



2022

Plains Presbyterian Church

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326 Plains Church Road Cranberry Twp., PA 16066 724-538--8785 plains@zoominternet.net www.plainschurch.com Every day we encounter angry people. There are angry people on the news. There are angry people on social media. Angry people driving on the road. Sometimes the anger leads to poor actions. People who storm the Capitol building. People who become filled with rage over perceived slights while driving and cause accidents.

Are we losing our ability to forgive? Are we too quick to defend our position without listening to what others have to say?

Jesus has much to say about forgiveness. Matthew 18 teaches us a very important lesson. In verse 21, Peter asks "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?" Peter, of course, is searching for a number because as humans we look for the point in time where we discontinue forgiveness.

Christ's reply puts us in our place. "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy times seven." Good luck counting. I don't know about you, but I won't remember my number. Jesus wasn't encouraging us to keep a tally. He was pointing out that forgiveness is continual.

Forgiveness begins in our heart. Love your neighbor as yourself. Jesus preached about love throughout the gospels. Forgiveness is one expression of our love.

There is a commercial on tv that shows how hard it really is to walk in someone else's shoes. The famous basketball player, Shaquille O'Neal, is walking near a beach with a much smaller woman. They have exchanged shoes. She is barely able to move forward, and Shaq's feet don't even fit the shoes. The woman says "It really is hard to walk in someone else's shoes." That statement really expresses how hard it really is. We need to build our skills to love and forgive. As a society, we need to listen. If we truly listen to others, we may stop the anger cycle which results in unacceptable behaviors.

As we go to work, school, the grocery store and other places, consider taking a moment to pray instead of reacting with anger. The person who might be most helped might be ourselves.

Tiffany Aloi

Elder of the Month Steve Walter

Deacon of the Month Maryann Cardillo

Helping with Worship This Month

I Worship Leaders

March 6 Ron Carter
March 13 Tim Roscoe
March 20 Susan Reed
March 27 Frank Aloi

March 6

10:00am Adult Sunday School10:00am Sunday School11:00 am Worship ServiceWorship Committee Meeting

March 13

10:00am Adult Sunday School 10:00am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

March 20

10:00am Adult Sunday School10:00am Sunday School11:00 am Worship ServiceCOFFEE CONNECTIONWorship Committee Hosting

March 27

10:00am Adult Sunday School 10:00am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service DEACON MEETING



March 2	Nancy Duerring
March 6	Jocilynn Walter
March 9	Bruce Kremmel
March 13	Anthony Poleti
March 14	Ronald Rice
March 16	Jon Selling
March 19	Bonnie Carmichael
March 20	Lily Young
March 27	Janelle Wood
March 31	Jason Holcomb



March 19 Ron & Kathy Carter

Please Note: We strongly recommend that you wear a face mask in church for the protection of the body of Christ.



March 2, 2022

Ash Wednesday

Where: Old Union Presbyterian Church

Service: 7:00pm

March 9, 2022

Where: Old Union Presbyterian Church

Service: 7:00pm

March 16, 2022

Where: Plains Presbyterian Church

Leading Worship: Frank Aloi

Service 7:00pm

March 23, 2022

Where: Plains Presbyterian Church

Leading Worship: Frank Aloi

Service: 7:00pm

March 30, 2022

Where: Crestview Presbyterian Church

Service: 7:00pm

April 6, 2022

Where: Crestview Presbyterian Church

Service: 7:00pm

Worship Schedule:

Sunday School: 10:00am

Worship: 11:00am

REMINDER:

MARCH 6th

Worship Meeting

MARCH 7th

Session Meeting

7:00pm

MARCH 13th

Daylight Saving Time Begins

MARCH 20th

Coffee Connection hosted by Worship

Committee

MARCH 27th

Deacons Meeting

APRIL 10th

Palm Sunday

Holy Weeks Begins

APRIL 17th

Easter

We rejoice in the ability we have as Christians to lift up our prayers and petitions, our joys and our concerns to God together.

(Please submit a new prayer card or contact the church office with any updates or to keep a name on the list.)

<u>Announcements for the Bulletin or Newsletter?</u>

Please submit your announcements in advance to the church office. Weekly announcements need to be submitted before Wednesday afternoon.

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and

Thursday 9am-1pm

<u>Chairperson Needed for Bereavement Meals</u>

If you are interested in volunteering to take over the committee to serve bereavement meals please contact the church office.

Online Giving is now available for you convenience.

Log on and check it out www.plainschurch.com

Scan the QR code:





Please keep our Elders & Deacons in your prayers as they lead Plains into the future.

We also ask for prayers for the following:

- Corina Taylor
- Jenny Stafford
- Victims of the Coronavirus
- Caregivers & Families
- Ernie & Nancy– Kathy Carter
- Barbara Gray

 Jeanne Fornadley
- Wilan Kay Uthaman
- Family & Friends of Vicki Amy's cousin
- Christine Burt Duerring
- Amy-Kathy Carter
- Ron Rice
- Stephanie Tiffany's cousin

Our friends who are in assisted living:

Martha Malone, Betty Budney, Nancy Jones & Eileen Kaufman

Please submit a new prayer card or contact the church office with any updates.

PLAINS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH COFFEE CONNECTION

March 20th - Worship Committee

April 24th - Inreach/Outreach

May 15th - Session/Elders

June 19th - Deacons

July 24th - Christian Ed/VBS Committee

August 21st - Inreach/Outreach

September 18th - Property Committee

October 16th - Worship Committee

November 20th - Deacons

December 18th - Session/ Elders

January 15th - Inreach/Outreach



2022 Session Members

Class of 2022

Tom Lunney

Steve Walter

Janelle Wood

Class of 2023

David Cardillo

Ron Carter

Bob Young

Class of 2024

Tiffany Aloi

Erin McKinley

2022 Deacon Members

Class of 2022

Denise Kremmel
Julie Young

Class of 2023

Maryann Cardillo

Amy Roscoe

Class of 2024

Beverly Magill

Cathy Stafford

Committee Assignments 2022

Christian Education

Janelle Wood, Steve Walter

Inreach/Outreach

Bob Young, Ron Carter, Julie Raatz

<u>Personnel</u>

Bob Young, David Cardillo, Tiffany Aloi

Property

Erin McKinley, Tom Lunney, David Cardillo

Nominating

Erin McKinley, Bob Young

Stewardship

David Cardillo, Julie Raatz

Worship

Ron Carter, Steve Raatz

Sandra Lee Foundation and Paul Allen's Closet

ANNUAL PROM GOWN & SUIT GIVEAWAY

Free event open to any high school student from any school who needs a gown or suit. Student must come and pick out their own dress or suit. One per person. Shoes and accessories will also be available.

MARCH 12, 2022 10 AM - 3 PM MARCH 13, 2022 1 PM - 5 PM

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH CENTER
311 W. RIDGE AVENUE
SHARPSVILLE, PA 16150







Cranberry Nursery School has been busy since the new year began. We've had three waives of registration, a Teddy Bear Picnic and Pajama Day. We also had Valentine's Day parties, Vision Screenings, and Lifesteps Child Check.

In March, the Nursery and Pre-K students will have a Dad's Day at Xcel Gymnastics. The Fire Department will visit our school to teach the Nursery and Pre-K fire safety. We will also celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday and hold an Easter food drive which will begin at the end of March. We invite Plains Church members to participate in our food drive.

Angela Kushner Director Cranberry Nursery School 724-538-8785



GET INVOLVED PART 1!

Each month our Plain Talk newsletter leads off with an article typically written by the pastor. We are now in need of authors for the front-page letter and are asking that you consider getting involved!

If you have an interest in writing one of the monthly Plain Talk front page letters, please volunteer for a month in 2022! You can contact Ann at (724) 538-8785 or by email at plains@zoominternet.net.

Thank you!

Frank

GET INVOLVED PART 2!

Our Cranberry Nursery School is asking that someone from Plains Church tell a short Bible story to their classes each month. Our former pastor would occasionally read them a story with pictures. I read each class the story of Zacchaeus this month and enjoyed the experience!

If you have an interest in participating in the spiritual growth of our young CNS disciples, please volunteer for a month in 2022! You can contact Angela Kushner at (724) 538-8785 or by email at cnsofplains@zoominternet.net.

Thank you!

Frank

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Session Highlights
January 2022
Zoom Online Meeting & Church Fellowship Hall

Session met on Monday, January 10, 2022. Below are some of the highlights of that meeting.

Made plans for Congregational Meeting Part II on January 30, 2022.

All required forms and electronic information have been filed by the Clerk with the Beaver-Butler Presbytery and PC USA for the year.

Some housekeeping items were completed – Elder of the Month, Committee Assignments, Plain Talk Cover Letter Volunteers. Signup sheets were passed around at the meeting.

Approved the request from the Worship Committee to move communion from Easter Sunday to Maundy Thursday.

During worship on Dec 19, 2021, communion was served to 44 people.

Looking for people to come and read a bible story to the CNS kids. All continues to go well.

Session reviewed the financial reports of the church, including investment performance and approved the budget for 2022.

Rev. Dr. Peter does a devotion three times a week and the link can be found on Old Union Presbyterian Church's web site. All are welcome to join.

A new Sunday School class with the topic, "If they build it, they won't come" was attended by 12 people.

We will be restarting "Coffee Connection" the 3rd Sunday of the month as we have done in the past.

The Interim Pastor Task Force met and developed a job description. There is an Interim waiting list at this time. We may need to "look out of the box" to find someone for us. Perhaps from a neighboring Presbytery. Good to have options.

Next Regular Session Meeting will be on Monday, February 7, 2022 at 7:00 pm with Rev. Dr. Peter de Vries Moderating.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim Roscoe Clerk of Session

SATURDAY						
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FRIDAY		4	11	18	25	
THURSDAY	2022	б	10	17	24	31
WEDNESDAY	March	2 Ash Wednesday Old Union - 7pm Choir Practice	9 Lenten Service Old Union-Tpm Choir Practice	16 Lenten Service Plains - 7pm Choir Practice	Lenten Service Plains - 7pm Choir Practice	30 Lenten Service Crestview - 7pm Choir Practice
TUESDAY		1	· ·	15	22	29
MONDAY			7 Session Meeting -7pm	14	21	28
SUNDAY			6 Sunday School 10 am Adult Sunday School 10:00am Worship -11:00am	13 Sunday School 10 am Adult Sunday School 10:00am Worship 11:00am	20 Sunday School 10am Adult Sunday School 10:00am Worship 11:00am Coffee Connection - Worship hosting	27 Sunday School 10am Adult Sunday School 10:00am Worship 11:00am Deacon Meeting



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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"As disciples of Christ, we share the gospel with one another and the community.

We are committed to growth in the knowledge of Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit through worship, study, teaching, and fellowship."



