

# *Grace Presbyterian News*

## **October 2023**

**Memorial Service for William John McGoldrick – Saturday, October 14, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.**  
A memorial service for Bill McGoldrick will be held Saturday, October 14, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary. Bill died peacefully on September 23, 2023, at age 91. I invite you to join in this celebration of Bill's life and our resurrection hope in Jesus Christ and to surround Jane and all the family with presence and prayer. Visitation with the family begins at 10:00 a.m. at the church -- Pastor Mike Krech

### **Sunday Worship Continues in Person and Live-Streamed**

We continue Sunday worship in person with masks optional. We continue to live stream the service as well. The link to live stream is at our website [www.grace-pres.org](http://www.grace-pres.org).

### **Nursery Available During Worship for Children 5 Years Old and Younger**

Childcare in the nursery is available during worship for children 5 years old and younger. Our nursery room size and staff size are not adequate to care for children older than 5. Children older than 5 are welcome and encouraged to remain in worship.

### **World Communion Sunday – October 1**

The first Sunday in October has been observed as World Communion Sunday, especially by American Protestants of the Reformed/Presbyterian family. The first observance of World Communion Sunday is often dated to 1933 at Shadyside Presbyterian in Pittsburgh PA, so this year marks the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the celebration. The idea spread among Presbyterians and soon to other Protestant church bodies. Communion will be celebrated at our service by coming forward to receive the bread from the pastor and the cup from an elder or from the table to your left as you sit in the congregation. If you need or prefer to be served at your place, please raise a hand after others have been served and we will come to you.

### **Presbyterian Women Bible Study October 9 and 10 – In Person and Zoom**

Monthly Bible study for Presbyterian Women meet in October in person and on Zoom. The night circle, taught by Patsy Krech, meets at 7:00 p.m. on the second Monday of the month, which is October 9. The day circle, taught by Becky Stirling, meets at 10:00 a.m. on the second Tuesday of the month, which is October 10. Both meetings are both in person and on Zoom. The 2023-2024 study book is *Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts* by Olive Mahabir. If you need the Zoom link, please email Patsy Krech at [patsykrech@gmail.com](mailto:patsykrech@gmail.com)

### **Stewardship Luncheon Planned for Sunday, October 15, Following Worship**

The stewardship luncheon, catered by Coletta's, will be held after worship on Sunday, October 15, to celebrate fellowship together and reflect upon our commitments to the ministry and witness of Grace Presbyterian Church in the coming year of 2024. Tickets available (\$12) at church on Oct. 1 and 8.

### **Movie Night, Friday, October 20, at 7:00 p.m.**

Come, enjoy *The Great Pumpkin*, and other family-friendly fare on Friday, October 20, at 7:00 p.m.

### **Game Night – Friday, October 27**

Game Night at church will be Friday, October 27, at 7:00 p.m. Bring snacks as early as 6:30 p.m.

### **Fall Festival Sunday, October 29, 5:00-7:00 p.m.**

The Fall Festival returns with food and games on the evening of Sunday, October 29, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. A sign-up sheet to volunteer for various provisions and activities is on the table in the church narthex.

### **Morning Prayer Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. on Zoom**

Morning prayer on Zoom continues on Wednesday. Email Mike at [jmkrech@yahoo.com](mailto:jmkrech@yahoo.com) to receive the link to join us. You will get an email by Tuesday noon with the link to join the Zoom chat and a list of the Scripture readings and hymn for the meeting. We pray for each person by name at morning prayer. I warmly invite those who find it meaningful to be remembered on the prayer list to also be among those who pray for those on the prayer list in this service. We try to open the room by 9:20 a.m. so we can chat and visit, start the service at 9:30, and conclude by 10:00.

### **Thursday Night Study Group at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom**

Thursday Night Book Group on Zoom is reading *A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23* by W. Phillip Keller. We meet each Thursday night in October. If you would like to be added to the email list of those receiving the Zoom link and discussion guides, email Pastor Mike Krech at [jmkrech@yahoo.com](mailto:jmkrech@yahoo.com)

### **Reformation Sunday – October 29**

Reformation Sunday, celebrated on the last Sunday in October, takes note of some of the doctrines as we also sing some of the hymns that have been central to our identity as Christians in the Protestant tradition, and the Reformed family. The date of October 31, 1517, is usually identified as the beginning of the Protestant Reformation with the posting of Martin Luther's 95 theses, or topics for debate.

### **Bartlett Area Chorus Rehearsing in Sanctuary on Thursday Nights**

The Bartlett Area Chorus is a group of Bartlett area folks who love to sing together. They rehearse most Thursday nights at 7:00 p.m. and a program is scheduled for Thursday evening, December 7, 2023.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>1</b></p> <p>9:45 Sunday School for all ages 11:00 Worship in person &amp; live-streamed Communion</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p><i>Sara Lawson Sharon Raghianti</i></p>	<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>7:00 p.m. Book Study on Zoom;  Bartlett Area Chorus Rehearsal in sanctuary</p>	<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal  <i>Garrett Guenther Gerald Raghianti</i></p>
<p><b>8</b></p> <p>9:45 Sunday School for all ages 11:00 Worship in person &amp; live-streamed</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>7:00 p.m. PW Night Circle In Person and on Zoom</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>10:00 a.m. PW Day Circle In Person and on Zoom  <i>Colins Eno</i></p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom  <i>Rebecca Black</i></p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>7:00 p.m. Book Study on Zoom;  Bartlett Area Chorus Rehearsal in sanctuary</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>11:00 a.m. Memorial Service for Bill McGoldrick</p>
<p><b>15</b></p> <p>9:45 Sunday School for all ages 11:00 Worship in person &amp; live-streamed 12:00 Stewardship Luncheon</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>6:00 p.m. Session Meeting</p>	<p><b>17</b></p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>7:00 p.m. Book Study on Zoom;  Bartlett Area Chorus Rehearsal in sanctuary</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>7:00 p.m. Movie Night: The Great Pumpkin</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal</p>
<p><b>22</b></p> <p>9:45 Sunday School for all ages 11:00 Worship in person &amp; live-streamed</p>	<p><b>23</b></p>	<p><b>24</b></p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p>9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>7:00 p.m. Book Study on Zoom;  Bartlett Area Chorus Rehearsal in sanctuary</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>7:00 p.m. Game Night</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal  <i>Susan Lawson Kathe Walker</i></p>
<p><b>29</b></p> <p>9:45 Sunday School for all ages 11:00 Worship in person &amp; live-streamed Reformation Sunday 5:00 Fall Festival  <i>Larry Keenan</i></p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p><i>Kelly Bopp Bialk</i></p>	<p><b>31</b></p> <p><i>Susan Steppe Sue White</i></p>	<p><i>Names in italics are those known to have birthdays on that date</i></p>			

**A Prayer for World Communion Sunday**  
Holy God, we thank you for setting a table before us and for calling disciples from every place to feast together. We praise you for the faith that makes us sisters and brothers in Christ and for the blessed tie of love that binds us as one. We glorify you for your Spirit at work, building one holy church in the world to serve Jesus Christ, the true vine and bread of life, our Lord and living Savior. Amen.

**Lectionary Readings for Worship:**

**October 1: World Communion Sunday**

Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 78

Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32

**October 8:**

Exodus 20:1-20; Psalm 19

Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46

**October 15:**

Exodus 32:1-14; Psalm 106

Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14

**October 22 Pledge Sunday:**

Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22

**October 29: Reformation Sunday**

Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Psalm 90;

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46

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