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Beth Lewis, CEO of 1517 Media, blogged about a favorite holiday tradition: inviting over people who'd otherwise be alone. Her grandchildren prepared hand-made place cards, wrapped small gifts for the guests and helped cook the meal.

Then one year, Thanksgiving happened to coincide with a cross-country move for Grandma and Grandpa. Chaos and stress almost buried the tradition – until Lewis's 9-year-old granddaughter asked nonchalantly, "Who's joining us for dinner this year?"

Lewis writes: "In the busyness of moving, it hadn't even occurred to me. But, for her, it is simply what our family does!" So they extended some invitations, ate on paper plates among moving boxes and had a joyous time. Lewis was proud of her granddaughter for the reminder that hospitality is a value worth practicing and modeling – and even turning into a holiday tradition!



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| 3 Mary Franz | 4 Tasha Huber | 9 Vicky Gruber |
| 14 Stacey Butcher | 17 April Freed | 21 Tom Schooler |
| Sarah Young | | |
| Lynda Ream | | 26 Mary Holobaugh |



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| 18 Jason & Charlene Butcher | 28 John & Sherry Torrens |
| 30 Todd & Laura Salome | |



It's been 100 years since the end of World War I (1914-1918) and the Moundbuilders Post 1060 of Veterans of Foreign Wars is proud to support the World War I Remembrance "Bells of Peace." This important celebration allows us to show remembrance for all of those who served and sacrificed in the war that changed the world. To show support for this event, we are calling on all Americans to toll bells on **November 11, 2018 (Veteran's Day)** at 11:00 a.m. local time to commemorate the end of the war.

From
the
Pastor



Thanks to all who worked so hard and diligently to make this a special year of celebration. The Israelites celebrated every fifty years called The Year of Jubilee. Huge celebrations occurred everywhere that lasted for weeks. Leviticus 25:8: Count off seven years of sabbaths times seven years of sabbaths you have forty-nine years. Then on the tenth day of the seventh month sound the trumpet through out the land. This is the Day of Atonement, consecrate the fiftieth year and proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants.

The people are told not to plant the fields or vineyards but to depend on God to supply all their needs from the land and to return the land to the original clans of ownership.

Follow my decrees and be careful to obey my laws and you will live safely in the land. I will supply your food in the sixth year enough to last three years.

There is something in here for us "to trust God." After 200 years or four jubilee years we are poised to receive a blessing from God. In the coming year we should look to God to supply the needs of the church and His people. We are told to lean on God in a time of need but also in a time of celebration. The year is coming to an end and a new one to begin. Lets learn to trust the one who creates and supplies. Lets trust God and be blessed.

Pastor Terry

Please Pray For:



Rod & Debra Hornsby
Margaret & Lynn Fawcett
Ray & JoAnn McCann
Bonnie Oral
Bob Shaw
The Bline, Evans & Hale Families

Viola Wilson
Mary Holobaugh
Walter Martin
Kay Byard
Amy Jo Fogle

Ruth Cashdollar
Judy
Walter Sandel
Lora Freed
Steve Veyon

Carter & The Morrison Family

The Families of Anita Bennett, Jack Dawson, Tina Marshall, Mary Morrison, Velma Glancy, Rick Eagleston and Mary Helen Johns.



Thank you, everyone, for your heartfelt prayers and cards. God has blessed me with his healing. He hears our prayers.

Also, I want to thank Holly Booth and Vicky & Tonya Gruber for all their help in organizing the church history albums. It was wonderful to see the albums during the 200th year celebration.

Again, thank all of you for the continued support and friendship. The last 43 years as a church member has brought me much love and happiness.

With love,
Jo Ann Beever



November 22

On the week-end of October 6 & 7 we completed our 200th year celebration of our church. On the 6th we had a catered dinner and a short program showing pictures of passed happenings. Following the program we went to the sanctuary and had the following picture taken. Pictures of our passed history were also shown at the worship service on the 7th along with having communion. Thank you to all the people that made this year a special one for our church and we ask God to help us have many more years of ministry.





On October 25, treats were passed out to children during Utica's Treat Night. Church flyers and spiritual booklets were also passed out to adults.



“Looking back over a lifetime, you see that love was the answer to everything.” —Ray Bradbury



Tuesday, November 6, 13, 20 & 27

1:00 p.m.

in our church dining hall

We are in the process of making quilts for the foster children at the House of New Hope in St. Louisville. We are always looking for more helpers, so come and join us.



Sunday, November 11
12:30

Ladies Luncheon
November 14 11:30
at
Watts Restaurant in Utica



PW 101.7 We Celebrate Our History



In 2018, we celebrate the 30th anniversary of Presbyterian Women. Of course, women of the church have been active and faithful for generations. In fact, the first Presbyterian women’s organization began in the early 19th century. Today’s PW “came to be” when Women of the Church (WOC) (the women’s organization of the PCUSA or “southern stream” of the church) and United Presbyterian Women (UPW) (the women’s organization of the UPCNA, or “northern stream”) united in 1988 after much discernment, prayer and intentional engagement. Legacies from our predecessor organizations include the Birthday Offering (WOC) and Thank Offering (UPW); Bible study and magazine; hands-on mission work; and gains in women’s leadership in the church.

Presbyterian Women are mindful that we are never alone on our faith journey. Maintaining and preserving the history of PW at the congregation, presbytery, synod and national levels is a meaningful task for leadership at all levels of PW.

Our PW will be taking up their Thank Offering on Sunday, November 18. Each year several grants are issued to special projects funded by this offering including ones here in the United States and some international.

Looking Ahead...

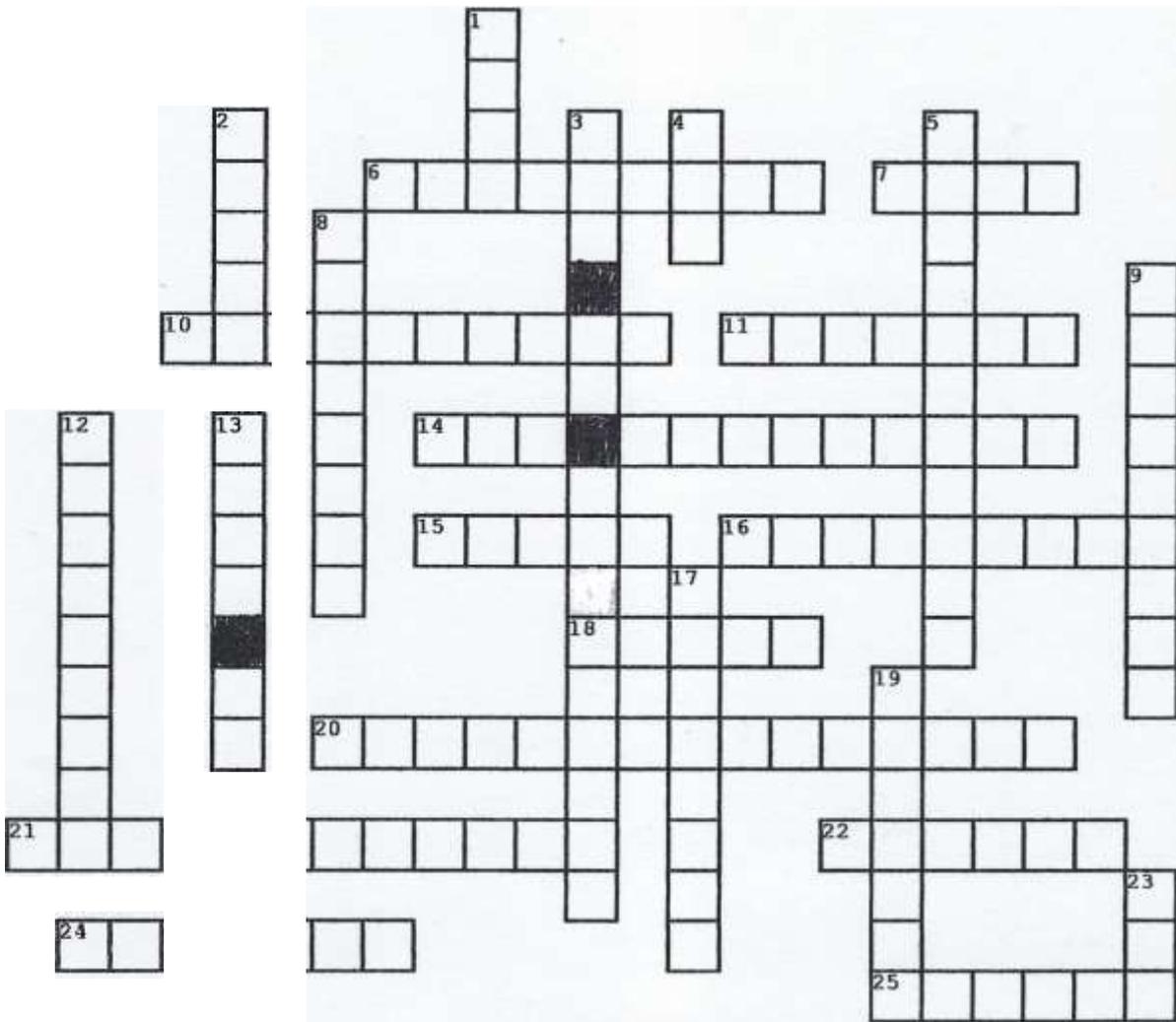


This year the First Sunday of Advent will be the first Sunday in December so we will not be having the “Hanging of the Green” until Saturday, December 1.

The following page has a special crossword puzzle. One of our youth, Hunter Dunlap a senior at Utica High School, was assigned a project in his geography class to make up a crossword puzzle on a certain religion. He chose to make one on Christianity. He had to pick out the words and what they meant and make up the puzzle. Now you have a chance to see if you can complete the puzzle. Answers will be in the December Oracle.

Christianity

Complete the crossword below



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Across

6. The idea that Jesus came to Earth to save people from their sins
7. Non-physical, immortal part of the body
10. The idea that sins can be forgiven and that a person can be redeemed
11. The Christian belief that God is three separate persons
14. Christian designation for Hebrew scriptures
15. Known as the Son
16. Doctrine of how humans are forgiven, redeemed, and reconciled to God through the death of Christ
18. God's love and kindness towards humanity
20. Rules given to Moses by God for everyone to follow
21. Rising from the dead
22. A Christian idea of paradise where the soul goes after death
23. Initiation ritual into the Christian church
24. Holy

Down

2. A place for the souls of bad and evil people
3. The Christian practice for giving a tenth of their income to charity
3. The day God will judge everyone according to their actions and faith on Earth
4. An act against the will of God
5. Forgiving someone for something that they have done
8. Thinking about God and his plans
9. A believer in, and follower of Jesus
10. Giving up a life for God
11. The spirit of the threefold nature of God
17. Stories told by Jesus
19. The first book in the Bible which tells of creation
23. Known as the Father