

FOLLOWING WHERE THE SPIRIT LEADS: ON GIVING

GIVING can be spiritual, just like praying or doing meditation. The regular act of giving from the fruits of your labor is an act of faith. It reminds us everything we have comes from God and that God takes care of us, even the smallest of details.

GIVING will bring God into your relationship with money; that cannot be bad. GIVING also inspires you to draw closer to God. If you give a portion of everything you earn to God you will earn more for yourself, in more ways than one. It is a partnership and a wonderful service.

GIVING can be powerful as well. It challenges the thought that "I am in control." Security and well-being come from a right relationship with God and how you let God enter into your relationship with money.

SO, WHAT IS THE REAL SPIRIT OF GIVING AND TITHING? It is one of the most beautiful examples of community love, it is a practical way to take care of the community and we all benefit. The widows, the orphans, the poor, and even the stranger benefit. The church is our community; the community is our church.

In conclusion I want to say that giving and tithing can be wonderful. We should all be willing to give, especially out of our abundance.

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HOPE PRESBYTERIAN FAMILY NEWS

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CHURCH NEWS

ALL SAINTS DAY – will be next Sunday. We will read out the names of members who have passed into eternity in the past year. If there is someone you would like added to the list, call the office with the name.

PRAYER CONCERN-- Beth and Len Dahlvik ask for our prayer support as they work to get Beth's niece and family out of Venezuela, probably to move to Portugal. Please pray for Andrea and Ernesto Casanova and their daughters. For more information you can talk to Len or Beth.

REMEMBER - to turn your clock back next Saturday: **FALL BACK!** As we go back to Eastern Standard Time it won't be so dark in the mornings, but it will be darker in the evenings.

TRUNK AND TREAT - on Wednesday, October 24 was a success we had lots of games, cotton candy and snow cones. We had the amazing DJ, Dr. Ice-T, thank you for your tunes. The kids had fun going trunk to trunk and getting treats. This year we had a blast in the bouncy house, it was lots of fun. We had around 200 adults and kids lots of costume



"Your potential is the sum of all the possibilities God has for your life." –**Charles Stanley**

Whether it involves one tenth of earnings, of gross or net income, or profit, practically everyone can agree that tithing, and every form of giving, is an expression and overflow of love and gratitude.

(Mark 12:41-44)

And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. And he called his disciples to him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

(Prov. 3:9-10)

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

Bill Alsman – Elder

and the cars were decorated with ghosts and bones. Thank you for all the trunks, treats and helpers we could not have done this without you.

May you all have a Happy Halloween - Amy Belden

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ALIVE - will not be meeting this week, as Wednesday is Halloween, and everyone will want to be at home for Trick or Treating. The next week (November 7) will be a pot luck supper.

OCTOBERFEST - was great fun and delicious. Pastor Ginny has decided she can eat sauerkraut after all. The Fellowship Committee provided an excellent meal: Thank you!



PLEDGE SUPPORT FOR 2019 BUDGET – letters with pledge cards have gone out and we are asking for them to be back by November 11. If you have questions or did not get your letter, please contact the church office. Hope is moving into the future as we follow where the Holy Spirit leads

CHURCH MEETINGS COMING UP

Sunday	10/28	11:30 a.m.	Session meeting Deacons meeting
Monday	10/29	06:00 p.m.	PNC meeting R5
Tuesday	10/31	07:00 p.m.	“Starry Night” play rehearsal
Wednesday	10/31	05:45 p.m. 07:00 p.m. 07:30 p.m.	WNA Cancelled Bell practice Choir practice
Thursday	11/01	07:00 p.m.	“Starry Night” play rehearsal
Sunday	11/04	02:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Clocks go back All Saints Day

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