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2019 Pledge Drive Begins

We want to personally thank you for your generosity and commitment to the life, mission and ministry of our congregation. 2018 has been a truly blessed year!

Due to your support, we have been able to reach out with the love of Christ not only to the homeless and hungry in our area through our CROP Walk and area social ministries, we were able as well to extend our love to the children of the world including children of Dorogobuzh, Russia, through the Bible Camp ministry of our sister congregation.

Due to your support, we have been able to support our witness and worship of our Lord and Savior Jesus by offering to our community each Sunday a joyful fellowship and meaningful worship that welcomes all with the love and grace of Jesus Christ.

In other words, due to your commitment to our Lord, lives have been changed in His name.

Pledge forms and a copy of the proposed budget for 2019 were mailed to everyone this week. If you didn't receive yours, please see Susan Holecheck,Carolynn Thomas or Chris Schleter and they will see that you get one.

While our budget is about \$8,750 higher than last year (mainly due to increased mission spending, salary increases, and inflation), we've seen our loose offerings grow by almost \$3,500 this year so we're asking for about \$5,200 more in pledges for 2019 to cover our expenditures. Every pledge, no matter how big or small, puts us closer to our goal.

You can pledge by dropping your pledge form in the offering plate on any Sunday or by returning it to the church office.

You can also pledge online by going to our website, hovering over Stewardship in the menu and clicking Pledge Support. On the Pledge Support page, click on General Fund Pledge on the right then fill out and submit the form. Our Financial Secretary, LaVerna Metzger, will receive an email with your pledge.

If you have any questions, please speak with Susan Holecheck, Carolynn Thomas or Chris Schleter, members of your Stewardship Committee.

We will dedicate our pledges during worship on December 16th.

We look forward to the year ahead and continue to grow and expand our ministries and mission partnership with you..

Prayer Concerns

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

Roger Kitzman	Jim Sullivan
Barney Scott	Peter Safreno
Dottie Malcomson	Joe Borden
Clinton Shonkweiler	Althea Haworth
Vickie Rudd	Alice Blair
Jim Crowe	Shirley Craig
The family of Lyn Jakubczak	
The family of Gene Thomas	

Our sister congregation in Dorogobuzh, Russia
Those Serving Our Country

Welcome New Members

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

December Newsletter Deadline

November 23, 2018

Worship Schedule

8:45 – 9:00 am
Morning Prayer and Communion
Sanctuary

9:00 – 9:45 am
Adult Education
Conklin Hall

10:30 am
Children's Sunday School
Chapel

10:30 am
Worship
Sanctuary

11:45 am
Fellowship Time
Conklin Hall

Ruling Elders Monthly Scriptures

Each month at our stated Session meetings, our Minister of Word and Sacrament and Ruling Elders are invited to share any scripture that has spoken to their hearts in the previous month as part of their report. Rev. Ralph encourages 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	Hebrews 13:15-19	Thanksgiving
Elder Ruth Ann Horvath	Galatians 6:2-5	Shared Burdens
Elder Scott Florence	Psalms 36:1	God is good
Elder Gloria McGilloway	Hebrews 10:24-25	Encouraging one another
Elder Susan Holecheck	Ephesians 2:19-22	Citizens of the Kingdom
Elder Chris Schleiter	2 Corinthians 9:6-8	Joyful giver
Elder Judy Oar	Psalms 37:23-36	Generosity

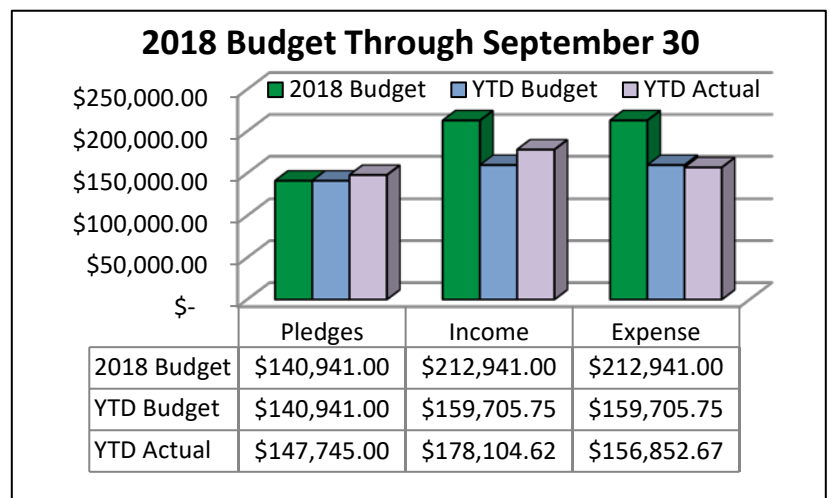
Thanks to our Volunteers

Flowers		Nursery
November		
November 4	Alan & Sandy Paige	Jennifer P
November 11	Available	Donna Beasley
November 18	Dick & Patti Babb	Cindy Clingan
November 25	Karen Kirkland	Kim Rice
December		
December 2	Dick & Patti Babb	Jennifer P
December 9	LaVerna Metzger	Donna Beasley
December 16	Carolynn Thomas	Cindy Clingan
December 23	Dennis & Susan Peters	Kim Rice
December 30	Chris Schleiter	No Nursery – 5 th Sunday

Signup for Flowers on the board between the Narthex and Conklin Hall or on our Website gpscsq.org

Treasurer's Report

General Fund as of September 30, 2018	
Month of September	
Receipts	\$ 12,738.34
Expenditures	\$ 16,091.93
2018 YTD Budget vs Actual	
YTD Budgeted Receipts	\$ 159,705.75
Actual Receipts	\$ 178,104.62
YTD Budgeted Expenditures	\$ 159,705.75
Actual Expenditures	\$ 156,852.67
Building Fund	
Building Fund Cash	\$ 60,654.21
Loan Balance	\$ (19,350.23)
Net Building Fund	\$ 41,303.98
Fund Balances	
General Fund	\$ 15,719.36
Memorial Fund	\$ 2,413.56
Reserve Fund	\$ 47,937.17
Russia Mission Fund	\$ 3,311.88



Rev. Ralph's Food for Thought

Then Job answered the Lord and said, "I know that You can do all things, And that no purpose of Yours can be thwarted. Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?" Therefore I have declared that which I did not understand, Things too wonderful for me, which I did not know." Hear, now, and I will speak; I will ask You, and You instruct me.' "I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear; But now my eye sees You;

Job 42:1-5 New American Standard Bible (NASB)

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:6-7 New American Standard Bible (NASB)

"Now thank we our God, with hearts and hands and voices. Who wondrous things hath done, In whom His world rejoices. Who from our mothers arms have blessed us on our way, With countless gifts of love that still are ours today."

Martin Rinkhart 1638



In a very few weeks we shall gather in our homes and around our tables to offer thanks for our many blessings and gifts. In other words we will be celebrating our national holiday of Thanksgiving. A creation of President George Washington and Congress this holiday was a day set aside for our nation to contemplate and offer thanksgiving to our creator for the many gifts and blessings we have and continue to receive.

Today a number of families and gatherings take time to go around the table to say what they have received that they are thankful for. I fear that some may neglect directing their thanks toward their greatest of benefactors.

This is in stark contrast to those who perhaps have nothing physically, or have lost everything yet remain thankful, and thankful to God. Job lost all except his righteousness, Paul writes from prison and about to lose his life, and Reformed Pastor Rinkhart saw his congregation and city decimated by war and plague yet coins one of our most joyfully famous traditional Thanksgiving hymns.

One has to wonder what have they to be thankful for? The faith that pointed them to the love of God and the trust in that love, would be my short answer. These examples of faith might inquire of us if perhaps our thanks giving might be misdirected."

May we all this Thanksgiving truly "Thank we all our God! A very blessed and happy Thanksgiving to you all.

*In Christ's name,
Rev. Ralph*

Annual Christmas Open House December 2nd

Please join Cindy, Jeff and me as we hold our annual Christmas Open House on December 2nd from 3:00 to 6:00 pm. Plan to bring a beverage and something to share and join everyone in the joy of the holiday season.

Tacky Tie and Sweater Contest Kicks Off December 2nd

As you prepare for the Advent season, be on the lookout for the tackiest Christmas ties and sweaters you can find and wear them to church. Rev. Ralph will pick the absolute tackiest and the winners will receive a special prize. The contest kicks off on December 2nd.

**** 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's Note Regarding Hospital Visitation ****

Please keep in mind that with the federal laws that went into force several years ago, hospitals are no longer allowed to give out any information regarding 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.

Water Leak Damages CE Building

On Sunday, October 14th, a water leak under the sink in the kitchenette caused a flood and significant damage to the Christian Education building. While we are awaiting a final determination on damage from ServPro, we can say that the CE Building will be out of action for several weeks or more. At the very least, all of the carpet and some of the sheetrock walls in the building will have to be replaced. The offices in the building were not affected.

Until repairs are completed, Sunday Adult Education will be held in Conklin Hall and Children's Sunday School will be in the Chapel. Most other events normally held in the CE Building will also move to Conklin Hall.

We expect that our insurance will cover most, if not all, of the damage and an improved space will rise from the waters.

A few photos of the damage are below.



The Building Committee is working with ServPro to determine the repairs that will be required and get them underway and have begun discussions regarding new carpet and flooring. We thank everyone for their patience and flexibility as we continue to respond to this situation.

Deacons

We hope you enjoyed the Fall Festival. The Deacons enjoyed greeting so many of you. We did learn that many of our members aren't sure to which Parish they are assigned. Parishes are assigned geographically and most Deacons live inside their Parish. When the 2019 lists are published we will try to do a better job matching you and your Deacon and your Parish.

Our Deacon Shed is full of items you may need if you have an illness or are recovering from surgery. If you need to borrow anything from the shed, please contact Dick Babb (688-1120) and he will make arrangements to get you what you need.

*In Christian love and fellowship,
Your Deacons*

Fellowship

What a great Fall Festival! The display tables in the CE Building were excellent. Lots of folks obtained all of the stickers and were entered into the drawing for a \$50 gift card. Congratulations to Kristin Crowe, our winner.

At first, I thought, "What are we going to do with all this chili?" No problem! All of the crockpots went home empty.

Special thank you to Ruth Ann Horvath for organizing the event and to Marge Lin for her incredible effort to manage the kitchen. There are so many people that prepared, served and cleaned up. I thank all of you for practicing fellowship.

Now, it's time to set our sights on Thanksgiving! Watch for sign-up sheets coming soon.

Gloria McGilloway

Mission/Outreach

Operation Christmas Child is in full swing and will conclude on the Sunday before Thanksgiving when we will dedicate our shoeboxes and send them on their way. We had a goal of 150 shoeboxes last year, but we only filled 124. As they say, "go big or go home," so let's shoot for 175 boxes this year. Shoeboxes are available on the table near the parking lot door in Conklin Hall.

The CROP Hunger Walk will be held on November 10th this year. Start getting in shape to walk the six mile course and raise money to feed the hungry both here and around the world. Thanks to Carolynn Thomas and Gloria Reynolds who will be manning our Aid Station this year.

Finally, as we did last year we'll be collecting canned food during the four Sundays of Advent to benefit the Soup Kitchen. Last year we collected \$235 and 240 pounds of food. Let's go for \$500 and 500 pounds this year.

I continue to be amazed by your generosity and willingness to share.

*Blessings
Chris Schleiter*

Parish Nursing

Brown Bag Luncheon

On Wednesday, November 7th, we look forward to again welcoming David Grygla, DO, Hospitalist from Dixie Regional Medical Center speaking to us about DIABETES. Those attending his previous talk remember him as an engaging and educational speaker. As before, we invite you to bring a friend, a sandwich and your questions and join us for an interesting, informative hour. We hope to see you at Noon in Conklin Hall.

Are You Worried About Losing Your Independence?

We are all familiar with the phrase "I've fallen and I can't get up". There is a way to get help for falls and so much more, immediately, which is especially important if you live alone. Just the touch of a button either on your wrist or on a necklace can reach a response center for help. This device is called a Medical or Rescue Alert.

Parish Nursing, continued

Do you hear noise of a possible intruder, smell smoke or are the smoke alarms ringing or do you have a health issue? The center doesn't just call public emergency services for you but also places calls to any designated family members, friends or caregivers on your list who have asked to be notified of an incident. Family members frequently worry about the health and welfare of loved ones who may be at risk. Knowing that help can be summoned with the touch of a button, that you are wearing and not by having to get to a phone, provides peace of mind for you as well as those who care about you. The service can be provided over landline or by your cell phone. There are many questions to be answered when choosing the best provider for your needs but basic to each should be:

- Do I have to sign a contract, which may limit my flexibility to cancel or change my plan?
- Will I use a landline or a cell phone?
- How far from the console does it cover me? Can I go into the yard?
- Will it cover me if I go to the grocery or elsewhere?
- Can I wear it in the shower or bathtub--is it waterproof?
- What are the logistics to setting it up? Does someone come, personally, to install it or is it mailed for me to set up?
- What is the battery life and how would I know if the battery is low?
- Most important, how much would it cost???

There are a wide range of costs depending on the sophistication of the system and which options for service you choose. An average, basic system could cost \$30 per month for a landline or \$40 per month for a cell phone, plus installation fees, which are dependent on whether you have the system installed or have it mailed for you to install. The ultimate cost really depends on what are your personal needs or desires.

The alert system can be a key to prolonging your independence. There are a number of different providers, both national through the Internet and local by personal representation, which can cover Washington County. Handouts containing information on Medical Alert Systems, through both national and local companies, can be found on the Nursing Ministry bulletin board in the hall between Conklin Hall and the Sanctuary. If you have other questions or we can be of help, please contact either Mitzi at 435) 674-1204 or Alicia at 435) 272-4614.

REMEMBER TO GET YOUR FLU SHOT !!!!

Alicia Kitzman and Mitzi Rak

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 me on my cell, 632-3160.

All prayers are important.

Deborah Stone

Senior Ministries

Soup and Fellowship:

Our next Soup and Fellowship will be Wednesday, November 14th at Noon in Conklin Hall. We will have a movie about WWI as it will be 100 years since its conclusion. Russell Estlack will be hosting this event. We will also celebrate veterans as November 11th is Veterans Day. We will be serving soup and other accompaniments as usual and consistent with military like Navy Bean.

Card Party:

Wednesday, November 14th at 1:00 pm in Conklin Hall. Please join us and connect your brain to the game.

Judy Oar

Session News

Session held their regular monthly meeting on October 11th. Here is a synopsis of the actions:

- Approved the proposed budget for 2019, authorized its distribution to the congregation as a part of the Stewardship mailing and authorized the Stewardship Committee to make adjustments to the Pastor's benefits when the rates for 2019 are published.
- Approved by e-vote on September 20, 2018, to name Chris Schleiter as Commissioner to the September 29, 2018, Stated Presbytery Meeting.
- Approved by e-vote on September 24, 2018, the usage of the sanctuary by the St. George Chamber Singers on Tuesday evenings from 8:00 pm. - 10:00 pm

Ruth Ann Horvath, Clerk of Session

Soup Kitchen

Our church "crew" participates in the Soup Kitchen the first Monday of each month. During the month of October volunteers included Marge Linn, Vicky Westland, Janis Wick, Josie Kellejan, Eliza Elwood, Patti and Brian Lusby, LaVerna Metzger, and Carol Somplatsky-Jarman. Serving over 100 hungry folks is always just as much a blessing to the volunteers as it is to those who enjoy their lunch. An Autumn menu of Southwestern Chicken Stew, corn bread, coleslaw, fruit and dessert was served. Many positive comments were received – especially for our famous "Presbyterian" coleslaw. Questions about the Soup Kitchen experience? ContactCarolynn Thomas 435-817-8288.

Carolynn Thomas

Stewardship

The Treasurer's report from September 30th appears on page 2 and our Building Fund report is on page 11. We are doing quite well so far this year, but a lot of our income comes from contributors who make their entire year's donation in December or January.

We are kicking off our General Fund pledge campaign for 2019 on November 4th. Look for a letter and pledge card in the mail.

Please note that the budget included with the letter has estimates for the required contributions for Rev. Ralph's insurance and pension. Since that budget was prepared, we have received the actual costs for 2019:

Pastor	
Salary	\$ 36,067.63
Housing	\$ 37,415.78
Pension	\$ 8,083.22
Dental Insurance	\$ 905.28
Medical Insurance	\$ 18,370.95
Disability Insurance	\$ 734.84
Reimbursable Expenses	\$ 7,000.00
Total Pastor	\$ 108,577.70

While insurance did increase by 3% (the amount of Rev. Ralph's proposed increase in salary and housing), the numbers above are a reduction of about \$750.00 from the numbers shown in the budget you will receive with your letters and reduces our total pledge needs for 2019 to \$145,683.70. If you have any questions about the budget please talk with Carolynn Thomas or Chris Schleiter.

Please consider making a pledge as your generous contributions allow us to fulfill God's mission for our church. We will dedicate our pledges for 2019 on December 16th.

We continue to thank you for your generosity.

Susan Holecheck

Women's Guild

Your Good Shepherd Women's Guild has been busy this month with our 2nd Annual Craft & Baked Foods Sale. I'm happy to report that to date our proceeds from this event totaled \$1,333.50 which will be added to our current account and divided among our three local charities at the end of the year. Please take a moment to check out the pictures from this event on the Conklin Hall bulletin board.

UPDATE ON DIXIE DIRECT BOOKS

The Dixie Direct books will be available from Nancy Linden beginning the first Sunday in November after Worship in Conklin Hall. The books are \$35.00 with the Women's Guild receiving \$17.50 from each book sold. Please make out your check to GSPC and write "Women's Guild" on the memo line.

Our next event will be our Christmas Cookie Sale taking place on two consecutive Sundays in December in Conklin Hall following worship. Specific dates will be announced after our next meeting scheduled for Friday, November 9th, at 11:00 am with a potluck lunch to follow. All ladies are invited & encouraged to be part of the Women's Guild.

On behalf of the Women's Guild a big thank you to everyone for your support!!!

Candy Hurlbut

Worship & Music

November is the month we show our gratitude for our blessings, but it is also the month we honor our Veterans. Please mark your calendars for a special program of Patriotic music presented by our Bell Choir during our worship service on November 11th and also by the Interfaith Choir at the St. George Tabernacle at 7:00 pm.

A special Thanksgiving worship service will be held at Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church on Tuesday, November 20th, at 7:00 pm. Our Chancel Choir will join a combination choir for that service. It is a beautiful service and we hope you can join us!

We will start the "Hanging of the Greens" on Friday, November 23rd, and finish on Saturday, November 24th. We will start at 9:00 am. on both days. If you can come on one or both of those days to help, it will be greatly appreciated!

The Bell and Chancel Choirs will present their annual Christmas concert on Sunday, December 9th, at 7:00 pm. at our church. Part of the program will be presented that morning during the worship service. Please mark your calendars for that special program!

Happy Thanksgiving

Barbara McConnell, Music Director



Lectionary Readings for November

Thursday, November 1 All Saints' Day	Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 24:1-10	Revelation 21:1-6a	John 11:32-44
Sunday, November 4 24th Sunday after Pentecost	Ruth 1:1-18 Psalm 146	Hebrews 9:11-14	Mark 12:28-34
Sunday, November 11 25th Sunday after Pentecost	Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17 Psalm 127	Hebrews 9:24-28	Mark 12:38-44
Sunday, November 18 26th Sunday after Pentecost	1 Samuel 1:4-20 1 Samuel 2:1-10	Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25	Mark 13:1-8
Sunday, November 25 Christ the King (or Reign of Christ)	2 Samuel 23:1-7 Psalm 132:1-12 (13-18)	Revelation 1:4b-8	John 18:33-37

Lectionary Readings for December

Sunday, December 2 1st Sunday of Advent	Jeremiah 33:14-16 Psalm 25:1-10	1 Thessalonians 3:9-13	Luke 21:25-36
Sunday, December 9 2nd Sunday of Advent	Malachi 3:1-4 Luke 1:68-79	Philippians 1:3-11	Luke 3:1-6
Sunday, December 16 3rd Sunday of Advent	Zephaniah 3:14-20 Isaiah 12:2-6	Philippians 4:4-7	Luke 3:7-18
Sunday, December 23 4th Sunday of Advent	Micah 5:2-5a Luke 1:46-55 or Psalm 80:1-7	Hebrews 10:5-10	Luke 1:39-45 (46-55)
Monday, December 24 Christmas Eve	Isaiah 9:2-7 Psalm 96:1-13	Titus 2:11-14	Luke 2:1-14 (15-20)
Tuesday, December 25 Nativity of the Lord / Christmas	<i>Christmas Dawn</i> Isaiah 62:6-12 Psalm 97:1-12	Titus 3:4-7	Luke 2:(1-7) 8-20
	<i>Christmas Day</i> Isaiah 52:7-10 Psalm 98:1-9	Hebrews 1:1-4 (5-12)	John 1:1-14
Sunday, December 30 1st Sunday after Christmas Day	1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26 Psalm 148	Colossians 3:12-17	Luke 2:41-52

A Little Church Humor

A country preacher decided to skip services one Sunday to spend the day hiking in the wilderness. Rounding a sharp bend in the trail, he collided with a bear and was sent tumbling down a steep grade. He landed on a rock and broke both legs.

With the ferocious bear charging at him from a distance, the preacher prayed, "O Lord, I'm so sorry for skipping services today. Please forgive me and grant me just one wish—make a Christian out of that bear that's coming at me!"

At that very instant, the bear skidded to a halt, fell to his knees, clasped his paws together, and began to pray aloud at the preacher's feet: "Dear God, please bless this food I am about to receive."

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A preacher was completing a temperance sermon. With great expression he said, "If I had all the beer in the world, I'd take it and throw it into the river!" The congregation nodded their approval. With even greater emphasis he added, "And if I had all the wine in the world, I'd take it and throw it into the river, too!" The people clapped and were saying "Amen." And then finally, he concluded, "And if I had all the whiskey in the world, I'd take it and throw it into the river!"

As he sat down, the song leader then stood up quite cautiously and announced, "For our closing song, let us sing Hymn #365: "Shall We Gather at the River."

November, 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<p>1</p> <p>All Saints Day</p> <p>11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Village Inn</p> <p>1:30 pm Parish Nursing Ministry Meeting</p> <p>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph</p> <p>3:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>2:00 pm St. George Chamber Singers Concert - Sanctuary</p>
<p>4</p> <p>Daylight Savings Time Ends – Fall Back! Soup Kitchen Sunday</p> <p>8:45 am Prayer Service</p> <p>9:00 am Adult Education</p> <p>10:30 am Communion Worship</p> <p>11:45 am Fellowship</p> <p>12:00 Noon CE Committee Meeting – Conklin Hall</p> <p>5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's</p>	<p>5</p> <p>1:00 pm Shawl Ministry</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9:30 am Calendar Coordinating Council Meeting</p> <p>11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I</p> <p>12:00 Noon Bell Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph</p>	<p>7</p> <p>11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble</p> <p>12:00 Noon Brown Bag Luncheon – Dr. David Grygla on Diabetes</p> <p>1:00 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision Group Meeting</p>	<p>8</p> <p>11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Village Inn</p> <p>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph</p> <p>3:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>9</p> <p>11:00 am Good Shepherd Women's Guild Meeting & Potluck- Conklin Hall</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10:00 am CROP Hunger Walk – Larkspur Park – Bloomington Hills</p>
<p>11</p> <p>Veteran's Day</p> <p>8:45 am Prayer Service</p> <p>9:00 am Adult Education</p> <p>10:30 am Worship</p> <p>11:45 am Fellowship</p> <p>11:45 am Blood Pressures Taken</p> <p>12:00 Noon Session Meeting</p> <p>5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's</p>	<p>12</p> <p>1:00 pm Shawl Ministry</p>	<p>13</p> <p>11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I</p> <p>12:00 Noon Bell Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph</p>	<p>14</p> <p>11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble</p> <p>12:00 Noon Soup & Fellowship – Russ Estlack on the 100th Anniversary of the end of World War I</p>	<p>15</p> <p>11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Village Inn</p> <p>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph</p> <p>3:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18</p> <p>Last Day to Return Operation Christmas Child Boxes</p> <p>8:45 am Prayer Service</p> <p>9:00 am Adult Education</p> <p>10:30 am Worship</p> <p>11:45 am Thanksgiving Brunch</p> <p>5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's</p>	<p>19</p> <p>1:00 pm Shawl Ministry</p>	<p>20</p> <p>11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I</p> <p>12:00 Noon Bell Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph</p> <p>7:00 pm Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service - Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church</p>	<p>21</p> <p>11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble</p> <p>1:00 pm Senior Ministries Card Party – Conklin Hall</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Thanksgiving Day</p> <p>11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Village Inn</p> <p>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph</p> <p>3:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Newsletter Deadline</p> <p>9:00 am Hanging of the Greens with Potluck Lunch</p>	<p>24</p> <p>9:00 am Hanging of the Greens with Potluck Lunch</p>
<p>25</p> <p>8:45 am Prayer Service</p> <p>9:00 am Adult Education</p> <p>10:30 am Worship</p> <p>11:45 am Fellowship</p> <p>12:00 Noon Worship Committee Meeting</p> <p>5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's</p>	<p>26</p> <p>1:00 pm Shawl Ministry</p>	<p>27</p> <p>11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I</p> <p>12:00 Noon Bell Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph</p> <p>5:45 pm Advent Potluck & Lesson – Conklin Hall</p>	<p>28</p> <p>11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble</p>	<p>29</p> <p>11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Village Inn</p> <p>3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph</p> <p>3:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>30</p>	

PLEASE NOTE:

This calendar is subject to change. Always check the church website gpscsg.org for the latest information.

Regularly Scheduled Activities

Soup Kitchen Sunday – Contributions of food, supplies and cash – 1st Sunday of each Month

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
Open 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	Starbuck's Café @ Barnes & Noble
Men's Bible Studies	Thursday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	Village Inn
Choir Rehearsals	Tuesday	12:00 Noon 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 expect to pay it off early), we will pay a total of \$241,831.80. We also have several major maintenance items over the next several years, totaling more than \$145,000, that need to be funded in addition to paying off the mortgage, meaning we need to raise a total of \$384,000.

Our first two campaigns produced \$195,063. Through September 23rd we have received pledges towards our third campaign totaling **\$54,100** and additional cash donations of **\$10,099** for a total of **\$259,262** or about **67.5%** of our new **\$384,000** goal.

Thanks to everyone who has made a pledge to the third campaign. If you haven't pledged, please prayerfully consider making a pledge to help us pay off the mortgage early and have sufficient funds to cover maintenance and make other improvements in the next three years.

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Class of 2018	Ruth Ann Horvath	922-5271	Clerk of Session
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	Judy Oar	702-241-6227	Senior Ministries
	Chris Schleiter	627-9048	Mission/Outreach
Class of 2019	Mary Contreras	673-9745	Worship
	Scott Florence	574-2383	Grounds
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Class of 2020	OPEN		Christian Ed
	OPEN		Building
	OPEN		Growth

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Green Valley	Adele Kinkel	632-6347
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Ivins	Althea Haworth	805-888-9014
Old St. George	Jeff Clingan	705-8692
Pine Valley	Susan Peters	922-1326
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