



Outer Banks Presbyterian Church

November 2016

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A Word from our Pastor



We did it! A big thank you to everyone who helped organize the 99th stated meeting of New Hope Presbytery here at Outer Banks Presbyterian Church on October 22nd. I want to offer a special word of thanks to the members of the task force who planned this event: Gary McGee (moderator), Mollie Bass, Nonie Booth, Ben Cahoon, Jason Evans, Jeanne Martie, and Carol Moore. We have been meeting as a task force since January. Thanks to

all of the additional volunteers who helped with registration, serving breakfast, working as greeters, ushers, and parking attendants, singing in the choir, serving communion, helping sell lunch tickets to Captain George's, and much more. We have received many compliments from presbytery staff and commissioners about how well the business meeting, worship service, and lunch went. Thank you all!

November 6th is All Saints Day. During our morning worship service, we will be remembering the six church members who have died over the past year. On All Saints Day, the word saint refers, not to perfect people, but to all Christians who have died and have been made right or justified before God because of Christ's death and resurrection. All Saints Day is always a meaningful day in the church year because we are all touched by death, whether it is of a loved one, a friend, or facing our own mortality. In the face of death we sometimes feel powerless and we grieve, but All Saints Day reminds us of the hope that we have in Jesus Christ for eternal life.

On Sunday November 20th, our congregation will host a Community Wide Thanksgiving Service at 4:00 pm. This is the fourth consecutive year that our congregation will be hosting the event. The worship service is sponsored by the North Dare Ministerial Association and is a chance for people from all congregations throughout the Outer Banks to come together to offer thanksgiving and praise to almighty God. This has been one of the most meaningful worship experiences I have had here at the Outer Banks. If you haven't been before, please make plans to join us. If you have attended in the past, please help spread the word to your friends and neighbors! Also on November 20th, we will have a luncheon immediately following the 10:00 am worship service. The luncheon is a joint effort by the Fellowship and Stewardship Committees as a way to thank God for all of the blessings that the Lord has given to us as individuals and as a congregation.

Peace in Christ,

Jody Moore

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Prayer Concerns

"God is able to make all grace abound toward you..." II Corinthians 9:8

- Jack Abernethy
- Marc Basnight
- The Rev. Dr. Richard Batzler
- Morris Bennett
- Don & Nancy Bierwerth
- Shawn Bowman
- Warren Davis
- Ruth Dutt
- Gwen Engleright
- Karen Foard
- Al Grimm
- Shirley Grimm
- Karen Lurie
- Mickey Meekins
- Nancy Messinger
- Lynn Miller
- Landon Moore
- The Rev. Bob Pitsch
- Jane Smith
- Max Strange
- Rev. Nick White
- Family of Leah Williamson
- Those Serving our Country

Outer Banks Presbyterian Church 2016 Angel Tree



We hope to have our Angel Tree displayed in our Gathering Space on the first Sunday of November. We are waiting for the names and the number of children we will be providing Christmas gifts for this year. We hope you will consider purchasing a gift for the children.

We are Thankful for our Willing Volunteers

Coffee Hour Schedule

- Nov. 6Lydia Circle
- Nov. 13 Finance Committee
- Nov. 20 Thanksgiving Luncheon
- Nov. 27 Congregational Care

Flower Schedule

- Nov. 6.....Jean Basnight / Rosalyn Pugh
- Nov. 13..... Available
- Nov. 20..... Available
- Nov. 27..... Available

Liturgist Schedule

- Nov. 6 Susan Harman-Scott
- Nov. 13 Jean Basnight
- Nov. 20 Nonie Booth
- Nov. 27 Barbara Hardy

Children's Church

- Nov. 6 Andrea Braymiller/Linda Wood
- Nov. 13Bev Jones/Jean Sias
- Nov. 20 .. Andrea Braymiller/Linda Wood
- Nov. 27 Hollie & Jody Lewis

November Birthdays

Joan Phifer.....	3	Dorothy George.....	20
Fred Gauvreau.....	4	Corinne Abernethy	21
Taylor Ostlund	6	Tyler Booth.....	21
Susi Gentry	7	Melissa Cahoon	21
Austin Futrell.....	9	Jordan Rhodes.....	21
Linda Helmkamp.....	9	Helen Beshens.....	22
Jean Basnight	11	Melinda Mogowski.....	23
Jeanne Moore.....	12	Lois Werner.....	23
Chloe Futrell	14	Jeff Aldridge	24
Peggy Foster	15	George Wood.....	25
Ronnie Sunkler	16	Eva Hardy.....	26
Margaret Brown	19	Chris Braswell	27

November Anniversaries

Mr. & Mrs. Larry Lewis.....	7
Mr. & Mrs. Monty Thomas	16
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Henderson	17
Mr. & Mrs. George Wood.....	22
Mr. & Mrs. George Lurie	23
Mr. & Mrs. Jody Lewis	23
Mr. & Mrs. John King	26
Mr. & Mrs. Bob Scott	29

Sermons for November 2016

Sunday, November 6, 2016
1st Chronicles 28:1-10 and 29: 26-30

On this All Saints' Sunday, we will remember and give thanks to God for the lives of those individuals from our church family who have died during the past year. We will consider what it means for us to leave behind a legacy and to live a life that has enduring meaning and value. As King David is preparing to die, he offers perspective on his life and prays for God to continue the work that he has done. We will consider our hope through Jesus Christ in the resurrection and eternal life.

Sunday, November 13, 2016
Ephesians 6:10-20

We will be recognizing and honoring all of our church's veterans on this special Sunday as we celebrate the completion of a book that shares the stories of our veterans. To honor our the preparation and service of our veterans, we will hear Ephesians tell us to prepare to stand guard by putting on the whole armor of God. We will explore how we can withstand evil with the breastplate of righteousness, the shield of faith, and the sword of salvation.

Sunday, November 20, 2016
Luke 17:11-19

This Sunday, we will give thanks to God for all of our many blessings. We have a Thanksgiving Luncheon after church. The Scripture passage that we will hear from Luke is the story of Jesus healing ten lepers, but only one of the ten returns to thank Jesus. This story shows us the importance of recognizing our many blessings and expressing our gratitude to God. We will also consider the perspectives of the other nine who did not return to thank Jesus after their miraculous healing.

Community Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, Nov. 20 | 4:00 pm

This is the fourth consecutive year that our congregation will be hosting the Community Thanksgiving Service. The worship service, held on November 20 at 4:00 pm, is sponsored by the North Dare Ministerial Association and is a chance for people from all congregations throughout the Outer Banks to come together to offer thanksgiving and praise to almighty God. If you haven't been before, please make plans to join us. If you have attended in the past, please help spread the word to your friends and neighbors!



Those of our congregation
 who have joined the
 church triumphant this
 past year.

Charles Anderson
 May 22, 2016

Harold Hass
 June 1, 2016

Jackie Strange
 June 3, 2016

Anita Balenger
 September 6, 2016

Rebekah Cecille Writtenberry-Lewis
 September 16, 2016

Leah Williamson
 September 22, 2016



Thanksgiving Luncheon

Sunday, Nov. 20 | Following Worship

Mark your calendars now! Sunday, November 20, at the Outer Banks Presbyterian Church, we'll have a luncheon following our 10 a.m. service. Everyone is welcome. We'll celebrate and give thanks to our Lord as a congregation for the results of our 2016 Stewardship Campaign. The luncheon is a joint effort by the Fellowship and Stewardship Committees as a way to thank God for all of the blessings that the Lord has given to us as individuals and as a congregation. Please sign-up on the sheet in the Gathering Space and join us for this wonderful opportunity to have fellowship as a congregation.

Special Veterans Day Recognition

Sunday, Nov. 13 | 10:00 am

On Sunday, November 13, 2016, the worship service will be focused on honoring our own OBPC military veterans. The reception in the Fellowship Hall will be a time to thank them individually and look at their memorabilia. God bless all our men and women, who have served honorably and secured our national freedom.

Third Thursday Lunch: Nov. 17

Our next luncheon will be at High Cotton in Kitty Hawk. It is on Beach Road at milepost 2, across the street from the Hilton. The date is November 17, at noon. You will make your own selection off their menu, and receive a separate check.

In order for them to have enough seats and staff, please let Jeanne Martie (441-8608 or jlmartie@charter.net) know by Sunday, November 13, if you will be at High Cotton. Hope to see you there!

Christmas Progressive Dinner

The Annual Progressive Dinner will be postponed until early 2017 – January or February. December's calendar is filling up quickly, and we want to include as many people as we can. Look for more information in the December newsletter.

Notes of Thanks

Thank you for all the prayers, cards, messages, & phone calls after the loss of our daughter, Rebekah Cecille. Your kindness truly helped us feel loved and drew us closer to God during this trying time. While our hearts remain shattered, we rejoice knowing Rebekah is in Heaven and we will see her again one day. We appreciate our OBPC family and the way you love us and our children. You have walked alongside us in our journey as a family through both the good times and the tough times. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ in our lives.

In Christ,

Jody, Hollie, Cailin, Joseph, & Elisabeth

To our friends at the Outer Banks Presbyterian,

Keri and I would like to extend our sincere thanks to our many friends and members here at the Outer Banks Presbyterian Church for your care, concern and generosity throughout Leah's illness. Your kindness and outpouring of love during our bereavement touched us very deeply and we will forever remember you in our hearts.

We also like to thank all those who helped with the arrangements for the Service of Witness to the Resurrection and Thanksgiving for the Life of Leah R. Williamson.

Thomas and Keri Williamson



Handel's Messiah

Sunday, Nov. 27 | 4:00 pm

The Christmas portion of Handel's Messiah will be presented on Sunday, November 27 at 4:00 pm at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church. The community chorus, orchestra and soloists will be under the direction of Mr. John Buford. This event is sponsored by the Eastern Carolina Concert Society.

Christmas Musical at OBPC

Saturday, Dec. 3 | 5:00 pm

Sunday, Dec. 4 | 5:00 pm

Join us for our ninth annual Christmas Musical in two presentations presented on Sat. Dec. 3 at 5:00 pm and Sun. Dec. 4 at 5:00 pm. The concert will be presented by the Sanctuary Choir, Orchestra and guest singers. Guest vocalists will include Pamela Tanner, Jo Anne Swartz and Nick Hodsdon. The orchestra will be comprised of: Steve Blackstock, organ; Jason Evans, piano; Pat Koppenhaver, bass; George Graham, drums; Leslie Erickson, violin; Sue Waters, violin; Billy Tanner, violin; Suzanne Blackstock, flute and Hollie Writtenberry-Lewis, flute.

A nursery will be provided onsite and a freewill love offering will be taken. For more information, please contact the church office at 441-5897 or email the Director of Music Ministries, Jason Evans, at cepianoman@aol.com.

Outer Banks Chorus Christmas Concert

Sunday, Dec. 11 | 6:00 pm

Celebrating their 30th anniversary, the Outer Banks Chorus will present their Christmas Concert on Friday, Dec. 11 at 7:30 pm at First Flight High School. Joining the chorus will be school choirs from both Currituck and Dare Counties. The Outer Banks Chorus is under the direction of Kyle Cook and accompanied by Cheryl Needham.

Sunday School: 9:00 am Worship: 10:00 am

November 2015

Elder of the Month: Kathryn Lamb

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Note: There are sessions of AA that meet Monday-Saturday at 7:30 am & 10:00 am in the fellowship hall.</i></p> <p><i>OEA= Over Eaters Anonymous</i></p>		<p>1</p> <p>1:30 pm: Senior Seminar</p> <p>6:30 pm: Cub Scouts</p>	<p>2</p> <p>6:00 pm: Choir</p> <p>6:30 pm: Adult Study</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:30 am: Dorcas Circle</p>	<p>4</p> <p>8:00 am: Men's Study</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>6</p> <p><i>The Sacrament of Holy Communion & All Saints' Sunday</i></p> <p>4:00 pm: Sanctuary Choir</p> <p>5:00 pm: Youth Group</p>	<p>7</p> <p>6:30 pm: Boy Scouts</p>	<p>8</p> <p>9:30 am: Faith Knitters</p> <p>6:30 pm: Cub Scouts</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:30 am: Lydia Circle</p> <p>6:00 pm: Choir</p> <p>6:30 pm: Adult Study</p>	<p>10</p> <p>5:30 pm: Hope, Faith & Love Circle</p>	<p>11</p> <p>8:00 am: Men's Study</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13</p> <p><i>Veterans Recognition</i></p> <p>3:00 pm: Stamp Club</p> <p>4:00 pm: Sanctuary Choir</p> <p>5:00 pm: Youth Group</p>	<p>14</p> <p>6:30 pm: Boy Scouts</p>	<p>15</p> <p>6:30 pm: Session</p> <p>6:30 pm: Cub Scouts</p>	<p>16</p> <p>2:00 pm: Cong. Care</p> <p>6:00 pm: Choir</p> <p>6:30 pm: Adult Study</p>	<p>17</p> <p>9:00 am: Salvation Army</p> <p>12:00 N: 3rd Thursday Luncheon</p>	<p>18</p> <p>8:00 am: Men's Study</p>	<p>19</p> <p>10:00 am: Choir</p>
<p>20</p> <p><i>Thanksgiving Luncheon</i></p> <p>4:00 pm: Thanksgiving Worship Service</p> <p>5:00 pm: Youth Group</p>	<p>21</p> <p>6:30 pm: Boy Scouts</p>	<p>22</p> <p>9:30 am: Faith Knitters</p> <p>6:30 pm: Cub Scouts</p>	<p>23</p> <p>6:00 pm: Choir</p> <p>6:30 pm: Adult Study</p>	<p>24</p> 	<p>25</p> <p><i>Church Offices Closed</i></p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27</p> <p>4:00 pm: Sanctuary Choir</p> <p>5:00 pm: Youth Group</p>	<p>28</p> <p>6:30 pm: Boy Scouts</p>	<p>29</p> <p>6:30 pm: Cub Scouts</p>	<p>30</p>			

Presbyterian Women



The monthly circle meetings for the Presbyterian Women of Outer Banks Presbyterian Church will be held as follows:

DORCAS CIRCLE

Thursday, November 3 | 9:30 am
This meeting will be held at the home of Evelyn Webb.

LYDIA CIRCLE

Wednesday, November 9 | 9:30 am
This meeting will be held at the home of Barb Nowland.

FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE CIRCLE

Thursday, November 10 | 5:30 pm
This meeting will be held at the church.



THANKSGIVING MEALS

We would like to help the Beach Food Pantry by participating in their Thanksgiving Meal program. Bags, with a list of needed items, will be available to be picked up by members/friends of the church on Sunday, November 6. They will need to be returned to the church by Sunday, November 13. One family or a few families are welcome to fill a bag. The bags will be distributed to Food Pantry clients on Saturday, November 19, 2016.

Items to be placed in the bags:

- Instant mashed potatoes
- Canned corn, green beans, and peas
- Canned sweet potatoes/yams
- Gravy
- Canned cranberry sauce
- Stuffing mix
- Pie filling & crust
- Croutons, marshmallows, canned milk
- Optional: \$15 Gift Card for a Thanksgiving turkey



Once again, we will be participating in Operation Christmas Child through the Shoebox ministry. The deadline for donations is Sunday, Nov. 5, 2016!

Suggestions for donations are as follows: small toys, kazoos , yo-yos , dolls , balls and stuffed animals, school supplies, crayons, coloring books, pencils, sharpeners, pens, notebooks, non-liquid toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrush, bar soap, deodorant, washcloth) personal items (combs, brushes, hair clips, wallets, sunglasses, flashlights, socks, gloves).

Youth News

This fall, our youth have focused on several mission projects. In September, the youth spent several Sundays assisting Mr. Winkey as he painted and prepared our church for the Presbytery Gathering. In October, our youth took advantage of Dollar Tree's Customer Appreciation Day and shopped early for their Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Our youth brought their own money, and many purchased enough items to fill several boxes each. Looking ahead to November, our youth will be assisting with the Beach Food Pantry Thanksgiving bag collection and stuffing additional shoeboxes with items donated by church members.

Our youth have also enjoyed a social each month. In September, we enjoyed listening to live jazz music at the New York Pizza Pub. In October, we had a Family Halloween Costume Party for youth, parents, and siblings. We enjoyed making s'mores around the fire pit, decorating pumpkins, and playing games.

I hope many of you will sign up to participate in our Adopt a Young Person project. I participated in a program of this nature as a college student. I have fond memories of the cards, cookies, and lunchtime chats I shared with my mentors. To this day, I still have regular communication with my "adoptive parents" from college...they are an extension of my family. Our youth value the relationships they form with church members, and your influence will have a lasting impact on their spiritual and social lives.

Thank you as always for your continued support of our youth, children, & young families!

In His Grip, Hollie

Spiritual Care Seminar

On Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at 1:30 pm, our Pastor, The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore, will be leading a Senior Seminar on Spiritual Issues. Many have requested this topic which was so well received last spring.

News from the October Session Meeting

SESSION APPROVED THESE MOTIONS:

- A. Worship Committee's recommendation that OBPC host the fourth Annual Community Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 20 at 4:00 pm.
- B. Administration Committee's recommendation, "That any funds remaining in the Pastor's Accounts Reimbursements Plan be transferred to that same account in 2017... These funds would aid the Pastor during his Sabbatical in 2017."
- C. The request from the Rite Aid Pharmacy to sponsor a flu-shot clinic after worship one Sunday this fall.
- D. Outreach & Witness Committee's recommendation to **help the Food Pantry by participating in their Thanksgiving Meal program.** Bags, with a list of needed items, will be available to be picked up on Sunday, Nov. 6, for delivery on Nov. 18 and bags to be returned to the church by Nov. 13.
- E. The recommendation from the Task Force planning the New Hope Presbytery meeting on October 22 that **the offering go to support victims of Hurricane Matthew.** Two-thirds will go to the NHP Disaster Assistance Fund for relief in eastern North Carolina and one-third will go to the local Interfaith Community Outreach for disaster relief in Dare County.

OTHER DISCUSSION

- A. Session Liaisons were reminded to contact Committee Moderators and be sure that they **submit their 2017 budget requests** to the Finance Committee by Nov 6, 2016.
- B. New Moderators are needed for several committees in 2017; Session Liaisons are to work with their respective committees and bring recommendations next meeting. **If anyone is interested in working on a committee, please contact Jody or an elder.**
- C. Session discussed the experience with the Procedure for Cancellation of Worship in the recent "Matthew tropical storm" in Dare County. The clerk and secretary were instructed to provide care lists to all elders and to develop a list of "friends of the church" who worship with us regularly, so that these people can also be notified.

PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS

- A. The Officer Training Classes are in progress, anticipating the examination of the elder class of 2019 at the December 13th Stated Session meeting.
- B. Session approved the Baptism for Hillary Scott Stautzenberger's son, Robert, on December 11, 2016. Hillary is a church member and the daughter of Susan Harman-Scott, an active member at OBPC.
- C. Gary McGee sent the following anticipated attendance at the NHP meeting:
165 registrants; 30-40 probable on-site registrants; total 195-205
Nursery – 3 children 0-5 years; 5 children 6 years and older

The Pastor from Roanoke Island Presbyterian Church and our Pastor will lead communion at the worship service. Elders serving communion will include: One each from churches at Roanoke Island, Swan Quarter, Cann, and Edenton; and Gary McGee, Mollie Bass, Melinda Mogowski, Nonie Booth, Kathryn Lamb, Buzz Boyd.

REPORTS

Administration Committee has implemented the *Sick Leave Policy* for the Personnel Handbook and the *Child Protection Policy*.

Veterans Collection

It is time again to celebrate our Veterans and all they have done to keep us free. To do this we are will be collecting items for the Newport News Veterans Hospital in Newport News Virginia. We will be collecting these items through the month of November and the items will be delivered the first of December. This will bring a bright Christmas to our Veterans. There will be a collection box in the meeting place and a list of items we are requesting. If you would prefer to do a monetary donation that is welcomed as well.

Thanking everyone in advance for giving items to those who have given so much!!

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me Evelyn Webb at 255-1085, or by email at twohoofans@gmail.com.

Thank you, Evelyn and John Webb

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A Note from Brad and Christine Pickens

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for blessing our family with your friendship and love. When Brad and I moved here in November of 2012, it was just the two of us and we didn't know anyone. Now, it is November of 2016 and we have a dog and two beautiful children, Logan and Lily! We also have an extended family in the Outer Banks Presbyterian Church that we have gotten to know so well and have joyfully worshiped with on Sundays.

Brad recently accepted a position as the Coastal Spatial Ecologist for the National Audubon Society that requires a move to Wilmington, NC. I decided to resign from The Nature Conservancy and be with Logan and Lily full time. My number will stay the same (225-931-2073), as will my email address (christine.pickens@gmail.com) and our new address will be:

The Pickens
114 N. Hampton Rd.
Wilmington, NC 28409

Please stay in touch and we look forward until the next time we meet again.

With love,

Bradley, Christine, Logan, and Lily Pickens