

## Advent and Christmas: Times of Joy and Reflection

By Rev. Frank Wyche, Pastor

Did you ever notice how many holiday expressions include joy and happiness? *Happy* Thanksgiving! *Merry* Christmas! *Happy* Holidays! *Joy* to the World! *Happy* New Year!

And did you ever notice how some verbs always go with a particular noun? We *dream* a dream; we *light* a candle; we *eat* food. Other nouns can have any number of verbs applied to them: we can build a model airplane, or make it, or assemble it, or put it together; we can grow a garden, or tend a garden, or maintain a garden, or make a garden.

There are two verbs that apply to holidays: We celebrate a holiday it when it's a happy occasion (Christmas, Thanksgiving, New Year's, Fourth of July, etc.); or we observe a holiday when it's more serious or somber occasion (Memorial Day, Veterans Day, etc.).

The holidays of November and December are days we celebrate, and that's why we say *Happy* Thanksgiving, *Merry* Christmas, *Happy* Holidays, *Joy* to the World, and *Happy* New Year.

Think of three Bible verses from the Apostle Paul: 1 Thessalonians 5:15 tells us, "Rejoice always"; Romans 12:15 tells us, "Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep"; and 1 Corinthians 13:6 says about love, "It does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right."

Putting them all together, we see God calling us to rejoice always, knowing what God has done for us, to rejoice with others who are rejoicing, and to rejoice when it is proper to do so (but if we love others, as God commands us, then we must not rejoice at the wrong,

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**Sunday, Dec. 5** – 2nd Sunday of Advent, *Candle of Love*; Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.; Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, Dec. 7** – Presbyterian Women's *Evening of Comfort and Joy*, 6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall, everyone invited (not just women).

**Saturday, Dec. 11** – Christmas Fellowship Covered-Dish Supper, 6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall, everyone invited (not just Sunday School participants).

**Sunday, Dec. 12** – 3rd Sunday of Advent, *Candle of Peace*; Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.; Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

**Thursday, Dec. 16** – Session Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

**Sunday, Dec. 19** – 4th Sunday of Advent, *Candle of Joy*; Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.; Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

**Friday, Dec. 24** – *Christmas Eve*; Church Office Closed; Service of Lessons & Carols, 4:00 p.m.; Candlelight Communion Service, 10:00 p.m.

**Saturday, Dec. 25** – *Christmas Day ~ The Nativity of the Lord*

**Sunday, Dec. 26** – Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; *No Youth Group tonight; No Bible Study tonight.*

**Monday, Dec. 27** – Church Office Closed.

**Friday, Dec. 31** – Church Office Closed.

**Saturday, Jan. 2** – *Epiphany (Three Kings Sunday) observed*; Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.; *No Bible Study tonight*

## Christmas Events Are For The Entire Church, Not Just The Sponsors!

Two annual events of the Christmas season will be held Dec. 7 and 11 with everyone invited to attend!

The Presbyterian Women will hold their Evening of Comfort and Joy on Tuesday, Dec. 7, at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, and the Christian Education Committee will host a covered-dish potluck supper on Saturday, Dec. 11, at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, in-

cluding games, puzzles and fellowship after the meal.

The Evening of Comfort and Joy on Dec. 7 is not limited to the women in the church, and the Dec. 11 dinner is not limited to participants of Sunday School. Men and young people are invited to the women's dinner, and those who don't attend Sunday School are in-

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# Minutes For Regular Session Meeting Held Oct. 21

*The Session of Hebron Presbyterian Church held its stated monthly meeting on Thursday, Oct. 21, at 7:00 p.m. Minutes of the meeting were approved at the Nov. 18 Session meeting and are printed here:*

Present: Elders Glenn Mader, Joan Wright, Fred Smiley, Hannah Bush, Lorrie Dean, Jon Arneson, Jeff Simmons, Jon Arneson, Tom Cook, Martha Sieck, Theresa Moore, Jan Botkin, Clerk of Session Alan Mayer; Moderator Rev. Frank Wyche; Treasurer Michael Ruleman. Excused: Elder Frank Henderson

A quorum being present, the Moderator opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with prayer, and led a devotional using a reading from Daily Guideposts concerning our shared call to be thankful.

**Clerk's Report:** Session approved the minutes as presented for: the Sept. 16, 2010, Stated Session Meeting; the Oct. 3, 2010, Called Session Meeting; and the Oct. 17, 2010, Congregational Meeting. The Clerk read the thank-you note from Elder Stephany Morgan of the Committee on Ministry following last month's triennial visit. The Clerk presented a brochure from the PCUSA Board of Pensions highlighting national agency programs serving churches, middle governing bodies, and clergy. Session approved a request from the Lines Family for use of the Fellowship Hall and Kitchen on Thanksgiving Day.

Old Business: None.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Michael Ruleman distributed a report of fund balances as of Oct. 21, 2010, and a report of receipts and disbursements since the last meeting. For the month, the church incurred expenses of \$125.15 more than income. The General Fund currently shows a (-\$2,246.03) negative balance; however, our total checking account balance is \$67,833.92.

**Presbytery Business:** Hannah Bush was elected as elder-commissioner to the Nov. 9, 2010, Presbytery meeting to be held at Massanetta Springs Conference Center.

## Committee Reports

**Worship (Jan Botkin, Hannah Bush, Lorrie Dean):** Chair Jan Botkin distributed a report of the Oct. 6, 2010, committee meeting. Session approved a committee recommendation for a piano recital by Luis González to be held at Hebron on Sunday, Nov. 14, 2010, at 4:00 p.m., with a reception to be held following the recital.

**Cemetery (Alan Mayer, Jan Botkin):** No report.

**Christian Education (Lora Turnage, Hannah Bush):** Chair Lora Turnage discussed the upcoming Harvest Celebration to be held on Saturday, Nov. 13, 2010, beginning at 4 p.m. A hayride is planned, weather permit-



ting, and other nearby churches will be invited to participate. All ages are welcome for this afternoon of fun, food, games, prizes, and fellowship. The committee has sent a draft proposal for the Scott Hickey Memorial Fund to the Hickey family and awaits a reply.

**Commitment/Witness (Martha Sieck):** Chair Martha Sieck distributed a report of committee activities, including the CROP Walk, Peacemaking Offering, Children's Thanksgiving Offering, Christmas Joy Offering, Heifer International, Operation Christmas Child, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Blue Ridge Area Food Bank, and SACRA. The minutes of the quarterly meeting of Highlands-Augusta Mission Community were also shared with Session.

**Congregational Ministries (Fred Smiley):** An Advent Devotional Booklet is being prepared, including articles and artwork submitted by members of the church. A church history DVD is planned to be available at next year's Homecoming celebration. A CD featuring anthems sung by the choir during worship is complete and available for the home-bound. The new church directory is being well received.

**Fellowship/Service (Joan Wright):** Heritage Sunday went well with over 90 people attending the luncheon.

**Personnel (Jeff Simmons, Tom Cook, Theresa Moore):** Jeff Simmons reported that annual employee reviews have been completed. A copy of the Church Family and Medical Leave Policy was distributed to members with instructions to read it and be prepared to vote on it at the November Stated Session Meeting. Session approved a committee recommendation that we hire Ben Heizer as Hebron's Minister of Music beginning Jan. 1, 2011. This position will have an updated job description, which the committee is preparing for Session approval. The job will combine Organist, Pianist, Choir Director, Children's Choir Director, and Music Director into a single position. Hannah Bush will stay as a member of the choir and will assist Ben when needed.

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# Oct. 21 Session Meeting

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Property (Glenn Mader, Tom Cook, Fred Smiley): No Report.

Stewardship/Finance (Frank Henderson, Larry Mayer, Theresa Moore): All committees need to turn in budget requests for 20011.

Pastor's Report: Home communion continues following the Oct. 4 observance of the Lord's Supper. Rev. Wyche continues to serve as moderator of the Buffalo Gap and Craigsville churches at the request of Shenandoah Presbytery while they are without a minister. Materials for the upcoming Confirmation Class are still being reviewed. Pastor Wyche will be the speaker at the Community Thanksgiving Service to be held at Smokey Row Baptist Church. The pastor shared a matter of personal concern for Session discussion; he also left the meeting for elders to discuss the matter further; upon his return, no action resulted.

New Business: None.

The next stated session meeting will be Nov. 18, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

The blessings and prayer concerns of the congregation, friends, and relatives were shared by the moderator and Session for corporate and individual prayer.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by the moderator at 8:45 p.m.

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such as when bad things happen to people we don't like, but we should only rejoice when others rejoice and it is proper to do so).

As Christians, we should "Rejoice always" because of the wonderful things God has done for us. This was the message the angels gave to the shepherds when Jesus was born, when one said, "behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people" (Luke 2:10c, Revised Standard Version).

The good news of Christmas is that God has come as Immanuel, "God with us" (see Matthew 1:23), in the person of Jesus, who is and always was God the Son. When Jesus was born in human form (see Philippians 2:5-7), God became human.

This is a very important distinction for Christians. Jesus was not born a human and then later became God; Jesus was God first, who allowed himself to be born as a human. It was a case of God coming to humanity, not any human becoming God.

Because of God's gift of Himself in Jesus, God was indeed with us (that is, with humanity), and while in human form, God laid down his life in self-sacrifice when Jesus went to the cross to die for our sins (see Philippians 2: 8-11). Then Jesus was raised from the

## Fellowship Meals On Dec. 7 and 11

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invited to attend the Christian Education covered-dish dinner. Everyone in the church is invited to both events!

The Evening of Comfort and Joy began as a Presbyterian Women's program, but has become a soup and sandwich dinner for the entire church. "Admission" to the event is a cash contribution or a few cans or boxes of food to be donated to the Staunton-Augusta Church Relief Association (SACRA). The women will also hold their annual silent auction at the event. Cash proceeds from "admission" and the silent auction will be divided among the Verona Food Pantry, Joy of Life, New Directions, and Rebuilding Together.

A deadline to sign up for the event had been posted in the church. Now that the deadline has passed and the women have an idea of how many to prepare for, sign-up is no longer necessary.

*Please come and join us for food and fellowship even if you didn't sign up in advance!* There will be plenty of food, so be sure to bring friends and neighbors too!

The Christian Education Committee's fellowship supper was formerly called the "Sunday School Christmas Dinner," but is now being called a Christmas Fellowship Supper because members of the committee said they had heard a number of people in the church say they weren't planning to attend because they didn't participate in Sunday School.

The Christmas Fellowship Supper is also the time to turn in any gifts bought for needy children and/or families from Beverly Manor Elementary School. (The list is on the main bulletin board between the secretary's office and the pastor's office.)

Remember that both of these seasonal food and fellowship events are open to everyone associated with Hebron, and please try to attend one or both!

dead on Easter, assuring us of eternal life. Then Jesus returned to heaven, returning to the fullness and glory of God that was rightfully his, and preparing a place for us to be with God throughout eternity.

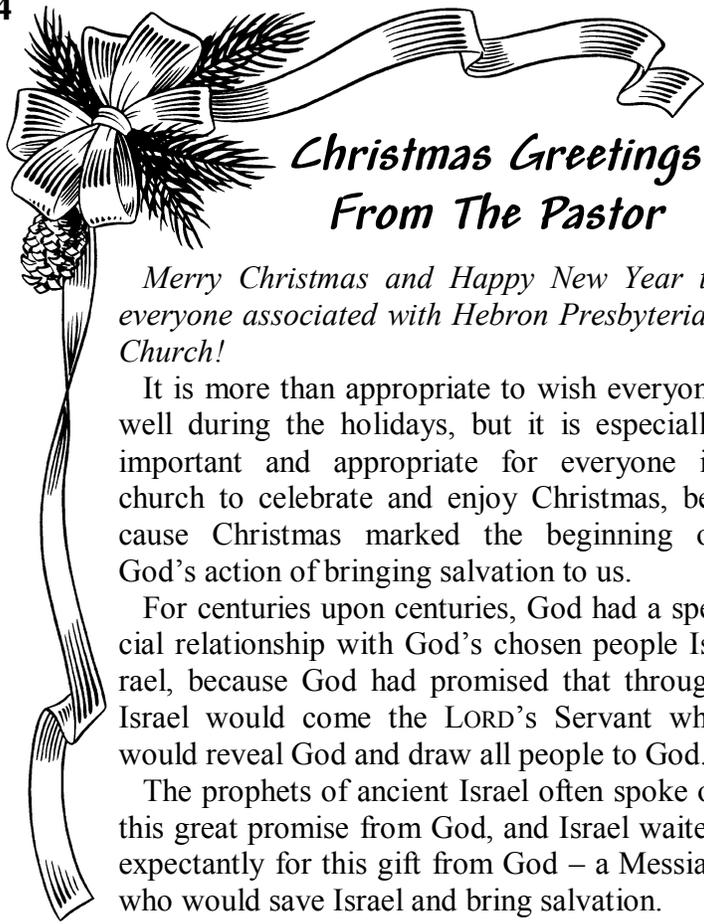
Therefore we rejoice with great joy for what God has done for us in Jesus Christ, beginning with his birth on Christmas. As we celebrate, may we also reflect upon God's great love for us.

*Pastor Frank*



DEC. 11, 6:00 P.M.

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## Christmas Greetings From The Pastor

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone associated with Hebron Presbyterian Church!*

It is more than appropriate to wish everyone well during the holidays, but it is especially important and appropriate for everyone in church to celebrate and enjoy Christmas, because Christmas marked the beginning of God's action of bringing salvation to us.

For centuries upon centuries, God had a special relationship with God's chosen people Israel, because God had promised that through Israel would come the LORD's Servant who would reveal God and draw all people to God.

The prophets of ancient Israel often spoke of this great promise from God, and Israel waited expectantly for this gift from God – a Messiah who would save Israel and bring salvation.

Finally, when the time was right, the time of God's own choosing, God the Son took on human form in Jesus, born of the virgin Mary.

As Christians, we know that Jesus was born in order to die. God became human in Jesus, so that God could give his life in self-sacrifice on our behalf on Good Friday, and so that Jesus could be raised from the dead on Easter in order to defeat death and assure us of eternal life. Then Jesus returned to the fullness of glory that was rightfully his in heaven, where he has prepared a place for us so that we can be with God forever.

God's plan for salvation (including forgiveness of sin and eternal life in God's presence) was actively put into motion when Jesus was born. As Immanuel, "God with us," Jesus, who was God the Son, became human for our sakes, in order to die for our sakes, in order to be raised for our sakes.

The birth of our Savior, which we celebrate at Christmas, meant that the days of expectation and waiting were over. The Messiah, or Christ ("Messiah" is ancient Hebrew for God's "anointed," and "Christ" is ancient Greek for "anointed"), came to earth, and the time was speedily coming when God would accomplish our salvation with the events of Easter.

All we have to do is to believe this, to have faith in God, to trust in Jesus as our Lord and Savior. As we enjoy giving and receiving gifts this year, let us all remember God's greatest gift of himself.

*Pastor Frank*

## Thank You From Hebron Church!

Many thanks to everyone associated with Hebron Presbyterian Church for all your help throughout 2010!

Your gifts to the church have made all the difference, whether it was presence at worship; taking part in Sunday School, Vacation Bible School or other Christian education events; participating in the Welcome Spring Luncheon, Lemonade on the Lawn, Heritage Day or other fellowship events; singing in the choir, teaching Sunday School, serving on the Session, serving on a church committee; participating in Presbyterian Women, Men of the Church or Hebron Youth Group; giving financially for the operation of the church and its missions, as well as extra gifts for special offerings, SACRA and other good causes – and anything else anyone did!



Special thanks go to Jon Arneson, Glenn Mader, Jeff Simmons, Fred Smiley, and Joan Wright, who rotate off the Session after serving as active elders for the past three years.

Thanks also go to our incoming officers, who have answered God's call to serve God and God's people here at Hebron: Robin Moyer, who will fill an unexpired two-year term on Session; and David Obenschain, Jim McGavock, Richard Rathburn, Eric Shiflet and Joanne Weikert, who will serve three-year terms.

Do you remember the old children's rhyme beginning with hands folded as if in prayer: "*This the church...*"; and then you raise your index fingers, "*...and this is the steeple...*"; and then you open your interlocked hands, "*...Open the doors...*"; and then you raise your interlocked fingers, "*...and see all the people!*"

It is so important to remember that the church is indeed the people. It isn't the building, and it isn't the minister, and it isn't the board of officers – it is all the people who attend, participate and support the church, official members and non-members alike.

The church exists in order for God's people to gather for worship and praise the one God – God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost – and to give thanks for all of God's gifts, especially the gifts of salvation, forgiveness of sins, and eternal life through faith in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

We come together to make Hebron a church, where we can grow closer to God and to one another, even as we worship and serve God.

You are a part of everything Hebron is and does. Your help in the past is appreciated, and your participation in the future is essential if we are to continue to worship and serve God together. So "Thank You" to everyone!

## News From Our Missionary In Haiti

The following is from PCUSA missionary Mark Hare who is supported by Hebron. Check his internet site at:  
<http://markandjenny--pcusa.blogspot.com/>

### *Saintville's New Garden Project*

By MARK HARE, PCUSA Missionary in Haiti

On Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2010, the farmers' association APS (Asosyasyon Peyizan Senvil, or Farmers' Association of Saintville) met to mark the start of a project sponsored by the Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP). The project, which they titled Home Gardens/Cistern Construction, will help the families build rain-water catchment systems.

APS, an association that is part of MPP (Mouvman Peyizan Papay, or Farmers' Movement of Papaye) consists of about 30 families working together to improve their community. One of their successes has been constructing a hand-built road into the community, which was recently improved and extended through the assistance of funds from Mercy Corps. Nevertheless, one of their biggest challenges is to "end hunger in our community."

Working together since November of 2008, in 2009 the group began focusing on integrated, diversified systems of yard production. With the technical advice of MPP's Road to Life Yard crew, the families began experimenting with producing vegetables in their own yards using a variety of techniques, including old tires which are turned inside out and filled with a rich mix of soil, sand, and organic material. Impressed by their success, the group requested a workshop in spring of 2010 to help them improve their skills.

Soon after, the group's executive committee requested assistance from Mark Hare and Alexander Placide, the two agronomists coordinating the work of MPP's Road to Life Yard-Moringa project. Together, Mark and Alexander and the group's leader put together a project which will help each family construct their own cistern and install simple gutters made from 4-inch drainage PVC. The funds from PHP will also help the group purchase six kits of tools that the six groups of five families each will share. The project will also allow the group to organize a series of workshops to assure that each family has at least two members who have received intensive training in integrated, diversified yard production.

The executive committee put together a set of criteria that each group and each family must have at least one plot dedicated to intensive moringa production. Moringa (*Moringa oleifera*) is one of the key components of the work of the Road to Life Yard. It is a fast-growing tropical tree that produces highly nutritious,

## *Updated Address/Phone List For Hebron's Special Folks*

The following is an updated list of our special folks. Please continue to remember these individuals in your prayers, as well as with a note, card, or phone call of encouragement periodically and during the holiday season! If any of the below are incorrect or if anyone has been missed, please call the church office. Thanks.

Mrs. Rachel Brown, 2270 Parkersburg Tpke., Swoope, VA 24479, 337-7706.

Mrs. Mary Margaret Clifton, Room 432-A, Kings Daughters Nursing Home, 1410 N. Augusta St., Staunton, VA 24401, 886-6233 (office).

Mrs. Ruby Durham, Apt. 248 – Emeritus, 1900 Hillsmere Lane, Staunton, VA 24401, 885-1128. Mail: 3291 Churchville Ave., Staunton, VA 24401.

Mr. and Mrs. Don (Frances) Hall, 836 N. Augusta St., Apt. A, Staunton, VA 24401, 887-8024.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank (Charlotte) Landes, 703 Amherst Rd., Staunton, VA 24401, 886-3719.

Mrs. Amelia Mader, 78 Mader Lane, Staunton, VA, 24401, 886-6073.

Mrs. Geneva Mader, Rm. 245 – Emeritus, 1900 Hillsmere Lane, Staunton, VA 24401, 885-4131.

Mrs. Norine Wood, 24 Misty Dawn Lane, Staunton, VA 24401, 885-2786.

Mrs. Buddy Wright, 457 Middlebrook Rd., Staunton, VA 24401, 886-1210.

Ms. Beth Zwart, 409 Dupont Ave., Staunton, VA 24401, 886-4409.

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very edible leaves. Most Haitians know of moringa, but few realize how important it is and how highly productive it can be.

In addition to hearing the criteria they need to meet to participate in the project, the group yesterday talked about the importance of working together, about the work they have accomplished so far, together, and some of the dreams they have for the future of their community – they want all their children to have a good education, they want access to good health care and they want a healthy environment, including clean water and good food. They joked that what they want is for their community to be a new example of the land of Canaan, the land flowing with milk and honey. As the committee stated in the project proposal, "[W]e were here before this project and we will be here after it is finished. We will be here until we have accomplished all of our objectives."

**Funds for Saintville's rainwater catchments project were generously provided by a number of Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) congregations, as well as several individuals.**

## Presbyterian Women Circles Meet On Nov. 9

The afternoon Circles met Nov. 9. Joyce Coleman conducted the business meeting.

Betty Ott opened the meeting with the Least Coin meditation and received the offering.

A report of the sick was given and cards were signed.

Maxine Carpenter reported the \$5.00 raffle tickets for the opportunity to win a beautiful quilt were going well and she hopes to sell more!

Jean Miller and E. Anne Willard are decorating the tree that Hebron will donate to the Festival of Trees. They are using small toys – cars, trucks, tractors, etc. All profits from the evening will be given to Augusta Health Hospice of Shenandoah to cover the cost for giving care to those who otherwise couldn't afford it.

Hilda announced she had gotten six wallets for the clients at Western State. She was able to get 30 wallets for \$13.12 (thanks to the good sale at J. C. Penney) and Nan Brown will deliver them.

Plans for the Evening of Comfort and Joy on December 7 at 6:00 p.m., under the leadership of the Sisters in Christ Circle, have been completed. It is hoped that we will have a good attendance (EVERYONE IS INVITED – neighbors, friends, men, women and children) and make a lot of money for the women's benevolent giving – Verona Food Pantry, Joy of Life, New Directions, and Rebuilding Together. The women did not set an amount to be given for the supper or how many cans of food (to be given to SACRA) that should be donated – "let your conscience be your guide."

Nan Brown led us in a very interesting and informative Bible study. It was interesting to learn how many of our favorite hymns come from the book of Revelation.

### *New And Gently Used Children's Books Wanted*

Please consider donating any new or gently used children's books appropriate for children from kindergarten through Grades 5 to *The Learning Connection* (TLC), the after-school remediation program at Churchville Elementary School.

Nicola Cahill, TLC Coordinator at Churchville Elementary School and a member of Hebron, said, "We are trying to get as many books into the hands of our students as we can this school year, and we would like to be able to let them choose a book at the end of each month. Thank you so much for any contributions."

A collection box will be placed outside of the church office for any book donations. For more information or if you have questions, contact Nicola Cahill.

## December Birthdays And Anniversaries

*December birthdays are:*

Liz Pack	1		
Billie Jean Banks	1		
Mary Margaret Clifton	4		
Ann Buchanan	10		
Doris Smith	10		
Brittany Wood	11		
Karmen Bazzrea	12		
Carolyn Agnor	14		
Polly Hewitt	15		
Dennis Lines	15	Claude Piché	23
Charles Buchanan	15	Sarah Mayer	24
Kay Mader	15	Will Dundas	25
Louise McGavock	15	Dylan Rankin	28
Joyce Moody	15	Don Hall	29
Penny Shiflet	16	Thomas Mooneyham	29
Robert Christian	17	Joyce Coleman	31
Joanne Weikert	17	Nancy Durham	31
Jon Breeden	23	Greg Moody	31
Stacie Hickey	23	Helen Shiflet	31



**Very special birthday wishes** to Nancy Durham, who will be 81 on December 31.

**Congratulations** to Charles and Shirley Shomo, who will be married 57 years on December 12 .

Reminder: If you have been omitted from our birthday list, or if you know of someone who should be included, please call the church at 885-1648 with the information, as we don't want to miss anyone.

### **Do You Need Transportation?**

The Congregational Ministries Committee reminds the congregation that they have volunteers available to help transport members of Hebron to and from doctor's appointments if there is a need.

The committee is also seeking volunteers who might be available and have a means to transport Edwin Trimble to dialysis on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays if bad weather occurs.

If you need transportation, or if you are available to help with this need, please contact Janet Wiseman at 885-6490.

### **New Officers To Be Installed Jan. 9**

New elders will be ordained and installed during morning worship on Jan. 9, 2011. They are: David Obenschain, Jim McGavock, Robin Moyer, Richard Rathburn, Eric Shiflet, and Joanne Weikert.

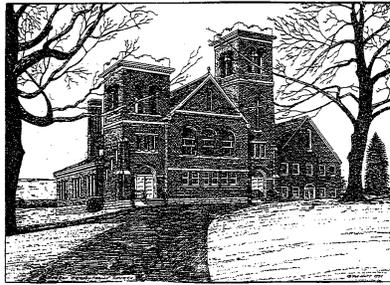
The following week, the Lord's Supper will be celebrated during morning worship on Jan. 16, 2011.

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# HEBRON HERALD

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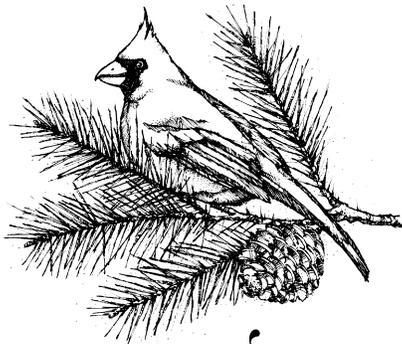
Hebron Presbyterian Church

Rev. Frank H. Wyche, Pastor  
Ministries available to all ages

## Sunday Services:

- Sunday School, 9:55 A.M.
- Morning Worship, 11:00 A.M.
- Youth Group, 6:30-8:00 P.M.
- Bible Study, 7:00-8:00 P.M.

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## December

## Christmas Eve Services: Scripture, Music, and Communion

Hebron Presbyterian Church will again hold two Christmas Eve services this year on Friday, Dec. 24, with a Service of Lessons & Carols at 4:00 p.m., and a Candlelight Christmas Eve Communion Service at 10:00 p.m.



The 4:00 p.m. service is for those who would prefer to attend a service earlier in the day (putting kids to bed, entertaining guests, preparing food or gifts or decorations for Christmas Day, etc.).

The 4 o'clock service will be a Service of Lessons & Carols, including familiar Scripture lessons from the story of Christmas, and singing entire hymns and/or selected verses from favorite Christmas hymns.

The 10 o'clock service is along the lines of a regular worship service, but will include the celebration of the Lord's Supper, and the closing of the service with the singing of *Silent Night* while the sanctuary is

illuminated by worshipers holding candles.

Please join us for one or both of these special services as we celebrate the coming of Christ into the world!

## Office And Worship Holiday Schedule

Hebron's church office will be closed Dec. 24, 27, 29, and 31, for holidays.



The office closes 2 days for Christmas: Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Since Christmas is on a Saturday, the office will be closed Monday, Dec. 27, instead. The office will be closed Dec. 29 because the secretary does not work Wednesdays, and the pastor will be on vacation that week. The office is also closed one day for New Year's, and since that is also on a Saturday, the office will be closed on Friday, Dec. 31.

Worship will be held at regular times on Dec. 26 and Jan. 2, plus two Christmas Eve services on Friday, Dec. 24, at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

