



The Looking Tree

Love lives here, Love flows from here...

November 2022



Pastor Hilary Livingston

Dear HoC members and friends,

A Season of Thanksgiving:

As we enter the month of November, it will soon be time to celebrate Thanksgiving. As Christians, we are called to be a people of gratitude and thanksgiving, remembering all of God's good gifts to us. We've faced many challenges as a church over the past few years, yet we have much for which to be thankful. During this season, let us all take time to remember God's goodness to us and to our church.

During this season of giving thanks, let me begin by saying thank you! Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministries and missions of our church. Thanks for rising to the various challenges we've faced and being faithful and resilient! Your dedication and commitment to our church truly inspire me, and bear witness to God's grace at work in our midst. For your dedication of time, talents and resources to our church, week after week and year after year, thank you! Your generous gifts and commitment to our congregation make all we do possible.

"I thank my God for every remembrance of you, always in every one of my prayers for all of you, praying with joy for your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Jesus Christ."

- Philippians 1:3-6

With enthusiastic gratitude, appreciation, and overflowing love,

Blessings,

Pastor Hilary

HoC HAPPENINGS

Debbie Reeves



ELKTON COMMUNITY KITCHEN'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Calling all HOC bakers!

Once again we've been offered the opportunity to contribute cookies for the annual Elkton Kitchen Christmas luncheon. We're hoping to provide 25 dozen cookies, packed in sandwich bags of four cookies each.

Please help us continue this HOC tradition by signing up now! Contact Alex Oakes or Debbie Reeves to put your name on the list of cookie volunteers.

Other giving opportunities coming up: Flannel Shirts for Men's Shelter and Warriors Helping Warriors; Mitten and Hat Tree in Narthex; possible "adopt a needy family" (still under consideration).

Coming in February: Elkton Community Kitchen.

Stay tuned for more information and details...



VETERAN'S DAY 2022

Veteran's Day this year falls on Friday, Nov. 11th so we will have our annual **HoC Salute to Veterans** insert on [Sunday, Nov. 13th](#). Please let me know if you need to add someone to our list, or if you have changes no later than Nov. 7th.

Thank you!

Contact me at nancy.hoc@outlook.com





Pledge cards are due to the church by **Sunday, November 6th**.

Extra cards are available in the Narthex or by contacting the church office.

Thank you for your generous gifts to our church!

GIVING DOES MATTER



Left to right, are Alena Carhart, Shaun Gibbons, Garrett Thomas, John Murphy, and Sophia DiLeo, our UD choir members.



Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Tuesday, November 22 at 7:00 PM

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church,
701 S. College Avenue, Newark, DE**

The theme is *"One Tent, One Table,"* with imagery that draws from the prophet Isaiah in the Hebrew scriptures: *"enlarge the site of your tent... lengthen your cords and strengthen your stakes."*

Hats and mittens will be collected for those in need in our community.

Please join us!



*Thanksgiving
Blessings*



SESSION MEMBERS

There are four copies of the 2022-23 Presbyterian Planning Calendars available to the first six who request one. Please contact Nancy in the church office via email at:

nancy.hoc@outlook.com





THANKSGIVING TABLE

As is our long-standing tradition, our Mission efforts in November will support the Cecil County Help Center, Newark Area Welfare and Deep Roots.

To provide the most balanced Thanksgiving baskets, the following items are requested for donation by Sunday, November 20th. Place your items on the white shelves located at the front of the sanctuary.

*Canned Fruit, Cranberry Sauce
Bags/boxes of Stuffing, Canned Meals
(for days beyond Thanksgiving)*

*Bags/boxes of Starchy Sides
(potatoes, rice, pasta, etc.)*

Bring fresh items in on Sunday, November 20th

Fresh potatoes (sweet, white), squash,
beans, apples, or other ***fresh*** produce.

*Thank you for your
support and generosity!*



FALL ANIMALS WORD SEARCH



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| Chipmunk | Fox | Moose | Pheasant | Squirrel |
| Deer | Goose | Mouse | Raccoon | Turkey |

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2022 Christmas Flowers

The cost this year will be \$13.00 for foil-lined, 6" pots of red poinsettias with liners from Kirk's Florist.

The deadline for ordering is Sunday, December 4th. Flyers to order the flowers should begin appearing in the bulletin on November 20th.

Checks should be made out to Head of Christiana with "**Christmas flowers**" on the memo line.

Completed order forms and checks may be placed in the offering plate. The poinsettias will appear in the sanctuary on **Sunday, December 18th** and may be taken home after the Christmas Eve service.

For questions contact Mary Jo Mankin,
mjo@udel.edu or (302) 292-8377.





Thanksgiving Word Scramble

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HOC CALENDAR — November Happenings

Tue	Nov 01	11:30am	Nifty-Wiftys @ Wesley's
Sun	Nov 06		All Saints Day
Thur	Nov 07	5:00pm	Mission & Outreach (via Zoom)
Sun	Nov 08		Daylight Saving Time Ends (Turn clocks back 1 hour)
Tues	Nov 10		LOOKING TREE DEADLINE
Mon	Nov 14	7:00pm	Session
Mon	Nov 21	7:00pm	Admin & Finance Commission (via Zoom)
Thur	Nov 24		HAPPY THANKSGIVING
Sun	Nov 27		1 st Sunday of Advent



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



- Nov 2 Andre Marianiello
- Nov 13 Melissa Witt
- Nov 19 Gerry Cole
- Nov 26 Linda Dunn
- Nov 28 Landon Gill
- Nov 29 Lillian Crispin

