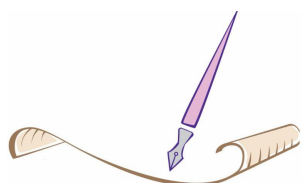


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November 2, 2017



Pastoral Potpourri

I saw a flock of geese flying south this morning. It amazes me what that simple sight has to teach us as a church.

When geese fly in a V formation it creates an uplift for the bird immediately following. By flying in a V, the flock adds at least 71% greater flying range than if each bird flew on its own. Christians who share a common direction and a sense of community can also get where they are going quicker and easier because they are traveling on the thrust and uplift of one another.

When a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to go it alone. If we have as much sense as a goose, we will stay information with those who are leading us in the same direction we are going.

When a lead goose gets tired, it rotates back in the V and another goose flies point. It pays to take turns with other people at church doing the hard jobs.

Geese honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their pace and speed. How often do we pray for strength and wisdom of those leading us? How many words of encouragement have we spoken to those who are guiding us? When we "honk," what is the message we are sending?

Finally, when a goose gets sick or injured, two geese fall out of formation and follow the injured one to the ground to help and protect. They stay with that goose until it either is able to fly or dies. Then they launch out on their own or with another formation to catch up with their original group.

Geese share, and sharing is stewardship. Sharing is both serving and giving. We commonly speak of time, and talents, and possessions - how we choose to use these indicates the depth of our faith, and our bond with those around us. Where are each of us going to share our time, talents, and possessions working for Jesus Christ through Central Presbyterian Church? I'll see you in church --- Stephen

This Sunday, November 5, 2017

All Saints' Sunday

9:30 am - Sunday School - Matthew 23:1-12, Exodus 20:1-20

10:45 am - Worship

Rev. Stephen Rehrig, preaching

Text: Revelation 21:22-27

"those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life"

Sermon: The Lamb's Book of Life

Caritas offering

[Click here for this Sunday's readings](#)



Next Sunday, November 12, 2017

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am - Sunday School - Matthew 25:1-13

10:45 am - Worship

Rev. Stephen Rehrig, preaching

Text: 1 Corinthians 16:1-3

"Now concerning the offering"

Sermon: Christian Giving

Theme: Monetarily supporting the church as a Christian



Announcements



Daylight Savings Time ends Saturday night. If you don't remember, you will be an hour early for church . . .

Thank you for your generous gifts last Sunday for **Change for Change**. We collected over \$155!

Second Tuesday Supper will be November 14 at 6 pm at Brown House Cafe (behind CPC). This month David & Karen Groman are receiving RSVPs - please call them at 666-5030 so they can save you a seat.

The church office will be closed Wednesday and Thursday for Thanksgiving.

Future Dates

November 10 - Mission Crafters, Garden Room, 10:30 am

November 13 - Thanksgiving Interfaith Worship Service, 7 pm, Richfield Christian Church

November 19 - Fall Fish Fry, Activities Center following worship

November 21 - Stated Session meeting, 6 pm

Joys

Dorothy & Aubrey Hague are both at home.



Celebrating Birthdays

Pat Wall - November 4

Bill Clifton - November 6

Billie Kathryn Kuhnle - November 13

Witten Williams - November 22

Willis McMahan - November 24

(We are missing many birthdays in our database; please let us know yours!
We need the year to enter the date in the database, but will never print it!)



November Scripture readings are available in the Narthex or click [here](#) to view.

The Weekly News is published each Thursday and sent to members via email. It is also mailed to members who do not have email or desire a printed copy. Printed copies are also available in the church narthex.

Church activities and pertinent event information is available on the church website: cpcwaco.org