

Edgcumbe

Presbyterian Church

Midweek Update

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Highland AA Thanksgiving Gratitude Meeting

The Highland AA Thanksgiving Gratitude Meeting will be Thanksgiving Day, November 28th at 10am in the sanctuary. This is an Open Meeting, which means all people are welcome. It is a beautiful gathering, and we would encourage you to attend!

A Quorum of Quotes

Last Sunday we had a worship service that featured Amber Spirithorse, one of Luna's mentors in A Course in Miracles, and Susan Olesek, the founder of the Enneagram Prison Project, which sponsors Phil's work at Shakopee Women's Prison. Jay made a recording of the service, which can be accessed here:

https://soundcloud.com/jay-s-mcgregor/epp-visits-epc-241124?si=5e70ae71949e48a89b0fd832458d7ece&utm_source=clipboard&utm_medium=text&utm_campaign=social_sharing

To celebrate this day of connections, I thought I would share a quote or two from each of the three (or more) traditions we explored on Sunday.

"This is the message that we have heard from Christ and announce to you: 'God is light and there is no darkness in God at all.'" -1 John 1:5

"Everything outside of ourselves is a reflection of ourselves. Everything." -Cheri Humber in the EPP Workbook

"We are on a mission to understand why we do what we do—on both sides of the bars—through self-awareness, self-regulation, and self-compassion. We do the work together."—Susan Olesek

"Fear is a stranger to the ways of love. Identify with fear, and you will be a stranger to yourself." —A Course in Miracles

"Teach only love, for that is what you are." —A Course in Miracles

“Out beyond ideas of wrongdoing and rightdoing, there is a field. I’ll meet you there.” –Rumi (quoted by Susan Olesek on Sunday)

Each one of these quotes is a nugget of truth that is worth reflecting on this week. On this week of Thanksgiving, Luna and I give thanks for each one of you and this miraculous community!

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trusting that your direction leads to peace!*

Pastor’s Vaction and Guest Preacher

Pastors Luna & Phil will be on vacation all next week, December 2-8. On Sunday the 8th, our Interim Executive Presbyter, Libby Shannon, will be our guest preacher. Any pastoral concerns should go to one of our Elders: Connie, Ingrid, Michelle, or LaGretta.

December Mission: Neighborhood House



Wellstone Center at 179 Robie St., St Paul

Neighborhood House was founded in 1897 by women of Mount Zion Temple struggling to create safe haven for Jewish refugees fleeing persecution in Russia. Today it serves over 16,000 people at two locations in St. Paul with a mission to provide hope, opportunity and dignity for all.



1080 Montreal Ave., St Paul

Neighborhood House serves people from over 50 different cultural backgrounds with programs in youth programming for ages 10-18, tutoring, parent and early childhood education, and food and housing support.

Edgcumbe is linked to Neighborhood House through our food shelf and twelve step program support. Please watch our newsletter this month for more details about Neighborhood House including upcoming dates for fresh produce distribution. They are also actively looking for both employees and volunteers at this time.

For December, Edgcumbe mission team asks for your support for this vital community service group. Please consider a gift to Neighborhood House this month. You can contribute by putting "December Mission" in the memo box on Give Now, or on the memo line of your check.

Christmas Decorating: This Saturday, Nov 30

On Saturday, November 30 at 11:00 am we will meet to fluff, assemble and decorate the Christmas tree. We appreciate any time you can give to make this tradition possible.

Progressive Dinner- Saturday, December 7

Let's have some fun...Edgcumbe style! On Saturday, December 7 from 5:00 - 8:00 PM, our Progressive Dinner will begin at the home of Jane and Mark Tafel for appetizers, then take us to LaGretta and John Lunde's home for the main course, and conclude at the home of Ingrid and Ron Eggert for dessert. Please bring your own beverage. Send your RSVP by Saturday, November 30 to LaGretta Lunde at laglunde@gmail.com.



Thank you!!

(Editor's Note: The Mission Team had some remaining monies that were earmarked for the Truce Center. The team decided to offer that money to Tierra Hunt, Eleta's daughter, to further support the Warm Clothing Drive happening at Truce Center this week coordinated by Tierra! 🙌)

Thank you to Edgcumbe Presbyterian Church for the generous cash donation for the

giveaway! We were able to stretch your dollars between Savers & Goodwill. We purchased 27 jackets, 8 pairs of boots, and 12 sets of gloves/mittens for families that will be given away on Friday at Truce Center. Thank you for helping to keep the kids warm this winter! (Picture of purchased donations attached.) -Eleta & Tierra

December Birthdays and Anniversaries:

Happy Birthday to:

Mel Houle

12/5

Happy Anniversary to:

Jenya & Vladimir Trubnikava 12/3

Heather Marschinke	12/6	Lorenz Fett & Ngoc Nguyen	12/30
Micah GebbenGreen	12/12		
Warner Gunsell	12/16		
Tierra Hunt	12/27		