

THE KIRK KONNECTION

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November 2018

Consecration Sunday Has Arrived!



Greetings, friends! I hope everyone is sufficiently filled with their favorite Halloween confection. (I know I am)!

Speaking of being filled (and fulfilled), the annual moment during which we turn our attention to that fulfillment – those blessings that God has bestowed upon us – has arrived. Congregations that approach stewardship from a biblical perspective do not view the money Christians give to their church merely as a way to pay its bills. Rather, such congregations see financial contributions as a way to help people grow spiritually in their relationship with God by supporting their church's mission and ministry with a percentage of their incomes.

Kirk of Our Savior still stands and still does ministry and mission for 2 reasons: God has blessed its people thoroughly, and these people have selflessly and generously given back to God through responsible use of their time, talents and resources. For the sixth consecutive year, our session has selected the *New Consecration Sunday Stewardship Program* as a way to teach the biblical and spiritual principles of generous giving in our emphasis of stewardship education.

New Consecration Sunday is based on the biblical philosophy of the need of the giver to give for his or her own spiritual development, rather than on the need of the church to receive. Instead of treating people like members of a social club who should pay dues, we will treat people like followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as an act of discipleship. *New Consecration Sunday* encourages people toward proportionate and systematic giving in response to the question, "What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?"

During morning worship on November 4, 2018 (Consecration Sunday), we are asking our attendees and members to make their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world.

Every attendee and member who completes an *Estimate of Giving Card* does so voluntarily by attending morning worship on Consecration Sunday. All are strongly urged to attend - even if they are opposed to completing a card - as the procedure is done in such a way that no one is singled out if he or she chooses not to fill out a card.

We do no home solicitation to ask people to complete cards. During morning worship our guest leader, Tom Brown, will conduct a brief period of instruction and inspiration, culminating in members making their commitments as a confidential act of worship. And, once that is done, all are invited to celebrate God's blessings in Fellowship Hall for a catered luncheon immediately following worship!



Thanks for your enthusiastic participation in Consecration Sunday 2018!

Pastor Mike

The Grazers held their October lunch at the Four Seasons with Wally Jennings.



**Audrey Conner sang
"Thank You" by Ray
Boltz to the Sunday
School teachers in
October.**



**Our Sunday School
teachers enjoy the
special recognition.**



Come to Lunch!

November 28

You might be getting sick of turkey leftovers. It's time to get out of the house and join the Classy Lassies and Grazers for lunch on Wednesday, November 28. Meet in the church lounge at 11:30am. Come alone or bring a friend. All are welcome.



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

In September, to welcome the children back to classes, we handed out 7 backpacks and 2 homework boxes filled with school supplies, and 6 busy bags filled with toys and snack containers. We also took the opportunity to introduce the children and teachers to the congregation. It's great to be able to show that we again have a growing Sunday school population - good news in our aging membership.

Lessons will be focusing on journeys, starting with Moses and the exodus out of Egypt, on to the journeys of Jesus and his disciples, and finishing with our own faith journeys. This year, we are having separate lessons and fun crafts for the non-readers in our group in the hopes that this will enhance their learning experience. Crafts have been designed to support each lesson to make it more meaningful and, therefore, more memorable. For the readers, there will be interactive posters, worksheets, some crafts, and plenty of opportunities to chat and share during class time. So far, everyone seems to be enjoying the time we have together. We hope parents and children will encourage each other to attend and participate in this school year's faith journeys.

As always, we won't have class on the first Sunday of each month, Easter Sunday, or Memorial Day weekend. Classes will run through June 16, 2019.



CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Join us on **Saturday, Dec. 8** for our annual Cantata.

3:00 pm-Dinner

3:30 pm-Music by The ReRunz

4:00 pm- Cantata

Dinner and music will be in the Fellowship Hall. Cantata will be in the Sanctuary.

All are welcome!

Santa's Workshop Show

Harmony Town Chorus will present their 10th Annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 9 at 2:30 pm at the Livonia Public Library Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile Rd, Livonia. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$3 for students. Visit WeSingBarbershop.com or call (734) 743-1764.

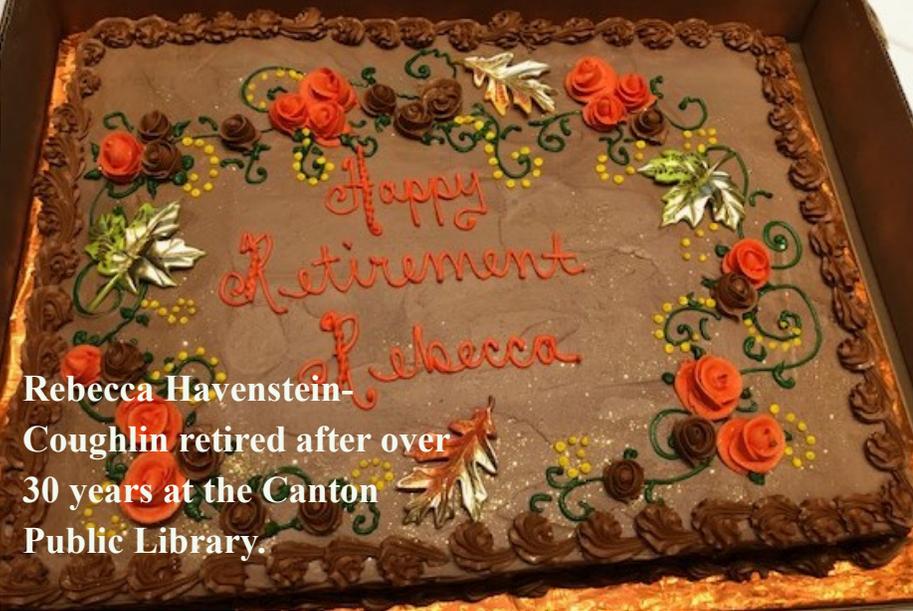
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>4 All Saints</i> Consecration Sunday 10:30am-Worship in Sanctuary</p>	<p>5 6:30-8 Girl Scouts-Fellowship 7:30-9pm Bi-Polar Depression Support Group-Lounge</p>	<p>6 2pm-Bible Study 7-10pm Harmony Town Chorus-Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>7 7-9pm Harmony Town Board Meeting-Lounge</p>	<p>8 6-9pm WCCP Maintenance</p>	<p>9 7:45-9:30pm Alanon-Lounge</p>	<p>10 9:30am-Choir Practice 2pm-Girl Scout overnight until 10am tomorrow</p>
<p><i>11</i> 10:30am-Worship in Sanctuary Session-Fellowship</p>	<p>12 6:30-8:30pm Hope 4 Healing Hearts-Fellowship Hall 7:30-9pm Bi-Polar Depression Support Group-Lounge</p>	<p>13 2pm-Bible Study 7-10pm Harmony Town Chorus-Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>14 6pm Family Fun Night 6:30-9:30pm WCCP Board Meeting 7:45-9:30pm Alanon-Lounge</p>	<p>15 9am-Presby Meeting (Warren) 9:30am-Choir Practice</p>	<p>16 9am-Presby Meeting (Warren) 9:30am-Choir Practice</p>	<p>17 9am-Presby Meeting (Warren) 9:30am-Choir Practice</p>
<p><i>18</i> 10:30am-Worship in Sanctuary</p>	<p>19 11am-12:30pm WCCP 4-yr Thanksgiving Party-Fellowship 6:30-8 Girl Scouts-Fellowship 7:30-9pm Bi-Polar Depression Support Group-Lounge</p>	<p>20 11am-12:30pm WCCP 3-yr Thanksgiving Party-Fellowship 7-10pm Harmony Town Chorus-Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>21 22 Thanksgiving Office Closed</p>	<p>22 9:30am-Choir Practice</p>	<p>23 7:45-9:30pm Alanon-Lounge</p>	<p>24 9:30am-Choir Practice</p>
<p><i>25 Christ the King</i> 10:30am-Worship in Sanctuary Communion Deacons-Sanctuary</p>	<p>26 6:30-8:30pm Hope 4 Healing Hearts-Fellowship Hall 7:30-9pm Bi-Polar Depression Support Group-Lounge</p>	<p>27 7-10pm Harmony Town Chorus-Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>28 11:30 am Classy Lassies and Grazers Lunch</p>	<p>29 6-9pm WCCP Maintenance</p>	<p>30 7:45-9:30pm Alanon-Lounge</p>	<p>31 9:30am-Choir Practice</p>

Margaret Rose celebrated her 105th birthday in October.



Rebecca Havenstein-Coughlin retired after over 30 years at the Canton Public Library.



Rev. Renee Roederer has been in the pulpit several times this year when Pastor Mike has been away. Here she preaches "Loving Our Neighbors: A Duet."



October was Clergy Appreciation Month. The congregation surprised Pastor Mike with a special cake and cookie.



Food Collection

The food cupboard is getting low! The holiday season is fast approaching, and this is typically when folks come by the church for food most regularly. While we certainly accept all food donations, we are attempting to build a more evenly stocked food pantry. In an effort to do so (and to make the shopping easier), we would like to request specific items for each week beginning on Sundays. Thanks for all of your help!!

Here is our schedule:

Nov. 4: breakfast items including cereals and juice boxes

Nov. 11: soups, canned meats (tuna, chicken, salmon), meals in a can (stews, chili) and meal kits

Nov. 18: healthy snacks

Nov. 25: Canned and packaged fruits and vegetables

Dec. 2: pastas, stuffing mix, packaged potatoes, crackers



The new patio pavers were installed by Mark Handford and John Rose.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

- Madeline Carpenter (2021), Chairman and Elder
- Bonnie Hilberer (2019) Elder
- Irene Gaylord (2020) Deacon

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

- Mark Gallaher (2019) Chairman and Elder
- Cindy Handford (2019) Deacon
- Lynn King (2020) Deacon

CHILDREN & YOUTH

- Dorothy Albright, (2020) Chairman and Elder
- Bill Partaka (2021) Deacon

MISSION/OUTREACH

- Judy Curtis (2021) Chairman and Elder
- Nancy Pride (2020), Elder
- Lorraine Scott (2019) Deacon
- Audrey Conner (2019) Deacon

FOUNDATION

- Leslie Holland (2019) Chairman and Elder
- Patrick Frobe (2020) Elder
- Rob Otte (2020) Deacon
- Judy Walker (2021) Deacon and Deacon Moderator

TREASURER: Fred Kirk

CLERK: Jenny Root

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November 2018 Daily Lectionary

These Scripture readings are from the two-year daily lectionary of the Presbyterian Book of Common Worship (Westminster John Knox Press, 1993). The readings from the three-year Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals are not included in this document.

November

Thursday, November 1

All Saints' Day

Morning: Pss. 116;

147:12–20

Evening: Pss. 26; 130

Isa. 26:1–4, 8–9, 12–13,
19–21

Rev. 21:9–11, 22–27

(22:1–5) or Heb.

11:32—12:2

Matt. 5:1–12

Friday, November 2

Morning: Pss. 84; 148

Evening: Pss. 25; 40

Nahum 2:13–3:7

Rev. 13:1–10

Luke 12:13–31

Saturday, November 3

Morning: Pss. 63; 149

Evening: Pss. 117; 139

Nah. 3:8–19

Rev. 13:11–18

Luke 12:32–48

Sunday, November 4

24th Sunday after

Pentecost

Morning: Pss. 103; 150

Evening: Pss. 117; 139

Zeph. 1:1–6

1 Cor. 12:27—13:13

Matt. 18:21–35

Monday, November 5

Morning: Pss. 5; 145

Evening: Pss. 82; 29

Zeph. 1:7–13

Rev. 14:1–13

Luke 12:49–59

Tuesday, November 6

Morning: Pss. 63; 149

Evening: Pss. 125; 90

Zeph. 1:14–18

Rev. 14:14—15:8

Luke 13:1–9

Wednesday, November 7

Morning: Pss. 89:1–18;

147:1–11

Evening: Pss. 1; 33

Zeph. 2:1–15

Rev. 16:1–11

Luke 13:10–17

Thursday, November 8

Morning: Pss. 97;

147:12–20

Evening: Pss. 16; 62

Zeph. 3:1–7

Rev. 16:12–21

Luke 13:18–30

Friday, November 9

Morning: Pss. 51; 148

Evening: Pss. 142; 65

Zeph. 3:8–13

Rev. 17:1–18

Luke 13:31–35

Saturday, November 10

Morning: Pss. 104; 149

Evening: Pss. 138; 98

Zeph. 3:14–20

Rev. 18:1–14

Luke 14:1–11

Sunday, November 11

25th Sunday after

Pentecost

Morning: Pss. 19; 150

Evening: Pss. 81; 113

Joel 1:1–13

1 Cor. 14:1–12

Matt. 20:1–16

Monday, November 12

Morning: Pss. 135; 145

Evening: Pss. 97; 112

Joel 1:15–2:2

Rev. 18:15–24

Luke 14:12–24

Tuesday, November 13

Morning: Pss. 123; 146

Evening: Pss. 30; 86

Joel 2:3–11

Rev. 19:1–10

Luke 14:25–35

Wednesday, November 14

Morning: Pss. 15;

147:1–11

Evening: Pss. 48; 4

Joel 2:12–19

Rev. 19:11–21

Luke 15:1–10

Thursday, November 15

Morning: Pss. 36;

147:12–20

Evening: Pss. 80; 27

Joel 2:21–27

James 1:1–15

Luke 15:1–2, 11–32

Friday, November 16
Morning: Pss. 130; 148
Evening: Pss. 32; 139
Joel 2:28–3:8
James 1:16–27
Luke 16:1–9

Saturday, November 17
Morning: Pss. 56; 149
Evening: Pss. 118; 111
Joel 3:9–17
James 2:1–13
Luke 16:10–17 (18)

Sunday, November 18
26th Sunday after
Pentecost
Morning: Pss. 67; 150
Evening: Pss. 46; 93
Hab. 1:1–4 (5–11) 12—2:1
Phil. 3:13–4:1
Matt. 23:13–24

Monday, November 19
Morning: Pss. 57; 145
Evening: Pss. 85; 47
Hab. 2:1–4, 9–20
James 2:14–26
Luke 16:19–31

Tuesday, November 20
Morning: Pss. 54; 146
Evening: Pss. 28; 99
Hab. 3:1–10 (11–15)
16–18
James 3:1–12
Luke 17:1–10

Wednesday, November 21
Morning: Pss. 65;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 125; 91
Mal. 1:1, 6–14
James 3:13–4:12
Luke 17:11–19

Thursday, November 22
Morning: Pss. 143;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 81; 116
Mal. 2:1–16
James 4:13–5:6
Luke 17:20–37

Friday, November 23
Morning: Pss. 88; 148
Evening: Pss. 6; 20
Mal. 3:1–12
James 5:7–12
Luke 18:1–8

Saturday, November 24
Morning: Pss. 122; 149
Evening: Pss. 100; 63
Mal. 3:13–4:6
James 5:13–20
Luke 18:9–14

Sunday, November 25
Christ the King / Reign of
Christ Sunday
Morning: Pss. 108; 150
Evening: Pss. 66; 23
Zech. 9:9–16
1 Peter 3:13–22
Matt. 21:1–13

Monday, November 26
Morning: Pss. 62; 145
Evening: Pss. 73; 9
Zech. 10:1–12
Gal. 6:1–10
Luke 18:15–30

Tuesday, November 27
Morning: Pss. 12; 146
Evening: Pss. 36; 7
Zech. 11:4–17
1 Cor. 3:10–23
Luke 18:31–43

Wednesday, November 28
Morning: Pss. 96;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 132; 134
Zech. 12:1–10
Eph. 1:3–14
Luke 19:1–10

Thursday, November 29
Morning: Pss. 116;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 26; 130
Zech. 13:1–9
Eph. 1:15–23
Luke 19:11–27

Friday, November 30
Morning: Pss. 84; 148
Evening: Pss. 25; 40
Zech. 14:1–11
Rom. 15:7–13
Luke 19:28–40



- 4 Cathy Troutman
- 13 John Rose
- 19 Leslie Holland
- 24 Rob Otte
- 25 Tom Forgacs
- 27 Audrey Conner
- 29 Al Tedd



Join us on Sunday, November 4 for Consecration Sunday. We will be having a repeat of last year's meal which will include baked chicken, mostaccioli, green beans, red skin potatoes, tossed salad, rolls and various desserts. Coffee and other drinks will also be served.



The church office will be closed on Thursday, November 22. We will be home where turkeys will take advantage of stuffing us.



Sunday, November 4

Remember to turn your clocks back one hour on Sunday, November 4.

Financial Report as of 09/30/2018

	Sept.	Year to Date	Budget
Income	10,550	87,590	88,910
Expenses	8,157	88,777	86,785
Net Income or Loss	2,393	-1,187	2,125
Liquid Assets*	120,928	120,928	

* equals the total for Kirk checking, savings, and mutual funds.
Does not include Thank God 4 Christian Parents Fund.

September numbers were strong aided by a five collection month and return of rent from the pre-school. The Kirk also paid the down payment for the carpet this month from Capital Funds. The remaining balance will likely be paid with our November credit card billing.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR
**FINANCIAL
SUPPORT**

The mission of the Kirk of Our Savior is to glorify God, nurture new and existing relationships, and bear witness to our faith and divine calling through worship, service, stewardship and prayer.

It is the vision of this church to become a living example of God's love, called to show Christ to those within the church community by offering ourselves in service to those in need and inviting all to share in this vision.