



# First Presbyterian Church of Harborcreek

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## October Newsletter Volume 2022, Issue 9

### Church Leadership

Pastor.....Robin Cuneo  
Pastor Emeritus.....Rev. Sheldon "Tim" Logan  
Music Director.....Chris Thomas  
Organist.....Joyce Kriner  
Secretary.....Mary Stewart  
Sexton & Librarian.....Eileen Kriner  
Treasurer.....Barbara Griffith

### Committee Chairs—2022

Clerk of Session.....Mary Ellen Flowers  
Membership Care &  
Development.....Marlene Long  
Joanne Scott  
Mission/Outreach.....Mary Ellen Flowers  
Sue Kellerman  
Nominating &  
Training.....TBD  
Personnel.....Sue Kellerman  
Scott Shunk  
Property.....Scott Shunk  
Bob Kellerman, Dave Maille  
Spiritual Formation.....Jennifer Wedzik  
Stewardship & Finance.....Dave Maille  
Bob Kellerman  
Barb Griffith  
Worship.....Chris Thomas  
Jared Mosier  
Recording Secretary.....Cindy Skladanowski

### Deacons

Chairperson.....Nancy McNally  
Vice-Chairperson.....Donna Fannin  
Secretary.....Joanne Scott  
Treasurer.....Peggie Smith  
Caring Tree.....Nancy Way  
Correspondence.....Joanne Scott  
Flower Coordinator.....Sally Wakeley  
Funeral Dinners.....Sue Beighley  
Greeters/Liturgists.....Joanne Scott

## *Reflections from the Pastor Robin*

Dear Ones,

*"I thank God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now." Philippians 1:3-5*

No words can adequately express my gratitude and real sadness at leaving what has become my beloved community. Nevertheless, below are a bunch of words as I try.

There is no way to cover everything I want to. I so much appreciate every one of you that I could just fill this whole thing with "Thanks you," and that would be accurate, but not complete.

I could not be more grateful to you for all of your patience and generosity, and all the joy and grace we have shared.

Who could have imagined when we began our time together nearly six years ago that we could come out of the other side of something called "Covid" with livestreaming worship and Zoom meetings? And yet you faced those challenges with the same equanimity and "Can and will do" spirit that has sustained you for 190 years. As a congregation you embody the spirit of "With God's help, all things are possible."

Together, we have seen changes such as restoring an old cemetery, providing lunch quarterly to Erie's homeless and changing the famous Swiss steak dinners from sit-down to take-out.

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Together, we've passed out Ash Wednesday ashes in the parking lot, gathered on Monday evenings for "Wine and the Word," and welcomed a new electronic sign and website. There are so many more examples. God has blessed us all in more ways than we can count.

Together, we have seen beloved members fall away, move or join the church triumphant. Together, we have also welcomed new members.

But our "together" now comes to an end. Oct. 16 will be my last day in the pulpit. Then you'll welcome a new "together" with Rev. Mike Wilson. I'll look forward to seeing how God will continue to bless this great congregation as you grow in faith, hope and love. I'll pray for you and think of you as you worship the living God with your whole lives – body, mind and soul.

Please know that you have been such a tremendous blessing in my life and faith, and that serving as your pastor has been the honor of my life.

You will always be part of me, and (like it or not) I will always be part of you.

Love and blessings, now and always,  
Pastor Robin



### OCTOBER CELEBRATION!

Please plan to be at church on Sunday, October 23rd as we welcome our new pastor, Rev. Mike Wilson. Pastor Mike will preach at our 9:15 service before heading to Emmanuel to preach. Let's welcome Pastor Mike with a BIG crowd!!



Pastor Appreciation Month has traditionally been celebrated in October to show appreciation to our pastor. This expression is very Biblical and can be traced all the way back to Paul's new testament letters. Paul mentions this idea in a number of different letters that he writes to the various churches. Paul says this in his first letter to Timothy,

*"Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching."* 1 Timothy 5:17

This year we are experiencing a change that brings a gamut of emotions. We are celebrating the retirement of our precious Pastor Robin and welcoming Pastor Mike as our new pastor. We have been blessed to have Robin Cuneo as our pastor for six years. She brings a variety of gifts and a love for people that has engulfed our congregation. She is not only a beloved pastor, but a dear friend.



On Sunday, October 16, Pastor Robin will lead us in worship for the last time as our "official" pastor. This brings plenty of emotions; yet, it is a celebration of all she has done for us as a congregation and as individuals. She has led us with a faith and commitment that goes beyond measure. Join us for this day of appreciation for all she is and has given to the ministry of this congregation, the larger church, and the Kingdom of God.



# Worship News



World Communion Sunday (originally called World Wide Communion Sunday) is a gift of the Presbyterian Church to the larger ecumenical church. Celebration of World Wide Communion Sunday was adopted as a denominational practice in the Presbyterian Church (US) in 1936. Today, World Communion Sunday is celebrated around the world, demonstrating that the church founded on Jesus Christ peacefully shares God-given goods in a world increasingly destabilized by globalization and global market economies based on greed.

On this special Sunday, October 3, we receive our Peace and Global Witness Offering to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and across the world. **Twenty-five percent** of this offering stays with our congregation to support peacemaking and reconciliation in our own community. **Twenty-five percent** of this offering goes to our mid council to join with other congregational gifts to support peacemaking work in our region. The remaining **fifty percent** of this offering supports the work for peace and reconciliation being done by Presbyterians across the globe.

Right here in our own church, we have started a tradition of gathering outside following worship and lining the sidewalks to pray and share God's message of peace and reconciliation.

Join us following worship for  
Hands across Harborcreek!

## Hands Across Harborcreek Sunday, October 2, 2022



### October Worship Leaders

	<u>Liturgists</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
<b>Oct. 2</b>	Bill Nesgoda	Jane Wile
<b>Oct. 9</b>	Maddy Schrimper	Marge Suter
<b>Oct. 16</b>	Don Duckett	Cindy Skldandowski
<b>Oct.23</b>	Brian Griffith	Barb Griffith
<b>Oct. 30</b>	Bob Kellerman	Dena Barker

### Lectionary Readings October 2022

Below are the readings suggested by the Revised Common Lectionary for this month.

<b>Sunday, October 2</b> <i>Lamentations 1:1-6</i> <i>2 Timothy 1:1-14</i>	<b>17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b> <i>Psalm 137</i> <i>Luke 17:5-10</i>
<b>Sunday, October 9</b> <i>Jeremiah 29:1: 4-7</i> <i>2 Timothy 2:8-15</i>	<b>18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b> <i>Psalm 66:1-12</i> <i>Luke 17:11-19</i>
<b>Sunday, October 16</b> <i>Jeremiah 31:27-34</i> <i>2 Timothy 3:14-4:5</i>	<b>19<sup>h</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b> <i>Psalm 119:97-104</i> <i>Luke 18:1-8</i>
<b>Sunday, October 23</b> <i>Joel 2:23-32</i> <i>2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18</i>	<b>20<sup>h</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b> <i>Psalm 65</i> <i>Luke 18:9-14</i>
<b>Sunday, October 30</b> <i>Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4</i> <i>2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12</i>	<b>21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b> <i>Psalm 119:137-144</i> <i>Luke 19:1-10</i>



**Saturday, November 5, 2021**

**4:30–6:30 p.m.**

**Regular Adult Portion \$13.00**

**Small Portion \$8.00**

**Same great meal, but take out style.**

***Drive -Thru Take-Out Only***

***Enter thru west entrance to the parking lot***

***and you will be directed where to proceed.***

**Proceeds from this dinner go towards our Presbytery Mission contribution and other local mission projects.**



# Spiritual Formation



## *Brunch and a Movie every Sunday at 10:30 a.m.*

The very successful Breakfast and a Movie tradition has changed to a Brunch and a Movie. Our first leaders will be Ann and Bill Nesgoda.

Each Sunday we will watch one third of the movie and then have a lively discussion after we have enjoyed a scrumptious brunch, all done right here in the sanctuary due to the elevator being out of order. A good time WILL be had by all.



## Quest

### **BIBLE QUEST -Ahoy! Kids Sunday School Sundays 10:30 a.m.**

Who is ready to go on a quest?

This year we will be going on a quest together! We will be experiencing some special stories from the Bible in lots of different ways- story telling, music, art, mission, and just talking about them as a group. In our quest the stories will become connected with our story. Will learn about hardship, friendship, and miracles.

### **Church Office Hours**

**Pastor Robin will be working from home**  
on Mondays and Wednesdays  
until the elevator is fixed.

Instead of office hours from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
at church, she will be working from home.

She will be available by phone at 716-769-7394 or  
814-823-7766 during those hours  
(actually, ANYTIME.)

She'll be back in the office once the elevator is re-  
paired and she can reach the office  
with her walker.

You can also reach her by email at  
robincuneo@gmail.com

The secretary's regular office hours are: Monday,  
Wednesday and Friday mornings from  
9:00 a.m. to noon.

There may be times that they may be changed;  
Please call the church office to verify.

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We, as a church  
family, care deeply  
about you and your  
family and friends.  
Through our Prayer

Chain we can surround those in need with  
prayer. As we reorganize our chain, we invite  
you to join us in two ways:

1.If you would like to join the ministry of the  
prayer chain and receive prayer requests either  
by phone or text message, please call Nancy  
McNally at 814-450-2577 or Peggie Smith at  
814-881-3648 and have your name added to  
the list.

2.And if you have a prayer request do not  
hesitate to either Peggie or Nancy with your  
need. You need to let them know what  
information can be shared and if you want to  
add a name to the prayer list in the bulletin and  
newsletter.



# More News

## **2022 Presbytery Weekly Prayer List**

Part of being a connectional church system is that we care for one another in a variety of ways. During the next year, we have been invited to pray for our partners in ministry in this presbytery. The list includes churches, pastors, retired pastors, presbytery leaders and national leaders. Each month we will list the prayer foci for that particular month. Please join us we support our brothers and sisters in Christ.

The list includes: Churches & Pastors, Commissioned Pastors (CP), Members-at-Large (MAL), Honorably Retired (HR), Validated Ministry (VM), Staff, and other Leadership.

### **October 2**

Franklin, First  
Rev. Barry Jenkins, Pastor  
Garland  
Rev. John Dietz (HR)

### **October 9**

Port Allegany  
Commissioned Pastor Garen Smith  
Rev. Bill Mills (HR)  
Ghana Mission Network

### **October 16**

Warren First  
Rev. Lee Beckes, Stated Supply  
Rev. Harry Johns (HR)  
Rev. Hydie Houston (HR)

### **October 23**

Meadville, Redeemer  
Rev. Tim Solomon, Temporary Supply Pastor  
Rev. George Espy (HR)  
Rev. David Oyler (HR)

### **October 30**

District Pastors Rev. Joshua Nabauer  
Rev. M. Agbo  
Northern Presbytery, Yendi District,  
Upper 25 Congregations



We are still receiving donations for special mission projects. This is an easy way to make a big difference in the lives of people in our community and around the world! Just collect and drop off at church.

♥ **Aluminum Cans** for the Dick Smith Fund to benefit community members with emergency needs.

♥ **Cancelled Stamps** to be sent to Canada to benefit a Leprosy organization.

♥ **Used Greeting Cards** to be sent to be sent to St Jude's Ranch for them to repurpose and sell in their gift shop and on their website. Please do not cut cards or change cards in anyway. They need them whole for them to be transformed.

♥ **Travel Sized Personal Care Products** to be given to the homeless at The Upper Room.



## ***BLESSING/ OUTREACH CUPBOARD***

The Blessing/ Outreach Cupboard continues to be a blessing to many in our community. Many thanks to all of those who donate. Please do continue. Don't forget, you may also donate items such as paper products, mouthwash and solid deodorants. However, please leave out highly scented items such as soaps or laundry detergent that could seep scent into food items. Thank you so much for continuing to be a blessing by providing blessings to others.



# Church Family News...



## October Birthdays

- 7 Olivia Palmer
- 8 Ed Ellwood
- 13 Madison Williams
- 16 Bill Stewart
- 18 Pat Facchine
- 22 Norah Rose Woodward
- 19 Jane Wile
- 23 Debi Lyon
- 27 Mary C. Stewart
- 28 Jordan Lee Erickson
- 28 Marnie Logan
- 30 Jasmine Mosier

## Anniversaries

- 9 Ron & Mary Ellen Flowers
- 11 Bill & Donna Fannin
- 19 Jared & Aye Mosier

## Sing To Me, Autumn

by Patricia L. Cisco

Sing to me, Autumn, with the rustle of your leaves.

Breathe on me your spicy scents that flow within your breeze.

Dance with me, Autumn, your waltz that bends the boughs of trees.

Now tell me all the secrets you've whispered to the seas.

Sleep with me, Autumn, beneath your starlit skies.

Let your yellow harvest moon shimmer in our eyes.

Kiss me, Autumn, with your enchanting spellbound ways That changes all you touch into crimson golden days.

Love me, Autumn, and behold this love so true That I'll be waiting faithfully each year to be with you.



Prayer List: For those serving in the armed forces: Adam Bojarski (Suter). For the Lake Erie Presbytery & its leaders; for our pastor, Robin Cuneo, for church members, family & friends, we pray.

*We are updating our prayer list. If someone was deleted, but they still should be on on the prayer list or if you have someone to add, please call or email the church office with the information.*

Barb Bemis	Joyce Kriner	Sandy Spangler
Claudia Brown	Bridget Laughlan	Peggie Smith
Connie Carrier	Dick May	Rich Smith
Margaret Crider	Mellish Family	Carl Steiner
Ed Ellwood	Mikayla and Family	Sandy Stewart
Family of Judy	Bob Morrow	Marge Suter
Ellwood	Bob and Carol Mulvin	Megan Sweezy
Dave English	Jeannie Pamula	Taylor Family
Larry and Jan Hanes	Yvonne Peters	Sue Tuszynski
Rod Hedlund	Wilda Resinger	Abigail Wilkinson
Judy Johnson	Keith Rine	Sally Wakeley
	Dean Scott	

## Remember Our Homebound

*Some of you have asked about what you can do to keep connected to those who struggle to come to worship or participate in church activities. Listed below are some of those you could send a card or a note of encouragement.*

Margaret Crider Heritage House 30 East Street North East, PA 16428	Jessie Dennison Wellmore Unit 4129 580 Robert Daniel Drive Daniel Island, SC 29492	Jacque Foust 8467 East Lake Road Erie, PA 16511
Larry Hanes Nightingale Nursing Home 607 East 26th Street Erie, PA 16504	Dick May 6568 Iroquois Avenue Harborcreek, PA 16421	Bob and Carol Mulvin 3740 Harbor Ridge Trail Erie, PA 16510
Peggy Nelson 2 Gibson St. Apt. 102 North East, PA 16428	Esther Noonan 7554 McGill Road Harborcreek, PA 16421	Yvonne Peters 3913 Dexter Avenue Erie, PA 16504
Wilda Resinger 5456 East Lake Road Barnabas Court N. Room 401	Sandy Spangler 227 W. 22nd Street Room 9 Erie, PA 16509	Carl Steiner c/o Heather Steiner 1026 Copper Drive Erie, PA 16509
	Ron Washe 4147 Bell Street Erie, PA 16511	





# October 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 10px; border: 1px solid black;"> <p><b>Elder of the Month</b>  <b>Scott Shunk</b>      <b>814-453-3803</b></p> <p><b>Deacon of the Month</b>  <b>Joanne Scott</b>      <b>814-898-1833</b></p> </div>						1
2 World Communion Sunday Hands Across Harborcreek	3 Women's AA 5:00 p.m.	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 Women's AA 5:00 p.m.	11	12	13 Deacon's Meeting 2:00 p.m. Session Meeting 6:00 p.m.	14	15
16 Pastor Robin's Last Day Pastor Appreciation	17 Women's AA 5:00 p.m.	18	19	20	21	22
23 Pastor Mike's First Day	24 Women's AA 5:00 p.m.	25	26	27	28	29
30 Serving Upper Room Lunch	31 Women's AA 5:00 p.m.	<div style="background-color: #fff9c4; padding: 10px; border: 1px solid black; text-align: center;"> <p><b>Every Sunday: In-Person &amp; Live Stream Worship</b>  <b>9:15 a.m.</b></p> <p><b>Brunch &amp; a Movie</b>  <b>and Children's Sunday School</b>  <b>10:30 a.m.</b></p> </div>				