COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MT. BETHEL AND PORTLAND MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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Minister of Visitation

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In preparing for the *Faith of Three Presidents* which will be a part of the fall Soup and Study series on the 11th and 18th of this month, I have been quite impressed with how George Washington was such a gift from God to the emerging new nation.

Some of the religious evangelicals of his day often questioned whether Washington was a real Christian because in some ways he shared some Deist notions and he never spoke about his personal religious experience. The answer to that question will be dealt with in our first session on the 11th so I will not attempt to answer it now.

But George Washington was an amazing leader both as commander of the Colonial army and as the first President. He was brought up to be a very civil- minded person with good manners and very respectful of other people. He also was a firm believer in Divine Providence which enabled him to accomplish great things.

His life impressed me with how important it is to recognize and support good leaders. Whether it is leaders at the township, county, state or federal levels or even the local school board, wise and dedicated leaders are true gifts from God and will make a huge difference in the ways our common life is lived out.

Of course the same goes for leadership in the church. Both at the lay and clergy offices, a church's well- being is often tied to its leadership. To that end we should all pray earnestly that God would raise up good leaders in our local churches.

I think the two Wednesday lunches for the S & S series will be most interesting. I certainly am finding it so as I research the faith of Washington, Jefferson and Lincoln. Please join us, if you can, for the program which will start with a good lunch at 12 noon and conclude by 1:30.



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Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

Bible Study: 9:15 am

Holy Communion:

1st Sunday of the Month

Session Members:

Deb Llewellyn

Laura Bocko

Mike Feeney

Lillian Williams

Jonathan Rush–Clerk of Session



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Below is an alternate link to log onto Zoom if you are unable to use the above.

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89962485538?pwd=1MzSU3hJmajZLafRheFVh36SnMXHKP.1





Betty Meixsell, Marcia Pensack, Michelle Dinnen, Phyllis Boisselle, Wanda Farrell, Bill, Alexis Culp, and Shawn Reynoso.

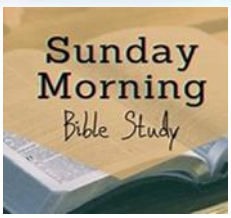
Prayer requests are to be made to Laura Bocko, Prayer Chain leader. If you would like to participate in the prayer chain, please contact Laura.

Laura's contact info is: (610) 452-2620 or laurabocko24@gmail.com





The next stated Session meeting is Wednesday, November 11th at 7:00 pm via Zoom.



Bible Study will be held each Sunday morning at 9:15 am studying Acts. The zoom account will also be used so that others who are unable to come to Mt. Bethel can join in. The study will be zoomed each week by Rev. John.



The Women of CPC - will meet on Tuesday, November 3rd at 10am in the choir room for a Bible study, followed by a business meeting at 11am, and meeting at a local restaurant at noon for lunch.
All are welcome to join us.

❖ We welcome.
❖ We witness.
❖ We work (and play!).

Veteran's Day—November 11th

On Sunday November 9th during worship we will honor our veterans , followed by a luncheon, hosted by the Worship Committee. All are invited to share a meal with these special men.



Our veterans are:
US Air Force—Jonathan Rush, Stockton Bated
US Army—Mike Feeney, Patrick Mount

US Coast Guard—Joe Cortright

In addition to honoring our veterans, we also pray for our servicemen in active duty:

Alex Klaver— US Air Force; grandson of Kevin and Joan Correll

Nicholas Heinsohn— US Army; grandson of Rev. John and Shirley Heinsohn

On Sunday, November 22nd, during worship, we will honor our three local fire company volunteers and our PUMP volunteers, followed by a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall, hosted by our Worship Committee All are invited to join us for a delicious meal and camaraderie with those who serve our community.



On Sunday, November 1st our clocks get turned back by one hour at 2:00 am., and gain an extra hour of sleep! Daylight Savings Time will return in March 2027.



All Saints Day is November 1st--We are remembering Carol Farleigh, Yvonne "Frannie" Brodt, Lisa Sandt, and Henry Deibel who passed on from November1st 2025 to October 31st, 2026.

All men are invited—Saturday, November 7th at 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. All men and guests are invited to attend.



There are containers to fill in the narthex and also in the back entrance for filling a shoebox for **Operation Christmas Child**, that is sponsored by Samaritan's Purse. Please take as many shoeboxes to fill as you would like. Please note: New this year, is soap is not allowed in the shoeboxes. The boxes will be due back in the church by November 15th. If you have any questions, please see Joan Correll or Shirley Rush.

Sunday, November 15th at 2:00 pm. All experienced and aspiring writers are invited to attend. Moderated by Rev. John.





Allen Llewellyn—November 8th

Jimmy Potter—November 11th

Isla Kelton—November 15th

Phyllis Boisselle—November 18th

Cher Mount—November 22nd

Vicky Thiel—November 29th

Heather Delp—November 30th

Our Family Photo Album



During coffee hour on October 25th, Rev. Jenny gave a presentation of her summer trip to Alaska.

Although, the pictures were beautiful; as noted by the attendees, due to the sun glare from the windows, the photos did not come out well.

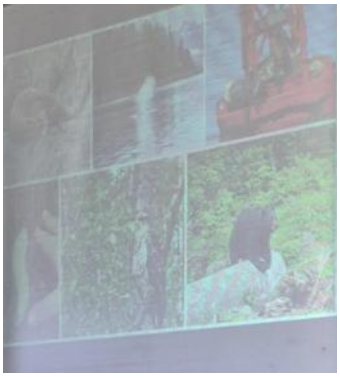
More pictures of her trip will follow in the next newsletter.











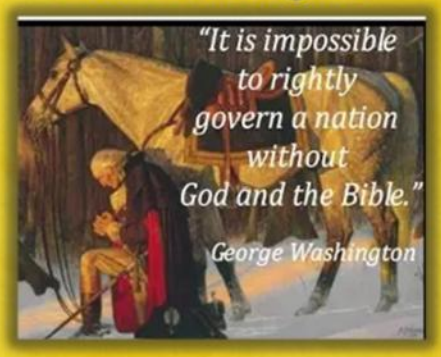




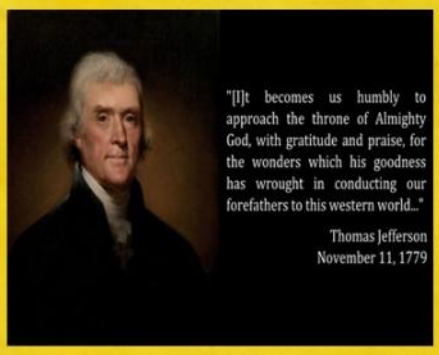
Presenting—The Faith of Three Presidents in Their Own Words

Soup and Study

Geo. Washington



Thomas Jefferson



Abraham Lincoln



When:
Wednesday, November 11th and 18,th 2026
12pm-1:30 pm
Fellowship Hall

Complimentary Lunch
Will be served

All Are Welcome

Where:
Community Presbyterian Church
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Your Host:
Rev. John Heinsohn
FMI Call: (609) 462-1639

The Slate Belt Ministerium

Faith-Motivated Networking
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COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING Choir

Sunday, November 22

Flicksville United Church of Christ
1337 S. Main Street, Bangor, PA

Sheet music available upon request.

Rehearsal 4:30pm

Service 6pm

All voices welcome!

Please contact Rachel Roy for more information
rachel@mountbethelchurch.org

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1 9:15 Bible Study 10:30—Worship Rev. Nichols	*2* AA 8:00 pm	*3* AA 8:00 pm	*4*	*5*	*6*	*7* 8:30 am Men's Breakfast
8 Veterans Honorarium 9:15 Bible Study 10:30—Worship Rev. Nichols	*9* AA 8:00 pm	*10* 10:00 CPC Women AA 8:00 pm	*11*  *12:00 Soup and Study*	*12*	*13*	*14*
15 9:15 Bible Study 10:30—Worship Rev. Nichols 2:00 Writers Group	*16* AA 8:00 pm	*17* AA 8:00 pm	*18* *12:00 Soup and Study*	*19*	*20*	*21*
22 Volunteer Sunday 9:15 Bible Study 10:30—Worship Rev. Nichols	*23* AA 8:00 pm	*24* AA 8:00 pm	*25*	*26* Thanksgiving	*27* *Office Closed*	*28*
29 9:15 Bible Study 10:30—Worship Rev. Nichols	*30* AA 8:00 pm					