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Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for humanity, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things. - Psalms 107:8-9

I have never been a huge fan of the month of November. The last vestiges of summer have gone. The flowers in our garden – the ones we enjoyed all summer, are all brown and shriveled. Autumn's brilliance has faded leaving us with piles of dead, colorless leaves, and the days are getting shorter and colder.

Yet, right at the end of this gloomy month lies Thanksgiving. Perhaps these dreary surroundings prompt us to reflect on the previous months and underscore all the blessings we have been given. For some, Thanksgiving triggers panic as it marks the beginning of the Christmas season. However, this should also be a time to reflect about how God blessed you this past year and give thanks for his unfailing love.

This past year brought big changes and some challenges as we bid our beloved Pastor a happy and well-deserved retirement. As we move forward, I give thanks for the Session, Deacons, and our amazing Secretary for all the extra duties they have taken on to keep our Church operations running so smoothly. I give thanks each week our pulpit is filled, and I have enjoyed the guest pastors and the different perspectives they bring. I give thanks for our many missions that continue to impact those in our community, and I give thanks that the congregation has remained steadfast during this time of transition.

Speaking of transition, our current number one project is finding an Interim Pastor. At the very least, this process has been challenging. It involves a committee, (who has been charged to do their work confidentially), and an equally challenging computer model we must use to attract candidates. (Like many of our congregants – computers are NOT my friend!) Just to give a little perspective, the process involves creating a profile that describes our church, etc. The profile is entered into a database. The database then matches our profile with those seeking Interim Pastor positions. (Think computer dating.) If a match is made, we are notified and if the committee likes the resume, we can invite the match to respond. If the match responds, we set up an interview. If the interview goes well, the committee then notifies Presbytery who does a background check and lets the committee know if they can proceed. We have been told this process can take a while, and currently there are not a lot of Interim Pastors seeking positions. To date, we have conducted several interviews and are pursuing several other matches. Please pray for this committee as they continue in their diligence.

December marks the one hundredth anniversary of our sanctuary. Built in 1925, the building replaced the chapel which now serves as our Family Life Center. I think of all the families who occupied the pews before us and give thanks for their unwavering faith and dedication that brought us here today. I remain proud of our past and am excited for what the future holds.

Al Murray

November Sundays

November 2- Communion, Deacons after worship

November 9- Stewardship Sunday

November 16- Pledge Sunday, Coffee Hour

November 23- Christ the King Sunday, Hymn Requests

November 30- Hanging of the Greens
Decorate for Advent after worship

CROP Walk

Thank you to all who walked, sponsored and/or prayed around the CROP Walk again this year. You can still donate online at <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/team/logan-memorial-presbyterian-church->



audubon. And, of course, continue to pray for those with hunger related needs.

Hanging of the Greens

Our Hanging of the Greens service will take place on Sunday, November 30. If you would like to do a reading for the service, please contact Betsy O'Hara.

Leaders

Deacons- Meet after worship on November 2

Session- Meets Wednesday evening
November 12 at 7pm

Worship and Music

Our transition continues forward as our Interim pastoral search continues. We are covered for most of the rest of October, November, and December with supply pastors and I recently contacted many of them again to check their availability for January and February. I have received positive responses from a few of those.

We pray for patience for our nominating committee, and for your understanding as we travel down this road. It has been illuminating to hear from many of the pastors/elders and appreciate their willingness to help keep Logan thriving. Again, as difficult this time is, it is invaluable to be exposed to so many different preaching styles and messages, which can help inform the type of leader we are searching for.

Plans for some combined holiday services continue and the Hanging of the Greens service will be held 11/30.

Continued thanks to all those who do so much to continue God's mission for us and all the little things you do just because you care.

Blessings,
Betsy O'Hara



Why not sing with the Choir this Advent? It will bless your Christmas and be a blessing for those who come to worship. We normally rehearse Wednesday evenings and Sundays before worship but sometimes in Advent we have some Thursday afternoon rehearsals. See Bill Braun.

Thrift Store

The Thrift Store will be open on Saturday, November 1 and Saturday, November 15. Times are 9am till noon.

On November 1, the Christmas Store will be open with lots of holiday items: cards, ornaments, clothes, linens, dishes and more. Be sure to check it out. Payment again will be by donation so please be generous with your donation.

Many very nice winter coats are available for purchase now. Coats for men and women are \$5.00 each.

We are only accepting children's clothing at this time so please do not donate any clothing for adults until further notice. We are overwhelmed with the amount of clothing we have received.

We can really use two or more volunteers to work in the store on Saturday mornings especially in November and December when some of our regular workers will be in the Christmas Store. Let me know if you'd like to part of this very worthy activity.

In His Name,
Sandy Bowen

Zoom Links and Meeting IDs

The **passcode** for Zoom will always be **Logan** with a capital "L"

Worship: Each Sunday Morning 11:00

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87158064621?pwd=eGNHU0ZncmhFb1V0ZzhIbUkvc1VMdz09>

Livestream on YouTube:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2G_il-p0wlw

Flowers for the Chancel

Check your calendars and call Lesley in the office (856-547-5571) with the date and dedication you desire. Feel free to leave a message on the phone machine after hours. Cost is now \$20 for each flower arrangement this year.

November Birthdays and Anniversaries

1	Mary Ellen Small	
4	Katelyn Griffith	
5	Hannah DeFrates	
7	Charles (Kim) and Betsy O'Hara	❤
9	Joan DeFrates Suellen Hancock	
16	Samuel Bunnell	
22	Bill Braun Michelle Giambri	
23	Gary Knoettner	
24	Chris and Dianne Geissler	❤
25	Allison Szkotak Peter and MaryEllen Small	❤
29	Carol Nygren	



November Mission Moments

What are your thoughts when you think of the month of November? For most of us, they probably include celebrating Thanksgiving by sharing our homes with food and family. November usually also includes thoughts of colder temperatures as well as a time to begin preparing for Christmas.

This month is also the time of year in which we can begin to really try to make a difference in our own community whose thoughts turn to their only need because they are homeless and have nowhere to sleep tonight.

Logan has been privileged to support Joseph's House in Camden for several years as they are still the **ONLY** homeless shelter in Camden that is open 24-7 and they remain an empowering source of hope for those experiencing tough times.

There are two ways for you to help support Joseph's House this month.

Option 1 – Adopt-A-Cot: The cost of adopting one cot is \$50 and provides a safe place to sleep, two meals, shower and laundry facilities, and personal hygiene supplies. Most importantly, guests are connected to life-changing programs to assist them in their journey out of homelessness and onto self-sufficiency. Please use the designated envelopes that will be in the bulletins this month. **Remember:** **No donation is too small to help Joseph's House in this program.**

Option 2 –

Donating Items: We'll be collecting the following: 1. Hand Warmers, 2. Toe Warmers, 3. Toothpaste (regular size please), 4. Ivory Bar Soap (Original Scent, 4 oz), 5. Hand Lotions, Body Lotions, Shampoos, Deodorants, etc. (travel or mini size please) Please use the designated box in the mission area to donate these items.



MISSION UPDATES

October—CROP Hunger Walk: What a beautiful day for the walk!! Special thanks to Ruth Gamble for providing individual bags of bottles of water, an apple, and a granola bar for the walkers to enjoy. A total amount collected will be provided soon. Thank you to **ALL** who participated, donated, and most importantly prayed to help Church World Service end hunger one step at a time.



September—Logan's Emergency Food Shelf and Ronald McDonald House Aluminum Tabs: The emergency food shelf box was consolidated into 2 very large boxes and contained several requested items by patrons, such as 15 boxes of cereal, 5 boxes of granola bars, and macaroni & cheese boxes among other nonperishable food items. In addition, the Aluminum Tabs collection bottle located in the mission area saw a large increase due to your donations.

As always, may God bless you for helping to support Logan's missions!!- Lori Corker



THE MIST AND ALL

Dixie Willson

I like the fall,
The mist and all.
I like the night owl's
Lonely call –
And wailing sound
Of wind around.,

I like the gray
November day,
And bare, dead boughts
That coldly sway
Against my pane.
I like the rain.

I like to sit
And laugh at it –
And tend
My cozy fire a bit.
I like the fall –
The mist and all.



NOVEMBER 2025



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Thrift Store 9:00 - noon
2  <i>Communion</i> Choir 10:30 Worship 11:00 Deacons Mtg.	3	4 Thrift Store Workers 9:00 – noon	5 Thrift Store Workers 9:00 - noon Choir 6:30 p.m.	6	7 Cards	8
9 Choir 10:30 Worship 11:00 <i>Stewardship Sunday</i>	10 	11 Thrift Store Workers 9:00 - noon	12 Thrift Store Workers 9:00 – noon Choir 6:30 p.m. Session 7:00 pm	13	14	15 Thrift Store 9:00 - noon
16 Choir 10:30 Worship 11:00 <i>Coffee Hour</i> <i>Pledge Sunday</i>	17 Deadline for December Newsletter Articles	18 Thrift Store Workers 9:00 - noon	19 Thrift Store Workers 9:00 – noon Choir 6:30 p.m.	20	21 Cards	22
23 Choir 10:30 Worship 11:00 Worship 11:00 <i>Decorate Church for Advent</i> 30	24	25 Thrift Store Workers 9:00 – noon	26 Thrift Store Workers 9:00-noon	27  <i>Thanksgiving</i>	28	29