

The 21st Annual Harvest Dinner on October 21st was a success!! We had approximately 182 people dine in and had about 80 take outs. Once again we sold out. Our estimated profit after expenses is \$1600. Thank you to Natalie & volunteers for all your *hard work* and thank you to everyone who attended.

**DON'T FORGET
 TO TURN YOUR
 CLOCKS BACK!**



Daylight Savings Time
 Ends November 6th.



Your 2012 Pledge Cards have been mailed out.

If you would like offering envelopes for 2012
 (and not already set up to receive them)
 please contact Kyra in the office



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This little piece of humor was found in a journal dated from January 1966:

NEW MINISTERS JOB

“What do they do when they install a minister, Dad? Do they put him in a stall and feed him?”

“Oh No Son, They hitch him to a church and expect him to pull it”

A NOUN AND A VERB
—*from the pastor*

Gratitude is a kind of happiness.

There are other kinds of happiness. There's the happiness of coming home with a paycheck: the happiness of self sufficiency and security. There's the happiness of seeing a newborn: the happiness of wonder. There's the happiness of sighting the beloved across a crowded room: the happiness of romance.

There is also the happiness of receiving something good, perhaps unexpected and unearned—something once hoped for but elusive: the happiness of gratitude.



As a feeling, gratitude, like the ice cream cone, comes in a variety of sizes, shapes and flavors. There's the small vanilla soft serve of the text from a friend who's thinking of you. And there's the triple scoop, chocolate almond, waffle cone with a cherry announcement from Dad that we're leaving in the morning for 5 days at Disney World. One gives the little rise in the breast of love felt warmly; the other makes the heart race and the body run around the house screaming with joy and anticipation. We've all felt a multitude of gratitude attitudes.

We can say the nurturing of our children into faith them their path up the holy mountain of gratitude. We teach them, when they've been given something they like and enjoy, that there's a giver, and we help them to see the value in expressing thanks for what was given them. Givers can be parents and siblings, friends and groups of friends. The child's church can be a giver, and assuming all works out well, the child likes and enjoys and is increased by gifts from her church.

Nature is a giver and brings the rain and sunshine, and food is part of nature and grows from nature. We encourage children to be grateful for what nature affords us all, even though there's no separate part of nature we could call a face, no ears of nature to listen to a child appreciation, no voice to acknowledge a child's thanksgiving. But there really is—we all, children included, seem to know—some part of the universe we distinguish as nature, and however a child makes up in her mind an idea for what nature is, the child says thank you to that. I am convinced that when a child says thank you to nature's gift, nature bows in humble acceptance of the honor bestowed.



An intuition arises in many of us for the source from which all blessings flow, for light that illumines beauty, for truth that informs the mind, for justice that emboldens the conscience, for love that gladdens the heart, and for the fabric of being endlessly woven of nature's warp and woof. We say the name God to mean all of that, and then some. God is everything and more than everything—and before, during and after everything.

God and everything. It's a lot to wrap our gratitude around, and yet we are wonderfully made and generously equipped with the capacity for gratitude that wide. Our worship, at its most sublime, is the moment of gratitude that wide. "O love, how deep, how broad, how high," the Lenten hymn erupts, "How passing thought and fantasy, / That God, the Son of God, should take / Our mortal form for mortals' sake."

That we conceive our unbounded God in the boundedness of mortal form—especially that God meets us here out of love beyond measure and our wildest fantasy—screams for a joyous response.

All glory to our Lord and God
For love so deep, so high, so broad:
The Trinity whom we adore
Forever and forevermore.

—*Thomas à Kempis, 1380-1471*



On the Sunday just before the beginning of Lent we celebrate the Transfiguration of the Lord, the moment Jesus' appearance becomes so blindingly radiant the disciples are at first stunned into fear. The three disciples Jesus chose to accompany him to the mountain for this moment (Peter, James and John) recover from their terror quickly enough and are reflexively moved to some action, *any* action, that will express the fullness of excitement they feel about the splendor they've witnessed and wonder exploding within them.

The next instant Peter blurts out his suggestion about building a special little hut for Jesus (also one each for Moses and Elijah, who have shown up for the party). We're great at that stuff! We build shrines! Why? Because we're grateful for the splendor and wonder of the astonishing inbreaking of the divine, and when we're grateful, we have to do something about it.

Gratitude, in this sense, *is* doing something about it.



And that's why, though in English grammar gratitude is a noun (for the thankful way of being happy), in the spiritual life gratitude is also a verb. We both feel it and do it. We can't do gratitude if we don't feel it, but we haven't finished being grateful until we've done something. Gratitude is different than other kinds of happiness, because it *does* something.

Now, it turns out what the disciples wanted to do (build huts) doesn't satisfy God, or whoever it was who spoke out of the cloud just then. They didn't know God would have a say in how they showed gratitude, but apparently God gets a say whenever he wants.

What God wants is for the disciples to sit still and listen to the things Jesus has to say to them. What Jesus has to say is that things are going to be very different, that their relationship to God will be more personal than ever, more free than ever and, therefore, will require of them more responsibility than ever. They will be taking upon themselves the mantle of Christ and the charge of Christ to enact God's love wherever they'd go and whoever they'd meet.

That's how they will enact their gratitude, not by erecting shrines but by distributing the splendor and wonder they've witnessed in the form of love—deep, broad, high love. They will not only love God with all their heart and mind and strength (gratitude as a noun), they will, if they listen to Jesus as the voice said, love their neighbor as their self (gratitude as a transitive verb).

And once you start loving your neighbor, well, you know where that leads. You start out idly thinking about someone whose name you read on the prayer list, and pretty soon you're making a casserole to bring over. Once you're there, of course, you may as well visit a little, during which you come up with other ways to be of service, and before you know it you've filled up a whole evening that might otherwise have been profitably spent watching *Dancing with the Stars* and *Survivor*.

All this because of gratitude, the gateway drug leading to the joyfully relentless, self-giving service that has made people like Mother Teresa, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Desmond Tutu so annoying to refined society.



Of course, there is the very different expression of gratitude we call Thanksgiving, here in contemporary America, which does not highlight the self-giving service part of gratitude (unless you're among those who spend part of the day serving Thanksgiving dinner at a mission or

in a church basement for part of your day). Still, it's joyful, and certainly the eating part is relentless!

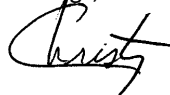
Thanksgiving has become a feast to celebrate what we've managed for ourselves, while not entirely neglecting entirely God's grace and generosity in the bargain. We emphasize the happiness of the filial love of family and friends in the heady setting of a sumptuous banquet. We forget ourselves and suppress all the inhibitions we rely on to prevent us from overindulgence that would kill us if we kept it up all year.

Compared to the astonishment of our pilgrim forebears that they had merely survived a year of harsh living, we come to the Thanksgiving table from a decidedly different perspective of gratitude. We're astonished we can eat so much food in one day without bursting!

All the same, we're grateful, at least, that with all the struggle, turmoil, deprivation and suffering we might have had, were we citizens of too many other parts of the world, we're still doing all right. We're warm and safe and well fed, which is something God wants for everyone. It's still a good life, and we know it. We thank God for it.

Have a happy Thanksgiving, and may all the blessings and mercies that surround you come to mind and lift your spirit.

Blessings,





Sunday School Singers will sing during the 10am service on

November 20th, December 4th and December 18th.

We are practicing Christmas music to sing December 4th and December 18th.

Please come and cheer the children on!!

Green Team @ Park

Biketober has collected 15 bikes thus far and because two were in very good condition without any safety concerns, they were given away already. A preschooler and a fourth grader gratefully received them. Referrals are coming in though not in great numbers. We have a request for example from Wayne County Behavioral Health for four of their adult clients. Geneva Bicycle Center will supply us with the bikes necessary to meet all requests regardless of the number of bikes we collect and bring to them. Check next month's issue of *Parkview* to get the final statistics on Biketober 2011.

There was an article in this week's *Wayne Post* regarding Biketober.

Recycling for Art: Thank you for diligently saving and bringing in plastic milk and water jugs. The art teacher requesting them received the 25 she needed in time for her fifth graders', mask project.

GT @ Park is collecting other requested recyclables for various art teachers in the district and asks you to bring your items to Room 201 or leave them on a shelf in the lounge. PLEASE, clean and dry requested items only.

CLOSED CASE

"WINTER: THE SEASON WHEN

CHILDREN LEAVE

OPEN THE DOORS

THEY SLAMMED ALL SUMMER."

—RODNEY STEVENS.

SCHEDULE OF VOLUNTEERS FOR NOVEMBER-

Sound system

- 6th- Greg Nassimos
- 13th- T.B.D.
- 20th-Rod Deisering
- 27th-Fran Guchone

Auditors:

- 6th-Thurlow Hammond, Josh McCrossen
- 13th-Joan Clark, Shelley DeVolder
- 20th-Bonnie Bertino, Linda Wiltise
- 27th-Karen Doebler, Paul Salisbury

Deacons:

- Coffee Hour: Natalie Lemmon/Phidelia Cornwell
- Greeters/Offering Collection: Betty Cowley

Nursery:

- November (all Sundays): Donna Blondell

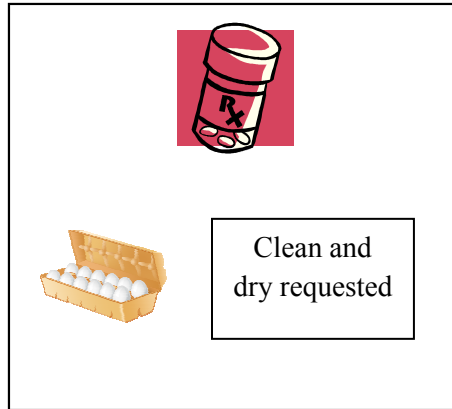
Sunday School:

- Youth: Christine Stephens
- K-4: S. Blodgett

Recycle for Art

- Styrofoam egg cartons
- Styrofoam meat trays
- Plastic butter, cottage cheese and whip cream containers w/lids
- Coffee cans w/lids
- Prescription bottles w/lids
- Lids from 2 liter soda bottles

Clip and post on your fridge



GT @ Park in the News: There was front page coverage of Biketober in the October 19 issue of *Wayne Post*. The *Lake Shore News* also provided good reporting of this event in their September 28 issue. There will be coverage in an upcoming issue of *Wayne Post* regarding the bottle and can recycling pails GT @ Park provided to Newark Middle and High Schools. They are all out and being put to good use. It was gratifying to see one at the JV soccer field while at one of their games and another in the high school foyer while attending the Young Americans performance. We will monitor this and see if the district may be a model for other districts as well as our town and village parks.

Meetings are on the fourth Sunday of each month following the 10am service. All are welcome.

“IF IT WASN’T FOR THE LAST MINUTE, A LOT OF THINGS WOULD NEVER GET DONE.”

Adopt a Highway Fall Cleanup!



Thank You!!

Pictured from left to right:
Gerry Benedict, Jeanne & Paul Salisbury



The Green Angels

The Green Angels recycled kids goods drive will be held **November 28th- December 9th**. There will be a collection bin at Park Church. The items that are collected from generous community members will contribute to our inventory for the **Holiday free cycle & Health Fair on Saturday, December 10th from 10am-4pm at the Palmyra Community Center, 424 Stafford Street, Palmyra.**

Thank you for your consideration and for helping to keep our community's children smiling during the holidays!

If you would like more information on this program contact:

Marya Vande-Doyle
The Green Angels
Community Resource Collaborative Forum
Community Resource Guide
PO Box 114
Palmyra, NY 14522

Web: www.wayneresourceguide.org

Web: www.the-green-angels.org

Or follow us on facebook



Book Club

November 21st at 7pm

The Night Circus
by Erin Morgenstern

Facts about November

Did you know....

- All Saints Day, Nov 1
- Marine Corp Birthday, Nov 10
- Veterans' Day, Nov 11
- National Adoption Day, Nov 21
- November's Birthstone is Topaz



Celtic Fest

The Celtic Fest is Saturday, December 3rd.

We are looking for donations of Lunch & Dinner menu items especially apple desserts. See the bulletin board outside the office for specifics and to sign up to volunteer.

There will also be a sheet on the bulletin board of items needed for the Gift Basket booth. For more information on gift baskets see Theresa DeWolf or Cassie Lotz Tavano.

See flyer on back page for information on the event.

Presbyterian Women

Luncheon Circle @ noon Nov. 14: All women are invited to join us for lunch. Desert is provided. Bring a dish to pass & your place setting. If you don't have a dish, come anyway. Beth Frind is hostess. Our Thank Offering will be dedicated.

Quilters Circle: Meets weekly at 6:30 pm. Anyone interested in quilting is welcome.

School Kits: We collected 19 complete school kits for Church World Service. **Thanks to each of you who contributed.**

Looking forward:

- Celtic Christmas Festival Dec. 3rd: Presbyterian Women will have a bake sale booth.
- Bake/Quilt Sale also on December 17th from 9am-1pm.
- Rummage Sale planning meeting: Jan. 4, 9am. Please come if you are interested in helping with the sorting &/or sale April 19-21, 2012.

2011 Thank Offering
Presbyterian Women

Presbyterian Women Thank Offering

Since 1888, Presbyterian Women have funded aid programs through the Thank Offering. The Creative Ministries Offering Committee met in Louisville, KY in March 2011 & approved 26 grants totaling \$724,780 from the 2010 Thank Offering of PW. The Thank Offering supports programs that relieve pain, provide clean water, alleviate homelessness, provide educational opportunities, promote health & improve the lives of women & children throughout the world. The goal for the 2011 Thank Offering is \$1 million. **Park PW is asking that you prayerfully consider a donation to the Thank Offering to help PW reach the \$1 million goal.** This calendar below is a thoughtful guide for you to follow in November for your donations. **Thank Offering** envelopes, a list of 2011 funded projects & donation calendar guide will be available in the lounge on the Presbyterian Women's stand & at the back of the sanctuary.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Affordable Homeownership Rehabilitation Donate \$1 if you have never been homeless.	Sustainable Fish Processing For every fish or seafood meal you ate this week, donate \$.25.	Brain Injury Adventure Camp Give \$.50 for every time you have gone camping.	Legal Services for Victims of Domestic Violence Donate \$.50 if you have ever consulted a lawyer.	A Growing Child Care Donate \$.10 for every child, grandchild or great grandchild in your family.	Supporting Pakistani Women Who Have Been Abused Donate \$.25 if you have met a woman from Pakistan.	Literacy Counts Contribute \$.10 for every item you read today.
"Go Green" Food Pantry Give \$.10 for every reusable grocery bag in your home.	Meat Processing Give \$.25 for each meat meal you've eaten this week.	Housing for High School Girls Donate \$.25 if you slept in a bed last night.	Give as you feel blessed.	Community Garage Give \$.05 for every mile you drove today.	Hope Through Jobs Donate \$.25 for every teenager you see today.	Appalachian Women and Children Give \$1 joyously for having basic needs met.
Safe Mothers in Haiti Give \$.25 for every baby you see today.	Computer Skills Donate \$1 for every computer in your home.	Occupational Therapy for Children Be thankful for children playing; invest \$3.	Immigrant Outreach Give \$.25 for every U.S. citizen in your home.	Adolescent Health in China Donate \$.25 for each healthy person in your family.	Urban Mission Center Give \$.25 for every hour you volunteer this week.	Fair Fruit Give \$.25 for each piece of fruit you had today.
Transitional Living Give \$.25 for each room in your house.	Street Youth Ministry Be thankful for your pastor; invest \$1.	Water Storage Give \$.5 for every time you use water.	Building Schools Give \$.50 for each school you see today.	Store and Protect Grain Give \$.25 for each grain product you ate today.	Dear Ones Child Care Give \$.50 if you know a child in childcare.	Pray, love and give as you feel blessed.

NOVEMBER



2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
SUNDAY SCHEDULE 8am— Chapel Service 9am— Adult Bible Study 9am— Choir practice 10am— Sanctuary service 1020am— Sunday School 1050am— SS Singers 11am— Coffee Fellowship		1	2 Adult Bells, 6pm Property Mtg-7pm	3 Peaceful Moments, 5-8pm Quilters', 630pm Bereavement 7pm Prayer Grp, 7pm	4	5
6 Baptism	7 Session Mtg, 6:30pm (note date change) <i>tentative</i>	8 Election Day	9 Adult Bells, 6pm	10 Peaceful Moments, 5-8pm Quilters', 630pm Prayer Grp, 7pm	11 	12
13 Les Chanteuses & Chancel Bells Light & Life 5-6:30 All are Welcome	14 Luncheon Circle- 12	15	16 Adult Bells, 6pm	17 Peaceful Moments, 5-8pm Quilters', 630pm Bereavement 7pm Prayer Grp, 7pm	18	19
20 Christ The King Men's Choir Sunday School Singers 🎵🎵 	21 Mission Mtg, 7pm Book Club, 7pm	22 PARKVIEW ARTICLE DUE	23 Ecumenical Service, 7pm LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED	24 Thanksgiving <i>Office Closed</i>	25 <i>Office Closed</i>	26
27 ADVENT BEGINS 2¢ a meal GT @ Park Mtg- 1130am Light & Life ADVENT NIGHT 5-7pm	28 W&M Mtg, 7pm	29	30 WEDNESDAY WORKERS, 11:30am Adult Bells, 6pm	COMING IN DECEMBER... December 3rd—Celtic Fest, Bake/Quilt Sale December 11th—Cantata December 17th—Bake/Quilt Sale December 24th—Christmas Eve December 25th—Christmas		

Finger Lakes Bronze Hand Bell Choir



A Rainbow of Music
Wednesday, November 16th- 7pm
**North Ontario United
 Methodist Church**
**7200 Ontario Center Road
 (Rte 350)**
315-524-9509
FREE CONCERT

“GRATITUDE
IS THE BEST
ATTITUDE.”

—FROM THE SECRET

Poinsettias

This Christmas, as we have in the past, we will fill our sanctuary with poinsettias, given in memory of loved ones. Place your order now, we are requesting **\$6.00** per poinsettia. Contributions above this amount will help support our general Flower Fund. Complete this form and return it to the Church office with your check by **Monday, December 12th**. Please do not place it in the offering plate. Checks are to be made payable to **PPC Flower Fund**.



RETURN THIS FORM TO THE CHURCH OFFICE

Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$ _____ for _____ plants

In memory/honor (circle) of: (Please print)

Given by: (Please print)

_____ I would like my plant(s) delivered to a shut-in.

_____ I plan to pick up my plant(s) following the Christmas Eve service.

Remember the last day to order plants is *December 12th*.



LIGHT AND LIFE

FAMILY MATTERS

Food, Fellowship, Fun and Praise!

*2nd & 4th Sundays of Each Month —5pm-6:30pm
All Ages*

Bring a dish to pass. *Nothing to bring?? COME ANYWAY!*

**** November 27th will be our Advent Night (Time will be 5-7pm)**

November Birthdays!

“ONE OF THE
GREATEST
SECRETS OF
PRAYER IS PRAYER
IN SECRET”

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|----|----------------------|----|---------------------|----|-------------------|
| 4 | Julie Blodgett | 15 | Jan Smith | 27 | Caroline Patchett |
| | Emily Cornwell | | Gene Tilburg | 28 | Sandra Sloane |
| | Robert Finewood | 16 | Henry Stephens | 29 | Nicolas Nittolo |
| | Kathleen Kelley | 17 | Priscilla Gifford | | Amy Stell |
| 5 | Katharine Coleman | | Colleen Nassimos | 30 | Ethan Coleman |
| | Caleb Coleman | | Paul Salisbury | | Rachel Horton |
| 6 | Eric Blodgett | 18 | Andrew Lindberg | | |
| | Laurie Merrell-Parra | 19 | Cindy Best | | |
| 8 | Ron Eaton | | Fran Guchone | | |
| 9 | Kailee Bialaszewski | | Marcia Wareham | | |
| | Betty Chappell | 21 | Alejandro Caraballo | | |
| | Kathleen Eckert | | Jordyn Tack | | |
| | David Whitcomb | 22 | Dorla Seely | | |
| 10 | Lisa Fedczuk | 24 | Tim Overend | | |
| 11 | Mallary Walton | | Chadwick Springett | | |
| 13 | Kaylie Milliman | | Patty Verbridge | | |
| 14 | Shirley May | 25 | Susan Dulmage | | |
| | Cynthia Smith | 26 | Phillip Conklin | | |
| | Kurt Werts | | | | |



Please accept our apologizes if your birthday or announcement has been inadvertently omitted.

On Our Prayer lists:

Dax Brodhacker <i>Christy's friend</i>	Carleen Frost	Maebelle Pitts
Bob Burlingham <i>Tracy's father</i>	Linda Gannon <i>Julie Blodgett's mother</i>	Isabel Resto <i>Wischoff's granddaughter</i>
Barb Chappell	Donna Goff <i>Julie Blodgett's friend</i>	Bob Stewart <i>Linda Woods' friend</i>
Robin Chappell	Faye Hall	Max Teeter <i>Bodine's grandson</i>
Barb Deisering	Virginia Kellar <i>Linda Wood's sister</i>	Karen Wahl
Ray L. DePauw		

Those who are serving our country:

Steve Belair	Matthew DePauw	Samuel Richardson
Joe Burgess	Phillip Fagner	Matt Tierson
Seth Burgess	David Kuperus	
Chris & Sarah Burlee	Ryan Kuperus	
Andy Cornwell	Tim Lotz	
Matthew Currao	Tim Peck	



**VETERAN'S
DAY IS
NOVEMBER
11TH**

Take time out to
Thank a
Veteran

*Park Church member
who has entered
the Church Triumphant*

Stanley E. May

December 4, 1930—October 3, 2011

Our sympathies to his family and loved ones

Rev. Wareham officiated at his service on October 8th

SYMPATHIES TO...

❖ The family of Dawn (Osterling) Tucker who passed away on October 2nd.

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November 2011



*Park Presbyterian Church
Newark, New York*

*“We will make Christ visible
by believing, living and
sharing the word of God.”*

Celtic Christmas Festival
Saturday, December 3rd, 2011
at Park Presbyterian Church
Newark, NY

Celtic Cottage:

9am-4pm

- ◆ Bake & quilt sale
- ◆ SERRV Sale
- ◆ Vendors
- ◆ gift baskets
- ◆ Father Christmas
- ◆ lunch (\$5)

Celtic Marketplace

9am-4pm (Vendors & Raffle)

Celtic Dinner

6pm-7pm

*shepherd's pie,
salad greens,
scones/soda
breads, apple des-
serts, beverage.*

advance ticket

sale only:

\$5 adult, \$3 ages

5-12

performance tickets
sold separately

Kevin Angus and the

Christmas Ceilidh Band

will perform at 7:30pm
\$5 in advance, \$8 at the door,
(Ages 5 & under -Free)
dinner tickets sold separately

presented by:

Celtic Christmas Festival Staff

for more information, or to purchase tickets contact the church office.

(315) 331-2255

email: parkchurch110@gmail.com