# PAYNE AVENUE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

1459 Payne Avenue North Tonawanda, NY 14120



# NOVEMBER 2023

# NEWSLETTER

We hope you enjoy catching up with current events and all the happenings Within our Church and Church Families!

### SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE



Worship Service Hour......10:00 a.m. A quiet room is available for families with small children, which is located in the back of the church.

Coffee Hour prior to the Worship Service has resumed, but will only be offered the first Sunday of each month

Visit us on the Web: http://www.PayneAvenue.org/ Our web site is now up and running, be sure to look it over! E-Mail Address:

payneavechurch@gmail.com WiFi is available in the church building and on the grounds; Password Peace2All

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# "ANNOUNCEMENTS"



Many hands make light work.

CLEAN-UP DAY Basement Cleanup will be completed as needed and will be announced in Church.

Thank you to everyone who continues to come and help clean. k. If you prefer to work outside, cleanup of the church yard is always needed this time of year and can be done at your leisure.

### There will be an Elders Meeting on Tuesday, November 14th at 6:45pm

There will be the Annual Corporate Meeting on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, following the service. This is an important meeting where we will be approving the budget for 2024. All members are encouraged to attend.

Deaconess Schedule November (4 Sundays) Prepare – Shirley Jayne Clean Up – Jean and Vern Ortel

#### **Elders at the Table**

November 5 November 12 November 19 November 26 Bread - Ken Ozzimo Bread – Leah Benton Bread - Becky Wilson Bread – Ross Benton Cup - Bob Link Cup – Ross Benton Cup – Brett Kofod Cup – Barb Wokersien

### From the Pastor's Pen:

Grace and Peace: We are now in the middle of the fall holidays. Halloween is now over and we are only two months from Christmas. The culture wants to rush to Christmas, but Thanksgiving comes this month. We should take the time to remember what thanksgiving is really about. For many it is a day of feasting, family and football. For others it is all about shopping the pre- Christmas sales. Thanksgiving is really about remembering to say thank you to our creator God who gives to us continually. None of the others would be possible without his blessings. No matter what faith you are, or even if you do not believe in a God,



remembering to take a day of thanksgiving is important. We step back contemplate what we have, where it came from and where we want to go in the future. For Christians, it is a realization that life itself is a gift from God, one to be treasured, and shared with others less fortunate. This thanksgiving, take a moment count your many blessings, name them one by one, giving thanks to God. Amen.

#### Scriptures and Sermon topics

November 5 Church Memorial Sunday Scripture: Revelation 7: 9-17; Matthew 5: 1-12 Sermon: Remembering the Saints November 12 Scripture: Joshua 24: 1-3, 14-25; Matthew 25: 1-13 Sermon: Being Prepared November 19 Thanksgiving Sunday Scripture: Judges 4:1-7; Matthew 25:14-30 Sermon: Multiplying your talents November 26 Scripture: Ezekiel 34:11-24, Matthew 25: 31-46 Sermon: Inheriting the kingdom December 3 First Sunday in Advent Scripture: Isaiah 64:1-9, Mark 13: 24-37 Sermon: Our God brings hope

Bible Study continues at Noon on Wednesdays with the Book of Luke. Please plan on bringing a Bible of your choice and be prepared to be challenged by God's word.

#### See You in Church...Pastor Bob

### **Continued Prayers are being requested for the following:**



Prayer Requests

Rev. Dr. Arthur Davis, Sandy Lange's brother Bruce, Sue Fleming, Terry Michalski, Janet Rider, Mary Dzik and family, Shirley Jayne, Shirley Kent, Dick Keil, Sue and Ross Benton, Leah Benton's Daughter Ruth, Bob Link's Grandson William and Son in Law David Meisner, Debra Carter's Mother Ellen Maloney, Becky's friend Meagan Rankie, Karen Lawrence, her daughter Ronda and friend Sharon Wiess, Sonya DiNardo, Heather and Ken Ozzimo's Grandson , Martha Scheda's brother Eric and wife Gina, Bob Link's daughter Shelly Brock, Tammy Bradigan's brother Kevin, Cynthia Pullman, Kelly Akins, Jan Tooke, Brandon Kofod, Lisa Geraci, Marcy's sister in law Mary Alice Pellicci, brother Paul Pellicci and Cousin Bill Feltz, Mary Caldwell, Debbie Evans

\*There will be copies of this list printed and located on the Deacons tables. Please be sure to take one home so you continue to keep them in your prayers. \*Please note, after a 6 week period names will be removed unless a special request is received in the office. Thank you.

To be added to the **Prayer Chain** call Jan Tooke 693-2848 (before 9pm).



### Memoríal Sunday will be on November 5th

Jane Keíl Shírley Kent Danette DeLong Edna Sokol Joel Donner Nicole DiCarlo Lorí-Wilson-Trouse Bob Warfel Judy Sternad Ron LoCurto Anne Duquín Mike Baín Mary A Dutcher Joyce Plyman Pearl Keller Lyle Tooke

#### "IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT"

If anyone needs to be placed on the Communion to Shut-Ins list Please be sure to contact Becky Wilson at 998-9052.





#### **November Birthdays**

Jeff Rider 1 11 Chris DiBernardo 3 12 Sonva DiNardo 3 13 Amanda Shamrock 26 4 Marcy DiPasquale 26 4 Michael Painter 5 20 5 Jody Busch 29 Brenda Doucette Julie Papke Smith Ruth Misko Bob Link Brandon Kofod Brian Wilson

#### **Debbie Evans**



#### **December Birthdays**

7 Frances Painter8 Vern Ortel

Richard Kent

Sarah Ann Misko

Rebecca Wilson

- 21 Frank Akins
- 25 JESUS

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- 25 Bennett Shamrock
  - Paul Stuart Benton

Rachel Misko Hand

16 Young-Seok Kim

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- 17 Adam Ozzimo
  - **November Anniversaries**

Dave and Debbie Evans November 15<sup>th</sup> December Anniversaries Michael and Amanda Shamrock December 16<sup>th</sup>



\*I would like to update the birthdays and anniversary dates so please be sure I have this information for all members of your family so they can be included each month.



Coffee Hour has returned and will be held at 9:00am the first Sunday of each month! Please join us as we get closer to getting back to our normal activities. Thank you!

## "Do You Know what these are for?"

As a fundraiser we collect clean empty returnable bottles and cans. Water, pop and beer are the only ones that offer us a cash deposit for returns. So please do not put anything else in these barrels, we would appreciate it!

If you have recyclables, but have nowhere to deposit them, please feel free to place them in the recycle tote outside in the back of the church!

Thank you so much for your understanding and continued support, it is much appreciated.



# FROM THE MISSIONS DESK



I'm sure by now you know how our Trunk or Treat went. It was put on the NT community page on Facebook and Brandon talked it up to the kids at school. We had lots of competition, but when one ended another would start. So as a parent I figured they would go from one event to another with their kids. Thank you to all who came out for the kids.

I want to have this community outreach in the spring/summer with pony rides, petting zoo. I would also like to have our local police be there for safety checks on car seats and to be able to do an identity thing for the kids. The only

thing I ask is that we have an admission fee of bringing a non-perishable food item, hygiene product, paper product, or cat & dog food for admission. Food, drinks are extra. My point being, do I have enough help to pull it off? Are we going to be wishy washy about the date for this to take place. I again would like to reach out to the community but am not sure how this will work seeing we have tried different things at different times and they never seem to attract enough people to make it a success.

I appreciate all the help with the deliveries of food, personal care and winter items. Without the help of all of you, this program would sit dormant. Please refer to the list of ITEMS NEEDED MOST from our local food pantry. If each of us collected one item per shopping trip, we would have lots of items to donate. I try to get something almost every time we shop. I also joined our local Buy Nothing Group. This group has given me shampoo, body wash, dish soap, laundry soap. All these items are split up in smaller bottles I purchase, so it will reach more people.

"NO ONE IS USELESS IN THIS WORLD WHO LIGHTENS THE BURDENS OF ANOTHER!" "GIVING IS NOT JUST ABOUT MAKING A DONATION. IT'S ABOUT MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN SOMEONE ELSE'S LIFE!" SUE FLEMING

HAPPY Thanksgiving!

The Elders are asking for monetary donations for Thanksgiving Baskets and names for possible families to give to! Please see Becky Wilson. Come join us as we prepare the church for Christmas Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup> following the Worship Service! We are also having a potluck luncheon that day! Please plan to stay and sign up for a dish to pass! Thank you!



### Thinking of You!

Please remember our members that are unable to be in their homes any longer....they would love to hear from you...make a call or send a card it will help them knowing we care! Thank you!

Janet Rider c/o Weinberg Campus Rosa Coplon Room #243 2700 North Forest Getzville, New York 14068 Phone - 716-688-4937

Ms. Cynthia D. Pullman, Rm 201 P, Elderwood at Wheatfield, 2600 Niagara Falls Blvd., Wheatfield, NY 14304. (daughter of the DiBernardo's)

Susan Benton c/o Elderwood Room 214D 2850 Grand Island Blvd. Grand Island, NY 14072

Also, friends that are at home but unable to attend services at this time: Karen Lawrence and Richard Keil and Janith Tooke I am sure they would love to hear from members....their contact information is listed in the Directory (Cards only at this time please)



### Remember to thank a veteran!

Reminder...the office will be closed on Thanksgiving and Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> Have a wonderful and thankful day with family and friends!



### **SAVE THE DATE**

We will be having our Chiavetta's BBQ on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from Noon to 4:00pm or sold out! Dinners will be \$14 and will include with the half chicken, baked beans, macaroni salad and a roll with butter! Please be sure to tell all your family and friends!



**Questions? Contact Brett Kofod or Jim Wokersien** 



# POINSETTIA SALE CHRISTMAS 2023

The Worship Committee is planning to decorate the altar of PACC for Christmas with a variety of live poinsettia plants (6 &1/2" pots) in your choice of color (red, white, pink or marble). If you would like to purchase and share your plants with the Congregation in this way, please fill in the request slip below and bring it to church. (There are also forms and envelopes on the table in the center of the church) The Deacons will all

have an envelope available for you to enclose cash or a check payable to Payne Avenue Christian Church. These will be collected by Becky Wilson or placed in the Offering plate. If you are mailing in your request, please send it to PACC @ 1459 Payne Avenue, North Tonawanda, NY 14120. Attention: Becky Wilson. The **DEADLINE** is **Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**. The Worship Committee plans to have them on the Altar on Sunday, December 17th and will be there through the Christmas Eve Service, Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>. Contributors may pick up their orders after the Christmas Eve Service @ 10:00 AM **You can call me with an order and pay by Sunday the 3<sup>rd</sup>** 

@ 716-998-9052 (Becky).

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FINAL DAY TO ORDER IS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3rd, 2023





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