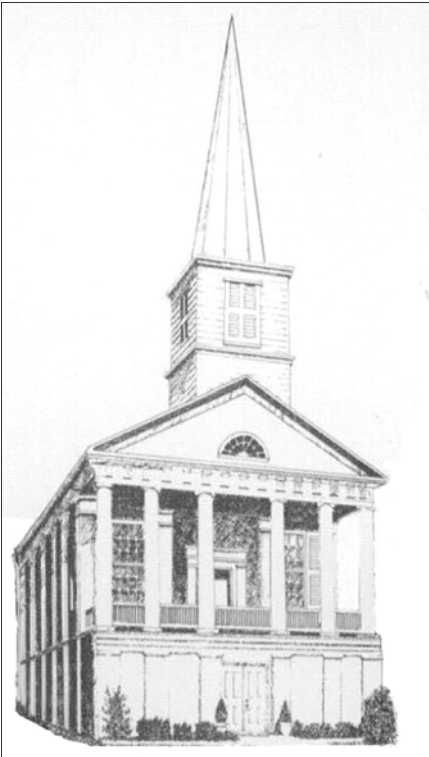


# Hebron Highlights \*



The Newsletter of  
Jonesborough Presbyterian Church

November-December 2013



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\* 'Hebron' was the original name of  
the 1790 congregation that is now  
Jonesborough Presbyterian Church.

Dear Friends,

THANK YOU! From the top, bottom and all sides of my heart, Thank You!

Last month you blessed me with a most memorable pastor appreciation during our Family Lunch. I want to reiterate just how much I love and appreciate all of you, as well. After having been a pastor for 17 years, I can honestly say that of all my calls, Jonesborough Presbyterian has (so far!) felt the most like a place and a relationship to which the Spirit has led me.

We are growing in both numbers and depth of ministry. We are a place of warm hospitality and joyous energy. (I really enjoy our "shake-n-howdy" time each Sunday morning, and newcomers tell me that they feel genuinely welcomed and embraced.) We are a generous, servant-hearted people. We are also a congregation in which the inevitably wide spectrum of human experiences, ideas and hopes for the future continue to hold together in one family. While we occasionally struggle with our varied opinions, we still recognize that above all else, we love one another. Because of and through that, we are loving God together. And so we continue to learn to be honest with one another in open and charitable ways. That makes us, therefore, a place and a people through whom the love of God for the creation is given expression. I am deeply grateful to be your pastor during this season of Jonesborough Presbyterian Church's life.

I want to say one other *Thank You* – a thank you I wish I'd had the presence of mind to express on that third Sunday in October. Each of us has specific individuals for whom we have particular respect. And that kind of respect is especially important to us when we find someone in our own calling in whom we see a role model, someone we find ourselves wanting to emulate in some way. So I want publically to acknowledge and appreciate someone who has been a pastor to me the last three years.

Jonesborough Presbyterian is uniquely blessed to have Dr. Conrad Crow as a faithful member of its family. When he served as your interim pastor, you experienced his pastoral leadership – so you have benefited more directly than I have, perhaps. Several times over the last three years, however, I have sought Conrad's advice on things both pastoral and personal. And with all the kindness, humility and spiritual depth one hopes to find in a mentor, he listens and responds. In my experience with him, Conrad exemplifies not just the Presbyterian office of elder, but the very *archetype* of Elder. His is the wise counsel of a called and seasoned spiritual director, and men and women suited for that role seem to be growing fewer and fewer in our culture. We are extremely fortunate to have such wisdom and grace in our congregation.

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## Pastor's Letter Cont'd

So, thank you, Conrad. Your ministry continues to be a vital influence in and through Jonesborough Presbyterian. You and I are different in many ways, and I will seek to remain faithful to my own pastoral identity as it continues to unfold. Nonetheless, if anyone were ever to say to me that I reminded him or her of you, even in some small way, it would be a high and humbling affirmation.

May God continue to bless all of us at JPC with ever-deepening awareness and wonder, with joy and hope, with compassion for those who suffer, and with an eagerness to follow Jesus by bearing bold witness to his redeeming love.

Peace,

### **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING DATES:**

**Monday, November 25th & Wednesday, November 27th are the dates for the Family Promise support to the Jonesborough UMC. We will serve dinner & provide an overnight host. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex starting Sunday, November 3rd.**

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**Saturday, December 28th, Loaves & Fishes at West Main St in JC. We will serve a complete meal & take out lunch to the homeless in Johnson City. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex starting Sunday, Dec. 8th!**

**THANK YOU!!**





**IMPORTANT DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR!!  
YOUTH CHOIR**

1. **FIRST** performance of our Christmas music is **WED DEC. 4TH** at 3:15 at Jonesborough Senior Center next to Wetlands. Turn into Wetlands & take the 1st left driveway. Go up the hill. Program starts about 3:30 but get there early.
2. Friday night Dec 6th the Youth Choir's big performance will be at the New Arts Center in Jonesborough. We will meet there in the afternoon and practice with all the others in the production.
3. Our final performance for the 2013 Christmas season is on Sunday morning, Dec 22nd at Jonesborough Presbyterian. You will meet at 9:30 that morning and our performance will begin at 9:45. We will do the Christmas Carol Program with the Youth doing the Nativity scene.
4. Practices will resume in January. New songs, new season! We will be doing some fun activities in Jan. & Feb. More on that later!

**Keep practicing your CD & learn words to songs!! YOU SOUND GREAT AND YOU REALLY ARE SUCH FUN TO WORK WITH!**

**Mrs Smith**

**NOV 10TH– Jonesborough Visitor's Center—2:30 the Golden Heirs & Adult Choir will sing in the Veteran's Day Program**

**DEC 1st– JAMA CONCERT-Hand Bells & Adult Choir will perform at 3 pm!!**

**DEC 6th-MCKINNEY CTR-7 pm Hand Bells, Soloist from Adult Choir, Golden Heirs & Jonesborough Community Youth Choir will perform in musical "LIGHTS! CAMERA! CHRISTMAS!"**

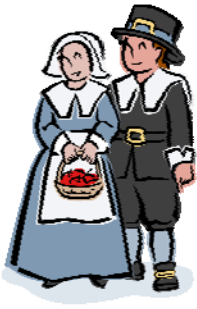
**DEC 4TH– Golden Heirs & Jonesborough Community Youth Choir will perform at Jonesborough Senior Ctr Christmas Party**



**DEC 15th– Adult Choir will present their Christmas program during the 11:00 a.m. Service**

**DEC 22nd-Children & Youth will present their program during the Sunday School hour in the Fellowship Hall**

**Golden Heirs will share their Christmas program with the Wellington at Colonial Heights & Cherokee United Methodist Women this season**



# November



**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Jeff Brunson	1
Susana Childress	4
Conrad Crow	6
Jennifer Wolfe	7
Thomas White	8
Bob Scheu	17
Pauline Douglas	18
Caitlin Miller	18
Curtis Buchanan	23
Joanne Comer	28
Kaye Florence	29
Carolyn Knight	30

**NOVEMBER ASSIGNMENTS**

NOV. GREETERS: FRED SAUCEMAN & JIM RHEIN

NOV. ON-CALL ELDER: GLENN WALKER

NOV. OFFERING COUNTERS: GLENN WALKER & TERRY KNIGHT

NOV. COMMUNION PREP TEAM: RUTH VERHEGGE & EMILY WEBB

NOV. COMMUNION SERVERS: FRED SAUCEMAN, MARY BRAY, TERRI KNIGHT, GARY BURKETT BUNNY DOWNING



**REGARDING FAMILY LUNCHEONS**

PLEASE LET ALL VISITORS WITH THEIR HOSTS & ANYONE HAVING DIFFICULTY STANDING OR WALKING MOVE TO THE FRONT OF THE LINE DURING FAMILY LUNCHEONS

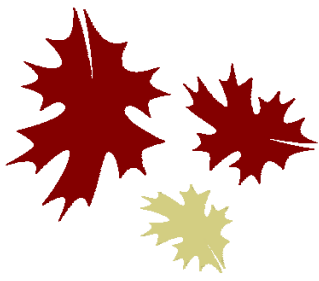
**JAMA FOODS OF THE MONTH:**

JAMA FOOD PANTRY IS IN GREAT NEED OF PEANUT BUTTER & JELLIES, CANS OF PORK&BEANS, OTHER CANNED FOODS & CEREALS

THE SHELVES ARE IN NEED OF REPLENISHING BECAUSE OF GOVERNMENT SHUT DOWN...PLS HELP!!

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**NOVEMBER FAMILY LUNCHEON HOSTS:**  
 TERRY & KAREN WELCH\* (COORDINATORS\*), MARY BRAY, SAM & IRENE MITCHELL, BILL & BETTY KIRCHNER, TONY & BONNIE DELUCIA



## NOVEMBER EVENTS CALENDAR

- Fri. 1st– Open house @The River, JC 6-8pm; see bulletin board
- Sat 2nd –Shalom Circle meets 10am FH-all women of church invited to attend
- Sun 3rd– Communion/Daylight Savings ends-Turn clocks BACK one hour; Stewardship Commitment Sunday; Missions Ministry meets after worship  
Nov. 10th family luncheon hosts to meet after worship
- Tues. 5th-Welcome New Members Fellowship Supper 6 pm - new members & children eat free. RSVP by Oct 30 Karen Childress 753-4744 or krchildress@gmail.com
- Sun 10th-Family Luncheon following worship
- Mon 11th-CL&M meeting 12noon upstairs in youth room;  
-Fellowship hall carpets to be cleaned in afternoon
- Fri. 15th-Youth Lock-in @ 7pm
- Sat. 16th –New officer training Fellowship hall 9am-3 pm
- Sun 17th– Property Ministry meets following worship;  
Johnson City Mall: Magical Night of Giving 7-10 pm
- Mon 18th– Worship Ministry meets in AZ Howard Room, 6 pm;  
Stewardship Ministry meets in F. Hall, 7 pm
- Tues 19th– JAMA meeting @ Bethel Christian at noon;  
-Compassionate Friends meet in FH 6 pm  
-Session meets upstairs in youth room @6:30 pm
- Sat 23rd- Scrapbooking with Ann Norman in FH 11 am-4 pm
- Sun 24th– Decorate church for Advent, 2pm
- Mon 25th– JPC *Family Promise* (formerly IHN) support day at Jonesborough United Methodist Church. We will serve dinner & provide overnight host. Pls sign up (beginning Dec. 8th) to help serve in any way.
- Wed. 27th—JPC *Family Promise* (formerly IHN) support day at Jonesborough United Methodist Church. We serve dinner & provide overnight host. Pls sign up to help serve in any way
- Thurs 28th- HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!



## HELP A GREAT CAUSE! \*

### BUY A COOKBOOK &/OR APRON

Shalom Circle is still offering our “famous recipes” cookbooks for sale! The cookbooks will be offered for \$20 and they are an excellent gift at that price! 3-ring binder style so that the cooks can add their own “favorite recipes”!

Cookbooks were gathered together from church recipes made with love and prayerfully offered for sale to continue the Ladies’ Circles other gifts of love! Please check the cookbooks and aprons for sale in the Fellowship Hall. A Circle Member will help you with your purchase.

Our delightful, useful aprons in either red or blue make great Christmas gifts !

**ONE SIZE FITS ALL!!**

Cookbooks and aprons also make great unique gifts for showers or birthdays!

**COOK UP A GREAT DEAL & MEAL WITH THIS COOKBOOK!!**

\*And Shalom Circle can help others in this area who can use some assistance! Thanks!



## **HAVE NEED FOR A HANDYMAN?**

**Mowing season is winding down! Jack DeMatteo will be available for anyone who may need assistance with fall clean up chores around the house and/or property!!**

**Will consider ANY & ALL types of Handyman types chores!**

**Call: Jack De Matteo (423)742-5864**

**Email: [j.dematteo@comcast.net](mailto:j.dematteo@comcast.net)**

**196 Anderson Street, Limestone TN 37681**



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE

( For those in our congregation who are aware of illness or life events among our long-time or infrequent congregants, PLEASE notify the office and Allen)

**Church Prayer List of Friends & Relatives:** : Luella Adams, Bill Argo, Roger Bailey, Liam Baum, Jean Bellomo, Pat Blaha, Lanny Bodkins, Glenna Bowen, Kim Jackson Buchanan, Carolyn Cope, Andy Costanza, Melanie Crawford, Shirley Cruce, Marjorie D'Amato & Family, Deborah Davis, Tony Davis, Robin Doane, Clara Dunbar, Herb Eberle, Elizabeth Edmonds, Allen Evans, Kelvin Fillers, Eleanor Foster, Jimmie Glenn, Charles Gould, Faith Griffey, Jan Hearne, Jet Hieronymus, Gloria Hissong, Amber Hope, Leonard Huffstetler, Pat Jarvis, Alice Kaegebein, Cpt Brandon Kelly (Marine Exp. Unit Mediterranean), Larry Kelly, Barbara Kirchner, Bill Kirchner, Jr, Diana Klein, Jim Kopoetic, Jean Kuhns, Kristi Kyle, Lynn Lab, Jim Larson, Bob Lowe, Jon Malone, Betty Matney, Mary Ruth Murray, Joe Pidoto, Jim Poland, Lula Ramsey, Scott Rice, Robert Riddle (Bob's son), Bruce Scheu, Mindi Schwertfeger, Doyle Shepherd, Scott Sklener, Lutherine Smith, Paula Smith, Gwen & Sharon Soergel, Patricia Stone, Makenzie Taylor, Judah Thacker, Anne Udouj, Neil White, Ingrid Wilson's mother, the Storey Family

**Church Members:** Summer Buchanan, Rebecca Comer, Bonnie DeLucia, Bill Downing, Alisa Goolsby, Connie Jo Hosmer, Bob Scheu, Richard Schwertfeger, A Friend of Cheryl Smith

**On-going Prayers for Our Homebound Members & Friends:** Harrison Taylor, Janet Harvey, Mike Floyd, Vivian Cash, Jack Cope, Kathie Dameron, Michael Matney, Pat Wilson, Audrey Kaiman, Marianne Fair (daughter of Ruth Chase), Virginia Buxton, Elizabeth Hoss, Beulah Hendry (mother-in-law of Marion Light), Wanda Sauceman (mother of Fred Sauceman), Steven Whitis (brother of Linda Brothers), Frances & Paula Pennington (cousins of Pauline Douglas), Opal Sutton (aunt of Bunny Downing), Viola Rollins (aunt of Becky Wolfe), Opal Silvert (aunt of Charlotte McDonald)

*Deepest sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Wilma Chandley who passed away earlier this week.*

**If you have a prayer request. Please call the church office, send us an email or fill out a prayer request card. Prayer request cards are located near the visitors book.**



**“When you pray for others, God listens to you and blesses them; sometimes, when you are safe and happy, remember that someone has prayed for you.”**

## NOVEMBER LECTIONARY

24th Sun after Pentecost: Hab.1:1-4, 2:1-4; Ps.119:137-144; Thess: 4:1-4, 11-12; Luke 19:1-10 –Daylight Savings Ends

25th Sun after Pentecost: Hag. 1:15b-2:9; *Ps. 145:1-5, 17-21 or Ps.98*; Thess. 2:1-5, 13-17; Luke 20:27-38

26th Sunday after Pentecost: Isa.65:17-25; Isa.12:2 Thess.2:1-5, 13-17; Luke:21:-5

**CHRIST the KING/REIGN of CHRIST**  
Jer.23:1-6; *Luke 1:68-79*; Col. 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43



## MEMBER AT FOUR OAKS

**Pat Wilson** is residing at Four Oaks Health Care Center at 1101 Persimmon Ridge Road and would love to have you visit her!

## NO EXTENDED PARKING IN DRIVEWAY

THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE requests that in order to keep the driveway on the office side of the church OPEN, VEHICLES NOT BE PARKED FOR EXTENDED PERIODS OF TIME IN THAT DRIVEWAY.

When it is necessary to park a vehicle to load or unload items into or out of your vehicle, please move it to a space behind the church or in front of the church ASAP. It is **EXTREMELY** dangerous to back out onto Main Street traffic from this driveway. Driver's visibility is very limited and that includes the drivers coming from the direction of Boone's Creek or Fox Street towards the church.

## DECEMBER LECTIONARY

1st Sun of Advent: Isa. 2:1-5; *Ps.122*;  
Rom.13:11-14; Matt.24:36-44

2nd Sun of Advent: Isa. 11:1-10; *Ps. 72:1-7, 18-19*; Rom. 15:4-13; Matt. 3:1-12

3rd Sun of Advent: Isa. 35:1-10; *Ps.146:5-10 or Luke 1:46b-55*; James 5:7-10; Matt. 11:2-11

4th Sun of Advent: Isa. 7:10-16; *Ps. 80:1-7, 17-19*; Rom. 1:1-7; Matt. 1:18-25  
Christmas Offering

1st Sun after Christmas Day  
Isa. 63:7-9; *Ps. 148*; Heb. 2:10-18; Matt. 2:13-23



## Very Real Need for DEPENDABLE DRIVERS

**The Congregational Life and Membership Committee** is seeking those people who can help some of our church members who are no longer have the option of driving themselves to doctor's appointments or possibly the quick trip to the grocery store, etc.

If you can lend your time in this endeavor, it would be gratefully and graciously accepted by those who are in need of that extra special care. Please notify **or Kathy Scheu in the office** if you can add your name to the Dependable Drivers List!

## DECEMBER EVENTS

Sun 1st– COMMUNION RESCHEDULED TO DEC 8TH;  
-Missions Ministry to meet after worship;  
JAMA Christmas Program at 3 pm at Trinity Baptist;  
Family Promise Songfest 2013, 3 pm @Northeast  
Community College Ctr for Performing Arts,  
2425 Hwy 75, Blountville, TN 37617

Tues 3rd– Holston Stated Presbytery meeting @ First  
Presbyterian Church JC 9 am  
-Shawl Ministry meets FH @ 12:30 pm

Fri. 6th-Children/Youth/Hand Bell Christmas Program  
7 pm @ McKinney Arts Center

Sat 7th—Shalom Circle Dinner & Auction, fellowship hall 5 pm

Sun 8th Communion—NO FAMILY LUNCHEON  
Compassionate Friends Candlelight Service 5pm FH

Mon 9th– CL&M Meeting 12:00 Fellowship hall

Sat 14th SESSION breakfast & meeting 8:30am Fellowship hall

Sun 15th– Christmas Cantata during 11am worship

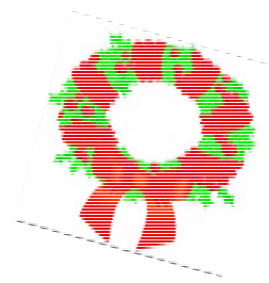
Mon 16th—NO WORSHIP MEETING  
NO STEWARDSHIP MEETING

Sun 22nd–9:45am Youth Choir will perform during SS hour  
-Christmas Joy Offering received

Tues 24th—Christmas Eve worship service, 6pm

Wed. 25th—CHRISTMAS DAY

Sat 28th– Loaves & Fishes: We will serve a complete meal and  
takeout lunch to the homeless in Johnson City.  
Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex starting  
Sunday, Dec 8th



## PRAYER SHAWL MEETING

Prayer Shawl meetings are Nov 5th &  
Dec 3rd at 12:30 in the FH. Please bring  
your lunch and for the December meeting  
pls bring something for our luncheon

We are gratefully accepting donations of  
yarn, 1 yd pcs of fleece material, cotton  
fabric, batting and money.

**THANK YOU!!**







# DECEMBER



## BIRTHDAYS

Bob Kellar	1
Sabrina Davis	3
Emily Laughrey	4
Cheryl Smith	4
Janet Browning	5
Marianne Huff	5
Dylan Helm	6
Gary Gerhart	11
Guy Weems	11
Harrison Taylor	12
Martin Harris	13
Graham Norman	15
James Edward Miller	16
Larry Garst	18
Marilyn Buchanan	28
Sarah Knight	29
Alex Williams II	29



## FAMILY PROMISE ANNOUNCEMENT:

Our relationship with Jonesborough United Methodist Church began on Feb. 10th. We participate with them as we did in Gray. Mon & Thurs evening meals & overnight chaperones. In addition, they need some assistance with driving clients to & from IHN center in Johnson City — with stops at schools for children.

Please consider your support for this coming event & contact Glenn Walker @753-5076 or [gwwalkertn@gmail.com](mailto:gwwalkertn@gmail.com).

## JAMA FOOD PANTRY

Anyone wishing to help at the JAMA FOOD PANTRY on a 4th or a 5th THURSDAY of the month:

Please see Jim Cash for details. The Food Pantry welcomes your help in serving those in need.

DEC GREETERS: To be determined...check bulletin

DEC ON-CALL ELDER: MARGARET CHILDRESS

DEC OFFERING COUNTERS: TERRI KNIGHT & KAREN CHILDRESS

DEC COMMUNION PREPARATION TEAM: EVA GARST & EMILY LAUGHREY

CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION PREPARATION TEAM: IRENE MITCHELL & ANN NORMAN

DEC COMMUNION SERVERS TEAM#3: KAREN CHILDRESS, MARGARET CHILDRESS, LARRY CHILDRESS, EMILY WEBB & GLENN WALKER

CHRISTMAS EVE (served by Intinction) SERVERS FROM TEAM #1

## LOCAL AUTHOR'S BOOK SELLING AT LIFEWAY

Dean Klein is a local author whose epic Christian thriller, *THE AMULET*, is currently on sale at Lifeway Christian Stores in Johnson City & Kingsport.

The book is a gripping 3-part tale of mystery & suspense which takes the reader on an erie, captivating journey thru time. The journey brings back to the present time that which was in the world centuries ago.

The book was inspired by RAIDERS OF THE LOST ARK. 20th Century Fox is interested in it! Start reading Part One—The Relic. Also available on Kindle.

## The Session of Jonesborough Presbyterian Church Session Ministry Teams

### Class of 2013

Mary Bray  
Margaret Childress  
Ann Norman  
Bob Scheu

### Class of 2014

Chuck Collins  
Bunny Downing  
Terri Knight  
Emily Webb

### Class of 2015

Karen Childress  
Sarah Fair  
Fred Sauceman  
Glenn Walker

### Class of 2016

Gary Burkett  
Gordon Edwards  
Eva Garst  
Bill Reese

Your participation in the work of the church through the Session Ministry Teams is essential to the fulfillment of Christ's mission. Please contact any Session member if you are interested in a Ministry Team.

Worship Chair: Ann Norman; Vice Chair: Bunny Downing; Summer Buchanan, Eva Garst, Emily Laughrey, Irene Mitchell, Jeri Paolini, Corinne Parnell, Cherry Smith, Ruth Verhegge, Emily Webb

Christian Education Chair: Margaret Childress; Vice-Chair: Sarah Fair; Bear Anderson, Renae Helm, Cherry Smith, Cheryl Smith, Debbie Walls

Congregational Life & Membership Development Chair: Karen Childress; Linda Brothers, Sara Cash, Karen Earing-Winter, Barbara Grooms, Mary Lee Miller, Ann Norman, Charlotte Pahriss, Corinne Parnell, Kathy Scheu, Ida Shurr, Phyllis Wilson,

Missions Chair: Terri Knight; Vice-Chair: Emily Webb; Marilyn & Summer Buchanan, Karen & Larry Childress, Gordon Edwards, Carol Jernigan, Jim Rhein, Carol Salinas, Glenn Walker, Jonathan Webb, Terry & Karen Welch

Property Chair: Bob Scheu; Vice-Chair: Graham Norman; Jim Cash, Bill Downing, Gordon Edwards, Larry Garst, Jim Pahriss, Kelly Wolfe

Stewardship & Finance Chair: Chuck Collins; Vice-Chair: Glenn Walker; Treasurer: Alexis Burkett; Mary Bray, Eva Garst, Ray Marney, Jim Rhein, Jill Sauceman, Terry Welch, Jennifer Wolfe, Pat Wolfe

Administration Chair: Mary Bray; Vice-Chair: Fred Sauceman; Gordon Edwards, Mike Floyd, Hal Knight, John Laughrey

Session Nominating Committee Chair: Mary Bray; Vice-Chair: Emily Webb; Fred Sauceman, Terri Knight (Alt.)

Congregational members:

Corinne Parnell, Jim Rhein, Ruth Verhegge, Kelly Wolfe, Becky Wolfe (Alt.)

