

THE OLIVE BRANCH



Ringoes, New Jersey

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Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church

October Events

- 1 6:30pm Deacons Mtg
- 6 9:30 World Communion Day
- 8 6:30pm Troop 65 Cmte Mtg
- 15 7:00pm Session Meeting
- 21 Olive Branch Deadline
- 26 11-12 Grocery Giveaway
- 27 Reformation Sunday
- 31 Halloween

Weekly

Sun	9:30am Worship
Mon	6:30pm Troop 65
	7:00pm Pastor's Bible Study
Tue	8:00pm AA
Wed	7:30am Men's Bible Study
	6:00pm Bell Rehearsal
	7:00pm Band Rehearsal
Thu	9:30am Ladies Bible Study
	8:00pm AA
Sat	4:00pm AA

View our calendar on our website

REFORMATION SUNDAY

OCTOBER 27, 2024

Pastor's Ponderings

In the Northern Hemisphere, the planet is continually tilting away from the sun, and the season of autumn comes into our world. This is often the season of time to remember and reflect as the days grow shorter and we spend more time in darkness. We have to create light around us, both outside and within us to see clearly.

With all the rich colors that nature brings to us in this season, we can easily think of this season as royal. The beauty of it makes the departure of light softer as we say "see you later" to warm green of summer. Many people I know say this is their favorite season. It is a cozy, snuggly time. The coolness we longed for on the hot summer days is here. We can wear jackets and sweaters and flannel and long pants and feel comfortable.

We can see and hear the honking geese as they migrate, see the squirrels dash around to gather acorns, and watch as the colorful leaves blanket the grass.

Autumn gives us the epiphany to the truth that all things are passing. In the ebb and flow of life, autumn gives us a sense of the importance of showing gratitude for all God has given to us, as we realize how fleeting time is. Expressing thanks, without hesitation, to the greatest gifts God has given us becomes more urgent. God has given us gift of family, friends and especially our wonderful church family. Praise God for who all of you are to each other.

There are many in this hurting world who are looking for hope and joy and inner peace Kirkpatrick Memorial is a great place to bring those who need to see the love of God as shown through you and this congregation. Give them the invitation to experience all that this church community offers.

Grace and Peace, *Pastor Barbara*

Bible Study. Monday nights at 7:00pm in the library and on zoom.

Oct 7-28 "Calling All Angels" A study focused on angels of the Bible, seeking answers to these questions and more.

Are angels real? What do they look like? What do they do? Do people become angels when they die?

Join Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85881121128

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December 8th Abby Danner will be leading a class for making a table arrangement for the Holidays. The charge will be \$40.00 per person and it will include everything you will need for this project. Such as an oval base, 1 candlestick per arrangement, greens, the flowers, and any ornamentation, such as baubles and ribbons etc. However If you have shears/clippers, scissors, wire cutters, etc. please bring for your own use. There will also be a lunch served prior to the class and that is included in the class fee. She would like a class of not more than 15 people. To sign up please call or e-mail

Norma Cell 908-635-1044 and e-mail enzimmerman@comcast.net



Field Trip: A Christmas Carol at Music Mountain Theater

We are planning a group from church to go to the Music Mountain Theater in Lambertville to see the Christmas Carol on Dec 14th at 3pm. Ticket prices are \$35.25, group of 15 tickets are \$27.00.



We would like to know how many are interested so please let Kathy or Norma know (or email the office). We will order tickets in November. Invite your

<u>Save the date</u>, Old Rocks Church Fall ladies tea for missions, Saturday, November 2nd, 10 am. Please plan to join us for food, fellowship, and fun. Plan to bring a friend.







Peanut Butter Jelly Cereal Pancake Mix Syrup Apple Sauce Pasta Sauce Pasta Thanksgiving Baskets

As we give thanks to Jesus for our many blessings this year, let us honor him by serving others. As Thanksgiving Day approaches and you go shopping for ingredients to create that special family meal, please keep in mind that not every family in our community is as fortunate. The Deacons are asking our church family to help meet the needs of our community this year by picking up a few extra food items that will be made into Thanksgiving baskets. Please take this shopping list with you as a friendly reminder. Anything on the following list would be greatly appreciated:

Frozen Turkey Turkey Gravy Stuffing Mix Boxed Potatoes Cranberry Sauce Canned Vegetables Canned Soup Tuna Fish Large Cans of Chicken Canned Fruit Rice Beans

If you are able to donate, please leave the items in the bin in the Connector marked "Deacons Food Drive." Thank you for your support! Deadline Nov. 15



Bible studies in November and December will be

"How Did We Get Here?" Understanding church history as it pertains to different denominations and understanding the history of divisions and splits in the Church.

"Dreams of the Bible". Understanding this unique way God communicates with us throughout recorded history. We will look into the dreams of the Old Testament, and New Testament. What is God telling us?



October 2024 Sunday Volunteers							
Date	Preaching	Liturgist	Nursery / Jr Church	Flowers	Coffee Break	Communion	
Norld Communion Day 10/6/2024	Pastor Barbara	Jim D.				Bev	
10/13/2024	Pastor Barbara	Norma Z				No Communion	
10/20/2024	Pastor Barbara	Debra N.				No Communion	
Reformation 10/27/204	Pastor Barbara					No Communion	

KMPC Session September update:

The session met by Zoom on September 15st at 7PM with Pastor Barbara Booth as moderator for our monthly meeting. Pastor Barbara called the meeting to order, and Linda Hults opened with devotions and prayer.

Minutes and agenda approved from past meeting(s) No meeting in July/ August

All committees reported.

Liturgists for September and October:

September 22	Betty Reilly
September 29	Pat Wright
October 6th	Jim Danner
October 13th	Norma Zimmerman
October 20th	Debra Neri
October 27th	TBD

Volunteers needed for Liturgists assistant please sign up on the link printed in the Mid-Week bulletin and Olive Branch. We also need people to volunteer for coffee hour. Paul Mitten so graciously makes the coffee every week for us. Please sign up to bring a light snack for all to enjoy. Coffee hour is now in the Gym each week.

We are happy to let you know that the Capital campaign for new door and furnace repairs has been successful. We are grateful for everyone's generosity and Praise God for all.

Next stated Session meeting - October 15th at 7PM

Motion to adjourn meeting and closing prayer said by Pastor Barbara at 8:03

Respectfully submitted, Norma Zimmerman









Sarah & Christopher B.	Oct 3
Steve & Lori W.	Oct 6
Terry & Patricia W.	Oct 13
Fred & Kim F.	Oct 17
Rob & Cindi F.	Oct 18

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