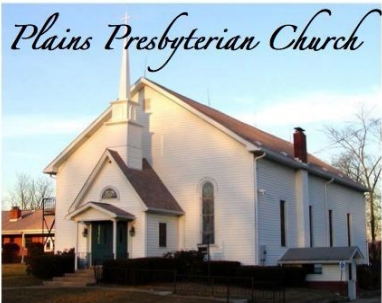


2024

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since 1806**



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Listen

People have asked me, Tim, how do you write the cover letter for the Plain Talk? I have shared with them that I usually start with a little prayer asking God to help me put on paper what He wants people to read and know about. He listens to my request and hears my request.

I find that little prayer works and then I have an idea and just start typing. Sometimes the words flood through my brain faster than my fingers can type! It's usually not "forced" or "difficult". God has a way of using me, and indeed each of us, for exactly what he needs us to do at that moment in time at that place.

Listening can be an art. When someone talks to you, are you really listening? Is your mind wondering off and you start thinking of the things you have to be doing? Everyone is busy and seems to have a never ending "to-do" list, and places to go. We are constantly being bombarded with emails, texts, and phone calls. People need us to listen to them, to help them, to do something for them. It can be exhausting!

I would suggest that a great gift we can give to each other, and to God, is to pay attention and listen. Clear your mind and give the person, or God your full, undivided attention. Give them what they deserve. You!

When you think about it, it's a sign of respect to simply listen to someone when they are sharing something with you. Give people that respect and hopefully they do the same for you.

I would suggest that God is always listening to you and gives you his full, undivided attention. How He does this for billions of people, I have no idea, but I truly believe that God is listening to each and every one of us, constantly, every moment of every day. Never a busy signal or a broken line. God is there for you and me.

And when God is speaking to you, there is that "still small voice" inside of you that God uses in a very peaceful way. It will stand out in contrast to the anxiety and pressure of other voices in your head. Turn down the noise in your life and attend to His voice of peace. Return the favor. Listen to Him and know that He loves you.

So, I would like to suggest to you, take the time to listen. Speak less, listen more. Maybe that's why God gave us two ears and only one mouth.

In Christ's Service Together,

Tim Roscoe

Elder of the Month

Janelle Wood

Deacon of the Month

Amy Roscoe



Helping with Worship This Month

Worship Leaders

- October 6 Frank Aloï
- October 13 Ann Nutter
- October 20 Susan Peirce
- October 27 Tim Roscoe

October 6

World Communion Sunday
9:45am Adult Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
Communion
SWAM Meeting

October 13

9:45am Adult Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service

October 20

Matsiko Choir

9:45am Adult Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
Refreshments served in the pavilion

October 27

9:45am Adult Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
Deacon Meeting after worship
Christian Singles Fellowship Group
Meeting - 12:45pm



- October 3 Maggie Simpson
- October 9 Marjory Leisie
- October 22 Madison Holcomb
- October 24 Robert McLean
- October 28 Elliott Dambaugh



- October 14 Steve & Mary Walter
- October 15 Christopher & Janelle Wood
- October 15 Bill & Sandy Stafford
- October 17 Rich & Bev. Magill



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
- Nancy – Kathy Carter
- Betty Lehman
- Paul– Ann Nutter
- Lisa Bender
- Laura - Wanda Rice’s sister
- Andy– Ann Nutter
- Bonnie’s Aunt
- Dave– Tiffany’s uncle
- Braden– Maryann
- Mark– Ann Nutter
- Tim McDonald– Denise Kremmel’s brother

Our friends who are in assisted living:

Nancy Jones , Kay Uthman & Eileen Kaufman

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

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.)

Announcements for the Bulletin or Newsletter?

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

Online Giving is now available for you convenience.

Log on and check it out www.plainschurch.com

Scan the QR code:



PLAINS BOOK CLUB

Next Meeting - October 3, 2024
Time: 10:00am

Book Club Leader:
Sue McKinley
sue.w.mckinley@gmail.com



Session Meeting

October 14th

Deacon Meeting

October 27th

SWAM

October 6th

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 6th

World Communion Sunday

SWAM Meeting

October 14th

Session Meeting

October 20th

Matsiko Choir Concert

Refreshments in the Pavilion to follow service

Last day to submit names for All Saints Day Sunday

October 27th

Deacons Meeting after worship

Christians Singles Fellowship Group - Meets at 12:45 (fellowship hall)

DEACON FOOD DRIVE

The deacons will be sponsoring a Food Drive for Evans City Food Bank .

Paper products and non-perishable food items are needed.

Collection will be: October 27th-November 10th.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

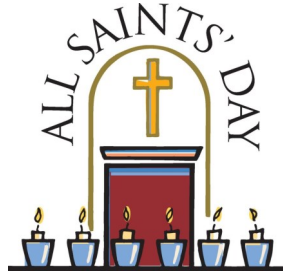
Where: Fellowship Hall

Time: 9:45am

RSVP: Burt & Nancy Duerring

eacinc@zoominternet.net

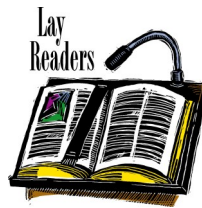
ANNOUNCEMENTS



We will be celebrating All Saints' Day on Sunday, November 3rd during our Worship Service. In advance of that day, we are gathering names of those we lost since last November.

If you would like to submit a name, please contact the Church office by phone at (724) 538-8785 or by email at plains@zoominternet.net.

You can also send any names by mail or place your names in the Church office,
The deadline for submitting names is Sunday, October 20th.



INTERESTED IN BECOMING A LITURGIST?

If you are interested in being a liturgist on Sunday mornings, please contact Frank Aloï at frankaloi@msn.com

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS:

November 3, 2024



CNS NEWS

Cranberry Nursery School has had a smooth start to the new school year! The students have adjusted to their teachers, old and new friends, and are enjoying their school day. The first two days of school, the parents were invited to refreshments in Fellowship Hall while their children had a shortened school day. We are so thankful to Roberta Lemon, who prepared many yummy treats to be served to the parents (luckily there was enough for the staff, too!). Amy Roscoe helped with delicious donuts. Roberta and Amy provided a beautiful, welcoming environment for our parents and we are very grateful!

The September theme is apples. In addition to themed crafts, stories and lessons, the Nursery and Pre-K students will have a Science lesson. They will participate in an apple tasting and then graph their favorites. All of the classes will go to the Library for the first time where they will get to check out a book which they can keep at home until next month. The Nursery and Pre-K classes will have field trips to North Boundary Park. This gives an opportunity for the parents and teachers to get to know each other in addition to the students having some play time together.

Our first fundraiser of the year will be a greeting card sale. Once again, we will partner with paper pie. Each decorative box contains 30 different beautifully designed cards and sells for \$30 a box. The proceeds will benefit school activities including Mother's and Father's Day events, the Pre-K end of the year field trip, Open House and graduation/move-up day. An order form will be available in the back of the church. If you would like to support this fundraiser, please fill out your order. Checks can be made payable to Cranberry Nursery School.



CNS FALL FUNRAISER

Handcrafted Greeting Cards

Cost per box \$30.00

Sale ends October 9th

Make checks payable to: Cranberry Nursery School

Delivery will be 10-15 days

Order sheet is in the Narthex.


2025 STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE CARDS

The Stewardship, Worship and Music (SWAM) Committee is providing 2025 Stewardship Pledge Cards (thanks to Ann Lunney) in the back of the Church, beginning on September 29th. Please pick up a pledge card and prayerfully consider what God is calling you to return to Him, for all that Christ has done for you.

We ask that you return your pledge cards by Sunday, November 23rd. You can either place your completed card in the offering plate before Church or deliver the card to the Church office.

If you have any questions, please contact Frank Aloï at 724-452-4223 or via email at frankaloi@msn.com.





HARVEST CELEBRATION WITH MATSIKO CHOIR!

Sunday October 20, 2024

11:00 AM Worship with Matsiko Performance

Refreshments in Outdoor Pavilion to Follow

Plains Presbyterian Church
326 Plains Church Road
Cranberry Township

*Join us in celebrating the musical talent
of teens from Liberia and learn about
sponsorship opportunities!*

<https://matsiko.org>

Christian Singles Fellowship Group Starting

10/27/24



Come one! Come all!

Widows, widowers, divorcees, and singles of all ages!!

To an informational meeting at:

Plains Presbyterian Church

326 Plains Church Road

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Sunday, October 27th

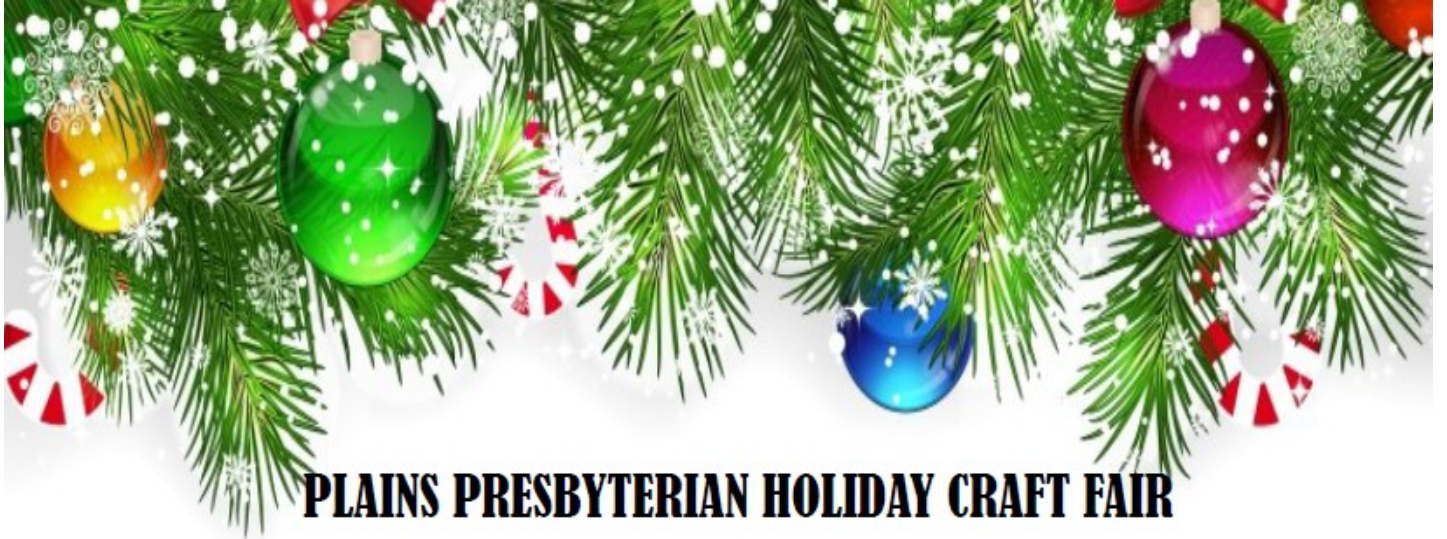
12:45 p.m.

In this first meeting we will gather and share ideas about Christian fellowship activities we can do together in our community. It is sometimes hard to make new friends with other single like-minded people. Hopefully this Christian Singles Fellowship will fill that void for some of us.

***Refreshments will be provided.**

Parking is beside the pavilion.

Walk behind the church to the meeting room.



PLAINS PRESBYTERIAN HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2024

TIME: 8:00am - 2:00pm

WHERE: 326 Plains Church Road

Cranberry Township, PA 16066

Basket Raffles

Food & Refreshments

START YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING!





CALLING CRAFTERS AND VENDORS

Plains Church is hosting a Holiday Craft Fair on

Saturday, November 9, 2024

We are located at 326 Plains Church Road Cranberry Township, PA.

Set up would be in our Fellowship Hall downstairs starting at 7:00am.

The cost of a space (8x6) is \$15.00.

You must bring your own table and chair.

If you would like to participate in the basket raffle, please let us know prior to the start of the craft fair.

Registration and payment can be made on-line or mail-in.

Please make a note that your payment is for the craft fair.

Checks can be made out to: Plains Presbyterian Church

Direct any questions to the church office at 724-538-8785 or e-mail
plains@zoominternet.net

On-line registration - www.plainschurch.com

Plains Church Craft Fair Registration Form

We invite all craft vendors to participate at our craft fair. Please no food vendors.

Date: Saturday, November 9, 2024

Where: Plains Presbyterian Church, 326 Plains Church Rd.

Cranberry Twp., PA 16066

Time: 8:00am-2:00pm

Set Up: 7:00am-7:30am

Space: 8'x6'

Cost per space:

1) Inside \$15.00 - Must bring own table.

2) If you would like to participate in the basket drawing with donating an item, please let us know prior to set-up.

Registration: Deadline for registration November 2, 2024

1) Fill out and mail this registration form or call the church office at 724-538-8785

2) Payment:

A. Mail check payable to Plains Presbyterian Church

B. Or pay on line at www.plainschurch.com

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail address: _____

Craft description: _____

Number of spaces: _____ Inside _____ electric: yes/no Outside _____ (Electricity not available)

Other requests: _____

Paid Online: yes/no

OFFICE USE ONLY:

Date received: _____/_____/_____ Table assigned: Inside _____ Outside _____ Fee paid \$ _____

Wreaths Across America

Saturday, December 14, 2024

Where: Plains Church Cemetery

Time: 12:00 Noon



Remember Our Fallen U.S. Veterans

Wreaths Across America's Mission

Remember, Honor, Teach

The mission is carried out in part by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies at Arlington, as well as at veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states. Since its founding, the organization has expanded to include nearly 3,000 local fundraising groups in all 50 states, representing more than 2,150 participating locations, in addition to Arlington National Cemetery.

Every year since 2008, Congress proclaims a Saturday in December as

National Wreaths Across America Day. This year, it will be held on

Saturday, December 14, 2024.

Plains Church Cemetery, Cranberry Township, PA 16066

Christian Education Fundraiser

This year you can buy your wreath through the

Plains Church Christian Education

For each wreath sold \$5.00 will be raised.

Group ID: PA0623P Location ID: PAPCCB

If you should have any questions please contact: Tom Lunney 724-432-3183



Nominations from the Congregation

The nominating committee would like to give the congregation an opportunity to submit names to fill the vacancies for Elders, Deacons, and Auditor. Prayerfully consider your choice, place their names on this form, and place it in the offering plate.

**** ELDER ****

An Elder should be a person of faith, dedication, and good judgment, demonstrating the gospel both within the church, and in the world. He or She should have the abilities to encourage members to take an active role in the life of the church, encourage members to listen for their spiritual calling, shepherd the members and look after those in need and cultivate their ability to teach the Bible.

**** DEACON ****

A Deacon should be of spiritual character, honest repute, of exemplary lives, has brotherly and sisterly love, warm sympathies and sound judgment.

**** AUDITOR ****

A person versed in accounting procedures to review the books and records relating to finances of the church.

**** Nominating Committee Member ****

A person who is able to discern who in the congregation is lead by the Holy Spirit and has the leadership abilities to fulfill the position of Elder, Deacon, and Auditor.

Please add more names on the back if you need more space!

PLAINS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Current Church Officer Information

ELDER

Class of 2024

Tiffany Aloï
Tom Lunney

Class of 2025

Susan Delligatti
Janelle Wood

Class of 2026

Frank Aloï
Bob Young

DEACON

Class of 2024

Bev Magill
Cathy Stafford

Class of 2025

Denise Kremmel
Ann Lunney

Class of 2026

Amy Roscoe
Julie Young

AUDITOR

Class of 2024

Julie Young

Class of 2025

Nina Finlay

Class of 2026

Tim Roscoe

NOMINATING COMMITTEE for 2024

Nina Finlay
Rich Magill
Ann Nutter
Sue Reed
Susan Delligatti (Elder)
Tim Roscoe (Elder)
Cathy Stafford (Deacon)

Respectfully submitted by the 2023 Nominating Committee, Kathy Carter, Rich Magill,
Sue Reed, Amy Roscoe – Deacon, and Tim Roscoe

Plains Presbyterian Church

Session Highlights
Monday, September 9, 2024
Adult Sunday School Room

Session met on Monday, September 9, 2024. Below are some of the “Highlights” of that meeting.

Rev. Dr. Peter discussed “What does it mean to be a spiritual leader?”

Rev. de Vries opened with prayer at 7:12 pm

Minutes from the August 4, 2024 Session meeting, along with 2 Special Session Meeting Minutes (New Members and Matsiko Choir Housing request) were presented. Approved by consensus.

CNS has started. Picture day is coming in October.

Frank Aloï reviewed the financial performance for the month.

Total receipts are in line with where we need for a part time Pastor.

Tiffany will invite someone to attend to discuss wills.

Session accepted the report of the treasurer by consensus.

Pulpit is covered for the rest of the year. We will start looking for pulpit supply for the coming new year.

Stewardship moment in early November.

New banners for Christmas will be purchased.

Looking to update some of the lightbulbs in the side lights of the church.

Janelle reported that they will be holding a parent night out for VBS families.

Manse retaining wall is completed. New furnace has been installed. Future project will be to put electricity to the pavilion.


Details of the three Girl Scout troops meeting at the church was distributed.

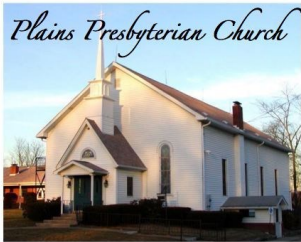
Next Regular Session Meeting will be October 14, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by Frank Aloï, Susan Delligatti seconded the motion. Motion passed. Session closed with a group prayer at 8:50 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim Roscoe
Clerk of Session

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				2024		
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Adult Bible Study 9:45am Worship 11:00am SWAM Meeting				Book Club 10:00am		
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Adult Bible Study 9:45am Worship 11:00am						
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27	28	29	30	31		
Adult Bible Study 9:45am Worship 11:00am Christian Singles Group Meeting 12:45 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.”

