

# Opportunities

**Stewardship Season is here! - This October**, we pause to take stock of all the wondrous blessings we have in life and the one true source of all we have been given, God. The theme for this year is Giving Our Gifts – Time, Talent, and Treasure. Two pledge cards have been mailed to you, one for Time and Talent, and the other for financials. Please consider the many ways you can contribute your time and talents, and your treasures. Your pledge cards can be mailed/returned to the church, dropped in the offering plate, or dedicated to God on **Sunday, October 22**. We acknowledge that God is the source of all our blessings. We respond with joy and thanksgiving by giving back a portion of all that we have been given.

**Youth Group** - All youth grades 6-12 are invited to share some fun and fellowship at PPC Youth Group **today from 5 pm - 7 pm in the fellowship hall**. Bring dinner if you like and leave cell phones/devices off or at home. Youth Group members are also invited to a **FIELD TRIP to the Corn Maze** at Mt Pleasant Farms on **Sunday, October 29**. We will meet from 3:00 pm-5:30 pm on that day. Permission slips will be distributed at youth group prior or contact Ashley for a slip if you will attend. You must RSVP no later than October 23 so we can purchase the correct number of tickets. **Ashley Schroeder 757-270-4476** or **ashdogger@Me.com** for questions.

**Workcamp 2024** - There will be a meeting **today immediately following worship** in the media room to register. Please bring your deposit of \$50 to register and discuss the trip. We are scheduled to go to **Frederick, MD, June 16-22 2024**. Any questions please contact **Kevin Daley (757) 572-3977** or email **kdaley7203@cox.net**.

**Family Fusion** - You are invited to join us **today in the parlor at 12:30 pm**. We believe when families make time for faith, fellowship, and fun, everything changes! Life becomes less stressful, relationships grow, and Christ's community strengthens. For more information, please contact **Karen & Rick Moore** at **karenmoore16@aol.com**.

**The Prayer Shawl Ministry** - will have a meeting on **Tuesday, October 17, 1:00 – 3:00 pm in the Parlor**. Bring your current project to work on while we visit. Or just come to visit and see what we are about. We will discuss current status on completed prayer shawls and baby hats. Feel free to invite a friend! For questions contact **Deanne Shuman at (757) 373-0927** or **Deanne.shuman@gmail.com**

**Youth and Parents** - We are planning a confirmation class to be held after Christmas for anyone 8th grade or older. If you or your child would like to learn more about this process or explore this possibility, please join us for lunch and information on **Sunday, October 22**, in the parlor following worship. Sign up on the bulletin board or through the church office. For any questions, please see Libby.

**Fellowship Fall Fest** - On **Sunday, October 29** you are welcome to join us in the fellowship hall following worship. Fellowship will provide and serve a menu of soups, in celebration of the cooler days of autumn. We are asking that you bring a fall dessert to share. You may rsvp via the sign up sheet at the church or online. For more information, please contact Chris Bauman at **cbauman@alumni.psu.edu**.

**Massanetta Springs Special Offering** - Over the next few months, we will be collecting a special offering for Massanetta Springs Camp and Conference Center in Harrisonburg, VA. Throughout the years, many of our members have attended conferences there for youth, men, women, and musicians, and many hold dear memories of time spent there. Massanetta is building a new, modern lodge to house guests and update their facilities. All money collected for this offering will go to support their ongoing capital campaign. If you would like to contribute, please clearly mark your gift for Massanetta offering.

**Need a Hand, Lend a Hand** - The Congregational Care Committee announces the Need a Hand, Lend a Hand ministry. This new ministry allows us to share our time, talents, and treasures with one another. Check out the Congregational Care bulletin board if you need a hand or can lend a hand to someone in our church family. For more information, please contact **Lee Ann Armbruster** or **Nancy Lindgren**.

**Prayer Ministry** - Providence is blessed to have a faithful group of praying folks who meet via Zoom on **Monday mornings at 8:30 am** for 40 minutes each week - We pray for our church, our pastor, our session, our paid staff and volunteers and our church family. We pray for the prayer requests submitted on Sundays and emails and phone calls that come in throughout the week. Matthew 7:7 Jesus instructs us to "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." James 4:2 admonishes us "You do not have because you do not ask God." Scripture tells us that God wants to hear our prayers, He listens and He answers. We would love for you to join us in this ministry and we would also love to hear of answers to prayers that we have lifted for you! If you have a story you would like to share, please email Connie Salter at **seasaltcpa@cox.net**

**gotsneakers? 2024** - PPC Youth Group invites the congregation to donate used sneakers in the boxes in the narthex and back foyer for recycling and fundraising. Last year we collected 235 pairs. This year we are up to 22 pairs so please keep them coming! Go to **"gotsneakers.com"** or ask a youth for more info!

# Today

## **Sunday, October 15**

9:30 am - Discipleship  
10:30 am - Choir Warm Up  
11:00 am - Worship  
11:15 am - Enrichment  
12:00 pm - Fellowship  
12:00 pm - Workcamp meeting  
12:30 pm - Family Fusion  
2:00 pm - PEVA Listening Session  
5:00 pm - Youth Group

## **This Week**

### **Tuesday, October 17**

1:00 pm - Prayer Shawl Ministry  
7:00 pm - Bells of Providence

### **Wednesday, October 18**

7:00 pm - Chancel Choir

### **Thursday, October 19**

6:30 pm - Care Team meeting

### **Sunday, October 22**

9:00 am - Merry Bells  
9:30 am - Discipleship  
10:30 am - Choir Warm Up  
11:00 am - Worship  
11:15 am - Enrichment  
12:00 pm - Confirmation Luncheon  
12:15 pm - PWCT Meeting  
5:00 pm - Youth Group

## **Weekly Joys and Concerns**

*We lift up in prayer this week*

## **Within our church family**


Richard Hickman  
Our homebound and elderly members  
The ongoing work of our vision team

## **We celebrate**

The congregational response to our vision team questionnaire  
Our work with Rise Against Hunger  
New members joining our church  
Celebrating our gifts during stewardship season

## **Our community and our world**

For peace and resolution in Israel and Palestine  
International Missionaries  
Nations at war  
Our military, especially those currently deployed



*The flowers that grace our  
sanctuary today  
are given to the glory of God  
by Cecilia Daley  
in celebration of  
Kevin Daley's birthday.*

