



What's Up Wickliffe!

NOVEMBER 2025

DON'T FORGET ABOUT THANKSGIVING

*"Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!
For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations."
(Psalm 100:4-5)*

When I was a child, we lived far from extended family. Thanksgiving was a quiet day at home which culminated with a traditional Thanksgiving meal at our seldom-used dining room table. With candles lit and food prepared, we'd go around the table and share something we were thankful for.

There's something special — and uniquely Christian! — about Thanksgiving. You don't just give thanks *for* something; you're giving thanks *to* someone. Thanksgiving is a public acknowledgment that there is someone from whom all blessings flow — someone who is the author of every good thing. And thanks to the Bible, we know exactly who that someone is: the triune God of the universe.

Forgotten Holiday

Yet every year, Thanksgiving feels increasingly overshadowed as Christmas celebrations continue their creep into November. Hallmark is already playing Christmas movies on loop, Christmas music is blaring in stores, retailers have been offering "Black Friday" deals all month, and homes are peppered with Christmas lights.

None of this is necessarily bad. My kids even persuaded (read: coerced) this Thanksgiving traditionalist into getting decorations up early. And I have to admit that at night, I enjoy the soft glow of the Christmas tree. But as we waded through garland and holly and listen to Mariah Carey's Christmas album on loop, I hope we don't *forget* Thanksgiving — with its turkey, stuffing, and shared gratitude.

A Thanksgiving Challenge

Can I offer a Thanksgiving challenge? Next week, do what my family did — and what God's people

have done for generations: Pause to give thanks together.

- **Sunday School teacher or small group leaders:** Encourage your group to go around the room and give thanks.
- **Pastors:** Dedicate part of your worship service this Sunday to allow your flock to give thanks.
- **Parents:** Model for your kids how to give thanks and encourage them to do likewise.
- **Friends:** Host a "friendsgiving" and share how God's blessed you.

If you need a place to start, you can give thanks for:

- **God:** for who he is and what he has done
- **others:** for your church family, your friends, and your loved ones
- **a particular blessing this year.**

But no matter how or when you do it, this time of thanksgiving will bless you and those around you. So, despite the Christmas creep, do give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His steadfast love truly endures forever.

~ Nathaniel Williams, Center for Faith and Culture

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NOVEMBER SCHEDULE

- November 2** 21st Sunday after Pentecost
♦ Daylight Saving Time Ends
- November 9** 22nd Sunday after Pentecost
♦ Veterans Day Service
- November 16** 23rd Sunday after Pentecost
♦ Support Meeting
- November 23** 24th Sunday After Pentecost
♦ Hanging of the Greens
- November 30** 1st Sunday of Advent
♦ Service held at Hubbard Presbyterian Church



Happy Birthday!

Nov. 8	Bill Cooper
Nov. 13	Sherry Yacucci
Nov. 22	Bonnie Salo

Happy Anniversary

Nov. 10	Bill & Nancy O'Hara
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Church Office Hours:

Monday - 9:00am - 12:00pm

Tuesday - Closed

Wednesday - Closed

Thursday - 9:00am - 12:00pm

Friday - Closed

(Hours may vary. Please contact the office for an appointment if you need in the church)

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2025 Per Capita is \$33.00. Per Capita information flyers are available at the church.



IN STEP WITH SESSION-MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 23RD

As we move toward the Holidays, Session is making plans for the upcoming months ahead. All Elders were present and Session was moderated by Rev Amber Ballista. Looking forward to the following: "Celebration of Life" for Nancy Truslow on Nov 8th @ 11 A.M. at Wickliffe; Veterans Honored by the Annual Video on Nov 9th; Hanging of the Greens after Worship on Nov 23rd; First Sunday in Advent held at Hubbard Pres on Nov 30th and Christmas Eve Service also to be held at Hubbard Pres on Dec 24th. Mark your Calendars.

The Nominating Committee will be looking to finalize their Leadership positions soon. If you have any interest in serving, please see Tracy Martin.

Growth is trying to put into motion a Holiday Kids' Day while parents do their Christmas shopping. Donna and team to work on this special outreach. Details to follow.

CE does have a Children's Sunday School Program during Worship. If you would like to have any family member join Gracie, don't hesitate to bring them any given Sunday. Anyone who would like to volunteer to teach, see Grace Brown.

Deacons are again taking care of Holiday food baskets, Gifts for under the tree and Hats and Mittens for the tree by ramp. Thank you, Deacons.

Service is trying to keep everyone safe. They are asking for you to be observant on Sunday mornings of surroundings. If anyone sees someone in the parking lot etc., please make Jeff, Bill O., Jamie or Nancy O. aware. We do have a security team that are also watching for anything unusual. Thank you....

Our Support team thanks all our members for their generosity during Stewardship Sunday. Please keep in mind that any donation throughout the year will be received with thankful hearts.

Remember that we have a Benevolence fund that can be used by any member/ TLCC staff when times get tough. Don't hesitate to reach out to a Session member. Benevolence Sunday is the last Sunday of each month.

Thank you to all and Blessings go out to you during this Holiday Season...
Nancy O'Hara, Clerk of Session



Our deepest sympathy and prayers for comfort are extended to Rich and Janelle Truslow and the entire Truslow family for the loss of their mother, **Nancy Jo Truslow**. Nancy passed away Tuesday, October 7, 2025, at Shepherd of the Valley in Poland, where she resided for the past two and a half years.

A **Celebration of Life** is scheduled for **Saturday, November 8, 2025 at 11:00 AM** here at Wickliffe Presbyterian Church. Not a funeral, but a celebration with food, music, fellowship and sharing memories! Web streaming of some sort will be arranged for those who cannot attend. More details will follow.



Deacon Ministry


THANKS FROM THE DEACONS!

Thank you dear Wickliffe family and friends for supporting our **Soup and Sloppy Joe Lunch** on October 19, 2025. With your generosity we collected **\$215** for mission work. We had 30 people who enjoyed the delicious soups and yummy sloppy joes plus amazing cookies and pie donated from the congregation. Yes, we are small but mighty and love being together to share God's love.

Please finish up your Christmas Boxes for the needy children to be delivered in November. Remember to add \$10 to the box for shipping. We are supporting Protestant Family with our unwrapped gifts again this year. These presents can be for any age, children to adults. The hat and mitten tree will be put up at the Hanging of the Greens. All of these items collected will go to Needles Eye at Christmas. It feels so good to help others.

Thanks for being a huge part of the Deacons' mission work.

Love, The Deacons



VETERANS DAY
HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

Dear Lord,

Today we honor our veterans, worthy men and women who gave their best when they were called upon to serve and protect their country.

We pray that you will bless them, Lord, for their unselfish service in the continual struggle to preserve our freedoms, our safety, and our country's heritage, for all of us.

Bless them abundantly for the hardships they faced, for the sacrifices they made for their many different contributions to America's victories over tyranny and oppression.

We respect them, we thank them, we honor them, we are proud of them, and we pray that you will watch over these special people and bless them with peace and happiness.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



Church Bulletin Bloopers



The Associate Minister unveiled the church's new tithing campaign slogan last Sunday: "I Upped My Pledge — Up Yours."

The "Over 60s Choir" will be disbanded for the summer with the thanks of the entire church.

Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10 AM. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.

Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.

The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on Water'. The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus'.

Let us join David and Lisa in the celebration of their wedding and bring their happiness to a conclusion.

The church is glad to have with us today as our guest minister the Rev. Shirley Green, who has Mrs. Green with him. After the service, we request that all remain in the sanctuary for the Hanging of the Greens.



Eastminster Presbytery Gathering

November 11, 5:00 p.m.

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Boardman

Meeting details, E-Packet, and other information will be available soon on the presbytery website!



Service will be held at Hubbard Presbyterian Church



NOMINATING COMMITTEE REQUEST

It is that time of the year, that we ask you to consider helping your church with your talent. We are looking for Elders, Deacons and TLCC board members. If you would like to be nominated or would like to nominate

someone or have questions, please get in touch with me or a nominating committee member.

Thank you,
Tracy Martin



Needle's Eye Soup Ministry

THANKS to all for October donations! Keep up the good work!

Basket by Fellowship Hall door is lonely and sad! Please keep it filled for November!

BLESSINGS! Donna Cooper



**GOODTIMERS will meet
Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2025 at
11:30 AM at Denny's.**

~Grace Brown

**The DISCOVERY GROUP meeting will
meet Tuesday, November 18, 2025
at 12:30 PM.**

~Grace Brown



A PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lord Jesus Christ, You are the true King of peace. In You alone is found freedom. Please free our world from conflict, especially in the Mideast and Ukraine.

Bring unity to troubled nations. Let Your glorious peace reign in every heart. Dispel all darkness and evil. Protect the dignity of every human life. Replace hatred with Your love. Give wisdom to world leaders. Free them from selfish ambition. Eliminate all violence and war. Glorious Virgin Mary, Saint Michael the Archangel, every angel and saint: please pray for peace. Pray for unity amongst nations. Pray for unity amongst all people. Pray for the most vulnerable. Pray for those suffering. Pray for the fearful. Pray for those most in need. Pray for us all. Jesus, Son of the living God, have mercy on us. Jesus, hear our prayers. Jesus, I trust in You! Amen.



Coins for Church

Thank you for your continued support of our coin drive. At the end of September we collected over \$125.00. All money collected will be used for maintenance and building repairs. Please continue to support our church by dropping in your loose or rolled coins in the container in the Narthex.

~ Tracy Martin

November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<i>2</i> 10:00 AM Worship Service 8:00 PM AA Mtg.	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i> 5:45 PM TOPS	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i> 11:00 AM Nancy Truslow Celebration of Life 
<i>9</i> 10:00 AM Veterans Day Worship Service 8:00 PM AA Mtg.	<i>10</i> 6:00 PM TLCC Board Mtg.	<i>11</i> 	<i>12</i> 11:30 AM Goodtimers	<i>13</i> 5:45 PM TOPS	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>
<i>16</i> 10:00 AM Worship Service 9:00 AM Support Mtg. 8:00 PM AA Mtg.	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i> 12:30 PM Discovery Group	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i> 5:45 PM TOPS	<i>21</i> 11:00 AM TLCC Thanksgiving Program 	<i>22</i>
<i>23</i> 10:00 AM Worship Service  8:00 PM AA Mtg.	<i>24</i> Newsletter Deadline	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i> 	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>
<i>30</i> 1st Sunday Advent Worship Service held at Hubbard Pres. 8:00 PM AA Mtg.						