

FOOD BANK REQUESTS - November

Mayonnaise	applesauce (jars)
pineapple (can)	peanut butter
tomato soup (10 oz size)	chicken noodle soup (10 oz size)
seafood chowder/soup (can)	microwave popcorn
fruit cups	Triscuits/Wheat Thins

MISSIONS OUR CONGREGATION SUPPORTS

Scott & Sally Glover Tamshiyacu, Peru Church

SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

John Diller	Dave Garver	Tyler Hargraves
Curtis (CJ) Johnson	Chad Ankney	Joey Hamilton
Steven Hoffman	Sean Lefever	Orryn J. Smyth
David Barrett	Glen Barrett	

PRAYERS

Colton Boyd – great nephew of Elaine Ressel-health concerns
Jeff Evans – health concerns
Linda Farmer-health concerns
Marlene Fromm-sister Elaine passing
Donna Garver – health concerns
Carol Girvin- large variety of health concerns
Robin Hammond – health concerns
Mike Herr – health concerns
Linda Kushlan – health concerns
Shyanne Moore – health concerns
Wade Sheaffer –health concerns
Erik & Ethel Walden – health concerns

Birthdays and Anniversaries – If you would like your birthday and/or anniversary listed in the newsletter please write it down in the calendar that is on the table in the Welcome Center.

Peru Trip Dave Henry plans to lead a **Peru Crew** to the Amazon in 2026. The dates are July 10 - 18, July 17 - 25 or for two weeks which would be July 10 - 25. There is financial assistance available for this trip. If interested, contact Dan Henry.

MIDDLE OCTORARA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

OUR MISSION

To provide a place of fellowship where a community of believers come together to be spiritually renewed and enabled to effectively witness for Christ through service to others.

Worship Service begins at 10:30 a.m. You may follow along with the paper bulletin or the PowerPoint.

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Facebook: Middle Octorara Presbyterian Church

ROMEO Club Quarryville Family Restaurant **Wednesday morning @ 9:00a.m.** “RELATIVELY Old Men Eating Out.” **This is not just for Middle Octorara members, please invite others in our community!**

Prayer time – Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. Everyone welcome.

THE FLOWERS IN THE ALTAR THIS MORNING ARE GIVEN BY Doug Henry in memory of Loved Ones.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR November 2, 2025

The monthly **Praise and Prayer service** will be held **tonight** at 5 p.m. here at Middle Octorara.

Pastor John will be on **vacation November 3 - 10**. Please contact Dan Henry for pastoral care during that time.

The **Brondyke's** will lead us in worship on **Sunday November 9th**.

Church work/cleanup day is November 15th with a rain date of the 22nd. There will be a brunch break. Please join us. We can find little jobs if you can't help with the big ones.

The **Lancaster Chorale** always presents an excellent Holiday Concert. You are invited to *'The Magnificat, My Soul Magnifies the Lord'* at the Gardner Theatre, 725 Hamilton Rd., Lancaster. The concert will be held 2 days: Nov. 15 at 7 PM and Nov 16 at 3 PM. No tickets are required. A free will offering will be collected. Two of our MO family are in the Chorale.

Congregation Meeting - Our Fall Congregation meeting will be held **Sunday November 16th** immediately following the worship service. We will present the 2026 budget and elect new officers.

The next **Community Meal** will be held **Saturday November 22**. Meal will be served from 4-5:30. Menu - ham loaf, baked corn, buttered noodles, pepper cabbage, dessert. Any funds collected will be donated to a mission to be determined.

We will celebrate **Communion** on **Sunday November 30th** during our morning worship service. This is the start of Advent.

YOUTH MINISTRY

- We still need **Sunday School volunteers** (two each week) and **Nursery volunteers** for November and December (two per week) Our sign up sheet is located in the welcome center.
- We need background check clearances on file for all volunteers.

Email: Alie- aparmstrong527@gmail.com
or Cayla- Caylamiller96@gmail.com. Thank you so much!

Please spread the word! Share this opportunity with family, friends, neighbors, and former members—*whether they attend Middle Octorara or not*. If they have children or teens who might be interested in getting involved, we'd love to connect with them.

CARPET REPLACEMENT/PEW REPAIR So far we have received \$13,800.00 in donations. If you would like to contribute please keep separate from other offerings and note that it is for this project.

CARPET

It's time to order the new carpet for the sanctuary. Your help is needed to choose a color. There are 3 choices on a table in the Narthex and Welcome Center. You will have a chance to vote on your 2 favorite colors **today**. The color with the most votes will be ordered through Wall to Wall Floor Covering to be installed in January.

PEW REPAIR

The Contract with New Holland Church Furniture to repair the Sanctuary pews was fully executed on Monday, October 13, 2025. We will be assigned a Project Manager soon. The tentative schedule is for the pews to be removed in mid-January and be reinstalled in early March. The Trustees will keep you updated on the progress. Thank you for your support of this big project.

We will pack shoeboxes for **Operation Christmas Child** on **Sunday November 16** from 9 till 10 am. Come and join us.



Mon, Nov. 17: 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Tue, Nov. 18: 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Wed, Nov. 19: 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Thu, Nov. 20: 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Fri, Nov. 21 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Sat, Nov. 22: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Sun, Nov. 23: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Mon, Nov. 24: 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Once again our church is a collection center for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Above are the collection times.

If you would like to donate money for the suggested **\$10.00 shipping**, give your donations to Deb. If donating by check make it payable to MOPC and mark OCC on the memo line. (Please do not include this with your other offerings).

Session has designated Sunday, November 23rd to be **EXTEND A BLESSING SUNDAY**. At the morning worship service every person will have the opportunity, if they choose, to receive one envelope with \$10.00 in it. You are then asked to give that \$10.00 (adding to it if you feel so led) to a needy person or a worthy charity of your choice. Then we ask that you inform the church secretary as to how the money was used. This will be printed anonymously in the January newsletter. The deadline to disperse your money and inform her will be December 14th.

THANKSGIVING MEAL NOV 2025 DONATION LIST

Once again we have a "harvest table" in the front of the sanctuary for the below listed items.

Please have all donations to the church by Sunday, Nov. 9th.

Turkey or gift card to Giant	Stuffing Mix
Cranberry Sauce (can)	Yellow Cake Mix (box)
pumpkin puree (30 oz. can)	evaporated milk (16 oz can)
Canned Yams	Green beans (can)
Gravy packets or a jar of Turkey Gravy	
Cream of mushroom soup	

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