

FRANKLIN PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

The Park Bench

FROM OUR CHURCH COUNCIL :

The Church Council will handle the pulpit search. We are currently beginning our first step in the search process. If anyone has questions regarding the process, feel free to ask one of the council members. Council will keep the congregation informed as to how the process is going.

Members of the 2018 Council are :

*Paul Merriman - Chair
Scott Cunningham
Jane Myers
Sandy McGinnis
Nancy McNaughton
Christy Nichols
Rick Raraigh*

Please keep us in prayer as we go through this process.

We have called Pastor Jan to be our interim through December and possibly longer.

Our All-church Thanksgiving Lunch
Will be on Sunday, November 11 after the worship service. The service committee will provide the turkey, potatoes and gravy. You are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to complete the meal.



EVERYONE IS INVITED

We benefit, as a church, from these ongoing projects :

- *AmazonSmile (when ordering)*
- *Aluminum cans / items*
- *Scrip gift cards*
- *Sir Pizza Fund Raiser Day*
- *Used greeting / Christmas cards*
- *Spring Rummage / Bake Sale*

Prayer Requests, Concerns and Praises:**November, 2018**

- ^ **Tim Benson**, friend of the John Cress family, was hospitalized in ICU for breathing and blood pressure issues. Tim sang “How Great Thou Art” at John’s memorial service. He is doing better and is hoping to be home in a few days.
- ^ **Dan Douglass** had some health issues and he is now doing better.
- ^ **John Flinchum** was hospitalized for tests and evaluation and is now home.
- ^ **Erik Kolodziej’s mom** had surgery postponed due to issues with her heart. Erik asks that we keep his parents in our prayers as they deal with health concerns for them both.
- ^ **Karen Ott’s father**, 80, continues to be evaluated for bleeding issues following open heart surgery. Karen and the family thank everyone for their calls, concerns, cards and support during this strenuous, exhausting time.
- ^ **Keep in prayer our church family** as we go forward in the search for a new spiritual leader for our congregation.

Those Who Have Lost Loved Ones: **The McGinnis family** asks for prayers during their time of loss as Eddie's mom passed October 12th at 93 years old. We extend our sincere sympathy to Eddie, Sandy and their family.

Prayer for all the policeman and first responders who are in danger as they are out there doing their job. Especially Shawn McNaughton who is a member of this church family and works in Cecil Township.

Continued Concern For: The Frazier Family, Jane Nagel, Dave Bell, Matthew Valente, The Scott family, George Kriever, Doug Wolford, Lois Titus, Lauren Slick, Jen Ott Shearer, Jeremy Styron, Mary Glassburn, Katie Jones, Tim McCrory, Edith Yockel, Christians around the world who are being persecuted.

Those With Cancer: Bill Smith, Katelyn Francis, Rich Necter, Tom Duffola, Matt O’Leary. Mary Ann Yoder.

Missionaries : Becky and Larry Stanton (Hungary); Peter and Sarah McCurdy (Dominican Republic / Cuba); Carol Sydnor (Nepal); Nora and Pieter Kalkman (Prague, Czech Republic}, Brian and Lynette Smith & their boys (Haiti). Valerie and Aaron Osterbrock (East Malaysia), Ted Parks (Phoenix, AZ).

In Service of Our Country : Major Doug Bauer, his wife Hope and children, Walker & Mackenzie in North Dakota.

*Worship Service Greeters
for November*

November 4

Gordon and Sandy Bonham

November 11

Marion Wolbert

November 18

Margaret and Dave Kelly

November 25

Ron and Marlene Merriman



The Guiding Lights Women's Group invites you to help decorate the church for the Christmas Season. The Sunday after Thanksgiving, November 25 following the worship service we will join together to prepare our building as we celebrate the upcoming Birth of Jesus.

Pizza will be enjoyed for those who stay and help. Mark your calendar for a time of fellowship and adorning our building for Christ's birth !



We are collecting food for the Mount Nebo Food Pantry until November 18. A basket is in the back of the sanctuary for your non-perishable food and paper products.

November 9 - 11

Mission Group return trip to Grafton, WV to winterize the house they worked on this summer. If you want to have a mini view of what a week-long summer mission trip involves - this is a good example. Talk to Ralph Whipple for more details, leaving time and travel arrangements.

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or 412-719-9307

Honor our veterans

Veterans Day, which is November 11 each year, is a holiday to honor America's veterans for their patriotism and willingness to serve and sacrifice for our nation's common good.

Christians follow the Prince of Peace, so war is a dilemma that often challenges people of faith. Some Christians are pacifists, while others believe in a "just war." Many believe that the goals of freedom, justice, equality and democracy are worth the cost required.

Whatever individual Christians decide about any given conflict, most Christians believe that men and women who strive to make this world free of tyrants are to be respected. As Winston Churchill said, "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few."

Thank you to all the men and women who served or are now serving our country.





and Anniversary

- 4 Shelley Maxwell Lee
- 5 DOROTHY & ED CRESS
- 9 Shawn McKenna
- 10 Dale Nagel, Jr. (his 63rd !)
- 11 Jane Nagel (her 94 th !)
- 11 Cindy Merriman
- 12 Jenny English
- 17 Sally Cunningham



Little Word, Big Difference

God says to give thanks in everything. That doesn't mean you need to give thanks for everything. You don't need to give thanks for that bad day. Or for that bad relationship. Or being passed over at work. Financial hardship. Whatever it is – you are not to give thanks for the difficulties but rather in the difficulties.

That is a very important distinction, and one I think we often miss. Giving thanks in everything shows a heart of faith that God is bigger than the difficulties and that he can use them, if you approach him with the right heart and spirit, for your good and his glory.

-Tony Evans

Little Hill Church invites you to a Soup and Salad Meal on Election Day

Tuesday, November 6

from 4 - 7 p.m.

at their church on

2350 Magee Road Extension.

Cost is \$10.00



Special dates

- All Saints' Day, November 1, 2018
- Daylight-Saving Time ends, November 4, 2018
- Veterans Day, November 11, 2018
- Thanksgiving Day, November 22, 2018
- Christ the King Sunday, November 25, 2018

Our denomination puts out a newsletter "Notes and News" for all the area churches each month. Ministries are highlighted and missions are acknowledged. You can view this publication by going to

www.ABCOPAD.org

(American Baptist Churches of Pennsylvania and Delaware)

to see what is going on in our region.

Puzzle!

Use the music code to find the words for this familiar song of thanks.

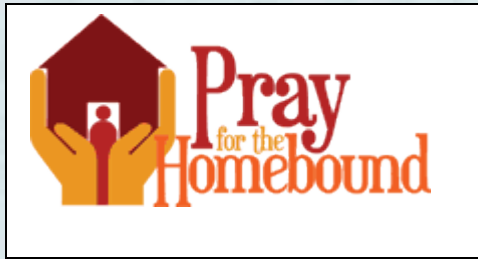
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Challenge: What do we commonly call this song?

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him
 all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly
 host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.; The
 Doxology



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<p>Gloria Meinert 2915 Salisbury Court Wexford, PA. 15090</p>	<p>Jean Downing</p>	<p>Mrs. Eleanor Mooney 221 Chickasaw Avenue Pittsburgh, PA. 15237</p>

Sir Pizza Fund Raiser Day - Wednesday, November 14
 at the Wexford Location from 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.

NO COUPON NEEDED

just be sure to tell them you are with the Franklin Park Baptist Church when you order.

Eat in or take-out is welcome.

You can view their menu - Google "Sir Pizza menu"



Proceeds benefit the Summer Mission Trip 2019