

### **FOOD BANK REQUESTS – January**

ketchup	toothpaste
tooth brushes	packs of bar soap
baby wipes	diapers (sizes: 3,4,5,6, and pull-ups)
mayonnaise	pudding cups
fruit cups	applesauce cups
juice boxes	canned chili
boxed flavored potatoes	

### **MISSIONS OUR CONGREGATION SUPPORTS**

Scott & Sally Glover                      Tamshiyacu, Peru Church

### **SERVICE MEN & WOMEN**

John Diller	Dave Garver	Tyler Hargraves
Curtis (CJ) Johnson	Chad Ankney	Joey Hamilton
Steven Hoffman	Sean Lefever	Orryn J. Smyth

### **PRAYERS**

Colton Boyd – great nephew of Elaine Ressel-health concerns  
Kay Bueche – health concerns  
Loretta Bueche – health concerns  
Jeff Evans – health concerns  
Carol Girvin- large variety of health concerns  
Donna Garver – health concerns  
Robin Hammond – health concerns  
Doug Henry – garage fire  
Linda Kushlan – health concerns  
Jodi LeFevre-health concerns  
Polly McCullough – health concerns  
Sue McVey – health concerns  
Shyanne Moore – health concerns  
Faye Reinhart – health concerns  
Sue Ressel -health concerns  
Wade Sheaffer –health and life concerns  
Claire Marie Troop-health concerns  
Ethel Walden – health concerns  
Aaron Williams – upcoming spinal surgery

### **SYMPATHY**

Koryn Barrett-loss of grandmother Polly Turner  
Diane Zander Moore-loss of husband Gary

## **MIDDLE OCTORARA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)**

### **OUR MISSION**

*To provide a place of fellowship where a community of believers come together to be spiritually renewed and enabled to effectively witness for Christ through service to others.*

**Worship Service** begins at 10:30 a.m. You may follow along with the paper bulletin or the PowerPoint.

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**ROMEO Club** Quarryville Family Restaurant **Wednesday morning @ 9:00a.m.** “RELATIVELY Old Men Eating Out.” **This is not just for Middle Octorara members, please invite others in our community!**

**Prayer time** – Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. Everyone welcome.

### **THE FLOWERS IN THE ALTAR TODAY ARE**

In memory of Kathy, Mom and Grammy by the Keene family.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JANUARY 21, 2024**

The **Covenanter Church Museum** will be open for research and tours **today**. There will be a display of the 8x10 photos from the 1950s and new plaques honoring Hiram Troop, Madison McElwain, and Abe Rhoads.

**Sunday February 4** - Pastor John will be on vacation.  
Guest speaker is James Phipps.

**Sunday February 11** - Congregational meeting immediately following the worship service. (Note the change of date from previous schedule).


**If church is canceled due to the weather** we will send an email Saturday evening if possible but no later than Sunday at 8 am. We all know Lancaster County weather and road conditions can vary greatly even in a few mile radius so please always use your best judgement on traveling even if we decide to hold church. In case of any questions call or text Dan Henry at 717-381-9947.

The **Octorara Covenanter Presbyterian Foundation** is holding its annual Burns Night on February 3. Proceeds from the event benefit the Foundation's efforts to maintain and restore the Church and to develop the attached schoolroom museum. For more information including how to order tickets, go to [www.bealemanor.com](http://www.bealemanor.com) or call 610-593-6989.

**APRIL YARD SALE** The trustees have given permission to store items for the upcoming yard sale downstairs in the room with two entrances. Please put items that are in good condition in the side that is marked for the yard sale. Games, toys, household, holiday decorations, clothing, tools, etc. Thank you in advance for helping to make this a big fundraiser for our church to be able to help others.

**Membership address lists** are available on the table in the vestibule. Please let Deb know if there are any changes.

The **Initial Offering**, the yellow envelope in your offering envelope box, is what pays for the envelopes. To give an idea on the cost, one offering box is \$7.23.



The Presbytery of  
**DONEGAL**

### What is *Per Capita Giving*?

**Shared Proportional Giving (Per Capita)** is how Presbyterians mutually share the costs of ministry:

- It is how Presbyterians are trained to become better ruling elders and Ministers of Word and Sacrament.
- It is how Presbyterians participate in the life of the wider church by serving on committees, on commissions, and the biennial General Assembly.
- It is how Presbyterians discern God's call to service and to preserve our heritage.
- It is how the Synod & General Assembly fund innovative initiatives within our Presbytery.

**Here in Donegal Presbytery**, our Shared Proportional (Per Capita) Budget provides a number of vital aids to our congregation's ministries. It includes supporting the work of our Executive Presbyter, Erin Cox-Holmes as she (and others) partner with sessions, pray with leaders, and support pastors in times of growth and crisis. It includes the work of our Stated Clerk, Michael Wilson, as he provides congregations with support for process and for figuring out what to do (which can often be confusing in times of transition). It includes the work of our Connecting Our Ministries Commission (COM) – which supports pastors and sessions. In times of tumultuous change, building connections and creating conversations is vital.

**Your participation** funds the backbone operations of the Presbytery: the rent, the heat, the lights, the communication systems. It provides for our Executive Administrative Assistant, Christine Wells, and our Bookkeepers. This infrastructure is what makes ministry possible.

**Our vision** as a Presbytery is to be a place where Jesus Christ is lifted high and where we pray and support one another. Your participation in this part of our Presbytery's ministry provides the often unseen and crucial support for our congregations and ministries to flourish.

**Thank you!** It is a joy to partner in ministry and mission.

**This year's Per Capita is \$38.00 per member.**