FOOD BANK REQUESTS -December

Vegetable oil (small or large size)
Canned fruit (any size and variety)
Oatmeal packs
Diapers size 4

MISSIONS OUR CONGREGATION SUPPORTS

Scott & Sally Glover Tamshiyacu, Peru Church

SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

John DillerKeith RineerDave GarverWes GirvinChad AnkneyJoey HamiltonSean LefeverJames GirvinOrryn J. Smyth

PRAYER LIST

Bob Book – health concerns

Brenda Brubaker – health concerns (Jill Garver's aunt)

Ed & Melissa Cannon – recuperating from vehicle accident

Donna Garver – health concerns

Kaitlyn Graybill – health concerns

RoxAnne Graybill- recent surgery

Betty Henry – health concerns

Keith Henry – cancer treatments

Kathy Keene – recent fall, healing

Joe Linton – cancer surgeries

Joe Mason – hospice care

Donna Mason – wife of Joe & health concerns

Park Prange – infection from Gall bladder surgery

Pastor Nominating Committee

Helen Rasmussen-recuperating from car accident

Jerry Rhoads - health concerns

Emmett St. Clair – recent shoulder surgery

Aaron Williams – health concerns

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.

INFORMATION FOR OUR GUESTS & VISITORS

Sunday school begins at 9:00 a.m.

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

Bibles and Hymnals (Blue) are available in each pew and songs are displayed on the PowerPoint.

Large print Bible's and **Audio Head Sets** are available, please ask a greeter for help.

ROMEO Club – (Real Old Men Eating Out) meets Tuesday mornings 9:00 a.m. at Quarryville Family Restaurant.

Women's Bible Study – Monday 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Currently studying Genesis

For Pastoral care call:

Rev. Mary Brondyke 717-660-8100 or Rev. Richard Brondyke 717-969-0019

Pastoral Church Office Hours: Wednesday 9:30 – 2:00 Hometown Kitchen-Georgetown 12:00 – 1:00 for fellowship

THE FLOWERS IN THE ALTAR VASES TODAY ARE GIVEN BY Rose Griest in memory of her husband, Doug Griest.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DECEMBER 2, 2018

We will be serving Communion during the morning worship service.

The 2018 Advent Booklet is available today. Thank you to all who put your thoughts into the book. Please one per family.

The Octorara Covenanter Presbyterian Foundation will hold its annual **Advent Service** at Middle Octorara on Sunday, December 9, at 3:00 PM. The program will feature great highland bag piping by Thompson McConnell, Dan Emery on small piper and fiddle, Shirley Girvin on organ and accordion, the Christmas Story from Matthew and Luke read in Braid Scots by Donald Henderson, vocal solos and duets by the Henderson Family, John Girvin and Richard Keene, and congregational singing. Refreshments will be served in the Educational Building.

Caroling to shut-ins will take place on Sunday, December 9, board bus at 5:00 PM. Special treats will be served when returning to the Church about 8:30 PM.

The Solanco Toy Drive is Saturday, Dec. 15th. Nancy Harnish will need the donations for ages 2-12 on Sunday, Dec. 8th and also items for the mother's packs for the food bank the same day. As always thank you.

Our "All hands on deck" tree is in the Welcome Center. Let's decorate it with mittens and gloves. Thank you in advance!

2019 Peru Mission Trip

We plan to go on the Peru Mission Trip either June 28th through July 6th or July 5th through July 13th. Please let Dan Henry know if you are interested. There is financial help available. A \$200.00 deposit will be due by January 15th.

Peru Medical Supplies Project

Again this Christmas you have the opportunity to make use of the Alternative Giving at Middle Octorara. If you want to give a gift to someone, but that person has everything, you may donate towards MEDICAL SUPPLIES PROJECT in their name (checks payable to Middle Octorara Church). This will provide much needed medical supplies to our brothers and sisters in Tamshiyacu. Just take a donor card from the table in the Welcome Center and give your donation to the church treasurer.

Upcoming Church Events

December 9, 16, 23 at 9 am.

Pastor Richard is leading a study on Advent, with a Middle Eastern perspective.

December 9th - Caroling 5 pm.

December 24th- Christmas Eve Service 7 pm.

CORRECTIONS NEEDED There is a copy of the church membership roll on the table to the entrance of the church. Please check your address and print any changes/phone number changes right on the paper. We will be printing updated lists soon for everyone and would like them to be correct.

EXTEND A BLESSING

Please remember to notify the church secretary of how you have "Extended your Blessing" money so they may be printed in the January newsletter.

<u>ALTAR FLOWERS</u> We have 2 Sunday's available in 2019 for altar flowers. If you are interested in providing flowers, please notify the church secretary soon so the new schedule can be done for 2019. Please note we do not have a regular florist to deliver them anymore. Flowers can be homegrown, from a florist, roadside stand, etc. They do not need to be in the altar vase liners.

1. End of March

2. End of May

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Sunday December 23: To celebrate the birth of Jesus we invite you to bring a canned good as a birthday gift. They will be donated to the Solanco Food Bank to help the less fortunate during the holiday season.

Food Bank Any items are welcome but the following list reflects things that get low quickly.

Jell-O 3 oz. Pudding 3 oz. Spam

Canned beef stew Sugar 2 lbs. Saltine crackers

Pears Bottled apple juice

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