



reetings Everyone —

Today is Sunday, September 20th. The 25th Sunday in ordinary time and the 15th Sunday after Pentecost.

Our initial reopening plan as approved by Session was returned by Presbytery with four comments to address to gain their approval. We are addressing those and we are reapplying to confirm their completion. Pending their approval our tentative live service date is October 4th.

In preparation for that date lighted Exit signs are being installed above the doors, an ultraviolet light air cleaner will be fitted to the HVAC system, and a professional cleaning service will conduct an initial cleansing and sanitization of the sanctuary and CE building.

We are also meeting with an Audio-Visual Professional to design and implement a system that will improve our online streaming effort and quality. The new setup will allow us to simultaneously stream on our YouTube Channel & Facebook. Once that is in place the Zoom option will be discontinued.

I am still looking for entries in our **Guess That Youngster Contest**. However, this couple stepped up! **Can you name them?**

Their identities will be revealed next week and all correct entrants will be prominently listed herein for exultation and praise.

Send your pictures in today!



It's All in Your Approach

Randy York

The Church of the Nativity outside Bethlehem is built upon the site where folks believe that Jesus was born. Behind the altar of the church is a cave, and within the cave a star is embedded in the floor signifying the spot where our Savior lay in a manger when he entered the world. To view the ancient church itself, all one needs to do is walk in and walk around. If you wish to enter the cave, however, there is a problem. The entrance is so low that you cannot go in standing up. You must enter on your knees.

Kneeling is a position of submission. It's a position of humility. It's a position that bothers the proud,



but is of second nature to the broken. To the proud and self-sufficient, Christ is an addition. I find my identity in my work, in my efforts. I am a teacher, I am a farmer, I am a postal worker, and Christ is added to that. No, the approach that God requires is that I realize I have made a hash of things, that I am the wretch that the song refers to, that I am a sinner in need of a savior, and that I am lost without his unconditional love and grace. I am in Christ first and then I aspire as a teacher, I labor as a farmer, I work for the Postal Service to the glory of Christ.



PRAYER REQUESTS



From All of Us — Continued Prayers for **Barney (Edwin) Barnes** who is home the hospital and recovering.

Becky Jensen — For continued prayers for the **PNC** as they carry on their mission.

From All of Us — For **Honey Brown**, who is recovering from a fall.

From All of Us — For **Doug Ruck**, after the loss of his beloved **Dorothy** due to the virus. Prayers for strength & health.

Robin Johnson — For **Diane Bodine**, for healing following leg surgery for blockages.

From All of Us — For **Pam Solymosi**, who is recovering from a leg/foot issue.

From All of Us — For **Anna Freck**.

From All of Us — For **Joseph Celkupa**, who is having increasing difficulty with his sight and balance.

From All of Us — For **Millie Lincoln**, who is recovering from her fall.

From All of Us — For **Brynna**. A 7 year old fight lymphoma cancer.

From All Of Us — Continued prayers for **Wendy Kasper**

Sheila Zier — Prayers for healing and strength and encouragement for her daughter, **Brittany Zier** as she is battling a serious long term disease.

Michelle Cox — Prayers of healing, comfort, encouragement & strength for her mother, **Jennifer** as she is battling serious long term illnesses.

Margo Mattis — For her Mother, **Jean Miller**

Robin McCarter — For her Mother, **Betty Jenkins** who is residing in the Masonic Home.

Please e-mail RickCheslo@gmail.com with your prayer requests, or pass them on to those reaching out to you.

Don't Forget We Are On YouTube! 

See vintage services from our archives and almost instant replays of our new virtual services. There is a new posting each week. The direct link is: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxLAXFkRJWgH8pLkGX988Bg/videos> The Link is nerdy, but you can also Google "Providence Presbyterian Church Burlington YouTube" and we rise to the top of the list. Accept no imitations!

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Thought for Today

My life changes take me in a positive new directions. The Lord is with me every step of the way, and I am open to receiving His help, guidance, and protection. I am excited about fresh possibilities

While it's hard to say goodbye to summer warmth and fun, there's still a whole lot to love about autumn. With fall comes Halloween, crisp breezes, and golden light. From the cozy cable-knits to the changing leaves, there's a reason why so many writers have waxed poetic about this season. Whether it's the foliage, the fashion, or the cool, crisp weather that gets you going, everybody has a soft spot for fall. It may not be the start of the calendar year, but it does seem to be the start of something entirely different as summer ends and schools get back into the grind. Even if you aren't headed back to class this year, September signals a fresh start for most of America, and thankfully so. There's something magical about this season, and it will be over before we know it, so embrace the beauty while it's here. — Barbara Hammell

The Lord Your Companion

Barbara Hammell

Spend Time with the Lord for the pure pleasure of being in His company. He can brighten up the dulllest of gray days; He can add sparkle to the routines of daily life. In life you have to repeat so many tasks day after day. This monotony can dull your thinking until your mind slips into neutral. A mind that is unfocused is vulnerable to the world, the flesh, and the devil, all of which exert a downward pull on your thoughts. As your thinking processes deteriorate, you become increasingly confused and directionless. The best remedy is to refocus your mind and heart on the Lord. He is and always will be your constant companion.

Even the most confusing day open up before you as your go step by step with the Lord. His presence goes with you wherever you go, providing *Light for your path.*

*Because you are my help, I sing in the shadow of your wing.
My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.*

Psalms 63:7-8



*First day of autumn, September 22

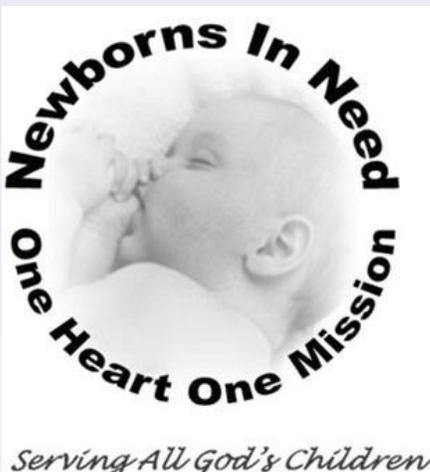
"Autumn... the year's last, loveliest smile."

- William Cullen Bryant

Blessings - Anniversaries - Birthdays

Birthday -- September 17 — Sandy Agathokleus Happy Birthday Sandy!

Please send in your blessing or special news! Please e-mail RickCheslo@Gmail.com if there are others who are graduating, celebrating a birthday or any other life event, and we will recognize you here.

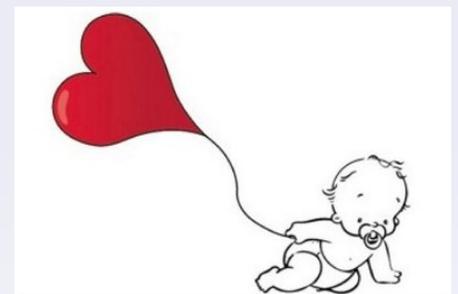


Newborns In Need has started their Sleepers in September Drive

Please help by dropping off sleepers when you bring your offering on a Sunday mornings. Carol Shore will be present at the Sanctuary on Sunday Mornings in September & October to collect your offering. **Newborns In Need** is also desperately seeking other clothes New or Used in sizes newborn to 6 months.

Thank You!!

Don't Forget!





It's All in Your Approach Continued from Pg 1.

When grace grips us, when it truly fills our hearts, we come to God on bended knee. In the world, we present ourselves on the strength of who we are, what we know, and on our accomplishments. When we come to Christ, we come head bowed in humility. The religious come to Christ on the strength of how well they are doing. "Way ahead on the credit side of the ledger this week Jesus, how about me!" That's why the brother in Luke 15 would not come to the party. "I've slaved for you all these years and you never gave me a party," he tells the father. "And this son of yours, who made a hash of things, has come back up the road and you run to him and give him a party!" Religious, legal folks never understand such compassion, such mercy, such amazing grace.

It has been said that Christ did not come to make bad people good, he came to make dead people live. As the hymnist Charlotte Elliot wrote:

*Just as I am, without one plea
But that your blood was shed for me
And that you beckon me, come to thee
Oh Lamb of God, I come, I come*

At the end of his crusades, Billy Graham would wait for every soul who stepped forward, standing at the podium with endless patience, tenderly urging, "You come." Each new morning God gifts us with a new day and in it we are confronted with burdens, some light and as of late, some in need of heavy lifting. Each morning though, a heavenly Abba Father waits for we prodigals with open arms of grace. "You come," he says to us in Godly love. And if life's burdens are hard to stand, kneel.



PS: The Burlington Food Pantry provided food to 106 families this past Wednesday.

Bustleton's Best — Church Cookbook Recipe of the Week

This weather has taken a turn toward the chillier side this past week. The end of Summer has arrived and Autumn is stepping to the forefront. Cooler weather calls for soups to provide warmth, comfort and nourishment.

This Tomato Soup recipe from Janet Parker checks off all of those bullet points, and it provides the perfect solution about what to do with the last of your Summer Garden Tomatoes. Bring them in from the garden, shake off the chill, and prepare a steaming pot of this delicious warm goodness.

Thank you Janet for a great recipe!

Tomato Soup		Janet Parker
2 T butter	2 T fresh basil	
2 T olive oil	4 T fresh thyme	
2 medium onions, sliced	3 C chicken broth	
2 lb fresh tomatoes, peeled and quartered	1 t salt	
1 (6 oz.) can tomato paste	1/2 t pepper	
<p>In large saucepan, combine butter and oil. Heat until butter melts. Add onions and cook until tender. Stir in tomatoes, tomato paste, basil, and thyme. Mash tomatoes slightly. Add chicken broth and bring to boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer 40 minutes. Puree in blender. Return to sauce pan reheat and serve.</p>		



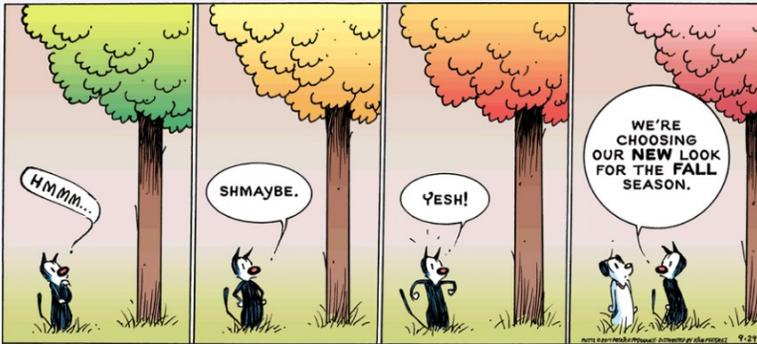
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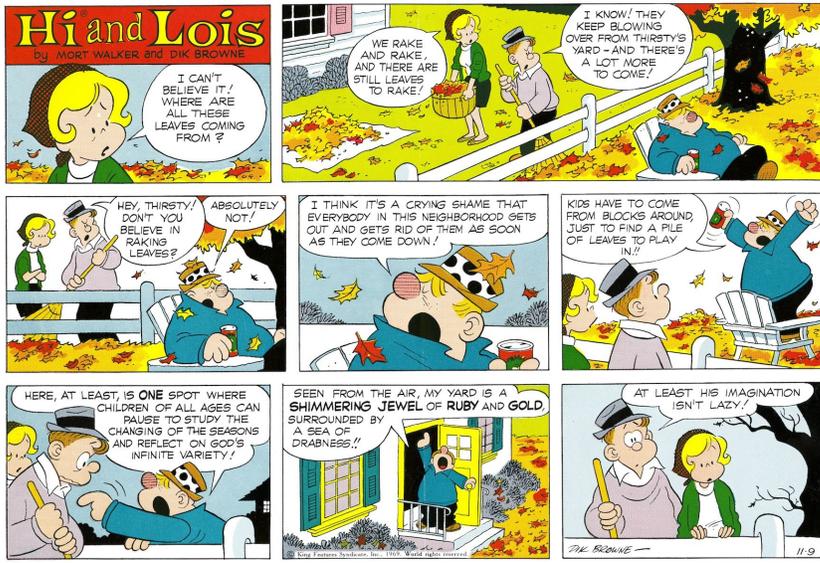
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Offerings

We know that it has been a difficult time for a lot of us with what is going on in the world, but we need to remain positive and united and have faith in the Lord. He is always challenging us with difficulties but He is always there by our side to hear us and give us strength.

On that note, we would like to express our thanks and gratitude for your weekly or monthly church offerings. We need to keep our church alive and going. With your help and support during these times **We Thank You!**

Come by on Sunday & take advantage of the drive-thru offering!

Reminder - Save a Stamp!

Come to the Drive - Thru Offering from 8:30 am to 9:00 AM and 11:00 to 11:30 AM each Sunday morning.