: This calendar is subject to change. Always check the church website gpscsq.org for the latest information.

Lectionary Readings for November

Date	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3
Saturday, November 1 All Saints' Day	Revelation 7:9-17 Psalm 34:1-10, 22	1 John 3:1-3	Matthew 5:1-12
Sunday, November 2 21st Sunday after Pentecost 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time	Joshua 3:7-17 Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37	1 Thessalonians 2:9-13	Matthew 23:1-12
Sunday, November 9 22nd Sunday after Pentecost 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 Psalm 78:1-7	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	Matthew 25:1-13
Sunday, November 16 23rd Sunday after Pentecost 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Judges 4:1-7 Psalm 123	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Matthew 25:14-30
Sunday, November 23 Christ the King	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Psalm 100 or Psalm 95:1-7a	Ephesians 1:15-23	Matthew 25:31-46
Sunday, November 30 1st Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 64:1-9 Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19	1 Corinthians 1:3-9	Mark 13:24-37

Lectionary Readings for December

Date	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3
Sunday, December 7 2nd Sunday in Advent	Isaiah 40:1-11 Psalms 85:1-2, 8-13	2 Peter 3:8-15a	Mark 1:1-8
Sunday, December 14 3rd Sunday in Advent	Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 Psalms 126 or Luke 1:46b-55	1 Thessalonians 5:16-24	John 1:6-8, 19-28
Sunday, December 21 4th Sunday in Advent	2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 Luke 1:46b-55 or Psalms 89:1-4, 19-26	Romans 16:25-27	Luke 1:26-38
Wednesday, December 24 Christmas Eve	Isaiah 9:2-7 Psalms 96	Titus 2:11-14	Luke 2:1-14 [15-20]
Thursday, December 25 Nativity of Jesus Christ Christmas Day	<i>Christmas Dawn</i> Isaiah 62:6-12 Psalms 97 <i>Christmas Day</i> Isaiah 52:7-10 Psalms 98	Titus 3:4-7 Hebrews 1:1-4 [5-12]	Luke 2:[1-7] 8-20 John 1:1-14
Sunday, December 28 1st Sunday After Christmas	Isaiah 61:10-62:3 Psalms 148	Galatians 4:4-7	Luke 2:22-40

Regularly Scheduled Activities

Dixie Care & Share – contributions of money & food – 1st Sunday of each Month
 Safe Harbor Support Group – 2nd Wednesday of each Month – 6:30 pm in the CE Building

Shawl Ministry	Monday	1:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Conklin Hall
Exercise with Rev. Ralph	Tuesday	3:00 pm to 3:30 pm	Conklin Hall
	Thursday	3:00 pm to 3:30 pm	Conklin Hall
Co-Ed Bible Study	Sunday	5:00 pm to 6:00 pm	Rev. Ralph's home
Women's Bible Studies	Tuesday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	The Egg & I
	Wednesday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	Paradise Bakery @Promenade Mall
Men's Bible Studies	Thursday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	The Cracker Barrel Restaurant
	Friday	7:45 am to 8:45 am	Bishop's Restaurant
Choir Practices	Tuesday	4:15 pm Bell Choir	Sanctuary
	Thursday	3:45 pm Chancel Choir	Sanctuary



Building Fund Update

As you all know, we have a mortgage payment of \$1,343.51 due each month. The mortgage has a principal of \$184,117 and a 15 year term which means that if it goes for its full term (although we hope to continue our tradition of paying off our mortgages early), we will pay a total of \$241,831.80. We also need to replenish the \$45,000 that was in the fund when we began the project meaning we need to raise almost \$287,000.

Through October 26th, we had received pledges totaling \$68,881.00 and cash donations of \$25,718 for a total of \$94,599 or about 33% of the way to the \$287,000 goal.

If you have pledged to the building fund, thank you. If you have not yet made a pledge, please prayerfully consider how you can help us to pay off the mortgage early and free funds to be used for additional improvements that we need to make.

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	Jim Horvath	773-6790	Facilities
Class of 2015	Ruth Ann Horvath	773-6790	Clerk of Session
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Class of 2016	Amy Craig	592-0246	Stewardship
	Scott Florence	688-2624	Grounds
	Cathy Overkamp	703-8257	Christian Ed

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Moderator	Tineke Ingold
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Class of 2015	Don Fennell, Shirley Fennell, Fred Hampton, Jan Hirschi, Janice Klein, Bob Morgan, Evelyn Morgan, Shirley Fromknecht
Class of 2016	Ann Abbott



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