

Edgington EPC

"To Glorify God & Enjoy Him Forever"



November Newsletter 2018

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Dear Family of God,

Celebrating the holidays as a believer encourages us to have a distinct view of life and the very purpose of these special days. Anyone can be grateful on Thanksgiving, but ultimately who are we grateful to? The very notion of gratitude assumes that we have one to whom all of our thanks is due; of course, we know that is the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It seems apparent from Scripture that one of the very best ways we show our thanks to the Lord is to learn the secret of **Christian contentment**. One dictionary defines *contentment* as "the state of being satisfied with things the way they are." Today it is a rare thing to find anyone who is truly content with their condition of life, but the Bible has much to say to us about contentment – being satisfied with what we have, who we are, and where we are going. One 17th century minister referred to Christian contentment as a "rare jewel," so how can we have it?

First, we need to recognize that not only does the Bible teach us that we *must* be content ([Heb 13:5](#)) it also teaches that we *can* be content. Paul makes this point in [Philippians 4:11-13](#) when he says twice, "I have learned" to be content. It is an attitude that does not naturally come to the sinful heart. We need God's grace to strengthen and change our hearts, but we also have the responsibility to learn to be content; it requires effort.

Second, we must learn to give thanks in all things. Paul learned that through the difficulties in his life, it was still possible to be thankful not *for all* things, but *in all* things; he exhorts us to do the same. Thankfulness is a matter of obedience ([1 Th 5:18](#)), and a characteristic of a Spirit-filled believer ([Eph 5:18-20](#)).

Third, we must learn to rest in God's providence. The Bible teaches us that God is unfolding His plan and purposes for our lives ([Jer 29:11](#)). He has sovereignly determined His plan for us that good will come about from our lives, and He will be glorified ([Rom 8:28](#)). Even in midst of great trials, God has a purpose, and just because we don't know what it is, does not mean that it doesn't exist. God's sovereignty breeds contentment in us as His children.

Fourth, we must learn to be satisfied with little. Jesus reminds us that God will always take care of us ([Mt 6:26](#)), and we must learn to be satisfied with God's portion. In [1 Timothy 6:6](#) we are reminded: "Now godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content." Paul understood that covetousness and contentment are mutually exclusive.

Finally, become preoccupied with the well-being of others. Paul summarized this mindset in Philippians 2:3-4: "... count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look out not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others." A self-centered person is a discontented one. But the soul of the generous person, the one who lives for the interests and benefit of others, will find blessing upon blessing in their life (see [Prov. 11:24-25](#); [19:17](#); [Luke 6:38](#); [2 Cor. 9:6](#)).

I hope that this holiday season gives you much cause to consider the rare jewel of Christian contentment, and may God bless you as you rest in Him. I look forward to seeing you in worship.

Your Pastor & Friend,

ELDERS

Steve Morrison (3rd)
Tara Johnson (3rd)
Kevin Oak
Mic Penry (3rd)
Patrick Shovar
Keith Wilson

DEACONS

Cindy Cullen
Scott Cullen
Janet Dunlap
Norman Dunlap
Beth Flickinger
Amy Oak (3rd)
Cora Schafman
Peggy Shovar

TRUSTEES

Mel Block (3rd)
Ken Benningfield
Phil Fuhr
Scott Nelson
Nathan Oak (3rd)
Larry Pithan (3rd)
Jeff Schmidt
Chris Stark
Jeff Thomas

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 - Carson Hall	14 - Luella Doonan
1 - Darren Hall	16 - Raegan Miller
2 - Mary Ann Kadel	19 - Megan Barber
6 - Allan Fuhr	23 - Michael O'Hare
6 - Pam Fuhr	23 - Jennifer Ransdell
6 - Dorothy Rursch	24 - Lori Dixon
7 - Alice Crawford	24 - Connie Huntley
7 - Korey Miller	25 - Neal Ruggles
7 - Cindy Oak	28 - Jeffrey Fuhr
12 - Ella Goodnight	29 - Donna Dunlap
13 - Marvin Weiss	

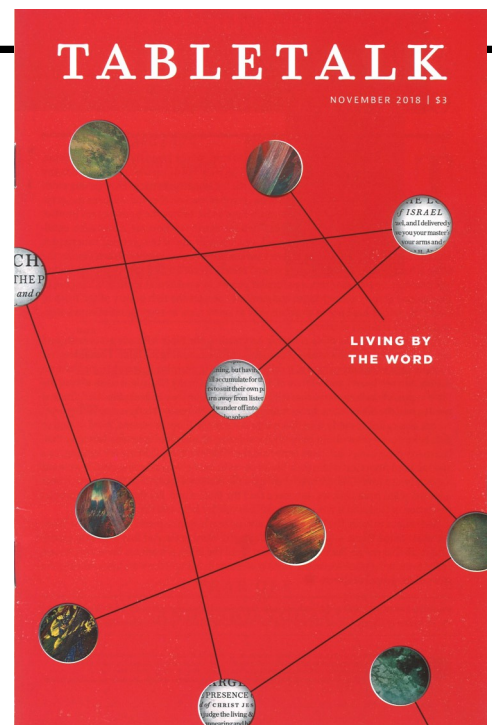
NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

10 - Harlan & Nancy Druckmiller
13 - Denis & Michelle Doonan
14 - Kevin & Cindy Oak
15 - Ryan & Megan Koresko
25 - Ben & Luci Goodnight

GREETERS FOR NOVEMBER

Sunday, November 4th - Nathan and Amy Oak
Sunday, November 11th - Jeff and Deb Thomas
Sunday, November 18th - Kevin and Cindy Oak
Sunday, November 25th - Scott and Lisa Nelson

GET YOUR NOVEMBER COPY OF THE TABLETALK DEVOTIONAL



UPDATE YOUR DIRECTORY PLEASE



WE HAVE MOVED!

Andrew & Katie Pearson
12928 266th Street West
Illinois City, IL 61259

LOCATED IN THE ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH

SESSION

The September Session meeting was held September 25th, 2018 at 7pm. The meeting was held in the Conference room with Mic Penry, Kevin Oak, Tara Johnson, Keith Wilson, Patrick Shovar, Zach Hopkins, and Steve Morrison in attendance.

Zach opened the meeting with prayer, and Elders prayed for individuals on the membership roll. There was a motion to approve the docket and minutes of the last meeting. Motion was seconded and approved.

Zach reported on his activities for September which included: Home Visits, Office visits, Youth Group, Rivers and Lakes Presbytery Ministry Council, Rivers and Lakes Presbytery Coordinating Council, EEPC Women's Bible study, Mission meeting, General Assembly National Ministerial meeting. Vacation Bible School wrap-up meeting.

Old Business: It was noted that the VBS enrollment total this year was 219.

New Business:

- EPC Ministry report
- Scott Burdsall; Saul and Jesse Huber (all Outreach missionaries) will be at our church on Sunday, September 30th, 2018. Scott will give the sermon and the Hubers will give the Minute for Mission.
- Discussed Fall Harvest Party for October 7th, 2018 to be held at the church.
- Discussed 2018 Reformation Service to be held at our church at 5pm on Sunday, October 28th.
- Motion made, seconded and approved Jahn scholarship request of Carson Thomas.
- Discussed upcoming Rivers and Lakes Presbytery meeting September 28 -29th at First UPC Moline IL.

Communion will be served on October 7th, 2018. The Session members will assist in serving Communion to all that cannot attend Communion services. The congregation is encouraged to let Zach or Session member know of any request.

Next Session meeting will be Tuesday, October 30th, 2018 at 7:00pm.

Meeting was adjourned with prayer by Zach.

Steve Morrison, Clerk of Session



ATTENTION COMMITTEE LEADERS OF EDGINGTON EPC

The end of the year is rapidly approaching!

If you lead/head/chair any committee or group you need to have a report in the Annual Report.

Please start working on it as soon as possible. All reports need to be turned into the office (preferably via email, but hardcopy is fine too) by **NO LATER than Wednesday, January 16th.**

If you have any questions, or should need to see a copy of last year's report please contact Lisa in the office at 309-795-1713.

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on **January 27th, 2019**

TRUSTEES

9/11/2018

Present: Mel Block, Nathan Oak, Larry Pithan, Jeff Schmidt, Chris Stark, Treasurer Cindy Oak, Session Representative Kevin Oak.

Prior to the meeting, the trustees met with representatives from Country Financial to review the insurance coverage for the church.

Mel opened the meeting with a prayer at 7:37pm.

Reviewed the minutes from the last meeting of August 14, 2018. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes as presented, motion carried.

Cindy presented the Treasurer's report. Motion made and seconded to approve the report as presented, motion carried.

Old Business:

- Secretary – Treasurer office has been renovated with paint, trim and new carpeting.
- Discussed the Mueller Mission Fund. Cindy has submitted the paperwork to get this fund moved to our investment advisor to obtain a better return.
- There is one parking lot light that flickers. Appears to be a defective bulb or photocell.
- Trustees approved a change to the fire alarm monitoring system. Currently waiting for Simplex (Johnson Controls) to start the work.
- Guard posts and rail have been installed in front of the new heat pump unit.

New Business:

- Discussed obtaining bids for the tree removal work. Have collected names of several companies. Trustees will contact in the next month to obtain quotes. Work will include dropping the trees with an alternate for stump grinding.
- Set a date of Saturday, November 10th for the tree work.
- Trustees discussed adding Director and Officer insurance coverage as well as Employee Dishonesty. Kevin will take the recommendation to the Elders for their input.

Mel closed the meeting with a prayer at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Pithan

IS ANYONE MISSING THE NEWSLETTER???

If you, or someone you know, is not receiving the newsletter via email or hardcopy, please contact the church office, and I will be sure to arrange a way for you to receive it that best meets your needs. It is available in print, via email, on Facebook, and our website.

Thank you so much! ~ Lisa Bowman

DEACONS

October 14, 2018

In attendance were: Norm and Janet Dunlap, Beth Flickinger, Amy Oak, Cora Schafman and Peggy Shovar.

Beth opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes from the August Meeting: Approved as written.

September and October Activities: 7 visits were made and 8 cards were sent.

Old Business:

- The September 15th blood drive resulted in 25 units, 3 of which were double units. The next blood drive will be March 9th, 2019.

The soup and sandwich luncheon was well attended, and \$554 was gathered to use for coat purchases.

New Business:

- Plans were made for the coat drive distribution. All the schools helped collect coats, and boxes have been picked back up. Thanks go to Theresa Morrison for providing the boxes, and to Thrivent for a grant to cover our luncheon expenses. Coat distribution will be Saturday morning with Deacons splitting the time into 2 shifts. Leftover coats will be taken to Winnie's Wishes, Youth Hope, and Christian Care.

The next Deacon meeting will be held in 2019, date TBA.

Beth adjourned meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Flickinger

**we can
help**

NEED A HAND OR ENCOURAGEMENT? ASK A DEACON!

The Deacons' charge is to care for the church body. You may already know that we provide delicious treats to celebrate new members, collect coats for those in need, and organize blood drives.

But did you now that we are ready to serve in other ways, too?

Here are some of the ways a Deacon can help out:

- Visit shut-ins (including those who are temporarily unable to make it to worship) to provide cheer and recordings of the sermon
- Deliver meals to those who are injured, ill, or have experienced a loss
- Visit widows(ers) to comfort and provide company
- Send cards to recognize milestone birthdays and anniversaries, and express condolences
- Organize transportation to doctor's appointments (please give advance notice)

If you or someone you know could benefit in one of these areas, please let a Deacon know right away. We try to anticipate needs, but we are only human!

The 2018 Deacon team includes Scott & Cindy Cullen, Norman & Janet Dunlap, Beth Flickinger, Amy Oak, Cora Shafman, & Peggy Shovar.



MISSION COMMITTEE

September 18, 2018

The Mission Committee met on September 18, 2018 at 6:30pm in the basement of the church. Those attending were Barb Freyeremuth, Deb Wagamon, Lisa Nelson, Mic Penry, Nancy Engstrom, Paige Schmidt, and Pastor Zach Hopkins.

Barb opened the meeting with prayer.

Old Business:

- Minutes from August Meeting: Correction: change Lisa to Liz Ryan from Pregnancy Resources. Minutes were approved
- Andrew Brunson: update on Andrew and discussion on possible outcomes in October
- Christine Care – discussion was held over September meal event. The committee would like to speak with Director concerning future events.

New Business:

- 4th Qtr. Commitments: approved by committee
 - Steve Woodworth \$1,750
 - Burdsall Family \$1,500
 - Ed McCallum \$1,500
 - Youth Hope Program \$1,500
 - MAD Program \$ 500
- Pastor Zach offered information about the World Outreach Missionaries:
 - Presbytery Meeting in Moline – Will be held on 9/28 and 9/29. The Burdsall and Huber missionaries will be attending both days. Motion/Passed: to pay both teams' hotel bill and offer each family a \$100 per Diem.
 - Missionary Visit – Sept. 30th – Both the Burdsall and Huber families will be visiting Edgington church. They will speak to the Adult Sunday school group and share information about their families, their mission, and their needs. Scott Burdsall will offer the message during church services. Motion/Passed: to collect a special offering on Sept. 30th; this will be matched by the mission committee and split between the two missionary teams.
- Operation Christmas Child: Tara Johnson informed us that Edgington EPC will be an official receiving center this year. Collecting boxes from Nov. 12 – 19th. Tara will speak with all area churches and Youth group to collect boxes. These boxes will be delivered to MN on Dec. 7th, and there are 12 spots reserved for our youth group. Two Minnesota churches have offered to host our team. There will be a meeting Oct. 20th at Harvest church in Davenport to discuss the program overview and timelines. We need volunteers for all aspects of this program.
- Winnie's Place: Nancy updated the committee on the status of this local mission. Several people have left the organization, so we may see changes this year. This will be a topic of New Business at our October meeting.
- Minute for Mission:
 - Barb will offer an update on EPC Hurricane Fund donations on 9/23. Motion/Passed: To give an immediate \$1500 to this fund, then to set out our "church" donation box for 4 weeks and match the donations collected, during our October meeting.
 - Burdsall & Huber families will offer mission updates to our congregation on 9/30.
- CEF: Andalusia Kids Club is in need of funding. Motion/Passed: to donate \$100 to this mission.
- Next Meeting – we will look at further support for the Huber family, Pregnancy Resources, Hurricane support, and Winnie's Place

Barb closed in prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 6:43pm.

Our next meeting will be held on October 23, 2018 at 6:30pm.



PASTOR BRUNSON RELEASED!

Pastor Andrew Brunson was convicted, but released on time served. He returned to the United States on Saturday, October 13th. At the press conference held in the White House that day he asked if he could pray for the president. The photo is linked to the video of the press conference with the prayer. Pastor Brunson's wife, Norine, is the one who adds to the prayer at the end.

THANK YOU LORD FOR HIS RELEASE!!!



The EPC has launched an emergency relief fund in response to Hurricane Florence's devastating impact on North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and beyond. Donations to the fund will be sent to EPC churches in areas affected by the storm.

Edgington EPC's Mission Committee has made a donation and is asking if you would consider donating as well. They intend to match your donations over and above the original donation they have made.

There is a wooden church box on the table in the sanctuary foyer for donations.

Thank you in advance for your generous support!



Overwhelming Gratitude ~ Annetta Cooper, Davenport Center Director

The door opened at our Davenport Center, and in walked a vaguely familiar face. She had a little girl about two years old, and she wanted to donate some clothes.....

Almost three years ago, "Megan" called and tentatively expressed a desire to talk about an unplanned pregnancy... "Megan" was married, pregnant by a man who was not her husband, she was over 40 years old, and uncertain about what to do. Highly abortion-minded, she conceded to come in to talk about her options, even though she had an appointment scheduled for a chemical abortion the following Friday....

One of the things that makes our ministry so unique is we care for the whole person. I was able to sit with her and reassure her that Pregnancy Resources was a safe place and offered strength and compassion. As I spoke with her, a question arose about how would she feel if she went through with the abortion. As she processed this question, "Megan" eventually said, "If I can't kill a bug, how will I be able to stop this life within me?" She agreed to schedule an ultrasound, and after seeing her baby she cancelled her abortion appointment, and began coming to parenting classes.

We had prayed as a staff and praised God for her change of heart, but really hadn't seen much of her since the baby was born - until today! The beautiful little girl was smart and well developed...I looked at her mom, who was so proud and confident, and I praised God in my heart.

For the complete story and the full Oct/Nov Newsletter click [HERE](#)

Interested in volunteering? Fall Volunteer Training is Oct. 22nd - 26th, 9am - 12:30pm. Please email or call Jasmine at jasmine@qcpregnancy.org | 563-386-3737

Click [HERE](#) to be linked to their "Get Involved" page.



THE WEATHER IS COOLING, OUR OUTREACH IS HEATING UP!

Fall colors, football season, new school year, and YouthHope fall programs! It is my favorite time of year as the weather cools, and our pursuit of kids and teens heats up! This school year, we have 25 intentional outreach programs!

Because of you, kids and teens can participate in after-school activities, tutoring session, M.A.D. Skills Program training, and in-school creative enrichment classes. Our school year outreach is

tremendous! Volunteers and staff are focused, and together we impact over 400 kids and teens each week!

YouthHope is truly a refuge and place of HOPE for hundreds of kids. Because of you, kids and teens are building healthy relationships, having fun, learning and finding hope for their futures!

Hope transforms their lives and touches others. Sarah and I reflect on how blessed we are to partner with you and reach our community. Lives will be impacted through YouthHope as God meets them here!

Gratefully a part of YouthHope! ~ Mark Drake, Executive Director

For the complete YouthHope October 2018 Report click [HERE](#)

Praise the Lord!

- Children's Leadership Team had an awesome time in Dubuque! God is doing amazing work in the lives of these kids!
- The in-school creative enrichment class had its first graduate for the 2018-2019 school year! Praise God for what He is doing through YH at the public alternative schools!!
- We have increased numbers of volunteers which is allowing for larger numbers of kids at Youth Center programs!
- We have made contact with over 220 families in-need through the holiday basket application process.
- Amazing stories of witnessing from our TEENS!!

Please pray with us for:

- Wisdom and understanding for our board with several new directors and changes of chairpersons.
- Clarity and discernment for YH staff with children and youth programs.
- A hedge of protection and complete health for all YH staff, volunteers and youth!
- Additional volunteers to come forward to fill the remaining spots needed to reach program capacity.
- Financial provision for year-end giving, endowment and scholarship matching challenges.
- Momentum and favor for the M.A.D. Skills Initiative - to complete the campaign!
- Skilled craftsmen to come forward to help with the capital improvements and renovation.
- Safety and God to move on the kids at the fishing derby this weekend at Camp Summit!
- Chains of poverty to be broken off ALL the Thanksgiving/Christmas Basket recipients, and for us to be the light of Christ to these families in-need. Please also pray for those on our wait-list, that we can find a way to bless them this holiday season.

For more information and a direct link to YouthHope's website donation page click [HERE](#) - use the donation drop down box to designate which part of the ministry you want your donation to be allocated to. Questions? Want to help?

Contact Hannah at (309) 762-4577 or email: hcarr@cfyouthhope.org

WINNIE'S PLACE

Women In Need - Nurtured Into Excellence



Bus passes, especially from Illinois, and store gift cards continue to top the needs Wish List for homeless women and their families sheltered at Winnie's Place.

Other Current Needs: Magic Erasers

Food: Canned Black Olives, Mushrooms, Milk (1% or 2%), Unsweetened Applesauce, Fresh or Frozen Onions, Olive Oil, Butter or Margarine, Cheese, and Chicken Broth

Gift Cards: HyVee, Walmart, Dollar General, & Aldi

Winnie's Wishes recently received a bit of a face-lift! Newly-installed windows and improved lighting have spruced up the storefront at Winnie's Wishes. Please visit soon and see what's new both inside and out!

Call us at 563-332-5002 if you can help!
1605 Harrison Street, Davenport, IA

Click the logo to be linked to
Winnie's Wishes FB page.



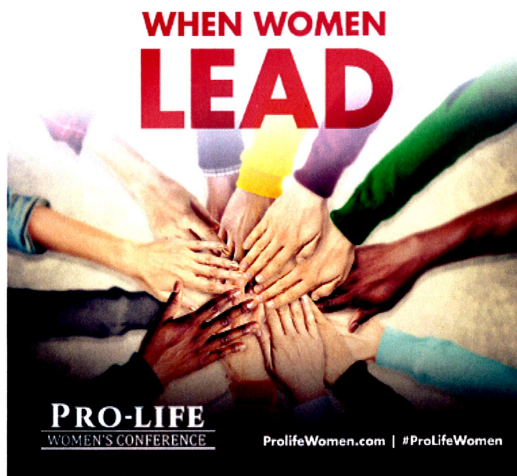
ITEN - Rev. Dr. Stephen Woodworth

Prayer Requests:

- Praise for recent trips to West Africa and Albania.
- Pray now for wisdom and discernment as we follow-up
- Pray for grace and peace in our home!
- Preparations for my next trip to Panama in just a few weeks.
- Strength, God's constant presence, and patience for Carrie and our boys while I am gone



Click on the photo for a link to Rev. Woodworth's complete October 2018 update.



Pro-Life Women's Mini-Conference

Saturday, November 10 @ 10am - 4pm
Davenport Public Library

<https://qcprolifewomen.eventbrite.com>

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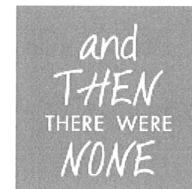
Come be inspired, learn practical tips to more effectively empower the women in your life, and build connections with others who believe that women deserve better than abortion.

<https://qcprolifewomen.eventbrite.com>

Women's *Choice* Center
of the Quad Cities

Pregnancy
Resources

Quad City *Right To Life*
Protecting life since 1973



All those who donate through the EEPC Spring blood drive will be eligible if they donate at Illinois City.

"We are grateful for all you do to help keep families whole."

*Emily received 15 units of blood.... thanks to blood donors,
Owen and Evelyn have a mom and Troy has a wife!*



Troy, Emily, Evelyn and Owen Kress

Illinois City Elementary Blood Drive

Friday, November 30

3:30 to 6:45 pm

To sign up, call

Rikki Hetzler at 309-781-7770

Your blood donation will help earn a monetary grant for Illinois City Elementary School through the Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center's Lifesavings program.

www.bloodcenter.org | (800) 747-5401



MISSISSIPPI VALLEY
REGIONAL BLOOD CENTER
*How life flows through our community.**

Edgington Presbyterian Church
Treasurer's Report September 2018

	Balance	Receipts	Disbursement	Balance
General	68,451.35	19,536.17	32,750.43	55,237.09
Jahn	10,606.72	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	9,106.72
Edgington	5,661.49	\$0.00	\$0.00	5,661.49
Boughton	20,226.18	\$1.55	\$0.00	20,227.73
Lauby	13,121.21	\$1.51	\$0.00	13,122.72
Capital Campaign (organ)	30,764.40	\$1,140.00	\$0.00	31,904.40
Mueller Fund	36,287.46	\$14.13	\$0.00	36,301.59
Ending Gen. checking balar	77,023.59			
Uncleared Transactions	\$ 7,018.29			
General checking Balance	\$ 70,005.30			
			Reconciled Bank Accounts	
			Gen. checking	\$70,005.30

September 2018 General Fund Expenses

Zach Hopkins salary	4,077.34		
EPC (health)	26.33		
Zach's mileage	85.07		
EPC (pension aug & sep)	1,812.60		
Lisa Bowman	846.08		
Chris Heimann	362.77		
Lori Dixon	191.90		
Organ Fund Payment	1,000.00		
MidAmerican Energy church	620.00	General	55,237.09
MidAmerican Energy manse	180.00	Jahn	9,106.72
ABS	100.08	Edgington	5661.49
Mediacom	157.17		
AT&T (sep & oct)	1,060.40	TOTAL	70,005.30
Millenium	27.29		
Sound Cloud	144.00		
Sams (cleaning supplies)	90.77		
Postage	242.89		
Staples (office supplies)	111.93		
Jumping Joeys (inflateables harvest party)	397.50		
Edgington Hardware	12.94		
Christian Book.com (resource material)	85.08		
Ministry Designs (website)	30.00		
Great Commission (Sunday school)	21.85		
Amazon (recording equip for website)	131.08		
Westminster Books (cont. Ed)	243.04		
Rivers & Lakes' Presbty (PMA)	3,468.00		
EPC General Assemb (PMA)	4,738.00		
Huber & Burdsall (mission)	200.00		
M Penry (Christian Care meal-mission)	56.79		
N Engstrom (Christian Care meal-mission)	15.00		
LaFlama (Christian Care meal-mission)	536.50		
Youth (Christian Care meal-mission)	45.00		
S Burdsall (mission)	1,500.00		
S Woodworth (mission)	1,750.00		
E McCallum (mission)	1,500.00		
Youth Hope & MAD Skills (mission)	2,000.00		
CEF (mission)	100.00		
EPC hurricane Florence (mission)	1,500.00		
EPC Huber & Burdsall	1,814.00		
Z Hopkins (cont Ed)	2,998.46		
First UPC Moline (presbytery meals)	32.00		
S Burdsall (pulpit supply & hotel)	250.57		
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$32,750.43	

**JAHN FUND
EXPENSE**

N Flickinger	\$500.00		
R Fuller	\$500.00		
C Thomas	\$500.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 1,500.00	

Included in General Fund Total

Mission Fund \$5537.01
Assistance Fund \$ 4853.46
Deacons \$552 (soup lunch)

No interest from investments was added to the Jahn, Boughton or Lauby funds in September due to some federal paperwork that needed to be completed first for a new account that was being opened. The paperwork is complete and there should be 2 deposits in the month of October for each of these accounts.

TREASURER'S REPORT *Cont. from p. 10*

Edgington Presbyterian Church General Fund Profit & Loss

September 2018

Sep 18

Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Mission Contribution	1,812.00
Per Capita Contributions	820.00
Basement Rent	20.00
Interest Income - General Fnd	12.81
Loose Offering	506.00
Other Income	692.00
Pledges	17,485.36
Total Income	21,348.17
Expense	
Operating Maintenance - General	131.00
presbytery expense	32.00
Resource materials	85.08
Continuing Education	3,241.50
Per Capita Distribution	3,468.00
Mileage	85.07
Miscellaneous	1,030.00
Mission	
U.S. Mission - Presbyterian	1,700.00
International Mission - Presbyt	6,564.00
Local Mission	2,753.29
Total Mission	11,017.29
Office Supplies	
Copier	100.08
Office Supplies - Other	387.01
Total Office Supplies	487.09
Payroll Expenses	
Custodian Payroll	362.77
Choir Director	168.31
Organist Services	23.59
Pastor Salary	4,077.34
Secretary Services	846.08
Total Payroll Expenses	5,478.09
Pension & Health Care	1,838.93
Per Capita Expense	4,738.00
Postage	242.89
Pulpit Supply	250.57
Sunday School	419.35
Utilities	
Gas & Electric - Church	620.00
Gas & Electric - Manse	180.00
Internet Service	157.17
Telephone	1,060.40
Total Utilities	2,017.57
Total Expense	34,562.43
Net Ordinary Income	-13,214.26
Net Income	<u>-13,214.26</u>

Edgington Presbyterian Church Jahn Fund Profit & Loss

September 2018

Sep 18

Ordinary Income/Expense	
Expense	
Disbursements - Jahn	1,500.00
Total Expense	1,500.00
Net Ordinary Income	-1,500.00
Net Income	<u>-1,500.00</u>

HARP DELIGHT CONCERT

Sunday, November 18th, 2pm
Zion Lutheran Church

The Dorcas Society of Zion Lutheran Church is sponsoring "Harp Delight" in concert, and you are all cordially invited to attend and enjoy the music, play the harp, and enjoy light refreshments.

There will be a free will offering for the harpists.

PER MEMBER ASKING

What is it? Per Member Asking (PMA) is the support each congregation is requested to contribute to our local Presbytery and General Assembly. The PMA funds the operations of the Rivers and Lakes Presbytery and General Assembly, including the Office of the Stated Clerk, National Outreach, Student and College Ministries, Women's Ministries, World Outreach, as well as day to day office expenses. Denominational leaders continue to assure us that all financial support will be used to glorify God and advance His Kingdom.

The total PMA for each confirmed member is \$40 (\$17 for the Presbytery, \$23 to the General Assembly). Each year, Edgington EPC pays our total allocation in September based on the number of active members (193). We ask that members please contribute their portion in order to eliminate the expense from our budget. PMA can be contributed at any time throughout the year.

Thank you for your faithful participation.



BIBLE READING PLAN

To encourage your personal study of God's word, and prepare for each Lord's Day message, please consider reading in advance to familiarize yourself with the sermon texts.

Sunday, November 4th - 1 Corinthians 11:23-24

Sunday, November 11th - Galatians 3:25-29

Sunday, November 18th - Ephesians 5:15-21

Sunday, November 25th - Numbers 6:22-27



In order to understand and apply God's word, ask yourself the following questions as you read. Notice the acronym "MIRROR":

MAGNIFY - What does this text reveal about God that leads me to praise Him?

INSPIRE - How does this text lead me to pray?

REVEAL - What sin or disobedience does this text show me that I need to turn from?

RECOGNIZE - How does this text point to or anticipate Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior?

OBEDIENCE - How does this text command my obedience to God's revealed will?

RESPOND - How must I respond in faith to this passage?

SCRIPTURE LINKS

Blueletterbible.org has many wonderful tools on their website. For instance: under the "Tools" tab to the left of each scripture verse. Click on that tab and you are taken to the Strong's Concordance link for each word in the verse. Click on that link, and you see the transliteration, pronunciation, part of speech, root word, dictionary aids, outline of Biblical usage, and much more. I pray you are finding these links to be a helpful aid and resource in your study of God's Word.

~ Blessings, Lisa Bowman



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New Testament

2018 ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Survey

LORD'S DAY MORNINGS 9AM

Please join us each Sunday morning at 9am as we journey book by book through the New Testament. There will not be a schedule each month, as we are going to take our time, picking up each week where we left off the week before. This makes it very easy to jump in if you have never been before, or may not be able to attend every class. We are currently in the book of 1 Corinthians.

All adults are welcome and encouraged to join us for growth in their walk with Christ!
Looking forward to seeing you there!

As you can see, we have Sunday School classes for ALL ages!
Please join us and dive deeper into God's word together, as we seek to know Him and grow in godliness!



CHILDREN'S FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Every Sunday morning at 9am

We are using Great Commission Publications various curriculum based on each grade level.



- Toddler - Hillary Terrill & Kortney Geirlus
- Pre-K - Beth Flickinger
- 1st-2nd - Katie Pearson
- 3rd-5th - Kathy Stegmiller
- Junior High - Tara Johnson & Deanna Parchert
- Senior High - Brandee Neece



All of Scripture is the unfolding story of salvation and Jesus is its focus. We show how Jesus, revealed throughout the Bible, came to seek and save the lost.

We look forward to the privilege of caring for and teaching your children about Jesus each Sunday!

The Christ

Advent 2018

His Human: Nature | Body | Mind | Will | Affections

ADVENT WORSHIP SERVICES

12/2, 9, 16, 23	The Lord's Day	10 am
12/9	Lessons & Carols	5 pm
12/24	Christmas Eve	10 pm

Christmas Eve Service

Monday, December 24th,
10pm

LESSONS & CAROLS SERVICE

Please come and join together with friends and family throughout the community for a night of worship and celebration of the season in a simple service proclaiming the Gospel of Christmas through music and the reading of God's word.

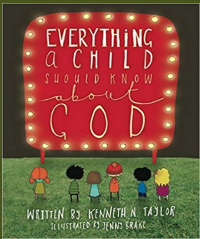
Coffee and refreshments will follow in the church basement.

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, December 9th at 5:00pm

BOOKS MAKE WONDERFUL GIFTS FOR YOUR CHILDREN

We have a variety of books available in the office that could make wonderful gifts for your children, grand-children, nieces, and/or nephews.

Here are just a few of them:

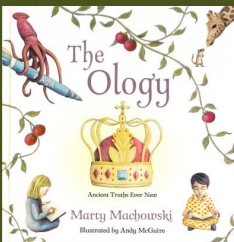
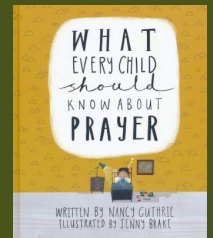


Everything a Child Should Know About God

Encourage your little ones to learn and grow with God with this book from bestselling author Kenneth N. Taylor. Designed for parents to read aloud to children, this hardbound book features whimsical illustrations throughout, each chapter has a brief explanation and a related question to pose to children. Dr. Taylor explains in child-friendly language the essential Bible truths you want your child to know.

What Every Child Should Know About Prayer

By Nancy Guthrie and illustrated by Jenny Brake, this book is a biblical theology of prayer for children. Nancy explains in child-friendly language what prayer is, how and why we should pray, and the things we can pray about. There is a Bible verse for each topic, and a prayer for children to make their own. This book will introduce children to the gift of prayer and will encourage them to enjoy speaking to their father God.



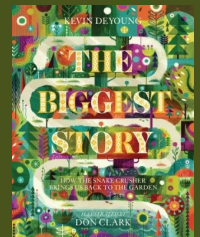
The 'Ology

In the cellar of an old stone cathedral, two children discover an ancient book called The Ology. The beautifully illustrated storybook ushers them into a story of adventure, mystery, and wonder in which they discover life-changing truths about God, themselves, and the world around them. The first illustrated systematic theology book designed especially for grade-school children, The Ology includes built-in adaptations for use with younger or older children, so that entire families can enjoy learning about God together.

The Biggest Story

Kevin DeYoung - a best-selling author and father of six - leads kids and parents alike on an exciting journey through the Bible, connecting the dots from the garden of Eden to Christ's death on the cross to the new heaven and new earth.

With powerful illustrations by award-winning artist Don Clark, this imaginative retelling of the Bible's core message - how the Snake Crusher brings us back to the garden - will draw children into the biblical story, teaching them that God's promises are even bigger and better than we think.



Please stop in the office and check out what else is on the shelf!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Thursday, November 1st - 1pm

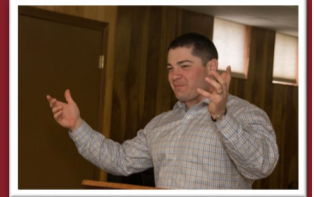
This month's Bible Study by Pastor Zach will be:
"Praise the Lord", based on Psalm 150 from the book
Sing a New Song.

SPECIAL NOTE: Please remember to bring cookie bars to
the Reformation Service on Sunday, October 28th that begins
at 5pm.

Sharon Schaubroeck is our hostess this month.

Also, remember to bring cookie plates to next month's meeting
in December.

We look forward to seeing you there!



QUILTING DAY

Thursday, November 15th, 9am - Noon

Please come and join us as we create, piece, and
sew quilts to present to next year's graduating
seniors, as well as Winnie's Place.

Even if you don't know how to sew, but can
operate a pair of scissors and/or an iron, we
would love to have you! If we can increase our
production, we will be able to bless even more
people in the community.

Please consider joining us! Hope to see you there!

Thank you all so very much for the
many cards, prayers, well-wishes,
and concerns for me as I have gone
through my surgery and recovery.



I am still staying with my daughter Gina, and she
is taking good care of me.

I miss you all a great deal, and it was so nice to
hear from you, and know that you were praying
for me.

Love,
Phyllis Strafford

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE WED., NOVEMBER 14TH

Please have all submissions for the
November Newsletter to the church
office by Wednesday, November 14th.
Items received after that date may not
make it into the newsletter.

Thank you for your cooperation!
~ Lisa

Reminder to
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FREE BIBLES THANKS TO A GENEROUS DONOR

Thanks to a very generous gift from a friend and former member of our church we have a wonderful stock of Bibles for you to take and use or share with friends and neighbors.

They are located in the foyer of the sanctuary & our donor prays they bless many lives!

The office has been renovated, and looks beautiful!



So much hard work, time, and talent went into it, and I would like to thank the Trustees - Mel Block for patching the hole where the old air conditioning unit was on the inside, Scott Nelson for patching it up on the outside, and especially Larry Pithan for the beautiful new wood trim, and coat rack, staining the doors to match, moving and mounting the security screen, hiding all the wires and cords in the ceiling, and helping clean, to Cindy Oak for sanding, painting, cleaning, and laying the carpet, and Pam Pithan for cleaning.

I'm sure there is much more that I'm not detailing, and people that I'm leaving out. I apologize for that - please know that my sincere thanks goes to all of you for a lovely facelift in the church office!

Please come check it out, if you haven't already seen it!

With much gratitude,
Lisa Bowman

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE & NEXT DISTRIBUTION INFO

Saturday, December 8th, 8:30 - 11am

A big thank you to all who helped to make our fall distribution a success. Perhaps you donated food or money; perhaps you helped us to pack food; perhaps you helped us to distribute the food; or perhaps you prayed for us. In any case THANK YOU. It takes many people to make this outreach a success.



We served 42 families - 96 Adults, 33 children, and 15 teens (144 people). Some said they were okay now, but would need at Christmas. Many of those who received food also received coats from our deacons. All were very thankful!

We are thankful for the high school food drive, as that will replenish our shelves. They will deliver the food on Tuesday, November 27th. They are usually kind enough to stay and sort the food for us. What a blessing they are!!

Our next distribution will be on Saturday, December 8th, so we will be packing on Friday, December 7th. Please mark your calendars!

Thanks to all!

Sue Penry Shirley & Dewey Flemming, Sharon & Jim Schaubroeck, Sue Penry



YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group meets Sunday nights from 6-7:30pm unless otherwise noted.

Sun., Nov. 4th - Packing for OCC

Sun., Nov. 18th - Thanksgiving Jeopardy

Sun., Dec. 2nd - Gargons & Register for 12/16

Sun., Dec. 16th - Elevate Trampoline Park

ARE YOU IN HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR OR BAND?

If you are a HIGH SCHOOL choir or band student and read music, here's a new opportunity to serve in the church by joining the choir!

The choir invites you to join us beginning September 16th, 2018 on Sunday mornings at 9:30am to rehearse and join us for the morning anthem.

- Music provided one month in advance
- 9:30am Sunday warmup/rehearsal
- Sing for 10:00am Sunday morning worship
- No weeknight obligation

Contact Lori Dixon at 309-236-5087, lorigixon61@yahoo.com or on Facebook.

WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN US!!!

YOUTH TO MINNESOTA TO VOLUNTEER AT OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Friday, December 7th - 8th, 2018

Once again our youth will have the opportunity to serve in the OCC packing center in Minnesota to finish their Operation Christmas Child project. We will be serving Friday December 7th from 1 - 5pm.



I have 15 spots reserved, and we will need adults to attend, so if you are interested, please contact Tara Johnson. The youth must be at least 13 years of age, and we are required to have 1 adult for every 4 students.

There will be more details to come, so contact Tara, and then watch for emails.

Permission slips will be available once details are set.

Tara Johnson 309-235-4054 or email at: johnsontk32@yahoo.com

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD.... RECEIVING SITE TOO!



A small shoebox can have a big impact. What goes into the box is fun, but what comes out of it is eternal. Be a part of changing children's lives all over the world in Jesus' Name through the power of a simple gift with Operation Christmas Child.

We will be a receiving site again this year for Operation Christmas Child. This means the week of November 12th - November 19th our church will be open for 2 hours per day to collect shoe boxes from our local and extended community. There will be a sign-up sheet for volunteers to work the following shifts:

5 - 7pm, Monday, November 12 - Friday, November 16th

9 - 11am Saturday, November 17th - Monday, November 19th

This is such a wonderful ministry with such great impact and allows everyone to get the chance to do a little hands on mission work without even needing to leave the area! Summer clothes and some school supplies are on clearance now, so it's a great time to shop and stock up for our annual collection.

THANK YOU in advance for your help and donations!!!

IDEAS FOR ITEMS TO INCLUDE IN THE BOX:

TOYS: Dolls, toy cars, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, balls, toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries), etc.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: pens, pencils and sharpeners, erasers, crayons, markers, notebooks, paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

NON-LIQUID HYGIENE ITEMS: Toothbrushes, bar soap, combs, washcloths, purse pack tissues, etc.

ACCESSORIES: T-shirts, socks, hats, sunglasses, hair clips, jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries), etc.

CRAFTS: Make your own items. Go to website for ideas: <https://www.pinterest.com/occsheboxes/>

IDEAS FOR OLDER CHILDREN: Hammer, nails, small tools, and sewing kits, small scissors for sewing.

A PERSONAL NOTE: You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. If you include your name and address, the child may be able to write back.

DO NOT INCLUDE: Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

For more info and a direct link to Samaritan's Purse OCC website, please click [HERE](#)

ITEMS DUE: November 4th - Kid's will be packing that night. There will be pizza and treats for all who would like to join us at from 5 - 7pm.

Tara will train all who volunteer, so you will know exactly what to do.

Thank you all and God Bless!



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ONLINE / WEBSITE UPDATE

We now have a media page!

The page is still in development, but you can access it to see what is there now. We will keep you updated as we add and build the page to get it current with the sermon series.

In the coming months we'll be working hard to publish our sermon audio online. There will be several ways for you to access this. You can listen directly through our [website](#). Our media will also be available through SoundCloud by searching for "Edgington EPC" - you can download the app or listen online. Or, if you're into podcasts, you will be able to subscribe through iTunes as well - just look for the logo of the stained-glass Bible. We hope these points of access will be helpful for you and your family, and anyone else you'd like to share our teaching ministry with.



LISTEN and GIVE ONLINE!

In the last couple of months we've added online audio, available in several formats, and online giving - also with several options!

Please check the website regularly to see how it grows and check classes, ministry updates, sermons, etc. Click here to take a look: edgingtonepc.org



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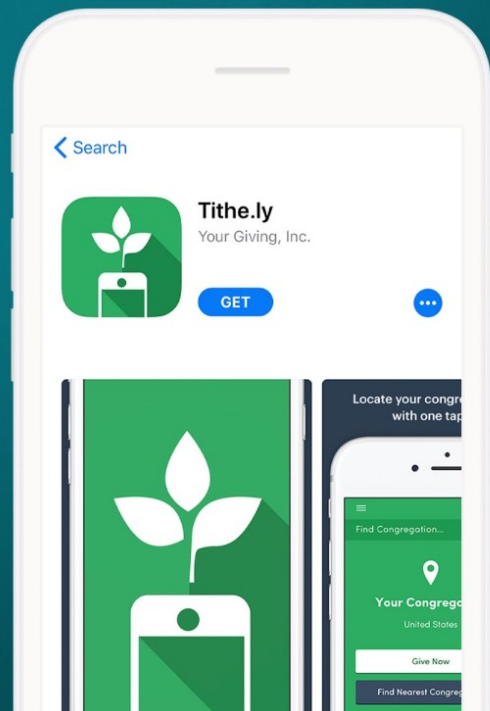
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18	19 Meal Site	20 Mission Comm. Mtg. 6:30pm	21	22 <i>Happy Thanksgiving</i> 	23	24
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