



News from the Hill...

St. John-Hill U.C.C. 620 Hill Church Road, Boyertown, PA 19512 October 2019

Scriptures and Sermons for October



October 6

Celebration of World Communion Sunday

2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10

“Sound Teaching”

October 13

2 Kings 5:1-3,7-15c Luke 17:11-19

“Thanks in Excess”

October 20

Psalm 121 Luke 18:1-8

“Does God hear Our Prayers?”

October 27

Reformation Sunday

Psalm 84:1-7 Luke 18:9-14

“Reformation”



CONSISTORY NEWS

No business meeting was held this month due to scheduling.

Communion will be celebrated on October 6th.

The new entry doors are scheduled to be installed starting Tuesday, Sept. 24th. We will be getting a batch of new keys, so if you currently have a key to access the building it will not work after the installation. Please see Nikki in the office to trade in your old key for a new one.

From November through February our monthly Consistory meetings will be held after worship service on the second Sunday of the month.

Arlan has informed us that he will no longer be able to serve on Consistory. We want to thank Arlan for his service to Hill Church.

The Park Committee would like to purchase new steeple lighting to be installed at the same time the roof is replaced. The current lighting is over 50 years old and this will allow for the easiest and most reliable installation possible.

The next monthly Consistory Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 8th at 7:00pm.

In Christ, Your Consistory: Rick Furches, Bonnie Helmick, Ray Kochey, David Mutter, Terry Shane, Sally Shirk, Clarence Weller, Matt Weller, and Rev. Charles Maxfield.



It's cantata rehearsal time! Help is needed and appreciated. Check the rehearsal dates and times listed. Hope to see you there. Any questions, contact Elmer.

Choir Rehearsal Schedule

Wed. October 2 - Sr. Choir 7 PM; Cantata 8 PM
Wed. October 9 - Sr. Choir 7 PM; Cantata 8 PM
Wed. October 16 - Sr. Choir 7 PM; Cantata 8 PM
Wed. October 23 - Sr. Choir 7 PM; Cantata 8 PM
Wed. October 30 - Sr. Choir 7 PM; Cantata 8 PM

Elmer Miller
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Women's Guild News

Thank you to all the that attended our Grab Bag Auction in August. It was a huge success!! If you were there, you know what a fun time was had by all! You helped us raised nearly \$1,400.00 dollars! Outstanding!! We have donated \$700.00 to Bethany Children's Home for their Helping Hands Program for clothing for unaccompanied children that have crossed the border. We also were able donate \$700.00 to our church roof fund.

We are also planning on making apple sauce and chow chow for our 3 church suppers on Monday, October 14th starting at 7:30 AM. If you can't be there at 7:30 - come when you can. Hopefully we will be finished by 11:00 - 11:30 AM.

We are working on a Dan's Deli sandwich fundraiser. See any guild member for more information.

PARK COMMITTEE NEWS

Workday Saturday October 12th We'd like to get some much needed painting done at the sexton's house. There will probably be some leaves that need to be picked up at the parsonage as well. All ages welcome so bring your rakes and brushes along and give us some help.

We normally meet at the former Creek Side Diner for breakfast about 7:00 AM or at the church parking lot about 8:00 AM.

We're also looking for some new members to join the park committee. Please pray on this and listen for God's calling. Thank You.

Any questions call Mark Hile 610-367-6572 or Terry Shane 610-367-7938

Do not fear I am with you; do not be anxious: I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand. ~ Isaiah 41: 10

Announcements from the Hill

Community Outreach

During the month of October we will be collecting gently used and new shoes. These can be for boys, girls, teens, men & women and any size from baby to adults (larger and wide sizes are greatly appreciated). The shoes will go to local families in need through In Ian's Boots. Thank you in advance for your support of this project! If you have any questions, please contact Nikki in the church office.



BACK TO COLLEGE

We need your help in getting a list together of names, addresses, and e-mail addresses of our new college students, returning students, and military personnel. Once completed, we will post the list in the Narthex so that anyone who would like to keep in touch with them can do so. Please give your information to the church secretary at 610-367-8114 or nikki@stjohnhillucc.org. Thanks!



Apple sauce and Chow Chow Day

Monday, October 14, 7:30 am or when you can help. With many hands we should be finished by 11:00-11:30. Where?: Dining hall. This is a multi gender event. A couple of muscles in this days event are appreciated. This will supply our church for our 3 major church dinners. I don't have a clipboard but let me know if you can help. Thank you for volunteering. Nancy Weller

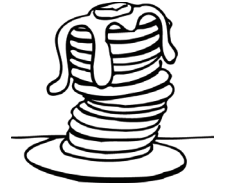
NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

All November newsletter information is due to Nikki in the church office by October 10. Thank you!

From the Conference

In our PSEC of the UCC, we function in Associations within the Conference. The Pastors have their standing in the Association. The Committee which oversees the Pastors is called the "Committee on Ministry." This committee supports and encourages and guides: 1) pastors who already have standing in the Association, 2) pastors who are retired, 3) persons who feel called to be a pastor. The Committee also wants to be interacting with the congregations of the Association. We are looking for several more people who feel led to serving on this committee and who would be appointed/elected at the Fall Meeting of the Covenant Association on Sunday, October 27. Contact Rev. Mary Etta Mest (610-659-2775 or mestme@aol.com).

ANNUAL BUCKWHEAT PANCAKE & SAUSAGE SUPPER



Saturday, October 5, 2019

Dinner served 3:00 -7:30 p.m.

Cost: Adults \$9.00 Children 3-10 yrs. \$5.00 Take out \$1.00 extra

Dinner includes: Sausage, Buckwheat Pancakes, Regular Pancakes, Homefries, Vegetables, Dessert & Beverage

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, October 2 at 6:00 p.m.

Clean-up of grounds and wash dishes in the dining hall. Your help is needed!
(Please bring your own lawn equipment).

Saturday, October 5 at 7:00 a.m.

Morning food preparations start at 7 am.

(peel & slice potatoes, set up tables, prepare take out sides, cut & stack sausages)

Meals are served starting at 3 p.m.

(1 pm help with mixing pancake mix, frying sausage and potatoes)

(2:30 pm waitresses & kitchen help needed)

Donations of baked goods are needed and are greatly appreciated!

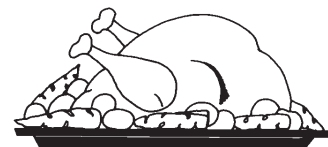
Monday, October 7 at 6:00 p.m.

Trash removal and returning items from dining hall to church attic.

Again your help is needed. Please do not wait to be asked, we do not know your schedule, but we need your help for clean up on Wednesday evening and also for the Saturday events! We don't know who you are - so contact Eileen, Dennis or Nancy with what you can help with any day or time for above activities. Your time is so appreciated.

Proceeds of this event help sponsor our Sunday School and Youth Group curriculum along with helping families with camp fees, Vacation Bible School, Sponsorship of an Elder person, \$10.00 pack of tickets per student for Knoebels Grove Sunday, sponsorship of our Creation Festival; chaperones for our Youth. What a wonderful gift we can all help to nurture our Youth!

ANNUAL TURKEY SUPPER



Saturday, November 2, 2019

Dinner served 3:00 – 7:30 p.m. Tickets sold until 7:00 p.m.

Cost: Adults \$12.00 Children 3-10 years \$6.50

Take out \$1.00 extra

Dinner includes: Traditional Turkey Dinner with all of the trimmings, dessert & beverage

Wednesday, October 30 @ 6:00 p.m. – Move supplies from church to dining hall, general prep work

Thursday, October 31 @ 7:00 a.m. – Roast Turkeys, wash dishes, clean dining hall

Friday, November 1 @ 6:00 p.m. – Peel potatoes, prepare pepper cabbage, slice meat

Saturday, November 2 @ 7:00 a.m. – Prepare Potato filling, Hill Church beans and take outs

Monday November 4 @ 6:00 p.m. – Move supplies from dining hall to church attic and winterize the dining hall.

Donations of baked goods are needed and greatly appreciated.

Proceeds from the Turkey Supper are used to maintain our properties and do the work of the church. Do not miss this opportunity to join in the fun and be a part of this tradition!

Hill Church Events

Holy Communion

1st Sunday of the Month

Park Committee Work Days

2nd Saturday of the month at 8 am

Joyful Noise Offering

3rd Sunday of the Month

Children's Message

3rd Sunday of the Month

Newsletter Deadline

3rd Sunday of the Month

Choir Rehearsal

Every Wednesday September thru May

(see newsletter for times)

Here is a list of ongoing committee meetings. These meetings are open for anyone who wishes to attend. Most meetings are held in the Christian Education building.

Christian Education

1st Monday of the month at 7 pm

Women's Guild

2nd Sunday of the month after church

Consistory

2nd Tuesday of the month at 7 pm

Want to get involved? These are our upcoming community events.

Buckwheat & Sausage Supper

1st Saturday in October

Turkey Supper

1st Saturday in November

Ham Supper

3rd Saturday in May

Ringgold Band Picnic & Concert

1st Saturday in August

Mission Opportunities - Whether you are in need of help or you want to help others, our Hill Church Mission team is here for you.

For more information on any of these items, contact the church office at 610-367-8114

Church Contact Info

Church Phone # 610-367-8114

Church Website: www.stjohnhillucc.org

Church E-mail: office@stjohnhillucc.org

Interim Pastor - Rev. Charles Maxfield

Musical Director/Organist - Mr. Elmer Miller

Church Secretary - Mrs. Nikki Weller

Sexton - Mr. Charles Anhalt

Consistory President - Matt Weller

Consistory Vice President - Arlan Schaeffer

Trustees - Mark Hile, Bill Moyer, Terry Shane

Christian Education Superintendent - Elmer Miller

Cemetery Board President - Elmer Miller

Park Committee President - Mark Hile

Women's Guild President - Megyn Weller

Mission Team - Mark Hile