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Notes from the Manse

I remember back when I was a teenager stumbling upon the famous quote by Hemingway—"What is the definition of guts? Grace under pressure." Well, that impressed me. There I was trying to sort out who I was, trying to deal with all the uncertainties of adolescence, and this sounded like something to aspire to. Now, of course, since it was Hemingway who said this I thought the whole deal was a tough guy kind of thing, one of those heroes of his who calmly smoked a cigarette and reassured a weeping woman shortly after he had lost his arm. And in a way that is what guts is all about. Think of the soldier who moves through a quiet street in a foreign country not knowing when there may be a bomb ready to go off, a sniper lining up a shot. Or think of the firefighter who breaks down a door and enters a house in flames, or a trooper walking up to a car pulled over for speeding with always the possibility there's a gun waiting for him or her. Think of them, staying calm even as their heart races, keeping their thoughts on what they have to do and not their fears, staying true to their comrades. That's guts.

But I believe there is another kind of guts that sometimes can be even harder to have. Though he probably didn't intend it, I think Hemingway was on to something—guts, true courage, is grace under pressure, the kind of grace in which we believe in our faith, the grace shown us in our Lord Jesus Christ. It's hard under the best of circumstances to be gracious. Even in the good times, we can get so caught up in the busy race of our lives that we forget to smile, to say thank you, to see the good and not the bad in others. And it's, oh, so much harder to be gracious when we hurt, when we are sick, when our lives seem to be crumbling around us. Yet it does happen; people do do it; people do show grace under pressure.

When I was a new chaplain in an inner city hospital in Bridgeport, CT, the work at times could feel overwhelming. For here I was, called upon to care for people often so sick, so frightened, to care too for their families who were every bit as afraid and uncertain. Where would I find the words to say? What could I do or offer? But still I had to find a way to be there for these folks. So I prayed, and I prayed with them, and I tried as best I could to open myself so the Spirit could lead me. Some folks frankly could have cared less that a chaplain came by. Others seemed deeply grateful. There was one woman, who had an illness that would probably never go away. When I stopped by to see her, she urged me to sit down. And before I could offer much of anything, she was asking me how I was. When I seemed kind of puzzled and said that really it was more important how she was doing, she said, no, she was OK; she was concerned about me. Later, when she was discharged, for there was nothing more they could do for her, she sent me a card telling me she was thinking of me. Well, I've never forgotten her. She was so sick, but, yes, she had guts; she embodied the grace of our Lord, she shared that grace, even when she was facing very real troubles, very real pressure. Paul says in *1 Corinthians 16*, "Keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love." Yes, we do need courage; we do need to be strong. But it doesn't have to be a macho kind of thing. For we are to be strong in love. We are to have guts; we are to have grace under pressure, the giving, serving grace of our Lord.

Rev. Robert W. Birch

Lectionary for Sundays in November

Nov 1 (All Saints' Day)	dinary Time)	Nov 23 (Reign of Christ / Christ the King)
Revelation 7:9-17	Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
Psalms 34:1-10, 22	Psalms 78:1-7	Psalms 100 or Psalm 95:1-7a
I John 3:1-3	I Thessalonians 4:13-18	Ephesians 1:15-23
Matthew 5:1-12	Matthew 25:1-13	Matthew 25:31-45
Nov 2 (31st Sunday in Ordinary Time)	Nov 16 (33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)	Nov 30 (First Sunday of Advent)
Joshua 3:7-17	Judges 4:1-7	Isaiah 64:1-9
Psalms 107:1-7, 33-37	Psalms 123	Psalms 80:1-7, 17-19
I Thessalonians 2:9-13	I Thessalonians 5:1-11	I Corinthians 1:3-9
Matthew 23:1-12	Matthew 25:14-30	Mark 13:24-37
Nov 9 (32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)		

Congregational Meeting

The Session of Leacock Presbyterian Church calls for a Meeting of the Congregation Sunday Nov 16, to approve the proposed 2015 budget, elect officers, and decide on the composition of the 2015 Nominating Committee.

The meeting will begin at approximately 10:45 a.m., fol-

lowing the scheduled one service of worship at 9:30 a.m.



Mark Calendars

Nov 14-15	Youth Lock-In 5 p.m. - 9 a.m.
Nov 16	Congregational Meeting - Followed by Luncheon
Nov 30	Advent Family Night 5:30 p.m.
Dec 6	Christmas Bazaar
Dec 21	Secret Santa Party Right After 9:30 Service

Happy Birthday To

November 16
Lee Brown
8 Bethany Avenue
Paradise, PA 17562

Newsletters

Just a reminder
Newsletter Articles
Are Due
the Friday After
the Session Meeting
which is usually
the Third Friday of the Month

Flowers

You may purchase flowers for the sanctuary on Sundays, November 9 or 16 in honor of or in memory of someone or a special occasion.

Call the church office at 687-6619.

Some of the Many Things Leacock Offers:

The congregation at Leacock should feel proud of the many projects, services and events that they provide for their church and community.

Some of the many things Leacock offers:

Community Meal, Book Group, Bible Study, Prayer Shawl Ministry, Youth Group,

Hymn Sings, Bible School, Church Ladies selling their handmade items at Paradise Market,

Christmas Caroling, The Choir, Christmas Caring

Tree and Bridge of Hope Tree, Christmas Bazaar,

Sunday School, Church Services Sunday morning, Weddings, Funeral Services and Funeral luncheons, Visiting shut-ins, providing the church kitchen for Meals on Wheels,

Upkeep of churches and manse, meals for the Factory, yearly picnics at Old Leacock.

Be proud to be a member of Leacock Presbyterian Church.

We are also lucky to have the Burkins do the newsletter. What a great job! Very fortunate to have Carol Shearer count the offering for many, many years!

Thank you Bob and Emily for your Leadership and thank you everyone for your continued support and involvement with all these many projects and events.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Mary Alice High,

Margy & Bob Hershey



Christmas Bazaar Saturday December 6

Donations are now being accepted of your handmade crafts, jewelry, clothing items, home décor, ornaments, framed items, etc.



We will need homemade cookies, pies, breads, candy, fudge and bagged treats as that is one of Leacock's best selling points. James, jellies, and other canned foods are always great sellers too! Once again, we will be plating the cookies on pretty plates or tins so you only need to send in your goodies, and we will do the rest. If you have any questions, please contact Michele McLaughlin 687-6619 or Loretta McClarigan 808-7689.





Advent Family Night

Begin the holy season of Advent with your Leacock Church Family at our annual Advent Family Night Sunday, November 30. We will gather in Fellowship Hall at 5:00 p.m. for a covered dish supper and a brief program before adjourning to the sanctuary for caroling.

Congregational Meal & Celebration of 50+ Year Members



Please join us in a celebratory meal to honor our 50+ year members on Sunday, November 16. Our church has been richly blessed with the contri-

butions of these longtime members, and we would like to publicly recognize them this day with a special meal that the whole congregation can enjoy together.

There will be one church service on the 16th at 9:30 a.m. followed by the Congregational Meeting.

At the close of this meeting,

everyone is cordially invited to Fellowship Hall to dine together. This meal will be provided entirely by the Church and Community Life Committee, so no need to bring anything more than yourselves and your families to share in this very special occasion.

October Session Snippets



The Session and the Board of Trustees held a combined meeting to discuss items of mutual concern and to examine the proposed 2015 budget. Session actions included the following:

- ◇ Concurring with the Trustee decision to hire

Christy Fields as Outdoor Sexton.

- ◇ Concurring with the Trustee request to spend up to \$5,900 for plaster repair in rain damaged areas of the Christian Education wing and the manse.
- ◇ Approving the proposed

2015 budget for presentation to the congregation at the November 16 Congregational Meeting.

- ◇ Setting December 14 as the date for Christmas Caroling.
- ◇ Donating \$200 to Camp Donegal.

Hymn of the Month

One of the best ways to add a new hymn to our worship experience and to expand our repertoire of praise is to have a hymn we sing each Sunday for a month so that it becomes familiar. The November hymn is “Here in this Place (Gather Us In),” #401 in *Glory to God*.

“The ‘you/your’ in every stanza is never identified in this 1979 hymn written by Marty Haugen, but the hymn is clearly corporate prayer to God on behalf of the diverse congregation who have assembled for worship, longing to be transformed and used as God’s witnesses and for God’s purposes.” The words present a heartfelt prayer for unity, and you can hear the hymn on YouTube.

Here in this place new light is streaming,
how is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a mystery,
we are the old who yearn for your face;
we have been sung throughout all of history,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,
gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water,
here we will take the bread of new birth,
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away -
here in this place the new light is shining,
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever,
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

Stewardship Report - Financial Update September 2014

	Offering September		Expenses September	
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Monthly Total	\$14,285	\$17,389	\$16,583	\$18,046
Year-to-Date	\$147,141	\$141,364	\$150,428	\$159,164

Budget Tracking Through September

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Total Annual Budget	\$226,889	\$251,276
Year-to-Date Expenses	\$150,428	\$159,164
% of Budget Spent	66.0%	63.0%

To meet our budget, we need to receive an average of \$4,363 each week. There were four Sundays in September, and we would have liked to see $\$4,363 \times 4$ or \$17,452 received in offering for the month. That makes us $\$17,452 - \$14,285 = \$3,167$ behind in offering to plan, for September. When looking at the year to date (Jan - Sep) we are \$23,025 behind offering to *budget expectations*.

As far as our *actual* expenditure versus offering, \$150,428 has been spent and we received \$147,141 in offering. That makes our deficit \$3,287 for the year to date. No doubt, we are doing better than the last two years, but still operating at a deficit, which I still hope will be wiped away these last few months of the year!

On a positive note, looking at the year to date offering in 2014 versus 2013, we are ahead of last year at this point by \$5,777.

Christmas Bazaar Baskets

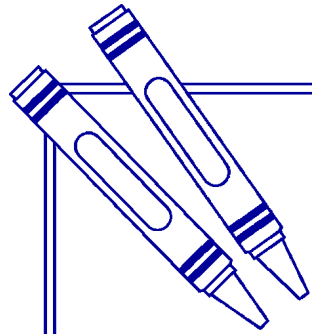
It's that time again - please start thinking of ideas to fill baskets to sell at the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 6.

You can fill a basket with goodies with a theme of your own or donate items for us to create a filled basket for you!

Place your filled baskets in Fellowship Hall with bazaar items by Sunday, November 30.

Any questions or if you need basket ideas please contact Karen Shue (687-7240) or Lois Snader (687-5698).



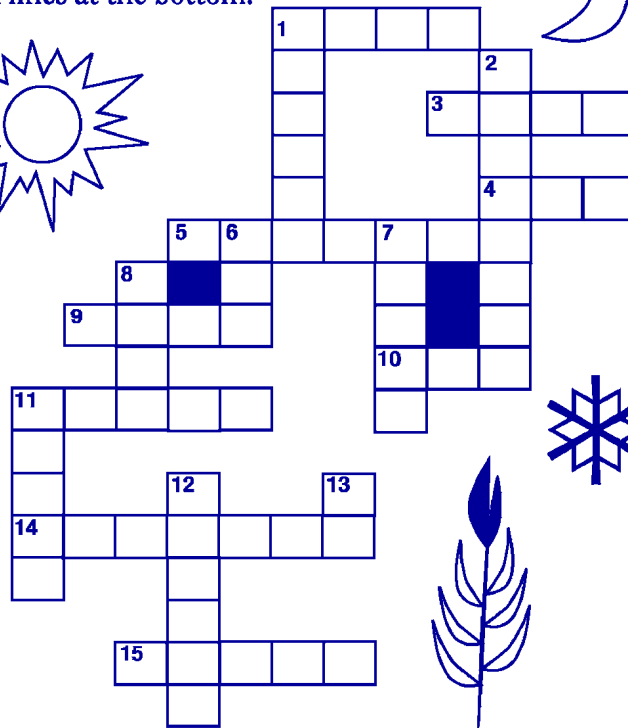
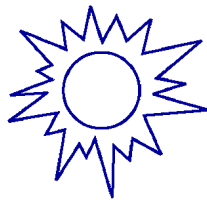


Just for KIDS

God's Promise

The Lord made a promise to Noah in Genesis 8:22. It was a covenant. Fit the words from the list into the crossword puzzle. Then use the numbers to match the words to the blank lines at the bottom.

as
and
the
day
cold
long
heat
will
earth
night
never
cease
winter
summer
harvest
endures
seedtime



“

13 8 13 10 7 14 ,
2 6 5 , 9 6
3 , 12 6 1 Down , 4
6 11 Across 1 Across 11 Down 15 ”

Answer: “As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease.”

IT'S TREATS AND TREASURES TIME...

We have become well known for our Bazaar featuring hand-crafted gifts, our famous peanut butter bonbons, our live wreaths, cemetery sprays and live table centerpieces, canned items, themed baskets, baked items, such as cookies and breads, and don't forget about the Holiday Cafe. Here are the dates on our Bazaar countdown; please consider helping celebrate the spirit of the holiday with our church family. Sign-ups will be in the Narthex. Hope you can fit at least one or two of these dates, filled with fun and fellowship, into your schedule. Thank you so much ahead of time.

Monday, December 1 – 1:00 pm - ? **CANDY WORKSHOP**

Carol Shearer will be in charge of our Candy Workshop in the Kitchen. This year we are making our famous peanut butter bonbons. We will need donations of ingredients, as well as helpers to mix and dip the candy. Please see the ingredient requests in the Narthex (please take note if a certain brand is listed....that is what makes our bonbons so tasty). Again this year, you can order your candy ahead of time, as long as you pay for it. Orders will be held until December 7th. Every year, many church friends were unable to get to the Bazaar and we were sold out of bonbons by Sunday....so we are hoping this added feature will help you....all orders and money are needed by Tuesday, November 25.....see or call Loretta (808-7689) to place your orders.

Thursday, December 4 1:00pm - ? **TAKE-ALONG-TREATS**

Michele McLaughlin, Bonnie Rice and Loretta McClarigan need lots of help in baking cookies and breads for our Bazaar. Please bring your donations of baked goods to Fellowship Hall by this date, as we will be plating and packaging them, on this day. If you can help, let them know, sign-up is in the Narthex, or just call.

Monday, November 10 **REGIFT & REDECORATION**

Bonnie Rice is looking for gently used Christmas itemsincluding ornaments, Christmas books or a variety of Christmas decorations. Please notice that we are only asking for Christmas items to be donated. Please put all your donations in the west corner of Fellowship Hall for pricing.

BASKET BONANZA

Karen Shue and Lois Snader are in charge of the themed baskets. If you can fill a basket with any theme (Italian Sampler, Nail Salon Goodies, Body & Bath, Newborn Baby Items, School Books or Supplies, the list is endless). Please place your basket donations in Fellowship Hall, by Sun. November 30th. If you need an empty basket to fill, they will be available in the Narthex, just help yourself.

Wednesday, December 3 - 6:00pm to 8:00pm **GREENS NIGHT**

Come to Fellowship Hall and help us make fresh arrangements. We do have some containers but would love if you can donate any before this date. Donations of greens, from your yard are always appreciated

but please let us know what you have (call Loretta 808-7689) so we know what we need to order. Oasis and candles will be provided. Even if you do not have any greens, come help; we will have plenty to share. At the end of the evening, you will have an arrangement to take home, if you wish, as well as one to donate to the bazaar. This is a great way to boost your holiday spirit!

Monday, December 1 - 4:00pm to 8:00pm

SET-UP

Set-Up in Fellowship Hall, if you can help, please contact Michele Lichty 687-6259 or Cathy Shenk 687-0173 or Loretta McClarigan 808-7689.

Friday, December 5 - 2:00pm to 8:00pm

Holiday Café

Betty Sowers, Alba Ruhl and friends will be welcoming your donations of pies, homemade soups, beef BBQ, homemade sticky buns, macaroni and cheese, hot dog and hamburger buns or donuts for the Holiday Café. Please check the clipboard in the Narthex to see the foods they need. Don't forget to come the day of the Bazaar to enjoy breakfast as well as lunch with friends.

Saturday, December 6 - 8:00am to 2:00pm

TREATS & TREASURES BAZAAR

Many job opportunities exist here. Check the clipboards in the Narthex to see where you can help. We need cashiers, baggers, friends to just condense tables as tables empty, friends to help shoppers with questions or lend a helping hand. If you are available for just an hour or two or three, or the entire time, we can use your help.....just bring a smile! Invite any children you know who would enjoy the interactive train set-up in the Narthex.



Trustee News

The Trustees, with the approval of Session, have hired Christy Fieldsa as our new Outdoor Sexton.

The repair work to the Sunday School rooms hopefully will begin in the next month.

If you have any concerns or questions please feel free to contact one of the Trustees.

Thanks again for all of you support!



Pray For

Nov 2 Donald & Betty Clark
Nov 9 Robert Clark
Nov 16 Peter & Ruth Conway
Nov 23 Harold & Janet Cosby

Blood Drive Schedule

Lancaster General Hospital has scheduled community blood drives throughout the year at the following locations. Won't you consider giving blood - every pint is very important!

BLOOD DRIVE SCHEDULE OCTOBER 2014

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Tues, Nov 18	Yoder's Market	2:00pm to 7:00pm
Thurs, Nov 20	Intercourse Fire Company	2:00pm to 7:00pm
Tues, Dec 2	Bareville Fire Company	2:00pm to 7:00pm
Wed, Dec 3	White Horse Fire Company	2:00pm to 7:00pm

The Lancaster General Suburban Outpatient Pavilion (Health Campus) Blood Drive is located in Building 2104, Suite 202. The hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 8:00am to 7:30pm. For more information call 544-0170.



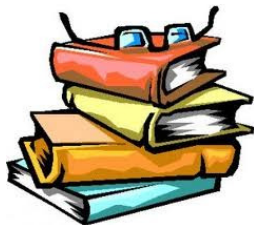
Special Thanks

The Session wishes to thank the Board of Trustees for their service above and beyond the call of duty during the incapacitation of the Outdoor Sexton.

Especially to be recognized are Trustee President George Shue and the "First Lady of the Board" Karen Shue for their selfless devotion to this church as they raked, swept, climbed on the roof, and even washed windows.

"Well done, thou good and faithful servants of the Lord."

Records Research



The Leacock Church records research, as requested by

Ambassadors For Christ of Paradise, is posted with photos and news articles on the bulletin board in the rear Sunday School hallway.

Copies of the final report on the "Leaman Missionaries to China," commenting on our Leacock Church connection to

Rev. Charles 'China Charley' Leaman, his daughters: Mary 'China Mary' Leaman and Lucy Leaman and the Chinese woman Christiana Tsai, are posted there. Please help yourself to one.

Richard Leaman Smith

Bazaar Café

Make plans now to eat Breakfast and/or Lunch at Leacock's Café on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Also, please consider donating a food item:



Ham and Bean Soup
Chicken Corn Soup
Vegetable Soup
Macaroni and Cheese
Beef BBQ
Pies

Rice Krispie Treats
Brownies
Whoopie Pies
Sticky Buns
Hamburger and Hot Dog Bund



If you can donate an item or two call Betty Sowers (442-8163) or sign up in the Narthex. Thank you ahead of time!

Of Buses and Bees — Leacock Book and Movie Group

As I write this, the Leacock book and movie group is about to enjoy a potluck dinner and the movie *Riding the Bus with My Sister*.

The movie is based on a memoir written by Rachel Simon about riding buses with her mentally challenged sister.

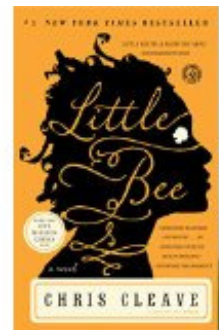
Our next book will be *Little Bee* by Christopher Cleave, a

story of the intersecting lives of a Nigerian orphan and an English woman. We will meet on Sunday January 18th at 5:00 p.m. for pizza and the discussion.

As always, all are welcome to join us, whether or not you've read the book.

Emily Birch
Book and Movie Group

Coordinator



Backpacks Thank You



Dear Members of Leacock Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for your very generous gift of backpacks to Pequea Valley Intermediate School.

All the supplies you stuffed into the backpacks was amazing!

Thanks so much for reaching out and helping others have school supplies.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Shenk
School Nurse

Mission News - CROP Walk - Community Meal

The 33rd Paradise CROP Hunger Walk was a success with 37 walkers of all ages. It resulted in over \$1,500 raised to help stop hunger world-wide.

25% of the money raised will go to the Paradise Food Bank helping those in the Paradise-Gap Area.

Thanks to all who contributed to this most special endeavor.

A Special thanks to Alba Ruhl,

Walk Coordinator (her 3rd year of a great job) and Richard Smith for his guidance, patience and drive. To Evie Lopez, Nick Lopez and Bonnie Rice our thanks for your effort in helping make this year a success.

The November Community Meal is a little earlier this month on the second Thursday of the month, November 13th. The meal is an Amish

wedding feast with turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, pepper cabbage, apple sauce and desserts. A real feast for any wedding or holiday occasion.

Join us in helping prepare the meal and enjoying the work you put into it. Sign-up sheets will be in the Narthex for food donations and meal help.

Lock-In, Wacky Sweaters, and Secret Santas - Leacock Youth

In October, we had a nice turnout of youth to walk in the CROP Walk. Thank you to those who showed up to walk and to those who helped sponsor them.

In November, finally, the day I'm pretty sure most of our youth have been looking forward to all year is here. The youth lock-in (for those of you who don't know, that refers to our youth group members being locked into the church overnight) is right around the corner.

On Friday, November 14th, the youth will spend the night at Leacock for a night of fun and games. They will also be working on making a sled for their December Secret Santa project.

Please pray for them and the crazy adults who've been kind

enough to supervise this night: Bob and Emily Birch, Steve and Charlene Boas, and John and Kris Shirk.

The youth are raising money again this year to buy backpacks and other items for their "Make the Homeless Smile" project by hosting our second annual "Wacky Sweater Sunday."

Can anyone beat the marvelously wacky sweater Skip Brackbill wore last year?

You can try, on Sunday November 30th. Please wear your wackiest sweater to church.

The youth are requesting that you give them a donation (no amount is too small or too large), which we will be collecting that day.

Speaking of donations, we would like to thank the anony-

mous donor who gave us a Leacock bank full of change. How thoughtful of you to support us and all we're trying to do.

We'd also like to thank Christy Fieldsa for donating tarps for the homeless. It's wonderful to have such generous people in our midst.

Don't forget to sign up for Secret Santa giving in December. Anyone who wants to will be given the opportunity to sign up to be a Secret Santa (instructions forthcoming, in church, so stay tuned).

During Family Advent Night, we will draw names, and for the four weeks during Advent, Santas will secretly give the church member whose name they've

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Faith, Sacrifices, Peace, & Sustainability - Christian Education

Children's Christian Education

The young people at our church have been learning about Noah, Abraham, Sarah, and Isaac this fall. They've been discussing the ways the Bible stories of these special people chosen by God connect to their own lives, exploring such topics as having faith in God and making sacrifices.

If you happen to pass by the Grades 1-5 room on a Sunday morning, you might also have heard us "making a joyful noise unto the Lord" by singing songs like "He's Got the Whole World."

We are hoping also to learn some songs from the new hymnal this year.

Soon, we'll be gearing up for Christmas and practicing for the Christmas pageant.

Adult Christian Education

The adult Sunday School has been discussing peace in the Middle East with classes led by Rev. Birch and focusing on the trip he took to Israel/Palestine last spring.

Beginning in January, during our second term of the year, Skip Brackbill will be leading an adult class on faith and sustainable living. He was kind enough to teach a preview of that class for the two weeks that Rev. Birch was on vacation.

Emily Birch and
Karen Homsher
Christian Ed Chair
and Co-Chair



Youth Group Schedule

Nov 2	7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Nov 14-15	Lock-In 5 p.m. - 9 a.m.
Nov 30	Advent Family Night (wacky sweater Sun- day for mem- bers of the congregation 5:30 p.m.
Dec 14	7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Leacock Youth (continued)

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drawn note cards, candy, tiny stocking stuffers, etc.

On December 21st, after the service, the youth will host a Christmas coffee hour for all the Secret Santas, at which time all will be revealed when each

Secret Santa gives a gift to the person he or she has been secretly gifting all along.

If you ever have any questions about youth group meetings, you can call or text Emily on her cell phone: 717-725-6572 or email: emilymb95@gmail.com. Those

of you on Facebook can also email via Facebook mail.

Emily Birch and
Charlene Boas
Youth Group Leaders

Bridge of Hope Fall Gift Card Collection



As the season of Thanksgiving will soon be

here, it is time to begin thinking of those who are less fortunate than ourselves.

During a Moment for Mission recently, we heard from Jeannine Strom Boyer, Program Director with Bridge of Hope, one of the organizations we have supported over the last several years.

There are many ways in which we can choose to support this mission of helping single mothers and their dependent children in their struggle with

homelessness.

As in the past, the Church and Community Life Committee will be asking for gift card donations for these women and children.

This fall Thanksgiving collection will begin Sunday, November 2 and run through November 23. There will be a "Fall Giving Tree" in the Narthex with tags you can take as a reminder of your intent to show support of this program.

Gift card donations should be \$25. Some suggestions for gift cards are Walmart, Kmart, Target, Kohls, Wawa, Sheets, Turkey Hill, Shop Rite Supermarket, Giant Food Store, Weis Market, or Hess gas

cards.

If you would like to participate but are unable to purchase the gift cards yourself, the committee will accept monetary donations in any amount for this cause. Please contact Jenny Keenan or Dianne Yunginger with any questions or concerns.

We also learned more about the mentorship opportunity to personally reach out to these families. If you have an interest in being part of a mentorship group here at Leacock and did not communicate that interest to Jeannine Strom Boyer when she visited, please contact the church office.

Ingredients Needed

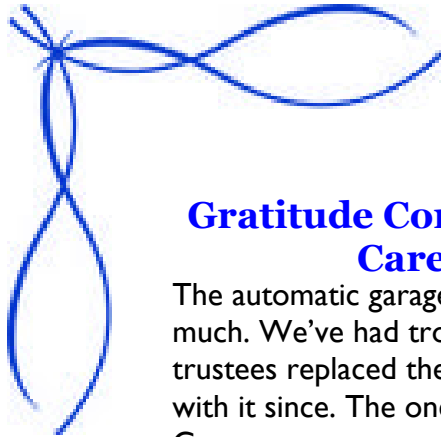
Our "FAMOUS" Leacock Peanut Butter BonBons

Ingredients Needed:

- 4 (32 oz) Jif Peanut Butter
- 4 (8 oz) Philadelphia Cream Cheese
- 5 lb Butter
- 5 (2 lb) Domino 10X Confectioners Sugar
- \$\$ Money for Melting Chocolate

If you can contribute, sign up in the Narthex or call Carol Shearer (687-7494). Consider helping her dip the BonBons in chocolate - December 1 (1 p.m. - ?). Help packaging would be great too - December 2, 3, or 4 (check signup sheet).





Gratitude Corner (Those Who Go Above and Beyond to Care for their Minister and His Wife)

The automatic garage doors at the manse have never seemed to like Bob and me much. We've had trouble with them since the day we moved in. Eventually, the trustees replaced the one on the left-hand side, and we haven't had much trouble with it since. The one on the right-hand side remained temperamental until Sean Carney came over and fixed it (or gave it a good talking to or something). More recently, the batteries went dead in both of the remote controls. They take a special sort of battery, and we didn't know where to get them, so we were just doing that old-fashioned (and inconvenient) thing of getting out of the car and opening the door.

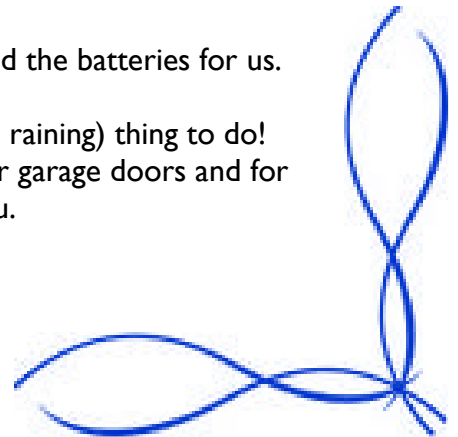
There's a member of the church who has always been concerned about our garage-door problem, who recently asked Bob how they were working these days. Bob said,

"Oh, fine, but we need to get batteries for the remote controls." He then asked this member where we could get batteries. The member replied,

"I have some," and he took our remote controls and replaced the batteries for us.

What a thoughtful (and very appreciated, especially when it's raining) thing to do! So thank you, **Harold Yuninger**, for paying attention to our garage doors and for taking the time to replace our batteries for us. God bless you.

Emily Birch



Squireside Saturdays



Don't forget Squireside Saturdays, the first Saturday of every month.

All women of the church ages 16 and over are welcome to join us at The Squireside Cafe in New Holland for lunch at 12:30.

Please remember to sign the signup sheet in the Narthex, so we can make reservations.

Emily Birch

USHERS - November and December

Skip Brackbill, Head Usher
8:00 Service

Ed Margerum, Head Usher
10:30 Service, (442-4027)

November

Ralph Shank
 Robin Englehart
 Dean Englehart
 Tracy Dippner

Charlene Boas
 Steve Boas
 Lori Smith
 Shirley Smith

December

Richard Miller
 Ellen Barnes
 Bonnie Rice

Michael Hartmann
 Ehren Graybill
 Keo Phongxaysanith
 Jennifer McElhaney

PLEASE NOTE -- If you are unable to serve the month or part of the month you are scheduled for, please try to trade with someone else and contact the head usher. They will contact the church office. THANK YOU!

NURSERY - November and December

If you are unable to serve as a volunteer, PLEASE TRADE WITH SOMEONE SCHEDULED ON ANOTHER SUNDAY. Call the office secretary, 687-6619, so she can make the bulletin change. THANK YOU!

Nov 2	8:00	Scott Shenk
	10:30	Alba & Valerie Ruhl
Nov 9	8:00	Ellen Barnes
	10:30	Sean & Maureen Carney
Nov 16	8:00	Deb Sindall
	10:30	Michele & Sara Lichty
Nov 23	9:30	Johanna Gingher & Sharon Williams
Nov 30	8:00	Tom & Vicki Burkins
	10:30	Marie Brackbill & Mike Hartmann
Dec 7	8:00	Janet Huffman
	10:30	Bob & Margy Hershey
Dec 14	8:00	Karen Boyer
	10:30	Charlene Boas & Lea Lichty
Dec 21	9:30	Donald & Christy Fieldsa
Dec 28	8:00	Sue Funk
	10:30	Mary Alice High



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