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THANKSGIVING DINNER

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THANKSGIVING
DAY

1:00 PM



Potluck—Meat, Potatoes & Drinks Provided

You are welcome to bring a dish to share!

EVERYONE IS INVITED!

**SHARE THE INVITATION WITH
FAMILY & FRIENDS!**

WE HOPE YOU'LL JOIN US!



Contact the Church Office for more
details.



SESSION

The Session meets on the second Thursday of the month. Session meetings are open (voice may be granted by action of the Session). There may be rare occasions when the discussion is of a confidential nature and that portion of the meeting must be closed. The following actions were taken at the most recent meeting of Session on October 11:

- Appointed Yancy Bolden, our Delegate to Quad City Interfaith.
- Accepted bids and authorized repairs to the foundation and mortar on the north portion of the church building.
- Authorized withdrawal of \$30,000 from the New Covenant Funds of the Presbyterian Foundation for anticipated expenses in excess of receipts for the remainder of the year, including the above repairs (the first and, we all hope, only such withdrawal for 2012).
- Established Pastoral Care Assistants to be part of a minister team together with the Pastor and Coordinator of Health Care Ministry to call on shut-ins, assist with home communion and make hospital visits. Training will be provided by Rev. Cunningham.
- Affirmed and maintained the current schedule of Worship: 9:30, 10:45, and 1:00.
- Established a schedule for blended Worship Services at 10:45 am for the next twelve months. The schedule is:
 - First Sunday in Advent,
 - Pentecost Sunday,
 - World Wide Communion Sunday.
 - Easter,
 - Ordination / Installation Sunday (in July), and

Please mark your calendars, watch the newsletter and bulletins, and listen for announcements in Worship as reminders of approaching blended services.

Session reviewed the worship attendance for September, noting that attendance in Worship was higher this September than in either 2011 or 2010. Although the average monthly attendance has fluctuated, it has been higher (except in April and July) this year than in 2011. The number of visitors has remained relatively constant.

Session discussed changing the installation date of officers (implementation will require extending current terms six months). The term for subsequent Elders would remain the same (3 years). Moving the calling process away from the busy holiday months would facilitate the process and also scheduling training for those officers. The necessary extension of current terms would be beneficial to our Pastor and the strengthening of ministry, providing a longer time with the same Session (currently there would be only three months experience before a change in officers). Moving installation to July would be more conducive to a transition for Elders, before the fall and typical start of a program year. This change would extend the terms of all current Elders to June 30 (*Elders present were willing*).

NOTE: Session voted to recommend to the congregation a change to the By-Laws reflecting that officers will be elected in May (instead of November) of each year with ordination / installation in July (instead of January). A congregational meeting to consider the proposal was held at 10:30am on October 28 (between Worship Services). The proposal was voted on and approved.



The family of Lois Stengel
thanks all who helped with
the luncheon after the funeral.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Welcome to November, this is the month that we think about the pilgrims and their first Thanksgiving, this is the month we vote for who we feel will do the best for country and state. This is the month we turn in our **Thanks Offering in PW**. It was discussed at our last Circle Meetings. We give thanks for the many blessings bestowed on us and thanks that we live in America and can voice our opinion by voting. That we have the freedom to worship as we desire.

November 2nd, the Church Women United will meet at the St. Pius Church at 9:00 a.m. located on the corner of 31st Avenue and 24th Street, Rock Island. Bring a can of vegetables, fruit, or soup or something that has a shelf life, like macaroni or noodles, etc., for food

pantry. Also they are collecting Christmas Cards and a book of postage stamps for prisoners. There will be a lunch served, Soup, Bread & Pie for \$6.00. Reservations go to Lois Mary McCarthy 786-7103. Please think about attending. Any questions, please call me 787-4750.

December 7th, will be the PW Christmas Luncheon at noon. We will be entertained with the voices of the Rock Island High School Choir. Mark it on your calendar. Details to follow.

Reservations to Lois Larson 764-3968.

Thanksgiving Wishes—Good company, Great times, Warm memories, so much to be grateful for this Thanksgiving...

- Shirley Nelson,
PW Moderator

OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Lois Stengel. We also pray for Nomie Budelier, Carole and Neal Lloyd, and Bea and Don Gibson.

Please note: If you or a loved one is hospitalized or scheduled for surgery, please notify the church office as soon as you are able.



ALWAYS GIVING THANKS...

*Sing . . . to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything.
- Ephesians 5:19-20*

No matter the source of the evil confronting you, if you are in God and thereby completely surrounded by Him, you must realize that it has first passed through Him before coming to you. Because of this, you can thank Him for everything that comes your way. This does not mean thanking Him for the sin that accompanies evil, but offering thanks for what He will bring out of it and through it. May God make our life one of continual thanksgiving and praise, so He will then make everything a blessing.

I once saw a man draw some black dots on a piece of paper. Several of us looked at it yet saw nothing but an irregular arrangement of dots. Then he also drew a few lines, put in a few rests, and added a treble clef at the beginning. Suddenly we realized that the dots were musical notes, and as we began to sound them out, we were singing,

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below.*

Each of us has many black dots or spots in our life, and we cannot understand *why* they are there or *why* God permitted them. But when we allow Him into our life to adjust the dots in the proper way, to draw the lines He desires, and to put rests at the proper places to separate us from certain things, then from the black dots and spots He will compose a glorious harmony.

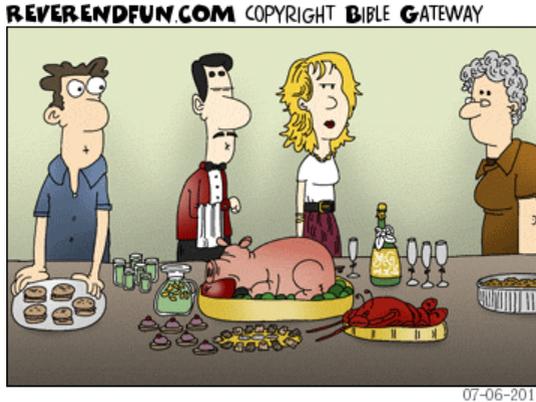
So let us not hinder Him in His glorious work! *C.H.P*

*Would we know that the major chords were sweet,
If there were not minor key?
Would the painter's work be fair to our eyes,
Without shade on land or sea?
Would we know the meaning of happiness,
Would we feel that the day was bright,
If we'd never known what it was to grieve,
Nor gazed on the dark of night?*

Many people owe the grandeur of their lives to their tremendous difficulties.
- *Charles H. Spurgeon*

When an organist presses the black keys of a great organ, the notes are just as beautiful as when he presses the white ones. Yet to fully demonstrate the capabilities of the instrument, he must press them all. *selected*

- from "Streams in the Desert" devotional



POTLUCK PERFECTIONISM IS A STRANGE AND
VERY DELICIOUS DISORDER

BOOK CLUB NEWS

Karon Book Club will meet second Wednesday, November 14, at our usual time of 11:30, and we will have lunch at “Cool Beanz” on the corner of 14th Avenue and 30th Street, Rock Island.

This month we will read:

Fatally Flakey by Diane Mott

Cynics say getting married is a death wish . . .

It’s been a long, rainy summer for Goldy Schulz, who is engaged in planning wedding receptions for what seems to be all of Aspen Meadow. It’s bad enough that Billie Attenborough, the bride from hell, has changed her menu six times and the event date twice. Now she wants to move the location to the Gold Gulch Spa just a scant two days before tying the knot to her doctor fiancé.

Then Doc Finn, the beloved local physician and best friend of Goldy’s father, Jack, is killed when his car tumbles into a ravine. At least that’s what appears to have happened. But Jack thinks Doc was murdered because of the research he was doing at the spa—allegations that are confirmed when Jack himself is attacked.

So Goldy dons chef’s whites and goes undercover at the spa, where coffee is outlawed in favor of calming smoothies, and the fruit cocktail doesn’t include fresh fruit. Add in the obstreperous owner, who years ago tried to sabotage Goldy’s fledgling business, and she’s got her hands full.

Above all, there seems to be a clever killer on the spa grounds, watching her every move. After what befell Jack, Goldy knows that she might be next. Catering weddings, and cooking low-fat, could be killing her—literally.

- Judy Medley

NOVEMBER LECTIONARY

November 4

Ruth 1:1-18

Ps. 146

Heb. 9:11-14

Mark 12:28-34

November 11

Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17

Ps. 127

Heb. 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44

November 18

1 Sam. 1:4-20, 2:1-10

Heb. 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25

Mark 13:1-8

November 25

2 Sam. 23:1-7

Ps. 132:1-12 (13-18)

Rev. 1:4b-8

John 18:33-37



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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please turn in completed newsletter articles to the office,
or email to Karen Fialek
(Karen.Fialek@BroadwayQC.org)

*All December 2012 newsletter articles are due
November 15.*

Any submissions received after this date
will only be included if available space allows.

NOVEMBER EVENTS

Nov. 8 (Thurs.)	12:00	Friendship Manor Circle
	6:00	Session
Nov. 13 (Tues.)	10:30	PW Coordinating Team Mtg.
Nov. 14 (Weds.)	6:00	Project NOW
Nov. 15 (Thurs.)	6:30	Rebekah Circle
		Broadway Historic
Nov. 22 (Thurs.)	1:00	Community Thanksgiving Dinner

*For more information on any of our events,
please contact the church office
or see our website (www.BroadwayQC.org).*

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sun.:	9:30	Traditional Worship	Weds.:	10:00	Adult SEFS *
	10:45	Mosaic Worship		4:00	Afterschool Program
		Current Issues Class		4:15	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	11:45	Life of Jesus	Thurs.:	4:00	Afterschool Program
	1:00	Nepali Worship		5:30	TOPS
Mon.:	10:00	Adult SEFS *		8:00	AA
	4:00	Afterschool Program	Fri.:	4:00	Afterschool Program
	5:30	Cub Scouts		8:00	AA
	6:15	DeMolay			
Tues.:	10:00	Adult SEFS *			
	4:00	Afterschool Program			



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