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October Dates

Oct. 7 World Communion
Offering Sunday

APPLE FEST IS COMING! OCTOBER 13, 2018

Time: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Apple Dumplings 15+ Crafters & Vendors

Apple Butter & Baked Goods

Lunch Counter

Hot Dogs	Apple Butter (pints)
Kielbasa	Apple Dumplings
(Kraut available)	Vegetable Soup (bowl or quart)
Hot Sausage	Pop
Pierogi	Water
Pigs in the Blanket	Coffee

Bring your friends and neighbors!!

A WAY FORWARD

As our denomination moves toward a special session of the General Conference called by the Council of Bishops for February 23-26, 2019, Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi has established a Way Forward Task Force to provide ways for individuals in the Western PA Annual Conference to hear accurate information about the Commission on a Way Forward's work and express their thoughts, hopes, dreams and concerns about the Council of Bishops' recommendation of the One-Church Model. The Special Session of the General Conference was called to receive and act on a report from the 32-member [Commission on a Way Forward](#), which was authorized by General Conference 2016 and appointed by the Council of Bishops to examine paragraphs in **The**

Oct. 4 7 pm Choir practice

Oct. 7 Vegetable Soup due

Oct. 9 10-12 pm
Food Pantry

Oct. 11 & 12 9 am
Making Apple Dumplings & Pies
and bring in donated baked goods for Applefest.

Oct. 13 10am-2pm Applefest

Oct. 15 7:00 pm
Weekly Bible Study

Oct. 17 PPRC Committee

Oct. 27 10:00 am Card Making
Class * See article

November Dates

Nov. 1 7:00 pm
Choir Rehearsal

Nov. 4 Set clocks back
(Daylight Savings Ends)

Nov. 11 10:45 am Worship
District Superintendent Eric
Park preaching. Eric and his
wife, Tara will present special
music. Lunch after worship.

12:45 pm Charge Conference

Book of Discipline concerning [human sexuality](#), propose possible revisions, and explore options to strengthen the unity of the church. See the Commission on a Way Forward's [report to the General Conference in English](#). **If you are interested in reading this report, go to www.umc.org/who-we-are/commission-on-a-way-forward-news-and-updates. Read One Church Plan.**

The WPAUMC Way Forward Task Force has planned 20 “Listening Post” events (Butler District – Sunday, December 2, 2018 from 2:30 to 4:30 at New Castle: First UMC, 135 Decker Drive, New Castle, PA. (please register in advance) to allow clergy and laity to meet in-person and engage in facilitated, small group discussions around a series of specific questions (e.g., What hopes do you have concerning the One Church Plan?). See The Commission on a Way Forward's report to the General Conference released July 31 in the four official languages of the General Conference – English, French, Portuguese and Swahili. With it, the moderators of the Commission --Bishops Sandra Steiner Ball, David Yemba and Ken Carter, who now is President of the Council of Bishops-- issued the following statement:

We offer the final report of the Commission on a Way Forward, translated in the four official languages of the General Conference of The United Methodist Church: English, French, Portuguese and Swahili. In the Nicene Creed, we are taught the marks of the church—one, holy, catholic and apostolic. We are catholic in that we care not only for the parts of the church, but more significantly for the whole. We have refrained from commenting about the plans contained in this report until the time when our sisters and brothers could read this in their own first language. With this distribution, we give thanks that this work can now begin, and we can have a conversation that represents our global and catholic nature—more fully who we are as The United Methodist Church.

Paul writes: *“Let us then pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding.”* (Romans 14:19 NRSV)

FALL BIBLE STUDY “The Cycle of Grace”

Jesus faced amazing pressure and overwhelming demands throughout his ministry, but he did not experience the burnout so common today among Christian ministers and laypersons. You can learn the rhythm of living that Jesus demonstrates throughout the Gospels.

THE CYCLE OF GRACE examines 4 components of a grace-filled life

Acceptance, Sustenance, Significance, and Fruitfulness.

Beginning Monday, October 15 7:00 pm
Cost for study book \$10.99

There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the Carey Center entrance.

Nov. 13 10-12 pm
Food Pantry

Nov. 14 7:00 pm
Finance Committee

Nov. 19 Monday 6:30 pm
Trustees
(Due to Thanksgiving Holiday)

Nov. 22 Thanksgiving Day

Nov. 26 7:00 pm
Admin. Council

Nov. 30 6:00 pm
Decorating for Christmas
Pizza will be provided.
Hope to see you there!

North Carolina Flooding

If you would like to donate directly to the Hurricane Florence disaster:

Make check payable to NC Conference and send to: Conference Treasurer Raleigh Area P.O. Box 890202 Charlotte, NC 28289-0202 with “S00176 – NC Storm Response” on the memo line.

Also you may give through UMCOR – US Disasters

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*ASSisting with Worship in
October and November*

October Counters

Nick & Sally Zupsic
Ron & Gretchen Harich

November Counters

Tim & Leigh Ann Esworthy
Ed & Vicki Kane



Choir Anthems

October

Oct. 14 "Lead Me, Guide Me"

Oct. 28 "Great is the Lord"

November

Nov. 4 "Come to the Feast"

Nov. 25 "Give Thanks"

Monaca Hall of Fame

Tickets are currently on sale for the Monaca Community Hall of Fame 34th Banquet. The banquet will be held on Sunday, October 21, 2018 at 6:30 pm at the Monaca Turners. Cost per ticket is \$25.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children under 12. All tickets must be purchased prior to the evening of the dinner. No tickets will be sold at the door. Tickets can be purchased from any board member or by calling Pat Dixon at 724-728-0248 by Monday, October 15, 2018.

The 2018 inductees are: Leroy M. Ball, Dr. Blaise J. Bergiel, Darrin L. Rubino and Nick Zeigler.

Oct.	Greeters	Acolyte	Liturgist
7	Dan & Sandy Householder	Leigh Ann Esworthy	Sally Zupsic
14	Jerry & Betsylynn Majzlik	Mary Beth Shannon	Donna Hesser
21	Pat Goodrich	Joanne Zeigler	Allen Johnson
28	Mary Corless	Mike McCullough	Mike McCullough
Nov.			
4	Betsy Ralston	Allen Johnson	Clay Beringer III
11	Tim & Lee Ann Esworthy	Leigh Ann Esworthy	Adam Davidson
18	Roberta & Dennis Houser	Don Lynch	Deb Croyle
25	TBA	Mike McCullough	John Hesser

Prayer Requests

Please keep the following persons in your prayers:

Shut-ins: Nicole Hesser, Pat Brandt, Bonnie Sanders, Jack Ralston, Virginia Basalyga, Ruth Shawger (Providence)

Continuing Needs: Jordan & Austin Miller, Ruth Graham, Penny Hart, Gene Wolfe, Bob Graham, M. Wolfe, Mac McCullough, Dylan Mattern, Carl and Carolyn Wolfe, Jane Lee, Doug Johnson, Sue Heidel, G. Heidel, Mary Ellen Owens

Current requests: Dan Dydek, Rae, Hunt, Taylor McCullough Fries, Tricia Mavers, Debi L., Diane, Karin Fitzgerald, Mary Ann McMahn, Alex Dydek, Bob Trumpeter, the family of Katrina Kaiser, Cheryl Eberle, Olive Shannon, Doris Hogue, the family of Kay Carrier and Amanda Miller, Sandy & Dan Householder, Ann Dvorzak, Kathy Haught

If you are interested in joining our church Prayer Chain, please contact Nancy Beringer at 724-775-5331 or Bobbie Dierdorf at 724-774-5487. This is a vital and important ministry in our congregation. Give one of them a call to be part of this group or to place a need on the prayer chain.

Invitations

Keep the date open! **Saturday, October 20, 2018 at 7:00 pm...**
Something Wicked This Way Comes to Dave and Nancy Wilson's home!!

Come join us for a 'boo-tiful' evening of refreshments and viewing of the movie..."**Something Wicked This Way Comes**"...(a favorite of Dave's and mine) in their large overflow room complete

with a wide screen TV and plenty of comfortable chairs! If you are interested please see or call me for reservations! It will be 'spooktacular'. Sally Zupsic 724-728-9325

Amazing Card Making Class

Join **Vicki Johnson** on **Saturday, October 27, 2018 at 10:00 am** for a card making class. You will be supplied with enough pre-cut paper, ink, stamps and embellishments to make four cards with envelopes to take home. Cards this month will include Fall, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Cost is \$15.00 per person. Please bring your own table runner. Class lasts approximately 2-1/2 hours. Any questions please call me at 724-774-7838.

Enjoy time with other card makers and I will supply the donuts. See me at "Apple Fest" on October 13 from 10 am to 2 pm.

Vicki Johnson
Fun Stampers Journey
 "A paper company that inspires amazing things."

October Birthdays

Otto Pritchard	4
Joshua Reed	9
Tim Hill	15
Donna Hesser	19
Jonathan Sargeson	20
Joyce Dinsmore	28
Donald Dierdorf	28
Karter Morrison	31

October Anniversaries

Michael & Danielle Reed	5
Richard & Nancy Shute	8
Tim & Melissa Hill	9
Adam & Patricia Davidson	11
Paul & Nancy Alexander	15
Don & Denise Lynch	20
Robert & Linda Doughty	21

November Anniversary

Timothy & Leigh Ann Esworthy	19
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November Birthdays

Ronald Harich	1
Jeffrey Dierdorf	2
Robert Haney	7
Mary Beth Shannon	9
Allen Johnson	11
Ashley Goodrich	11
Charles Werthman	12
Jesse Berringer	12
John Hesser	13
Olivia Cermak	13
Jerry Basalyga	15
Jack Ralston	17
Jane Lee	20
Alexia Woods	21
Norma Coast	22
Kerry Evans	22
Judy Fitzgerald	26
John E. Hesser	27
David Vaughn	27
Vicki Kane	28
Jesse Fitzsimmons	28
Stephanie Garber	30



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