




**ARC LINK
NEWSLETTER
NOVEMBER 2025**



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724-543-5012 **Worship 9:00 AM**

DECEMBER 2025 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please get articles to Audrey no later than

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2025

Please have your articles on time. Thank you



NOVEMBER LECTIONARY READING

November 2, 2025

21st Sunday after Pentecost

All Saints Sunday

*Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4, Psalms 119:137-144,
2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12, Luke 19:1-10*

November 9, 2025

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

*Habakkuk 1:15b-2:9, Psalms 145:1-5, 17-21,
2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17, Luke 20:27-38*



November 16, 2025

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

*Isaiah 65:17-25, Isaiah 12,
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13, Luke 21:5-19*

November 23rd, 2025

Christ the King Sunday

*Jeremiah 23:1-6, Luke 1:68-79,
Colossians 1:11-20, Luke 23:33-43*

November 30, 2025

1st Sunday of Advent

UM Student Day

*Isaiah 2:1-5, Psalms 122,
Romans 13:11-14, Matthew 24:36-44*



DEAR RAMPS OF HOPE CHURCHES

Armstrong county Ramps of Hope was thrilled to be a recipient of a grant from the Armstrong County Community Foundation at its 2025 Annual Dinner. We were one of 56 nonprofits that were awarded grant money and the total monies distributed by the Foundation came to \$575,070.96. we were given \$10,000 of that! That was the full amount we applied for and it will get us well into the 2026 ramp building season. The money will go toward purchasing the treated lumber and other supplies needed to build our ramps. And it will build quite a few ramps! We are indeed blessed and extremely happy to receive this funding. As I write this, it is mid-October, and we have completed 27 ramps this season. If the weather cooperates, we will keep building through the fall and could finish with 32-34 builds for the year. The money from this grant will get us going next year. Praise God for our blessings of continued funding and amazing team members who love to do this work and who do it SO well!! Our ramps are awesome and so are all of you! Whether you build, donate, or pray for us, we need you and are grateful for you!

In Christ, Lynn and Tim



NOVEMBER SIFT

The November SIFT Luncheon will be held on Thursday, November 20, 2025 at noon in the Covenant Center. The menu will be Thanksgiving Dinner, Turkey & Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Corn, Green Beans, Cranberries, Rolls and Butter, Pie. The program will Music with Bruce Shaffer. Reservations can be made from Monday, November 3rd through noon on Monday, November 17th. Please call 724-548-4312. Phone reservations only will be accepted and will be limited to 75. You will need to give a name for each reservation made along with

a contact phone number. Please call to cancel as there may be a waiting list. Doors will open at 11:30 AM. Please use the parking lot door. See YOU there!

DART BALL

Come join us in the basement of First Church the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month. We meet at 6:00 PM.





FIRST CHURCH LINK PAGES

COUNTERS

2 Melissa Bureau
9 Melissa Bureau
16 Tim Scaife
23 Tim Scaife
30 Tim Scaife



BELL RINGERS

2 Emersyn McGregor
9 Eliana McGregor
16 Cecilia Rearigh
23 Adalie Rearigh
30 Olivia Green



USHERS

2 Epworth
9 Oxford
16 Oxford
23 Asbury
30 Asbury



WELCOME CENTER

2 Sarah Heckert
9 Melissa Bureau
16 Marybeth Dean
23 Carolyn Hancock
30 Cindy Volek



ACOLYTES

2 Chris Hankey
9 Jocelyn King
16 Olivia Green
23 Logan Green
30 Hallie Hoffman

SCRIPTURE READER

2 Melissa Bureau
9 Brenda Beers
16 Sarah Heckert
23 Sue Hankey
30

LIVE STREAM

2 Brenda Beers
9 Brenda Beers
16 Sue Hankey
23 Steph Hankey
30 Steph Hankey



SOUND SYSTEM

2 Chelsea Beers
9 Carlee Beers
16 Tim King
23 Jeff Hankey
30 Chelsea Beers



NOVEMBER MISSION



Our November and December missions will be to support the food bank at Grace Presbyterian Church. Items that their families value include peanut butter, soup, pasta, tomato sauce, canned fruit, macaroni and cheese, tuna and canned chicken. As always, your financial support is also appreciated. Please see Emily with any questions.

FIRST CHURCH 2025

(Please indicate how many for each color ordering.)

_____ \$ 11.00 Red Plant

_____ \$ 11.00 White Plant

I Wish to order _____ plant(s)
\$ _____ Total Order

IN MEMORY

OF: _____

OR (AND)

IN HONOR OF: _____

GIVEN BY _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

Last day to order—

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2025

THERE CAN BE NO LATE ORDERS!

**PAYMENT IS NEEDED AT TIME OF ORDER.
PLEASE REMEMBER THAT FLOWERS SHOULD NOT
BE REMOVED UNTIL AFTER CHRISTMAS EVE
SERVICE.
THANK YOU!**



FIRST CHURCH LINK PAGES



TOUCAN CAN COUNT

Slow Count Month

It is holiday time. Time for family, friends, and celebrating. Keep on bringing in those cans. We accept soft drinks, juice, power drinks, teas and beer cans. Drop off your cans on the ramp or in the bin.

Thanks. Melissa Bureau



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Tim King
4 Logan Green
4 Cindy Volek
9 Christopher Hankey
11 Katie Smith
13 Rachel Snow
14 Killian Vandevort
18 Sarah Heckert



19 Diane Weibel
20 Tony Krozely
20 Anita Smith
20 Greg Toth
21 Peyton Zielinski
26 Scott Jamison
29 Kelly Hoffman

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARY



15 Harry & Michelle Waldenville-28 years



We extend our Christian compassion and concern to Pam Coggon on the death of her husband Herb Coggon. Herb Passed away Monday, October 6, 2025.

THANK YOU

Thank you so very much for the very generous donation to Blessings in a Backpack! This is an amazing contribution and allows us to reach every school in Armstrong School District. Thank You, Molly Atwood

Dear First United Methodist church,

Thank you so much for generously allowing us to use your beautiful VBS decorations. Blessings, Katie Tylinski

We would like to thank you for your very generous donations to the Ford City Food Bank. We have 150 on our roll and had 4 new ones this time. We have between 95 to 105 each month. We also have 14 on our Door Dash, our people over 60 that can't come in. Thank you again. Ford City Food Bank

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your support of the 2025 Fort Armstrong Folk Festival. The art show was amazing as always and we are proud to have it be part of our event. Thank you also for the use of your water & outdoor hose hook up for our entertainers. We look forward to partnering together for the 2026 Festival. Blessings, Claire M Osborne & FAFF Board

Thank you for all the prayers, beautiful cards and support during Herb's illness. We appreciated your love and concern. Herbert Coggon Family





FIRST CHURCH LINK PAGES



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Mark your calendar now for an Advent event after church on Sunday, December 7, 2025. Plans include lunch and making some Christmas decorations. Details coming soon!

YOUTH NEWS

The Junior/Senior High School Sunday School class is looking deeper into Jesus's parables. Learning what the true meaning to his stories and how it fits into today's world.

We are also adding a mission project to our program. So, we will be continuing this October's mission with HAVIN. We will be collecting items for gift bags to be given to the women at the shelter.



On a sad note, we will not be baking pies for Thanksgiving this year. We will be baking cookies for Christmas. Sorry for this news, but maybe another group will pick it up. Melissa B.



PLEASE NOTE

If anyone would like to offer encouragement and well wishes to Carolyn Hancock on her journey to recovery, you may send cards or notes to Carolyn Hancock, 1301 Carlisle Street, Natrona Heights, PA 15065, Room 284.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PLAY

Children's Christmas play practice will begin Sunday, November 30th during worship. We will present the play during worship on Sunday, December 21st.



FORD MEMORIAL LINK PAGE

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3 Melissa Palm
4 Randy Reesman
6 Joshua Wiker
23 Fred Burdett
25 Shirley Bryan
30 Carol (Reesman)Snyder



NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

8 Eva & Jim Say
22 Shirley & Mark Bryan
26 Mike & Paige Query





UNION AVENUE LINK PAGE

UNION AVENUE UNITED WOMEN OF FAITH

The October 6, 2025, meeting of the UAUWF was held at the Kittanning Cottages with 5 in attendance. The meeting opened with the reading of "Our vision, Our Mission, and Our Local Purpose." Devotions: Ellen Nelson-Book report- "The Gift of the Unexpected". Minute Missions: Karen Wolfe: Helping Farmers in Washington. The secretary's and treasurer's report were read. There were no additions or corrections. Reports stand as read.

New Business: Requests for Donations:

1. Henderson House-on hold
2. Heifer International-We will join with First Church. This will be brought to the congregation of First church in January. We will add our donation to theirs.
3. Arc Manor Recovery House-Wish list for household items was received-put on hold for now.
4. Christmas gifts for Community Action family. A motion was made and seconded to donate \$250 to Community Action for gifts instead of us buying gifts. Motion passed.
5. Kay's Cottage-Will wait to donate until May during the Week of Giving.
6. Ramps of Hope-On hold for now.

Pastor appreciation is in October.

All Saints Sunday will be the first Sunday in November.

New Officers for 2026 will be the same as this year. A motion was made and passed to this effect.

The meeting closed with the reading of "The Parting Prayer."

Secretary, Ellen Nelson

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2 Lori Goepfert
8 Donna Titus
9 Gary Anderson
24 Vaila Clever
24 Vieira Clever





WORD SEARCH

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FALL
GATHER
HOLIDAY
PILGRIMS
PUMPKIN
CORN
FEAST

THANKFUL
TURKEY
CORNUCOPIA
FAMILY
GOBBLE
GRATITUDE
PIE

NOVEMBER
PLYMOUTH
STUFFING
THANKSGIVING
CRANBERRIES
POTATOES
TRADITION



