# THE KIRK KONNECTION

Editor: Carolyn Marnon October 2016

## **Consecration Sunday Is Coming!**

Greetings, friends! I hope everyone is enjoying the transition from summer to fall as much as I am. The changing of colors that we're lucky enough to witness is a novelty that never wears off for me.

As summer has drawn to a close and fall has begun, we are also entering the time of year during which we focus on stewardship. Congregations that approach financial stewardship from a biblical perspective do not view the money Christians give to their church merely as a way to pay its bills. Rather, such congregations see financial contributions as a way to help people grow spiritually in their relationship with God by supporting their church's mission and ministry with a percentage of their incomes.

For the fourth consecutive year, our session has selected the *New Consecration Sunday Stewardship Program* as a way to teach the biblical and spiritual principles of generous giving in our emphasis of stewardship education.

New Consecration Sunday is based on the biblical philosophy of the need of the giver to give for his or her own spiritual development, rather than on the need of the church to receive. Instead of treating people like members of a social club who should pay dues, we will treat people like followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as an act of discipleship. New Consecration Sunday encourages people toward proportionate and systematic giving in response to the question, "What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?"

During morning worship on November 6, 2016 (Consecration Sunday), we are asking our attendees and members to make their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world.

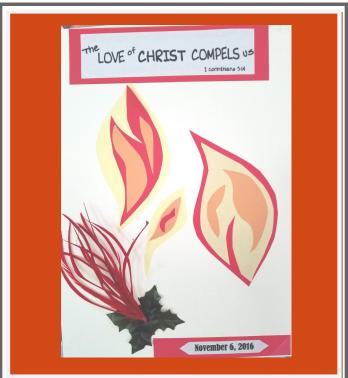
Every attendee and member who completes an *Estimate of Giving Card* does so voluntarily by attending morning worship on Consecration Sunday. We urge people to attend who feel strongly opposed to completing a card. The procedure is done in such a way that no one is singled out if he or she chooses not to fill out a card.

We will do no home solicitation to ask people to complete cards. During morning worship our guest leader will conduct a brief period of instruction and inspiration, climaxed by members making their commitments as a confidential act of worship.

We will encourage participation in Consecration Sunday events through the Consecration Sunday team and governing board members. Since we will make no follow-up visits to ask people to complete their cards, we will make every effort to inform, inspire, and commit everyone to attend Consecration Sunday worship.

Thanks in advance for your enthusiastic participation in Consecration Sunday 2016!

Pastor Mike





# DON'T SWEAT THE SMALL STUFF

School is back in session and the need has returned for the elementary schools to have a supply of underwear, sweat pants and socks on hand for unexpected situations. The outreach/mission



committee is seeking donations of girls and boys underwear, socks and sweatpants, sizes 6-

12. Please place any donations in the container outside the sanctuary. The collection will continue through November 6.

Pictured at left is what has been collected so far. Please keep giving.

## **DEACON'S BAKE SALE**

Sunday, October 9

The Deacons will be holding a bake sale after the service on October 9. Be ready to buy delicious baked goods! Anyone who would like to bring baked goods to donate is welcome to do so. Funds raised go towards things such as poinsettias for the shut-ins at Christmas, special cakes during new

member receptions, and stamps and cards that the Deacons send out. Bake, Buy or Bake and Buy. The choice is yours.



# KONNECTING with....

## **Audrey Conner**

I find a lot of joy in singing in the choir.

My middle name, Mae, is in honor of my Grandma Hunter.

I've been a member of the KIRK for 48 years!

My hobbies are singing (2 choruses and a nursing home), counted cross stitch, Sudoku puzzles, reading and exercise classes.

My favorite quote is "Whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think of these things.-Phil. 4:8

My favorite season is spring with beautiful flowering trees and bushes.

> I knew God was working in my life from the time I was five or six and learned that Jesus loved me.



I started coming to the KIRK because we didn't fit in at First Presbyterian Dearborn.

I live in Garden City.

One thing I love about the KIRK is the love and concern for one another.

I have tried to serve God, the church and others:

- \*by trying to serve others who have needed help or friendship
- \*by singing God's praise
- \*by being an elder and deacon
- \*by giving to the church and other groups who serve the needy
- \*by doing volunteer work
- \*by teaching Sunday School and VBS

#### **WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

Madeline Carpenter, Chairman and Elder
Bonnie Hilberer, Elder
Audrey Conner, Deacon

### FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

Sharon Garcia, Chairman and Elder Cindy Handford, Deacon

### **CHILDREN & YOUTH**

Jenny Root, Chairman and Elder June Jennings, Deacon

#### MISSION/OUTREACH

Judy Curtis, Chairman and Elder
Michelle Shrewsbury, Elder
Lorraine Scott, Deacon
Lois Hanley, Deacon

## **FOUNDATION**

Leslie Holland, Chairman and Elder
David Garcia, Elder
Nancy Pride, Deacon
Patrick Frobe, Deacon
John Jennings, Deacon

TREASURER: Fred Kirk



Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m. – Board Game Night

#### OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS

- 1 Melissa Lewandowski
- 3 Walt Curtis
- 4 Fred and Georgeen Kirk's Anniversary
- 25 Margaret Rose





# IT'S A LUNCH DATE!

## October 26

Meet at the church at 11:30am to go out to lunch with other members. The men's group and the women's group will each decide where they will go locally for lunch and

conversation. If you've never been, step out of your comfort zone this month and try it!



# LOOKING FOR CHRISTMAS <u>PROJECTS</u>

The Mission Committee is looking for ideas of Christmas projects they can take on. If you have an idea, please contact Judy Curtis.

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#### **October 2016 Daily Lectionary**

These Scripture readings are from the two-year daily lectionary of the Presbyterian Book of Common Worship (Westminster John Knox Press, 1993). The readings from the three-year Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals are not included in this document.

#### October

Saturday, October 1 Morning: Pss. 63; 149 Evening: Pss. 125; 90 Hos. 5:1–7 Acts 22:17–29 Luke 6:27–38

Sunday, October 2 20th Sunday after Pentecost Morning: Pss. 103; 150 Evening: Pss. 117; 139 Hos. 5:8–6:6 1 Cor. 2:6–16 Matt. 14:1–12

Monday, October 3 Morning: Pss. 5; 145 Evening: Pss. 82; 29 Hos. 6:7–7:7 Acts 22:30–23:11 Luke 6:39–49

Tuesday, October 4 Morning: Pss. 42; 146 Evening: Pss. 102; 133 Hos. 7:8–16 Acts 23:12–24 Luke 7:1–17

Wednesday, October 5 Morning: Pss. 89:1–18; 147:1–11 Evening: Pss. 1; 33 Hos. 8:1–14 Acts 23:23–35 Luke 7:18–35 Thursday, October 6 Morning: Pss. 97; 147:12–20 Evening: Pss. 16; 62 Hos. 9:1–9 Acts 24:1–23 Luke 7:36–50

Friday, October 7 Morning: Pss. 51; 148 Evening: Pss. 142; 65 Hos. 9:10–17 Acts 24:24–25:12 Luke 8:1–15

Saturday, October 8 Morning: Pss. 104; 149 Evening: Pss. 138; 98 Hos. 10:1–15 Acts 25:13–27 Luke 8:16–25

Sunday, October 9
21st Sunday after
Pentecost
Morning: Pss. 19; 150
Evening: Pss. 81; 113
Hos. 11:1–11
1 Cor. 4:9–16
Matt. 15:21–28

Monday, October 10 Morning: Pss. 135; 145 Evening: Pss. 97; 112 Hos. 11:12–12:1 Acts 26:1–23 Luke 8:26–39 Tuesday, October 11 Morning: Pss. 123; 146 Evening: Pss. 30; 86 Hos. 12:2–14 Acts 26:24–27:8 Luke 8:40–56

Wednesday, October 12 Morning: Pss. 15; 147:1–11 Evening: Pss. 48; 4 Hos. 13:1–3 Acts 27:9–26 Luke 9:1–17

Thursday, October 13 Morning: Pss. 36; 147:12–20 Evening: Pss. 80; 27 Hos. 13:4–8 Acts 27:27–44 Luke 9:18–27

Friday, October 14 Morning: Pss. 130; 148 Evening: Pss. 32; 139 Hos. 13:9–16 Acts 28:1–16 Luke 9:28–36

Saturday, October 15 Morning: Pss. 56; 149 Evening: Pss. 118; 111 Hos. 14:1–9 Acts 28:17–31 Luke 9:37–50 Sunday, October 16 22nd Sunday after Pentecost Morning: Pss. 67; 150 Evening: Pss. 46; 93 Micah 1:1–9 1 Cor. 10:1–13 Matt. 16:13–20

Monday, October 17 Morning: Pss. 57; 145 Evening: Pss. 85; 47 Micah 2:1–13 Rev. 7:1–8 Luke 9:51–62

Tuesday, October 18 Morning: Pss. 54; 146 Evening: Pss. 28; 99 Micah 3:1–8 Rev. 7:9–17 Luke 10:1–16

Wednesday, October 19 Morning: Pss. 65; 147:1–11 Evening: Pss. 125; 91 Micah 3:9–4:5 Rev. 8:1–13 Luke 10:17–24

Thursday, October 20 Morning: Pss. 143; 147:12–20 Evening: Pss. 81; 116 Micah 5:1–4, 10–15 Rev. 9:1–12 Luke 10:25–37 Friday, October 21 Morning: Pss. 88; 148 Evening: Pss. 6; 20 Micah 6:1–8 Rev. 9:13–21 Luke 10:38–42

Saturday, October 22 Morning: Pss. 122; 149 Evening: Pss. 100; 63 Micah 7:1–7 Rev. 10:1–11 Luke 11:1–13

Sunday, October 23
23rd Sunday after
Pentecost
Morning: Pss. 108; 150
Evening: Pss. 66; 23
Jonah 1:1–17a
1 Cor. 10:15–24
Matt. 18:15–20

Monday, October 24 Morning: Pss. 62; 145 Evening: Pss. 73; 9 Jonah 1:17–2:10 Rev. 11:1–14 Luke 11:14–26

Tuesday, October 25 Morning: Pss. 12; 146 Evening: Pss. 36; 7 Jonah 3:1–4:11 Rev. 11:14–19 Luke 11:27–36

Wednesday, October 26 Morning: Pss. 96; 147:1–11 Evening: Pss. 132; 134 Nahum 1:1–14 Rev. 12:1–6 Luke 11:37–52 Thursday, October 27 Morning: Pss. 116; 147:12–20 Evening: Pss. 26; 130 Nahum 1:15–2:12 Rev. 12:7–17 Luke 11:53–12:12

Friday, October 28 Morning: Pss. 84; 148 Evening: Pss. 25; 40 Nahum 2:13–3:7 Rev. 13:1–10 Luke 12:13–31

Saturday, October 29 Morning: Pss. 63; 149 Evening: Pss. 117; 139 Nah. 3:8–19 Rev. 13:11–18 Luke 12:32–48

Sunday, October 30
24th Sunday after
Pentecost
Morning: Pss. 103; 150
Evening: Pss. 117; 139
Zeph. 1:1–6
1 Cor. 12:27—13:13
Matt. 18:21–35

Monday, October 31 Morning: Pss. 5; 145 Evening: Pss. 82; 29 Zeph. 1:7–13 Rev. 14:1–13 Luke 12:49–59

# October 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Communion	7:30-9pm Bi-Polar Depression Support Group	7-10pm Harmony Town Chorus	6:30-9:30 NA		9:30-11:30am Diabetes Path	
					1-3pm Matter of Balance	
					7:45-9:30pm Alanon	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Session	7:30-9pm Bi-Polar Depression Support Group 6:30-9:30pm Hope for Healing Hearts	7-10pm Harmony Town Chorus	6:30-9:30 NA		9:30-11:30am Diabetes Path	
					1-3pm Matter of Balance	
					7pm Board Game Night	
					7:45-9:30pm Alanon	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	7:30-9pm Bi-Polar Depression Support Group	7-10pm Harmony Town Chorus	6:30-9:30 NA		9:30-11:30am Diabetes Path	4:30pm Road Rally
					1-3pm Matter of Balance	
					7:45-9:30pm Alanon	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Deacons	7:30-9pm Bi-Polar Depression Support	7-10pm Harmony Town Chorus	11:30-Classy Lassies and		9:30-11:30am Diabetes Path	
	Group		Grazers Lunch		1-3pm Matter of Balance	
	6:30-9:30pm Hope for Healing Hearts		6:30-9:30 NA		7:45-9:30pm Alanon	
30	7:30-9pm Bi-Polar Depression Support Group					



Choir rehearsals resumed on Saturday, September 10, and practice begins at 9:45 am. All are invited and welcome to join. No experience necessary!

# HUGE TURNOUT FOR BONFIRE AND WEENIE ROAST!

We had a wonderful time at the Bonfire/Weenie Roast on Friday, September 16th. 41 of our 67 members were in attendance! As we chowed down on hot dogs and s'mores, we also enjoyed great fun

and fellowship in the form of music & song, hula-hooping, football throwing, sparklers and conversation among family and friends. A special thanks goes out to all who contributed with musical leadership, setup and breakdown!







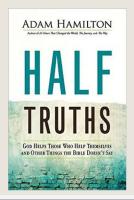
With great joy we welcome Ruth Duvall,
Mark Gallaher, Mieke Beckman,
Dorothy Albright, Jen Otte, Frank Hilberer
and Diane Wiegel into the ranks of
membership at the Kirk.



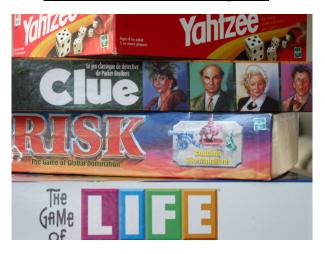
# BIBLE STUDY/WORSHIP TIME

Wednesdays at 6:00 pm

All are welcome to join the Wednesday evening
Bible Study which meets at 6:00 PM in the lounge
upstairs. This fall's study centers around the
potentially harmful cliches that Adam Hamilton
highlights in his book "Half Truths: God Helps Those
Who Help Themselves and Other Things the Bible
Doesn't Say." The study runs through the end of
October and all are welcome!



# **Board Game Night!**



Friday, October 14

7:00 pm

Fellowship Hall

Join us for a fun night of board games and fellowship. Bring board games, snacks to share, your own beverage and friends!

## **REUSABLE SANITARY NAPKINS PROJECT**

16 people gathered on Saturday, September 24 to cut at least 100 yards of fabric out of the 150 yards that have been collected so far for the reusable sanitary napkins project the mission/outreach committee is helping this year. Irene Gaylord provided a wonderful lunch. Thank you to everyone who came out and helped. We will continue our support to this organization. Volunteers are always needed at Trinity Church Livonia on 6 Mile Rd. between Newburg and Farmington each Wednesday 12-3 pm. They were so grateful for our help.

The outreach/mission committee continues to look for donations of flannel to help Trinity Church make the reusable sanitary napkins for girls in Third World countries. Flannel must be dark colors and not include animals, people or eyes.





#### Financial Report as of 8/31/2016

	August	Year to Date	Budget
Income	8,456	75,589	70,363
Expenses	8,791	73,574	71,442
Net Income or Loss	-335	2,015	-1,079
Liquid Assets* * equals the total for Kirk checking	90,992 , savings, and m	90,992 nutual funds.	

<sup>\*</sup> equals the total for Kirk checking, savings, and mutual funds. Does not include Thank God 4 Christian Parents Fund.

August had a slight loss with higher utility bills including water and two DTE bills. Overall numbers are still close to budget. Per Capita continues to be paid at \$250 per month.

Please take a moment to pray for...

#### **NEEDING PRAYERS:**

Marge Grubbs has had congestive heart failure over the last two weeks. She is in rehab at Advantage Living Center on Venoy Rd. in Wayne.

Willow Creek's preschool teacher, Darlene Taig, has a 12-year old granddaughter, Karlie, with Kleefstra Syndrome

Lois Hanley's granddaughter. Amy, is enduring MS

Jerry Cobleigh's wife, Kay, is enduring IBS

Chelsea Marra, a friend of Pastor Mike, has had leukemia return



The mission of the Kirk of Our Savior is to glorify God, nurture new and existing relationships, and bear witness to our faith and divine calling through worship, service, stewardship and prayer.

It is the vision of this church to become a living example of God's love, called to show Christ to those within the church community by offering ourselves in service to those in need and inviting all to share in this vision.