



TIDINGS OF COMFORT

This season is full of getting ready. Getting ready to put up the decorations. Getting ready to gather for this or that occasion. Getting ready to prepare delicious meals. Getting ready for all the joyful things that the holidays have in store for us. But we spend so much time getting ready; and then, if you're like me, it seems like they're over in a flash. Thanksgiving will roll right into Christmas, and before you know it, we'll be saying hello to 2022. Thankfully, Advent is for busy people; when we celebrate Advent our busy minds and schedules pause, and our eyes come into focus – to the most beautiful of sights – the Lord Jesus.

This year, I find my thoughts drawn to what the Prophet Isaiah says about the coming of Christ. He begins chapter 40 with the most beautiful declaration, “Comfort, comfort my people, says your God” ([Isaiah 40:1](#)). The prophet speaks about what will happen when the Messiah comes: valleys lifted, mountains made low, a straight path in the desert, and the glory of the LORD revealed. In other words, every obstacle will be removed in preparation for the Savior's appearing. I'm sure we all have some obstacles in our lives that would hinder our faithful celebration of Advent and the Christmas season, but it is to those troubled hearts and busy minds that God speaks this word: comfort.

To all your anxieties. To all your fears. To all your pains. To all your sorrows. To all your tears. To all your grief. To all your guilt. To all your sins. God speaks His word: comfort. The comfort of Christ who is offered freely to you in the Gospel. Christ has come into this fallen world, to seek and save the lost, to ransom and redeem His people. *Oh, tidings of comfort and joy!*

As I think of that, I want to know more of those glad tidings. I want to look closer at Bethlehem's manger and consider the infinite wonder that God's Son has taken the frailties of our human flesh upon the perfections of His deity. I want to take even greater delight that He has done this for our comfort. If there could have been something else to satisfy our greatest needs, God would have sent it; but because our greatest need is fellowship with our Maker that is untainted by sin; He has come to provide it. Because He is our comfort. Behold your Savior, given for you, given for sinners, for your comfort.

It thrills my soul to celebrate this with you all! So, as I look forward to considering the comfort of Christmas, I want to encourage you to join us as we worship the Lord together. Whether on the Lord's Day, where we will be looking at some of the various songs and stories of Christmas from Luke's Gospel, or on Christmas Eve [12/24 – 10pm]; I can't wait to sing together about these glad tidings of great joy.

May God bless our Advent season with the fullness of His comfort!

Your Pastor, and Friend,

ELDERS

Keith Wilson - Clerk
Jim Mueller
Kevin Oak
Mic Penry
Patrick Shovar

DEACONS

Beth Flickinger
Beth Easterla
Don Easterla
Cora Schafman
Peggy Shovar

TRUSTEES

Mel Block - Chair
Larry Pithan - Secretary
Ken Benningfield
Jeff Fuhr
Phil Fuhr
Scott Nelson
Jeff Schmidt
Chris Stark

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

22 - Keith & Debra Wilson
29 - Zach & Mackenzie Hopkins
29 - Andrew & Katie Pearson

To our Church Family,

Our most humble thanks for all the acts of kindness and love shown while John was home and after his passing. To those who paid tribute with loving flowers, sympathy cards, sincere memorials. For the food brought to the house before and after the loss of John. Also, for the guiding prayers before and after and to those who were at our side during his passing.

God bless,

Dorothy Rursch, Jason, Stephanie and family, Angie, Tyson and family



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 - Drew Hall	16 - Dylan Peterson
1 - Dorothy Oak	20 - Elsie Koresko
5 - Kathleen Fuhr	20 - Sharon Orr
6 - Denise Rursch	22 - Tara Johnson
7 - Donnie Neece	24 - Chris Stark
8 - Kinley Fuhr	25 - Hannah Oak
8 - Matt Tomlin	25 - Elisabeth Tomlin
15 - Jason Flickinger	26 - Karyl Parrish
15 - Gianna Johnson	26 - Mary Wagamon
16 - Jett Fuhr	30 - Caelen Fuhr



GREETERS FOR DECEMBER

Sunday, December 5th - Steve & Amy Ryser
Sunday, December 12th - Bill & Lisa Sloan
Sunday, December 19th - Jason & Beth Flickinger
Sunday, December 24th at 10pm - Bob & Kathy Stegmiller
Sunday, December 26th - Nathan & Amy Oak

November 2, 2021 at 7pm

Location: Church Basement

Attendees Present: Teaching Elder Zach Hopkins and Ruling Elders Jim Mueller, Kevin Oak, Mic Penry, Patrick Shovar, and Keith Wilson. Barb Freyermuth also attended. A quorum is present.

Pastor Zach acted as moderator of the meeting. Zach opened the meeting with prayer and read from Matthew 18:15-20. The Elders prayed for individual members of the congregation then studied and discussed the Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter 30: "Condemnation by the Church".

Approval/Amendment of Docket: Motion was made and seconded to approve the docket. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: August 31st, 2021 minutes were reviewed. Motion made, seconded and approved.

Zach's Report: Zach reported on members with health concerns and prayer needs. During the past month he conducted 2 office visits, 3 home visits, 2 Bible Studies at Brookstone, Moderated Trinity Presbyterian Church and Little Rock (IA) Session meetings, hosted communicant parent meeting, Harvest Party, Held 2 Communicants' Classes, Conducted funeral services for J.R. Rursch and graveside services for Clarissa Jahn, participated in the Installation of Teaching Elder, Justin Beach, at First United Presbyterian Church in Moline, attended the EPC Theology Committee meeting in Orlando, FL, and attended Rivers and Lakes Presbytery meeting in Dousman, WI.

Old Business:

- Zach said that he will be setting up officer Training for the new officers.
- The Shepherding Meeting was previously scheduled for October 23rd. Due to the graveside service for Clarissa Jahn this meeting was postponed. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to break the meeting up into two separate sessions. The first session will be held on Saturday, December 4th from 8:00 to 10:00am. The second session will be held on Tuesday, December 7th from 5:00 to 7:00pm. Session members are encouraged to refresh their learnings from "*The Shepherd Leader*".
- Zach reported on the continued study of the book of John at Brookstone Senior Living on Wednesday mornings at 10:30am. Ruling elders are invited to attend.
- Deacon & Mission committees were discussed in regards to local community outreach and evangelism. The committees are encouraged to seek out opportunities for community outreach.
- Church directory update. Lisa and Zach are still considering options.
- Delegates to the 33rd RLP Meeting on October 1st & 2nd in Dousman, WI were Mic, (serving as Moderator), Keith, and Patrick, with Zach attending and providing a Ministerial Committee report.
- The Session reviewed the Harvest Party and felt that it was well received and attended.
- Zach reported that 9 students have signed up for the 2021 – 2022 Communicant's class. A parent's meeting has been held.
- Adult membership Class – A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept into membership Bill and Lisa Sloan, Jim and Teresa Balmer, Steve and Amy Ryser, and Sally Fuhr and to approve the administration of the sacrament of baptism to Teresa Balmer. These events occurred during the October 31st worship service.
- The Session expressed its appreciation of the Deacons for hosting the new member reception on October 31st following the worship service.

New Business:

- Zach referenced the Book of Worship chapter 4, paragraph 3 concerning Days of Thanksgiving and asked if the Session desires to call church members to observe a special time of prayer and thanksgiving on Thanksgiving Day. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to encourage church members for such an observance. Zach will draft a devotional guide for a bulletin insert.
- Zach reminded the Session that it is time to draft a 2022 budget. Jim and Patrick volunteered to meet with Zach and Cindy Oak to complete this.
- Zach discussed the 2021 Advent schedule. He will be preaching from the first two chapters of the Book of Luke. Christmas Eve service will be held at 10:00pm.
- The Session scheduled the 2021 Annual Meeting after worship on Sunday, January 30th, 2022. It is to be determined whether a luncheon will be held prior to the meeting.

Communion will be held on November 7th, 2021. The next Stated Session meeting will be: November 30th, at 7:00pm. The Session will study Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter 31: "Synods and Councils" at that time.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:29pm. Motion Carried.

Teaching Elder Zach Hopkins closed the meeting with prayer.

Keith Wilson, Clerk of Session



ALL submissions for the January 2022 Newsletter must be in by **NO LATER** than Wednesday, December 15th. Items received after that date may not make it into the newsletter.
Thank you for your cooperation!

~ Lisa Bowman, Office Manager

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 (**during this time, they will make calls to visit over the phone**)
- Deliver meals to those who are injured, ill, or have experienced a loss
- Visit widows(ers) to comfort and provide company (**again, during this time, calls will be made**)
- Send cards to recognize milestone birthdays and anniversaries, and express condolences
- Organize transportation to doctor's appointments (please give advance notice)

Please, 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, and need help with knowing needs! The 2021 Deacon team includes: Don & Beth Easterla, Beth Flickinger, Cora Shafman, & Peggy Shovar.

10/13/2021

Present: Mel Block, Jeff Fuhr, Larry Pithan, Chris Stark, Treasurer Cindy Oak, Session Representative Jim Mueller.

Mel opened the meeting with a prayer at 7:00pm.

Treasurer's report for September was reviewed and approved.

Secretary's minutes for September were reviewed and approved.

Old Business:

- Seal coating of parking lot will be delayed until spring due to cooler weather. The contractor should still be able to do the patching work this fall.
- Mel has called Glass Blast to look at the front stained glass windows. The owner had a severe case of COVID and won't be able to do any repairs on the windows until next spring.
- The riding mower has been repaired.
- Cindy needs an updated version of QuickBooks installed on her computer. Trustees will try to assist.
- Sanctuary roofing is complete. There are just a few minor siding items remaining to complete.

New Business:

- There was some damage to the south sidewalk and to the grass area on the north side of the church due to the roofing project. Trustees will determine what is needed to make repairs.
- Yard cleanup scheduled for Saturday, October 16th.
- Discussed salt/ice melt for this winter. The product used in the past does not store very well over the summer. Will look for alternative product.
- The A/C unit in Zach's office drips water. Need to determine a fix.

Mel closed the meeting with a prayer at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Pithan



ImpactLife

For those who like to donate blood every 8 weeks, we are excited to let you know that beginning in January, we are coordinating with St. Pat's and St. Ambrose so you can donate locally on an 8-week schedule and support all 3 blood draws! Below is the schedule so mark your calendar now.

2022 Dates

January 8th - St. Patrick's Church

March 5th - Edgington Presbyterian Church

May 21st - St. Patrick's Church

July 16th - St. Ambrose Church

Sept. 10th - Edgington Presbyterian Church

November 12th - St. Ambrose Church

MISSION COMMITTEE

The Mission Committee did not meet in October, so there are no minutes to publish this month. Please look to the January issue for their November meeting minutes.



CHECK OUT THE NEXT SEVERAL PAGES FOR THE MINISTRIES WE SUPPORT, AND FOR WAYS THAT YOU CAN GET PLUGGED IN PERSONALLY!



YOUTH PROGRAM NEEDS:

Youth Centers

- Commercial Carpet Sweeper
- Commercial Carpet Cleaner

Educational Support Program

- Disposable Masks
- Sanitizing Wipes
- Hand Sanitizer

Winter Gear for Students

- NEW Coats (size 6-14)
- NEW Snow Pants (Size 6-14)
- NEW Snow Boots
- NEW Gloves, Hats, Scarves



Prayer Requests and Praise:

- * Opportunities to share God's love and hope with every kid and teen.
- * Volunteers who give time and talents to work with our youth and staff.
- * YouthHope leadership to continue to be inspired and led by God.
- * YouthHope staff on the front line every day, sharing the love of Christ with kids and teens.
- * YouthHope Board of Directors' wisdom, vision, discernment, and oversight of YouthHope.
- * Generous supporters to continue supporting YouthHope.
- * God to be glorified in every area of YouthHope's ministry!

YouthHope relies on volunteers like YOU for programs for kids and teens! Due to COVID-19, many volunteer opportunities have changed! Please contact the YouthHope office for more information regarding volunteering: 309-762-4577.

There are many opportunities to volunteer, and we NEED YOU! Contact us today to start bringing youth HOPE!

Click [HERE](#) to go to the "Volunteer Opportunities" page to see where you might get plugged in!

Call Hannah Carr if you have any questions at 309-762-4577 or email to hcarr@youthhopeqc.org/

Christmas Open House

Friday, December 3rd
6pm-8pm

Moline Youth Center
3928 12th Avenue, Moline, IL



FALL COAT DRIVE UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who donated items and helped organize our annual coat drive! We gave out 40 coats, plus a large number of hats and gloves. Extras will be taken to Youth Hope and Christian Care so that the blessing can reach even further.



FOOD PANTRY UPDATE



On Friday, November 12th, 14 people helped to pack boxes for 42 families consisting of 89 adults, 14 teens and 21 children. On Saturday 14 people helped to distribute the food. This included Brandee Neece and 6 students from her high school government class. These boys were life savers and did the heavy lifting!

We are looking forward to receiving food from the Rockridge School District on Tuesday, November 23rd, to replenish our shelves after this distribution.

We want to thank all who helped in any way - with prayers, food donations, monetary donations, and physical help. We are thankful to Buffalo Prairie Presbyterian and Zion Lutheran for their faithful donations each month. We couldn't do this outreach without support from the community.

We are blessed to live in this community.

Shirley & Dewey Flemming, Sharon & Jim Schaubroeck, Sue & Mic Penry, Beth & Don Easterla



PROUDLY SERVING
SENIORS SINCE 1968



For many years now Edgington EPC has been a host site for Senior Meals. The doors are open here for meals on Monday, Thursday, and Friday.

Meals are available for a suggested donation of \$3 to anyone 60+ years or with a disability. If you are new to the program, you need to call 309-788-6335 the day before to request your meal.



Those who attend regularly come early to play cards and enjoy each other's company for a little longer than just meal time.

If you would like more information or want to check out the menu for the month click the Project Now logo above for the link to their website or call 309-788-6335.



She said, “I need help...”

Trisha Wilson, Executive Director, Nov. 1, 2021

We’d just opened the Mobile Medical Unit when we saw her quickly approach. As she came closer our eyes met, and she quietly asked **“I need help. Can you help me?”** With that our divine appointment began.

Marcie* was visibly upset. She’d suspected for a while that she was pregnant... with the wrong guy... again. Severely sick with nausea, Marcie had missed several weeks of work. **She’d researched her options and decided that she would abort to “spare this innocent child”** from a dysfunctional and abusive father. **Twice she had made an abortion appointment and twice she had not shown up. “I have to have an abortion; I know it’s my only choice but I just have to be sure and I know I can trust you. I know that here I am safe.”**

Marcie had been to Pregnancy Resources with her first pregnancy, and she’d made a lasting connection with a member of our team. Marcie had decided that if she were able, she’d go through with the abortion pill procedure as soon as our appointment wrapped up. **After her pregnancy test, the nurse performed an ultrasound. Marcie stared at the screen intently.** The image was clear, the heartbeat strong, and measurements confirmed that Marcie was at the beginning of her second trimester.

There were many tears. There was a great deal of fear. There was tender encouragement and prayer. **At the end of the appointment, there was a decision... a decision to protect her child... both the daughter at home and the child she will meet next spring.**

*Client name changed for confidentiality

To read the rest of the 4th Quarter Heartlines edition, click [HERE](#).

[CLICK HERE](#) for a list of Bella’s Boutiques current needs.

Prayer Requests

- Pray for the abortion-minded and abortion-vulnerable clients seen at Pregnancy Resources. Pray that they would see the value of Life and that they would know that Pregnancy Resources is a safe place for them, regardless of their decision.
- Pray for the staff and volunteers of Pregnancy Resources as they minister to clients. Pray that God would continue to guide their thoughts, words, and actions that He might be glorified.
- Praise God for His continued faithfulness to Pregnancy Resources.



PRC 101 - 2022 Volunteer Training Sessions

March 8-10, 2022 (Morning or Evening)

June 28-30, 2022 (Morning ONLY)

October 4-6, 2022 (Morning or Evening)

Morning Trainings are from 8:45am to 12:15pm & Evening Trainings are from 5:30pm to 9:00pm.

All trainings are held at our Moline Center (3825 16th St., Moline, IL 61265)

Now only 3 days, our volunteer training is required for volunteers who want to work directly with the women and men we help. Training covers helping skills, fetal development, adoption, abortion procedures and risks, ministry goals, and Biblical training on the sanctity of human life. There are many different types of volunteer positions at the centers.

Spanish-speaking volunteers needed!

Want to register? Need more info?
Contact Marissa @ 563-386-3737 or Marissa@qcpregnancy.org

HUBER-VENTURES NOVEMBER UPDATE - STORIES FROM SUMMER

Ministry Happenings

"they said to one another, 'We are not doing right. This day is a day of good news. If we are silent and wait until the morning light, punishment will overtake us. Now therefore come; let us go and tell the king's household.'" 2 Kings 7:9



We've been promising updates from Saul's travels this Summer and we're finally able to share some of them! The verse above came up several times and became a major takeaway for Saul. You can hear more about it in the video recorded (linked in picture of Saul - 17:58 minutes long). There was too much to write into an email so instead, we'd love for you to grab a cup of coffee or your favorite beverage and pretend like Saul is sitting with you sharing stories.

Also, please check out [this article](#) just published on ChristianityToday... most of the workers featured in the story are coworkers of ours and/or people we worked alongside in California. Specifically, we served with "Mike Christian" and his wife when we ministered there. Okay, I'll leave it at that and let your curiosity get the best of you!

Future Happenings

We'd love your prayers as we look forward to these things in the next couple of months:

- Jordan Trip: Saul will be in Jordan from December 26th to January 9th leading seven college students from our cohorts on an Envision Trek. They will be serving Syrian refugees alongside long term global workers there. The goals are to give the students exposure to field work, to support and encourage our partners on the ground, and to practice prayer and evangelism in a Muslim context. Please pray for the logistics of the travel, for safety, and health for everyone involved.
- Missions Cohort #3: Last month we began meeting with our third cohort. Please pray for this group of eight college students to connect with each other, and for a few more members to join them this next year!
- Family Outreach: Please pray with us as we seek to develop relationships with international families here in Carbondale for the purpose of sharing Christ with them. As things begin to open back up we want to be intentional about how and with whom we spend our time.
- Our Monthly Calls: As we meet with our college and young adult cohorts and book club this month, please pray that our conversations would be encouraging and challenging for everyone involved.
- Homeschool: We have started dipping our toes into homeschooling this year as Zuri reaches school age (see pic below). Our hope is that this will allow us to do as much ministry as possible together as a family. Please pray for connection, learning, flexibility, and fun as we learn and grow together.

Thank you so much for your support and prayers! We couldn't do this work without you.

Much love,

Saul, Jesse, Zuri, Samwell, Salem, Zola, and Sidon

Click [HERE](#) to read the rest of the article and see more pics.

CLICK HERE TO BECOME A PARTNER!



THE BURDSALL'S *Serge* Grace at the Fray

GIVING THANKS THIS NOVEMBER:

"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thess 5:16-18

We are thankful that each week we have had at least a handful of adult and children guests (sometimes many more) at Asha services. It is exciting to get to share and talk about God with others and see them want to return and feel comfortable at Asha.

English classes have been very full, with even the men's class gaining members.

Serge UK was able to have in person prayer days this past week. Much needed chance to take the whole day with God and also connect with others in our agency again.

A fun girl's club half term trip rollerblading, which had some good conversations with the girls as well. Thankful that they are so open and willing to share. We also had covid run through club, and very thankful that all are recovered well now.

S.... had the chance to preach a couple Sundays in October - something he always enjoys.

L..... had her 18th birthday in October - so thankful for her and for how God is working in her life.

Thankful for our team here - both Serge and our wider church plant team - and for growing in community with them.

The kids are developing good friends at school and church - thankful for God's provision for them.

Thankful for technology that allows us to stay in touch with family and friends, especially this month when we miss them more!

Thankful for all our supporters - for the love you show us, the prayers you raise and the monetary support you give - all are so important to us and we are so grateful to God for you all.

So thankful that God sees us in our fallen state, and chooses to love us anyway.

Prayer requests this month:

- On November 13th our Serge team is hosting a Thanksgiving open house outreach as a way to share the holiday and also get to know our neighbors and school families more. Pray that people come. One focus of our ministry here is relational, and we would love to see this event lead to more and deeper relationships.
- S.... has been having a lot of trouble with his eyes and some inflammation. He just saw a doctor this week and hopefully got some medicine and a plan to clear them up. Pray that this works and his eyes are healed so he can work here with less discomfort.
- J..... volunteered for an Oxford University covid vaccine trial looking at the best dosages for adolescents. He is quite excited about being able to contribute and got his first dose already and will get his next dose at the end of the month. Pray that it goes well and with minimal side effects.

As we get closer to the end of the year, and as you and your churches think about year-end giving, please do consider a one time gift. We are not at 100% of our monthly needed support, but also not in a danger area. However, one of the things that has really helped us each year is the one-time gifts. They make up the gap in the monthly needs. So please do pray about it, and know that your one-time gifts are appreciated and are also quite beneficial.

If you have questions, please contact the church office and Lisa will connect you with us, we are happy to talk with you. Thank you so much!!

For safety reasons it has been decided not to include a link to their full update. If you would like to receive their regular updates via email, please contact the church office and Lisa will connect you with the Burdsall's to be added to their email list.

Edgington Presbyterian Church

Treasurer's Report October 2021

	Balance	Receipts	Disbursement	Balance
General	\$ 87,079.91	\$ 16,195.67	\$ 30,858.98	\$ 72,416.60
Jahn	\$ 8,262.41	\$ 313.15		\$ 8,575.56
Edgington	\$ 5,633.02	\$ 25.00		\$ 5,658.02
Boughton	\$ 181,307.31	\$ 2,056.13	\$ 3,569.00	\$ 179,794.44
Lauby	\$ 23,162.14	\$ 507.53	\$ -	\$ 23,669.67

Ending Gen. checking balar	102,066.38
Uncleared Transactions	\$ 15,416.20
General checking Balance	\$ 86,650.18

Reconciled Bank Accounts	
Gen. checking	\$ 86,650.18

OCTOBER 2021 GENERAL FUND EXPENSES

Zach Hopkins salary	4,308.32		
Housing Allowance	1,800.00		
EPC (health)	25.23		
Mileage	68.32		
Lisa Bowman	908.22		
Robin Preston	356.88		
Eddy Bult (mowing)	43.69		
US Treasury (payroll tax)	1,309.34		
IL Dept of Rev (payroll tax)	272.21		
Robin Preston (Shark small vac)	74.90		
Reytel	117.87		
AT&T	208.38	General	\$ 72,416.60
Microsoft (office supplies)	69.99	Edgington	\$ 5,658.02
Microsoft (license to publish)	107.24	Jahn	\$ 8,575.56
EPC Gen Assemb. (PMA)	4,646.00	TOTAL	\$ 86,650.18
Best Buy (I pad cont ed.)	812.11		
Kone	363.37		
Hopkins (hotel rooms presbytery)	349.94		
Boughton Fund (int deposited in wrong acc)	459.48		
Ligonier (Table Talk)	65.77		
MidAmerican Energy church	580.00		
Millenium Waste	41.33		
Ministry Designs (website)	30.00		
Postmaster (postage)	1.76		
Westminster Books (cont Ed)	178.25		
Amazon (confirmation books)	192.90		
Amazon (resource material)	170.70		
Amazon (cont Ed)	4.28		
C Stark (cemetery mowing)	200.00		
Joeys Bounce House (harvest party)	532.50		
Lancster (mission)	1,250.00		
Burdsall (mission)	1,875.00		
McCallum (mission)	1,000.00		
Woodworth (mission)	2,125.00		
Huber (mission)	800.00		
Youth Hope (mission)	1,500.00		
YH Creative Arts (mission)	750.00		
Pregnancy Resources (mission)	500.00		
EPC Ida relief (\$1,095.00 mission match)	2,190.00		
Winnie's Place	570.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$30,858.98	

BOUGHTON FUND EXPENSES

White Roofing	3,569.00
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INCLUDED IN GENERAL FUND TOTAL

Mission monies included in general fund	\$3,605.32
Assistance Fund	\$5,153.46

*Boughton Fund includes sale of manse	\$159,000.00
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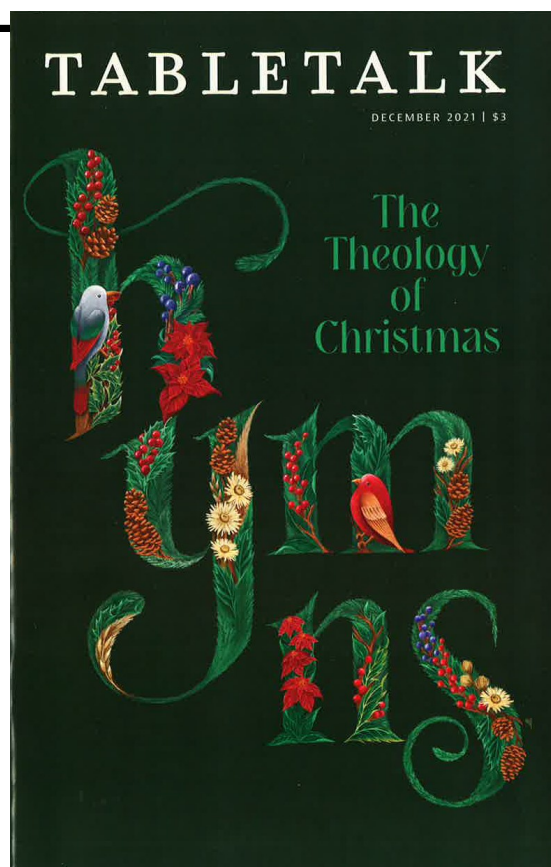
Edgington Presbyterian Church General Fund Profit & Loss October 2021

	Oct 21
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Mission Contribution	120.00
Per Capita Contributions	740.00
Flower Contributions	120.00
Interest Income - General Fnd	8.22
Loose Offering	291.00
Pledges	14,916.45
Total Income	16,195.67
Expense	
Pastors housing allowance	1,800.00
Operating Maintenance - General	841.16
presbytery expense	349.94
Resource materials	236.47
Continuing Education	994.64
Per Capita Distribution	4,646.00
Mileage	68.32
Miscellaneous	458.48
Mission	
U.S. Mission - Presbyterian	4,240.00
International Mission - Presbyt	5,000.00
Local Mission	3,320.00
Total Mission	12,560.00
Office Supplies	208.99
Payroll Expenses	
Custodian Payroll	356.88
Pastor Salary	4,308.32
Payroll Taxes	1,581.55
Secretary Services	908.22
Total Payroll Expenses	7,154.97
Pension & Health Care	25.23
Sunday School	725.40
Utilities	
Gas & Electric - Church	580.00
Telephone	208.38
Total Utilities	788.38
Total Expense	30,858.98
Net Ordinary Income	-14,663.31
Net Income	-14,663.31

Edgington Presbyterian Church Boughton Fund Profit & Loss October 2021

	Oct 21
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Interest Income - Boughton	2,056.13
Total Income	2,056.13
Expense	
Boughton - Disbursements	
Church Maintenance	3,569.00
Total Boughton - Disbursements	3,569.00
Total Expense	3,569.00
Net Ordinary Income	-1,512.87
Net Income	-1,512.87

GET YOUR DECEMBER COPY OF
THE TABLETALK DEVOTIONAL



LOCATED ON A TABLE IN THE SANCTUARY FOYER

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

Pastor Zach is preaching a series this Advent season called "The Songs & Stories of Christmas in Luke".

Please join us each week as we enter into God's presence and worship Him corporately through the preaching and teaching of His Word.

Sun., Dec. 5th - Second Advent Sunday – [Luke 1:26-38](#)

Sun., Dec. 12th - Third Advent Sunday - [Luke 1:39-56](#)

Sun., Dec. 19th - Fourth Advent Sunday - [Luke 1:57-80](#)

Fri., Dec. 24th - Advent - [Luke 2:1-20](#)

Sun., Dec. 26th - [Luke 2:21-38](#)



SCRIPTURE LINKS - Download the apps!



ESV.org is an online Bible reading tool created to help you read and engage with God's Word. While many features of the site are available without signing in, we invite you to **create a free account**, which makes it easy to save personal notes, highlight favorite verses, and start interactive reading plans.

(Click on the images to go to their websites)



Blue Letter Bible provides powerful tools for an in-depth study of God's Word through our free online reference library, with study tools that are grounded in the historical, conservative Christian faith. We view the Bible as central to our study resources. We intentionally designed the website to include study tools that are linked directly to Bible passages. Dig deep into the Word using commentaries, encyclopedias, maps/images and much more. One of our most used tools is the Lexicon search, which gives users immediate access to the original Hebrew and Greek words.

READ THE BIBLE WITH YOUR PASTOR

This Bible reading plan follows a five-day structure. I like this structure because the weekends can be used for catching up if necessary, but also because it fits well with my schedule. I invite you to read the Bible with me! The full plan is accessible [HERE](#). I would love to hear that you're reading along and would certainly welcome any of your questions, comments, and observations. Here is December's Reading Schedule:



Week 49 – 12/5 - 12/11

- [Esther 7-10](#); [Revelation 3](#)
- [Ezra 7-10](#); [Psalm 97](#); [Rev 4](#)
- [Nehemiah 1-3](#); [Rev 5](#)
- [Neh 4-6](#); [Psalm 98](#); [Rev 6](#)
- [Neh 7-9](#); [Psalm 140](#); [Rev 7](#)

Week 50 – 12/12 - 12/18

- [Neh 10-13](#); [Revelation 8](#)
- [Malachi](#); [Psalm 2](#); [Rev 9](#)
- [Job 1-3](#); [Psalm 29](#); [Rev 10](#)
- [Job 4-7](#); [Psalm 99](#); [Rev 11](#)
- [Job 8-11](#); [Rev 12](#)

Week 51 – 12/19 - 12/25

- [Job 12-14](#); [Psalm 100](#); [Rev 13](#)
- [Job 15-17](#); [Rev 14](#)
- [Job 18-20](#); [Psalm 141](#); [Rev 15](#)
- [Job 21-23](#); [Psalm 101](#); [Rev 16](#)
- [Job 24-27](#); [Rev 17](#)

Week 52 – 12/26 - 1/1

- [Job 28-30](#); [Revelation 18](#)
- [Job 31-33](#); [Psalm 102](#); [Rev 19](#)
- [Job 34-36](#); [Rev 20](#)
- [Job 37-39](#); [Psalm 103](#); [Rev 21](#)
- [Job 40-42](#); [Psalm 150](#); [Rev 22](#)

Pastor Zach is on Facebook Live every Sunday morning at 10am for our Lord's Day Worship Service .



If you are not already a member of our Facebook group, please click on the image for the link. "Like" our page and request to join. We are pretty quick to respond. Make sure you are "following" our page and turn your notifications setting on if you would like to receive a notification when Pastor Zach begins to stream. We will post a worship guide each week in advance of the service.



The Adult Sunday School teaching will be focusing on the history and theology of some of our favorite Christmas hymns to help us develop a deeper appreciation for the rich truths contained in these familiar carols.

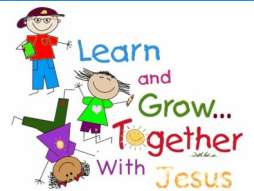
We meet every Lord's Day morning at 9am in the church basement. Please join us!



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Every Sunday morning at 9am

We use Great Commission Publications various curriculum.



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



Click on the images above to learn more!

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

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Thursday, December 2nd, 1pm

Pastor Zach will lead our Bible teaching.
Cindy Oak is our hostess.



Throughout the year, the PW hosts various events, which includes refreshments for special services, luncheons for special meetings and funerals. We hold a rummage and bake sale as a fundraiser every year, and sometimes a soup luncheon as well. We help financially support many projects throughout the church, as well as mission work locally, nationally, and abroad.

All women of the church are welcome! We hope to see you there!

NO QUILTING DAY THIS MONTH

Third Thursday of each month, 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!



UNITYPOINT FOOT CLINIC NOW EVERY MONTH!

Next Clinic: Mon., December 20th,
starting at 9am

If you would like to receive a pedicure done by a medical professional, please call the church office at 309-795-1713 to schedule an appointment.



2021

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.

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 date is Sunday, January 30th.



SHOEBOX PACKING UPDATE

Many thanks to everyone, whatever part you played, for making Operation Christmas Child another success! We packed 229 boxes this year to help spread the Gospel of Jesus. It could not have happened without all of you! I am so blessed to be part of such an wonderful & generous church family! May God bless each one of these boxes as they are delivered to children around the world, who now because of you, will have the chance to accept Jesus as their Lord & Savior!





Welcome

We are so excited to welcome our newest members to our Edginton Church family! Some of them joined last year, but with Covid restrictions, we were not able to have a proper reception for them, so we introduce them to you again as well. :)

From left: Bill and Lisa Sloan (grandchildren - Colt and Avery), Cassie Fuhr, Colby Mueller, Jim and Teresa Balmer, Sally Fuhr, Steve and Amy Ryser (children - Jacob, Travis, and Olivia) Matt and Jennifer Youck (children - Lexi, Liam, and Emmi).

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28 1st Advent Sunday B/P Check Clarissa Jahn memorial	29 Meal Site	30 Session Mtg., 7pm	1 1	2 Meal Site PW Mtg., 1pm	3 Meal Site	4 Session Shepherding Mtg., 8-10am
5 2nd Advent Sunday Food Pantry Sunday Comm. Class, 6pm	6 Meal Site	7 Session Shepherding Mtg., 5-7pm	8 Trustees Mtg., 7pm	9 Meal Site	10 Meal Site	11
12 3rd Advent Sunday B/P Checks Deacon Mtg., 11:30am Comm. Class, 6pm	13 Meal Site	14	15  Items Due	16 Meal Site	17 Meal Site	18
19 4th Advent Sunday Communicant's Class, 6pm	20 Foot Clinic Meal Site	21 Mission Comm. Mtg., 6:30pm	22	23 Meal Site	24 Christmas Eve Meal Site Christmas Eve Service, 10pm	25 Christmas 
26	27 Meal Site	28	29	30 Meal Site	31 New Year's Eve Meal Site	1 Happy New Year 