The Messenger

From the Pastor's Desk: Blessed By Giving

We are blessed by giving. In Malachi 3:10, God says, "Bring the while tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in My house, and test Me now in this, if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you a blessing until it overflows."

The purpose of the tithe is three fold:

• The tithe provides for the work of the Lord. The tithe not only took care of the temple; it also was used to meet the needs of the poor and disadvantaged. Before Social Security, the people looked to the church for help. In faithful giving, the church can reach more people with help and the good news.

• The tithe shows faithfulness to God. When you and I tithe, the Lord promises to bless us. He says, "Test me now in this...I will...pour out for you blessing." (Mal. 3:10) In the words of Charles Stanley, "He can make the ninety percent we have leftover stretch further than if we kept the ten percent due



Him."

The tithe is the proper way to honor God. The final purpose of the tithe is that it is an appropriate way to express our reverence for the Lord. We honor Him as God when we acknowledge all the blessings we have begin with Him.

As we approach stewardship Sunday on November 13^{th,} let us give generously to the work of the Lord.

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- November 6 Mark 12:41-44
- November 13 Stewardship Dedication 2 Corinthians 8:1-12
- November 20 Communion Luke 1:68-79
- November 27 First Sunday of Advent Matthew 24:36-44

Community Thanksgiving Worship

The Highland Presbyterian Church has invited Clen-Moore to their annual Thanksgiving worship service to be

held **Sunday, Novem**ber 20th at 6:00PM at Highland Presbyterian Church.



NOVEMBER 2016

Stewardship Sunday/ Congregational Meeting

November 13th is a big Sunday – We will celebrate Dedication Sunday by bringing our pledge cards to the worship service, followed by the annual congregational meeting to elect church officers.

Worship24 Schedule

November 12 th @6PM	Friend's and Family Dinner with com- munion
November 26th @6PM	Music, Message and Service project
December 10th @7PM	"Circle of Friends" Christmas Concert
December 24th @7PM	Traditional Christmas Eve Service

Handel's Messiah

The New Castle Music Club Chorus, Harry Cunningham, Director, will present Handel's Messiah **November 27th at 3pm** at Clen-Moore Presbyterian Church. Admission and parking are free. A free will offering will be collected to help defray production costs.

For more information, please visit NCMusicClubChorus.org.

Coffee House Manager

We are looking for a new Coffee House manager. Sandy Kelty has managed the coffee house faithfully for many years and will be "retiring" at the end of the year. The duties are seasonal decorations, purchasing the supplies, and stocking for Sunday.

If you are interested, please contact Rev. Weichman or Sandy Kelty.

Election Day Bake Sale

The Election Day bake sale is back and on **Tuesday, November 8th** at the church. We need donations of baked goods such as pies, cookies, brownies, fudge, bread, muffins, etc.

Please bring your baked goods to the church on Monday, November 7th during office hours or on the morning of the sale before 8:00AM. If possible, having your baked goods prewrapped and ready for sale is greatly appreciated.

Everyone is welcome to come and check out what we have for sale and make a purchase. We will all need some comfort food after this election!

All proceeds go to KFC & Flip-Side youth activities, especially mission trips and retreats.



C.2G.S. - In Jr/Sr High Sunday School, we continue our study on eschatology, Revelation, and other related Bible passages and terms.

FlipSide/K.F.C.

Sunday, Nov. 6th - A youth mission/service project is in the plans for this Sunday...stay tuned and check your local listings for more details.

Tuesday, Nov. 8th - ELEC-TION DAY BAKE SALE YOUTH FUNDRAISER!

Sunday, Nov. 20th - "Family Turkey Bowling and Dinner." We will gather together in Fellowship Hall for a family dinner at 4:30 PM followed by a healthy competition between youth and their parents in a good old-fashioned game of Turkey Bowling. The evening will conclude around 7:00 PM. All students' immediate families are welcome.

Don't forget our pop bottle explosion extravaganza to conclude the night, so bring a coat!

Health Ministry

Dates to Remember:

November 15 - blood pressure screening at PrimeTimer's meeting at 9:00am in the church chapel area.

November 20 - blood pressure screening during the church breakfast at 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall.

November 20, - Health Ministry Committee meeting in the church library following the worship service.

Health Note: November is American Diabetes Month. Diabetes is one of the leading causes of disability and death in the United States. It can cause blindness, nerve damage, kidney disease, and other health problems if not controlled.

One in 11 Americans have diabetes - that is more than 29 million people! Another 86 million adults in the United States are at high risk of developing Type 2 Diabetes.

The good news? People who are at high risk for Type 2 diabetes can lower their risk by more than half if they make healthy changes. These changes include: eating healthy, increasing physical activity, and losing weight.



How can American Diabetes Month make a difference? Let's use this month to raise awareness about diabetes risk factors and encourage people to make healthy changes in their lifestyles, such as nutrition, exercise, and stress reduction.

(Taken from "The Faith Connection," October 2016)

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What's Happening at Clen-Moore

- Look for different offering envelopes. They are designed to allow the individual to put in the date so that people will be able to use them each Sunday, or once a month as their giving dictates.
- All Session committees are working on budget for next year.
- The committee for Vacation Bible School is beginning to look at what they want to do

In Memoriam

- John C. Grieve (son of John Grieve) on September 25, 2016.
- A gift in memory of John C. Grieve was given by Cindy & Smokey Garvin.



for next summer. If you would like to help, please let them know. There will be a need for many volunteers to help.

- We will be having two Communions in November: during Worship24 on November 12 with a dinner and time of fellowship, and the regular Communion Sunday, November 20.
- Please remember to ask any Session member if you have questions or want to make a comment. We are here for you and the church and we are trying to be good stewards and missionaries for God.

Daily Bible Readings

- 1. Lamentations 1, 2; Proverbs 31:10-31; Revelation 4
- 2. Lam. 3; Rev. 5
- 3. Lam. 4, 5; Rev. 6
- 4. Daniel 1, 2; Rev. 7
- 5. Dan. 3, 4; Rev. 8
- 6. Ezekiel 33, 34; Rev. 9
- 7. Eze. 35, 36; Rev. 10
- 8. Eze. 37, 38; Rev. 11:1-14
- 9. Eze. 39, 40; Rev. 11:15-19
- 10. Eze. 41, 42; Rev. 12
- 11. Eze. 43. 44; Rev. 13
- 12. Eze. 45, 46; Rev. 14
- 13. Eze. 47, 48; Rev. 15
- 14. Dan. 5, 6; Rev. 16
- 15. Dan. 7, 8; Rev. 17
- 16. Dan. 9, 10; Rev. 18
- 17. Dan. 11, 12; Rev. 19
- 18. 2 Chronicles 36:22-23;
 Ps. 137; Ezra 1-3
 19. Ezra 5:1-2: Haggai 1:1-
- 19. Ezra 5:1-2; Haggai 1:1-



- 15; Ezra 4:1-5; Hag. 2:1-9; Rev. 20
- 20. Zechariah 1:1-6; Hag. 2:10-23; Rev. 21
- 21. Ezra 5:3-6:14; Rev. 22
- 22. Zech. 1:7-6:8
- 23. Zech. 6:9-15, 7, 8; Ezra 6:15-22, Ps. 111, 112, 96
- 24. Ps. 100, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118
- 25. Zech. 9-14
- 26. Esther 1-3; Matthew 1
- 27. Est. 4-6; Matt. 2
- 28. Est. 7-10; Matt. 3
- 29. Ezra 7, 8; Matt. 4; Ps. 91
- 30. Ezra 9, 10; Matt. 5:1-26

A Decade After Amish School Shooting, Gunman's Mother Talks Of Forgiveness

Ten years ago, a gunman barricaded himself inside a one-room Amish schoolhouse near Lancaster, Pa. Then he opened fire.

Charles "Charlie" Roberts killed five children and injured five others before killing himself.

The Amish community responded in a way that many found surprising: They forgave the shooter. And, in the years since, they have grown close to his family.

"I will never face my Amish neighbors again"

"As I turned on the radio on the way there, the newscaster was reporting that there had been a shooting at the local Amish schoolhouse," Terri Roberts tells her friend Delores Hayford during a recent visit to StoryCorps.

"By that time I was at my son's home, and I saw my husband and the state trooper standing right in front of me as I pulled in," she continues. "And I looked at my husband, he said, 'It was Charlie.' He said, 'I will never face my Amish neighbors again.' "

That week, the Robertses had a private funeral for their son, but as they went to the gravesite, they saw as many as 40 Amish start coming out from around the side of the



Terri Roberts at her home in Strasburg, PA, a neighboring Amish farm in the distance behind her.

graveyard, surrounding them like a crescent.

"Love just emanated from them," Terri says. "I do recall the fathers saying, 'I believe that I have forgiven,' but there are some days when I question that."

Terri finds it especially hard to accept that forgiveness when she thinks of one of the survivors, Rosanna.

"Rosanna's the most injured of the survivors," she explains. "Her injuries were to her head. She is now 15, still tube-fed and in a wheelchair. And she does have seizures, and when it gets to be this time of year, as we get closer to the anniversary date, she seizes more. And it's certainly not the life that this little girl should have lived."

Terri asked if it would be possible for her to help with Rosanna once a week. "I read to her, I bathe her, dry her hair," says Terri, who herself is battling cancer.

And, while she can't say it with 100 percent certainty, Terri believes Rosanna knows who she is.

"I just sense that she does know," she says.

"A healing balm"

"I will never forget the devastation caused by my son," says the 65-year-old Terri. "But one of the fathers the other night, he said, 'None of us would have ever chosen this. But the relationships that we have built through it, you can't put a price on that.' "

"And their choice to allow life to move forward was quite a healing balm for us," she says. "And I think it's a message the world needs."

(From NPR Morning Edition; September 30, 2016)

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THE SESSION

Rev. Chris Weichman, Moderator Gail Keffer, Clerk of Session

2018

Barbara Harper Sue McKissick Tom Rapp Gale Measel Margy Turner

2018

John Purdy Dave Kerr Sarah Esposito John Caparoula Becky Reese

2017

Debbie Book Jen Conrad Tom Mansell Don Nicolls Seth Plyler

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Clarence Jenkins John Karmecy Gail Keffer Janice McConnell Nancy Natale

2016

Nancy Book Jackie Bush Gene DeCaprio Eleanor McConahy

October Mission Disbursements

\$2,000 - Lawrence County Youth Ministry

Messenger Memo



The deadline to submit articles for the December *Messenger* is Mon-

day, November 7.

Sign up to receive *The Messenger* via email; go to ClenMoore.org/newsletter.

October Helpers

Hospital Visitation Elders

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Deacons of the Month

Barb Richards, Becky Reese Van Driver

If you desire transportation to worship this month, please call the church office at (724) 654-6657 before 4:30pm on Friday.

	November 2016								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
		1 9:30AM Prime Timers, Parlor 7PM Buildings & Grounds, Parlor	2	3 6PM Christian Ed., Library 6PM Handbell Rehearsal 7PM Choir Re- hearsal	4	5			
6 10:30AM Worship 11:45AM Meat- loaf Dinner, Fel- lowship Hall 11:45AM Dea- cons, Library	7 5:45PM BBBS <i>Messenger</i> Deadline	8 8:00AM Elec- tion Day Bake Sale 9:30AM Prime Timers, Parlor 6PM Mission & Evangelism, Conf. Room 7PM Steward- ship & Fi- nance, Library	9 5PM Worship & Music, Li- brary	10 6PM Handbell Rehearsal 7PM Choir Re- hearsal	11	12 6:00PM Worship24			
13	14	15	16	17	18	19			
STEWARD- SHIP SUNDAY 10:30AM Worship 11:45AM Congre- gational Meeting		9AM BP Screening, Par- lor 9:30AM Prime Timers, Parlor 7PM Session, Parlor		6PM Handbell Rehearsal 7PM Choir Re- hearsal					
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8:30AM Fellow- ship Breakfast & BP Screening 10:30AM Worship 6:00PM Commu- nity Thanksgiving Worship, High- land Presbyterian	5:45PM BBBS	9:30AM Prime Timers, Parlor		THANKSGIV- ING DAY Church Office Closed	Church Office Closed	6:00PM Worship24			
27	28	29	30						
1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 10:30AM Worship 3:00AM Handel's Messiah									

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Christmas Poinsettias

Clen-Moore is once again offering poinsettias for purchase during the Christmas season.

The deadline to place an order is **Monday**, **December 5th.** Cost is



\$9.50 per plant; payment is due with your order.

Order forms will be printed in the

November bulletins, or you may call the Church Office: (724) 654-6657.