



# The Looking Tree

*Love lives here, Love flows from here...*

**October 2021**



Pastor Hilary Livingston

**Dear HoC members and friends,**

**Give Thanks for God's Faithfulness!** It's hard to believe we're in October already! We've come a long way since last October. Last year at this time, we were worshipping virtually due to COVID-19. There were no vaccines available, and we had no idea how much longer we were going to be in lockdown. Since that time, vaccines have become available, we've been able to return to worship in our sanctuary, and we are hopefully moving past this pandemic to more normalcy.

Though this last year has been tough, God has been faithful to us. God has provided for us financially and materially. God has also given us a strong faith and resilience, along with creativity and a can-do spirit. Just think of all we've been able to do over this past year! We've learned new technology that allowed us to stay connected with one another. We're pros at Zoom and YouTube and Facebook. We've set up our sanctuary for livestreaming, allowing us to broadcast our worship to an even wider audience than ever before. We've also continued to care for one another, as well as continue our efforts to help those in our community who are in need. God has indeed been faithful.

I'm so thankful for all of you, for your love and support for me and our congregation, for your resilience and commitment to this church, despite the many challenges of this past year. We are currently in our season of stewardship. I hope you will reflect upon all the blessings God has given us as a congregation, and I hope you will be moved to make a generous commitment to support our church financially over the next year. We're blessed to have our endowment, which helps us financially do all the ministry we believe God is calling us to do. We're also blessed by your regular financial giving, which allows us to invest and preserve endowment for the future, while supporting the ministry God is calling us to do here and now in our church and community. Thank you for your generous gifts! Your gifts make all we do possible!

Blessings,

*Hilary*



## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult Sunday school will begin on  
 Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am.  
 Our topic will be Adam Hamilton's  
*The Walk* video series.  
 All are welcome to attend!



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**Mandatory 10-Digit Dialing  
 Effective on October 24, 2021  
 For Multiple States/Area Codes**

Take note Verizon customers. When using your landline, you must dial all 10 digits of the phone number you're calling to complete the call.

State	Area Codes	State	Area Codes
Alabama	251	Minnesota	218, 952
Alaska	907	Mississippi	662
Arizona	480, 520, 928	Missouri	314, 417, 660, 816
Arkansas	501	Montana	406
California	209*, 530*, 562*, 626*, 650*, 707*, 925*, 949*, 951*	Nevada	775
Colorado	719, 970	New Hampshire	603
Delaware	302	New Jersey	856, 908
Florida	321 (Brevard County), 352, 561, 941	New Mexico	505, 575
Georgia	478, 912	New York	516, 607, 716, 845, 914
Guam	671	North Carolina	910
Hawaii	808	Ohio	440, 513
Illinois	309, 618, 708*	South Dakota	605

Indiana	219, 574	Tennessee	731, 865
Iowa	319, 515	Texas	254, 361, 409, 806, 830, 915, 940
Kansas	620, 785	Vermont	802
Kentucky	859	Virginia	276, 804
Louisiana	337, 504	Washington	509
Michigan	616, 810, 906, 989	Wisconsin	262, 414, 608, 920

\*1 + 10-Digit Dialing is required for landline customers.

# THOUGHTS ON



## Stewardship

*by Ed Crispin*

### OCTOBER IS CHURCH STEWARDSHIP MONTH

We look forward to this year's Stewardship Campaign moving forward at a very swift pace. Anticipated for fueling this swift pace will be the recognition that this past year has been a year of surprises and way of life changes wherein the one significant institution that has helped us make it through is the Church. During year 2021, we came to know two words which prior 2021, were not in our everyday vocabulary. Those words are "Pandemic" and "Virtual." We found that "Pandemic" had much to do with our being able to cope with our changing day-to-day environment and continued living. "Virtual" is the action word that provided us the ability to communicate with others without the concern of becoming one of the negative numbers seen each evening on our television screens. And for the few without virtual capabilities, Church was very easily conveyed by the U.S. mail. So now here we are coming to – we hope – closure of the pandemic. We still wear our masks when inside, but outside in the open air, we now take off our masks and converse openly without sickness concerns.

Now, let us take a realistic look at our Church and its place in our life. So much of what has happened during this pandemic period, i.e., our survival as a community, has been because of the Church, its leadership, and its providing the opportunity for community. Lillian and I will continue to support both spiritually and financially our Church's community and we encourage all of our Church members to also do so to the level of their ability. The Church definitely occupies a strong place in Lillian's and my life and I'm certain it has that same strong place in yours. We're looking forward to strong mail returns for the support of the Church. If you haven't had an opportunity to complete and return your Pledge/Intension Card please do so. If you've misplaced your card, please telephone me ((410) 398-7036) and I will send you another.

## GIVING DOES MATTER





## 2022 Stewardship Campaign

October

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10<sup>th</sup> Minute for Mission -- Stewardship Campaign

18<sup>th</sup> Minute for Mission -- Stewardship Campaign

November

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1<sup>st</sup> Stewardship Campaign concludes

**In all things, give with an attitude of gratitude!**



# The Looking Tree

**HOLIDAY  
GIVING**  
*opportunities*

Production of the November issue of The Looking Tree will begin on Tuesday, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>. Please have your submissions to me by then. Especially important are any upcoming special holiday events:

Thanksgiving Table, Hats/Mittens/Scarves, Men's Flannel Shirts, Christmas Baskets, Angel Tree, Poinsettias, etc. These are all former holiday giving opportunities, so please provide details if we will be doing them again this year so the information can be included in The Looking Tree, Fliers, Inserts, etc. If you will be overseeing other giving opportunities, please let me know as soon as possible.

Thank You!

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# MEETING GROUND

Wayfarers' House  
410-398-4381

Settlement House  
410-392-8866

Mary Rindall Center and  
Emergency Rotating Shelter  
410-620-4791

September 20, 2021

Head of Christiana Presbyterian Church  
1100 W. Church Road  
Newark, DE. 19711

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your donation of \$2,000.00 on 8/3/21 to support Meeting Ground. Your generous donation demonstrates that you understand the importance of the work that takes place at Meeting Ground. Together we are working to bring an end to homelessness in Cecil County and beyond.

Without the support of our generous donors, the homeless population in Cecil County would face the hard path towards achieving self-sufficiency and finding a place to call home without the much needed help that Meeting Ground offers. We are thankful of the fact that with your help we are able to offer our clients the hand up that they need.

Your tax-deductible donation (Tax ID # [REDACTED]) supports programs at Meeting Ground that provide vital services to persons at risk of or experiencing homelessness by meeting basic human needs, connecting people to services, fostering spiritual and emotional well-being, and advocating for those whose voices need to be heard, with the goal of creating a path to a place they call home. No goods or services were provided to you for your contribution.

We look forward to sharing our successes with you in the future, and thank you again for your generous support.

Sincerely,

Sheri Snyder  
Executive Director



**Friendship House**  
A Way Home

September 20, 2021

Head of Christiana Presbyterian Church  
1100 W. Church Rd.  
Newark, DE 19711

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your generous donation of \$500.00 to Friendship House and \$100.00 to Andrew's Place (which is called Clark House now).

Throughout the pandemic, Friendship House has remained courageous and faithful. As we begin our journey towards a time where vaccinations are coupled with rising covid numbers, we remain hopeful. We always believe in a better tomorrow as long as we give our best today. Our community has depended on Friendship House to remain open and available to all, and we have kept true to that need. That is because of your generosity.

Because of our loving, supportive donors such as yourself, we have been able to be there every morning at our Wilmington and Newark centers to give coffee and a meal. We have been able to continue clothing our neighbors through the efforts of our Clothing Bank. We have been able to accept people into our housing program who needed someone to look them in the eyes and say, "You can do this."

We have new collaborations happening because of the pandemic, such as our program at the New Castle County Hope Center and our initiative to clothe all students in New Castle County who have dress code requirements they struggle to meet.

We can do these things because of you! Thank you for your support to our mission. I pray you remain safe and well.

Thank you, again, for your wonderful gift to Friendship House.

Your grateful friend,

Kim Eppehiner  
Executive Director & CEO

Thank you so much!

-Kim

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"Uniting people facing homelessness with loving, supportive communities they can call home."

# "Just My Type"

by Matt Gaffney

## ACROSS

- 1 Kate Middleton's middle
- 7 College \_\_\_\_
- 11 Fooled
- 14 Dug seriously
- 15 Yucatec \_\_\_\_ (Mexican language)
- 16 ACC team
- 17 Used someone's trust for personal gain
- 19 One of a bodily pair
- 20 First name in explorers
- 21 Hunting twin
- 23 Prominent NASDAQ symbol
- 25 Esophageal openings
- 29 "Insomniac" comedian
- 32 They come in sleeves
- 33 Carolinas river
- 34 \_\_\_\_ Championship (Rory McIlroy won it in August)
- 35 Gets rid of
- 39 Go wrong
- 40 Bright idea, given the situation (this is negative)
- 43 Creature in "The Lord of the Rings"
- 44 Show no respect for
- 46 Stage pair
- 47 Martin of comedy
- 49 Dirty dish
- 51 Internet security name
- 52 Orotund Italian singer
- 56 Tom Petty's "\_\_\_\_ Love Strange"
- 57 Destructive device
- 58 Leave no tip for
- 61 Not feeling happy
- 62 Absent from class, perhaps
- 68 Dedicated lines?
- 69 Site for auction action
- 70 Republican National Committee Chairman, 2009-2011
- 71 Made a choice, in a way
- 72 Plots
- 73 Did groundskeeping work

## DOWN

- 1 Monkey-\_\_\_\_ (1980s Letterman gimmick)
- 2 Former PBS host LeShan
- 3 Political group
- 4 Did an ER doctor's job
- 5 Agents, for short
- 6 Part of ED

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- 7 Network show since 1975, for short
- 8 FBI informant, for example
- 9 Word that retains its meaning when you move its first letter to the end
- 10 Dude
- 11 Solzhenitsyn title word
- 12 Extremely passive
- 13 Small plates
- 18 Chop (off)
- 22 Kid Rock's "\_\_\_\_ Deep"
- 23 Looked on in wonder
- 24 "Scary Movie" actress, 1995
- 26 Get moving
- 27 Ben Affleck-directed film coming out next month
- 28 Most famous person ever born in Tampico, Illinois
- 30 Union general \_\_\_\_ Wallace
- 31 Be the cause of
- 36 Amassed troops on, as a border
- 37 DuPont brand name
- 38 Hard to find
- 41 Round house
- 42 Palindromic artist
- 45 Filtered communications
- 48 In the armed forces, perhaps
- 50 Carl Gustaf Mosander discovery of 1843
- 52 Flower from the Greek for "flame"
- 53 Home, cheesily
- 54 Made a promise
- 55 Surreal ending
- 59 Hardy woman
- 60 "\_\_\_\_ the Mystic" (Van Morrison song)
- 63 Anthony and Bryant's org.
- 64 Stock market hiccup
- 65 They might be "Self"-involved: abbr.
- 66 "Awesome!"
- 67 Harry voices him on "The Simpsons"



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 SMALL  
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OCTOBER

COLORING PAGE

TRICK OR TREAT



Color Something Good To Eat!

# HOC CALENDAR — October Happenings



Sun	Oct 03		World Communion Sunday and Peace & Global Witness Offering
Mon	Oct 04	7:00pm	Worship (Zoom Meeting)
<b>Tues</b>	<b>Oct 12</b>		<b>LOOKING TREE DEADLINE</b>
Tues	Oct 12	7:00pm	Mission & Outreach (Zoom Meeting)
Tues	Oct 12	7:00pm	Session (hybrid--NCP conf. rm. & Zoom)
Mon	Oct 18	7:00pm	Admin & Finance Commission via Zoom

**CHOIR PRACTICE – THURSDAYS 7:30pm**



## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



- Oct 5 Trevor Christian
- Oct 18 Charlotte Condliffe
- Oct 21 Staci Truitt
- Oct 25 Kayleigh Davis
- Oct 26 John Murray

