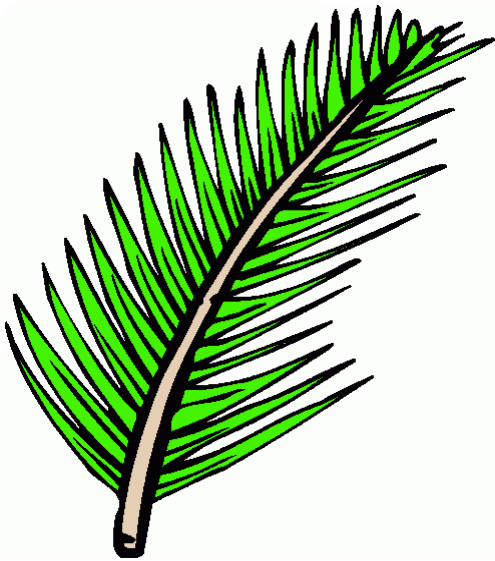




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# The Branches

## November 2018

**Christ Presbyterian Church**

Sunday School 9:15am  
Fellowship 10:00am  
Worship Service 10:30am

Pastor: Rev. Linda McClanahan  
Music Director: Becky Jones  
Newsletter Editor: Gloria Orsini



*And God is able to make all grace  
abound to you, so that having all  
sufficiency in all things at all times, you  
may abound in every good work.*

*2 Corinthians 9:8*

### **Christ Presbyterian Church Mission Statement**

In love, we share our journey to Christ with all, through inspiring worship, studying the Word, embracing mission, nurturing the spirit, and providing services and support to our congregation and community.

# Christ Presbyterian Church



## November 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Exercise Class 9:30am Bible Study 10:30am  TOPS 6pm	2	3
<b>4 All Saints Day</b> Sunday School 9:15 am <b>Fellowship</b> 10:00am Worship 10:30 am People in Prayer 11:30am <b>Daylights Savings Ends</b>	5	6	7 Worship Comm 11am Bell Choir 1:00 pm Band 2:00 pm	8 Exercise Class 9:30am Bible Study 10:30am TOPS 6pm	9	10
<b>11 Veteran's Day</b> Sunday School 9:15 am <b>Fellowship</b> 10:00am Worship 10:30 am	12	13	14 no rehearsals	15 Exercise Class 9:30am  TOPS 6pm 4 H Group 7:00 pm	16	17
<b>18</b> Sunday School 9:15 am <b>Fellowship</b> 10:00am Worship 10:30 am  Harvest Dinner 5:00 PM	19	20	21 no rehearsals	<b>22 Thanksgiving</b> 	23	24
<b>25 Christ the King</b> Sunday School 9:15 am <b>Fellowship</b> 10:00am Worship 10:30 am <b>Congregation Mtg</b> 11:30am <b>Session Mtg.</b> Noon  <b>Blessing Bags/MMM Food</b>	26 Woman's Group 6:30pm	27	28 Bell Choir 1:00 pm Band 2:00 pm	29 Exercise Class 9:30am	30	

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

Dec. 2 - 1st Sunday of Advent Lectionary Year C

Dec. 17 - BAG People meet

Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Service

Dec. 25 - Merry Christmas!

# I am Thanking You Right NOW

Dear GOD:

I want to thank You for what you have already done.

I am not going to wait until I see results or receive rewards;

I am thanking you right now.

I am not going to wait until I feel better or things look better;

I am thanking you right now.

I am not going to wait until people say they are sorry or until they stop talking about me;

I am thanking you right now.

I am not going to wait until the pain in my body disappears ;

I am thanking you right now.

I am not going to wait until my financial situation improves;

I am going to thank you right now.

I am not going to wait until the children are asleep and the house is quiet;

I am going to thank you right now.

I am not going to wait until I get promoted at work or until I get the job;

I am going to thank you right now.

I am not going to wait until I understand every experience in my life that has caused me pain or grief;

I am thanking you right now.

I am not going to wait until the journey gets easier or the challenges are removed;

I am thanking you right now.

I am thanking you because I am alive. I am thanking you because I made it through the day's difficulties. I am thanking you because I have walked around the obstacles.

I am thanking you because I have the ability and the opportunity to do more and do better.

I'm thanking you because FATHER, YOU haven't given up on me.

Author unknown





## From the Pastor's Desk

November 2018

Living free and thankfully...that's a good motto for us Presbyterians! We are free from the worry and anxiety of not being good enough for God to love us because God already loves us. And we can live thankfully for being included in God's great family. No doubts. No worries. No fears.

It's almost Thanksgiving Day, our national day to remember our blessings and be grateful for the life we have. The Lord Jesus not only wants us to survive, he wants us to thrive! Make that your plan as we walk through these holy-days – to thrive.

Blessings to you and your family,  
Rev. Linda McClanahan

PS

Bible Study will meet Nov. 1 and Nov 8 and will restart in January.

## **Classy Clutter Rummage Sale**



We are having a rummage sale this fall!!! Mark these dates (and times) on your calendar as they are different from past sales:

Thursday November 15 9AM – 3PM

Friday, November 16 Noon – 6pm

Saturday, November 17 9AM – Noon (\$5.00 Bag sale)

You may drop off items starting on Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. No furniture or extra large items please. We can post photos and contact numbers of large items that you want to sell. We are known for the quality of our “Classy Clutter” so please make sure your items are gently used and clean ( no dried on food, dog/cat hair, mud/dirt. We have found that the better the items look and smell, the higher the price we can ask.

### **Harvest Home Dinner**

**Sunday November 18<sup>th</sup> 5 PM**

Our annual Harvest home dinner is coming soon. This is a time when we all gather and bring a favorite dish to pass. The worship committee provides the turkey. Come hungry and bring a friend.

## Liturgist

Month of November  
*Patty Craft*

## Ushers

Month of November  
*Randall & Judith Smith*



## Among our Members & Friends

*The following members and friends of Christ Presbyterian recently have been sick, are home bound or mourning the loss of a loved one. Please keep them in your prayers. Cards are welcomed, too!*

Dot Burch

c/o Pam Poe

5120 Sugar Camp Road

Milford, OH 45150

( SEM Terrace (#97F)

5371 South Milford Road, Milford, OH 45150)

Shirley Gossett

1286 Blue **Ridge Way** Milford, Oh 45150

Annette Harvie

1835 Dogwood Trail Goshen, Oh 45122

Pat Purdy

107 Mitchell Blvd. Harrison, Oh 45030

Kevin Tate

Mt. Washington Care Center

6900 Beechmont Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45230

Phyllis Welch

5911 Amanda Court

Loveland, OH 45140

Charles and Marie Wyatt

5678 Day Circle W. Milford, OH 45150

## CPC is Cookin'

It's time for chili when it's chilly!  
Using your crockpot makes this recipe so easy. Freeze any leftovers because it's even better when reheated.

### *Slow-Cooked Chili*

2 pounds ground beef

2 cans (16 ounces each) kidney beans, rinsed and drained

2 cans (14 ½ ounces each) diced tomatoes, undrained

1 can (8 ounces) tomato sauce

2 medium onions, chopped

1 green pepper, chopped

2 garlic cloves, minced

2 tablespoons chili powder (or to taste)

Shredded cheddar cheese, optional

In a skillet, brown beef; drain. Transfer to a slow cooker. Add the next seven ingredients. Cover and cook on low for 8-10 hours or on high for 4 hours. Sprinkle individual servings with shredded cheese if desired.

Enjoy!

Jan

## November 2018 Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals

All Saints' Day—November 1, 2018  
Isaiah 25:6–9; Psalm 24:1–10; Revelation 21:1–6a  
John 11:32–44  
24th Sunday after Pentecost—November 4  
Semicontinuous  
Ruth 1:1–18; Psalm 146; Hebrews 9:11–14; Mark 12:28–34  
Complementary  
Deuteronomy 6:1–9; Psalm 119:1–8; Hebrews 9:11–14  
Mark 12:28–34  
25th Sunday after Pentecost—November 11  
Semicontinuous  
Ruth 3:1–5, 4:13–17; Psalm 127  
Hebrews 9:24–28; Mark 12:38–44  
Complementary  
1 Kings 17:8–16; Psalm 146; Hebrews 9:24–28  
Mark 12:38–44  
26th Sunday after Pentecost—November 18  
Semicontinuous  
1 Samuel 1:4–20; 1 Samuel 2:1–10  
Hebrews 10:11–14 (15–18) 19–25; Mark 13:1–8  
Complementary  
Daniel 12:1–3; Psalm 16  
Hebrews 10:11–14 (15–18) 19–25; Mark 13:1–8  
Christ the King (or Reign of Christ)—November 25  
Semicontinuous  
2 Samuel 23:1–7; Psalm 132:1–12 (13–18)  
Revelation 1:4b–8; John 18:33–37  
Complementary  
Daniel 7:9–10, 13–14; Psalm 93; Revelation 1:4b–8  
John 18:33–37

### **BAG (Books And Goodies) People**

Professor Robert Langdon (The Da Vinci Code and Angels and Demons) is back again, solving the mysteries of the universe in Dan Brown's Origin. "Origin asks the questions Where do we come from? Where are we going? Dr. Langdon is once again wrapped up in a global-scale event that could have massive ramifications on the world's religions." Join us for what will surely be a lively discussion on Monday, December 17th at 11:00 am. Pastor Linda will be our discussion leader.

## Spiritual Life

### Service Opportunities:

**Backpack Ministry** is up and running for the school year. You are welcome to help fill bags any Thursday. These bags provide our local children food for the weekend. The location is still in the Milford Plaza, but has moved down toward the DMV building. Time 6:30

### Just Pray for Me

Nov. 4       Katie Sawyer and Erik Coon  
Nov. 11      Bonnie Schanz  
Nov. 18      Barb. Terry Scott  
Nov. 25      Randall, Judy Smith

### Blessing Bags

House of Peace is our recipient for November

### Matthew 25 Ministry

Sat., Nov 10 from 9-11 and Wed., Dec. 5 from 10-12

A Hunger 5K walk/run is taking place on Saturday, November 3 at 8:30 am to benefit Matthew 25. It is a fun, family friendly way for people of all ages to help those in need. For more information/registration go to: [www.Hunger5K.org](http://www.Hunger5K.org)

### Women's Group

We had 11 women come on October 22 to fill the Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes. We filled 30 boxes, will have them blessed, and will deliver them to the drop-off church in November. Our Classy Clutter Sale is scheduled for November 15-17. We are changing some of the hours to see what kind of response we get from both volunteers and shoppers: Thursday 9 am - 3 pm, Friday Noon-6 pm, Saturday 9 am-Noon (\$5 bag sale). St. Vincent dePaul will pick up on Saturday at 1:00.

\*\*\* UPDATED February 2018 \*\*\*

Committee/Position	If Session then (Class)	Contact #
Pastor	Rev. Linda McClanahan	831-9100
Music Director	Becky Jones	683-8596
Treasurer	Phil Widmer	575-5029
Financial Secretary	Peggy Hannah	722-1509
Newsletter & Website	Gloria Orsini (2019)	258-7495
Worship	Becky Jones	683-8596
Session Rep	Margarett Angel (2018)	505-6444
MMM	Steve Reis	752-7793
	Jean Holmes	677-1034
Women's Group/PW	Linda Rearick	576-0799
Co-Chairs	Jan Sawyer (2018)	248-1856
Clerk of Session	Patty Fix	625-9305
Christian Education	Session covering various duties	
Cong. Care/Caring Group	Joanne Widmer (2020)	
Co-chair /	Jan Sawyer	248-1856
Fellowship	Martha Enriquez (2018)	260-4352
Personnel	Andy Fix (2019)	887-6439
Publicity	Gloria Orsini (2019)	258-7495
Outreach	Margaret Angel (2018)	505-6444
Session Rep	Gloria Orsini (2019)	258-7495
Spiritual Life, Mission & Stewardship		
Chair	Joanne Widmer (2017)	575-5029
Finance, Building & Grounds		
Chair	Patty Craft (2020 )	706-5265
<b>Other Contacts</b>		
4-H	Brenda Bayne (2019)	575-0531
AA	please contact Flora Kreyenhagen	576-0799
Book Club	Jan Sawyer	248-1856
Community Garden	Patty Craft (2020)	706-5265
Cub Scouts	Jack Sawyer	248-1856
Exercise Class	Bonnie Schanz	831-5007
Grass Cutting	Jack Sawyer	248-1856
Matthew 25 Ministries	Joanne Widmer (2017)	575-5029
Mowing Coordinator	Jack Sawyer	248-1856
Nominating Committee	Gloria Orsini (2019)	258-7495
Technical Team	Doug Jones/Andy Fix (2019)	683-8596/887-6439
TOPS	Cindy Combs	831-5007
Youth Group	TBD	

Unscramble as many of these names (of people and individuals) as you can without consulting the Scripture pool. Then, unscramble the circled letters to see their relationship to God's chosen ones.

MOMANTSIE \_\_\_\_\_ O

HARHAPO \_\_\_\_\_

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MEAALK \_\_\_\_\_ O

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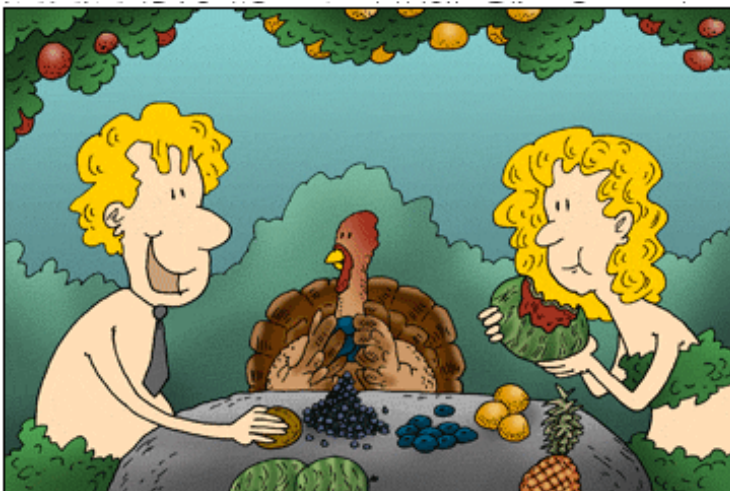
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Scripture Pool

2 Chronicles 20:1; 24:26 Deuteronomy 3:1 Exodus 1:22; 17:8 Genesis 26:18 Jeremiah 39:1  
Judges 3:12,13 1 Samuel 17:23 1 Kings 18:13 Nehemiah 2:10 Numbers 25:17,18



(See Genesis 3)

11-21-2011

I'D LIKE TO GIVE THANKS FOR THE FOOD,  
FOR A PEACEFUL WORLD, AND THAT TURKEY  
IS ALWAYS ABLE TO JOIN US ON  
THANKSGIVING



# September Financial Report

<u>Operating General Fund</u>	<u>Received</u>	
	<u>September</u>	<u>To-Date</u>
Pledged	\$ 7,090	\$ 51,346
+ Other Contributions	311	5,875
+ Residence Rent	<u>650</u>	<u>5,850</u>
= Total September Income	\$ 8,051	\$ 63,071
(September expenses)	(\$6,018)	(\$52,505)
FICA Taxes Due 10/31	(\$322.50)	
Ohio Taxes Due 10/31	(\$ 89.65)	
General Operating Fund Balance	\$ 51,571	
<u>Memorials &amp; Designated Funds</u>	41,597	
Savings Account	\$ 5	

Phil Widmer, Treasurer

## Clerk's Report September 2018

By Patty Fix

**Motion:** To approve the minutes of the special meeting of June 10, 2018

**Motion:** To approve the minutes of the stated meeting of August 12, 2018

**Motion:** To remove the name of George Estes (DOB 9-28-1920 – DOD 6-27-2018) from the church roll because of death.

**Motion:** To purchase the Growing in Grace and Gratitude curriculum from PSCUSA resource center and use it for the winter quarter for evaluation with the young children who go to class during part of worship. Passed.

**Motion:** To set Sunday November 4, (All Saints Sunday) to dedicate the new sign. Passed.

**Motion:** To approve the Building and Grounds gathering sufficient information in order to determine the wisdom of either investing in the rental property or selling it. Passed.

**Motion:** To raise the pastor's salary 5% Passed.

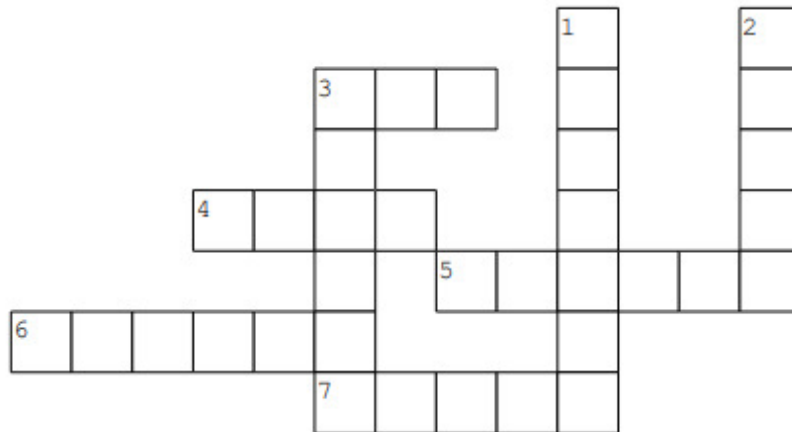
**Motion:** To adjourn. Passed.

# Kid's Page

## To Be Like Jesus

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on Mark 10:35-45



### ACROSS

3. To occupy a chair
4. The direction that is the opposite of right
5. to be in front; to be first
6. A special chair used by a king or queen
7. The direction that is the opposite of left

### DOWN

1. A person who works for another person
2. To do something to help someone, often after they ask you to do it
3. To feel physical or mental pain

LEFT	LEADER	SERVANT	FAVOR
RIGHT	SIT	SUFFER	THRONE