



# Crossnore Presbyterian Church

## “Growing Deeper in Faith, Reaching Out in Love”

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### Announcements and Items of Interest

November 8, 2017

**Sunday, November 12, Choir—9:00 a.m., Sunday school—10:15 a.m., Worship—11 a.m., Coffee Fellowship after worship.**

The choir meets to practice on Sunday morning from 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Our Knitting Group meets on Wednesdays from 1:00—3:00 p.m.

Pastor Kathy is offering a special study on the Reformed Tradition during the Wednesday Bible Study, 3—4:30 p.m. for the month of November. This is a great time to remember and to gain a deeper understanding of our Reformed history and our beliefs then and now.

You should receive a Pledge Letter for the Crossnore Presbyterian 2018 Financial Generosity Campaign this week. Please let the church office know if you did not receive your copy, 828-733-1939. Thanksgiving Sunday, November 19, we will offer our pledges for the 2018 budget as a part of our regular offering time.

Please mail back or turn in your pledge commitment by the end of November. Thank you for all the ways you support our church’s ministry and mission!

We are collecting donations



for our annual Thanksgiving Baskets. Volunteer Avery will give us names of individuals and families who are in deep need. Each home will receive a \$100 Ingles grocery card and a basket full of goodies and toiletries. We hope to raise enough funds to provide for 10 needy individuals and families. Make checks out to Crossnore Presbyterian Church and designate for Thanksgiving Baskets. We are also looking for volunteers to deliver the baskets the week of Thanksgiving. Thank you for caring and sharing! We will be receiving

donations until the end of November.

**Pastor Kathy is involved in an Avery County women’s group that is collecting yarn for a knitting co-op for unemployed women.** If you have yarn to spare, please your skeins to the church office through November.

**Congratulations to Doug and Mary Noble on the birth of their grandson, Dylan Mark Noble.** Dylan was born on Sunday, November 5.

**Thanksgiving Luncheon—Sunday, November 19** - Smoked Turkey, coffee, and tea will be provided. Please bring your favorite Thanksgiving side dish or dessert to share.

**Christmas Luncheon—Sunday, December 17.**



#### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- EUNICE HEILIG-NOVEMBER 9
- CAROLINE JONES-NOVEMBER 10
- GABE VUOLO-NOVEMBER 11
- BARBARA ROSS-NOVEMBER 17
- MEGAN TENNANT-NOVEMBER 19
- JOE JORDAN-NOVEMBER 22
- RACHEL DEAL-NOVEMBER 28
- JO JOHNSON-NOVEMBER 29
- PAT McMANNEN-NOVEMBER 29

#### Prayer Requests

- BEN FRAZIER
- BONNY & RON WHILDEN
- DAVE SHRADER & FAMILY
- THE BERKLEY FAMILY
- KAY SHERWOOD
- CARSON BOMAR
- DON & DOTTIE HUSTON
- PEPÉ ABRUSCI
- LORRAINE ALLS
- JANE GREENWOOD

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; ...* ~1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

**The Women’s Fund of the Blue Ridge is collecting gently used clothing for all ages.** The clothing will be sold at Anna Banana’s Fine Consignment in Boone and the money will be used to support the Women’s Fund of the Blue Ridge mission to create positive change and economic justice for women and girls in our region of Western NC. **On Sunday, November 12 from 2:00-5:00 p.m., bring your clothes to Stickboy Kitchen (across from the Wellness Center on Boone Heights Drive) during their Wonderful Women event.** Come and enjoy a tast-

ing Women Cookie from Stickboy. Call the Women’s Fund office for more information, (828) 264-4002. If you are unable to attend the event to donate your clothes, pack up your clothes and bring them to the church office by this Sunday. Pastor Kathy will deliver them.

**An Autumn Prayer** by Joyce Rupp

**God of the seasons,** there is a time for everything; there is a time for dying and a time for rising. We need courage to enter into the transformation process.

**God of autumn,** the trees are saying goodbye to their green,

letting go of what has been. We, too, have our moments of surrender, with all their insecurity and risk. Help us to let go when we need to do so.

**God of fallen leaves lying in colored patterns on the ground,** our lives have their own patterns of our own growth, may we learn from them.

**God of misty days and harvest moon nights,** there is always the dimension of mystery and wonder in our lives. We always need to recognize your power-filled presence. May we gain strength from this.

**God of harvest wagons and fields of ripened grain,** many gifts of growth lie within the sea-

son of our surrender. We must wait for harvest in faith and hope. Grant us patience when we do not see the blessings.

**God of geese going south for another season,** your wisdom enables us to know what needs to be carried into the future. We yearn for insight and vision.

**God of flowers touched with frost and windows wearing white designs,** may your love keep our hearts from growing cold in the empty seasons.

**God of life,** you believe in us, you enrich us, you entrust us with the freedom to choose life. For all this, we are grateful. Amen