

God's People Worship

Sunday, November 25, 2018, 9:30 a.m.

[* THOSE WHO ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND]

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it." - Malachi 3:10

Pray and watch eagerly in the quietness of your heart during the prelude this morning as you prepare to worship God Almighty.

Prelude

"Fanfare" from Thanksgiving Suite Charles Callahan

Welcome

Announcements

* Greet One Another

Call to Worship

* Hymn of Fellowship "We Gather Together" 559

Minute for Mission Rose Hersey

Offering and Offertory

"Rejoice, Give Thanks and Ring!" Lloyd Larson
The Handbell Choir

* Doxology 592

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication

Choral Anthem

"Sing to the Lord of Harvest"

David Peninger

Lessons for Young Christians

Suzanne Hessenthaler, Gary Pearce and Jim Riker

[CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED TO DISCOVERY TIME]

* Praise Songs

"He Has Made Me Glad"

"Bless the Lord"

Scripture Reading I Timothy 6:6-10 NIV Page 1246

Sermon "Achieving Inner Peace" Dr. Don Hoagland

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

* Hymn of Anticipation

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" 2

* Benediction

* Postlude "Thanks Be to Thee" G.F. Handel

While standing for songs, please note those around you who may need to remain seated and, if possible, move to allow those who are seated to have a clear view of the screen.

Sermon Outline

Achieving Inner Peace

I Timothy 6:6-10

Introduction – An American portrait of Thanksgiving

I. Contentment

A. Verse 6 “Godliness with contentment is great gain”

1. Provision for their needs
2. Grace for their circumstances

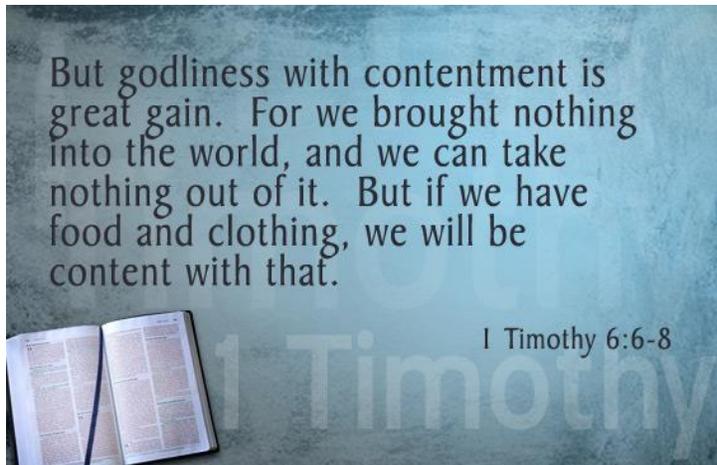
B. We fail to count our blessings

C. “It’s all the Lord’s so why be possessive about things?”

II. What makes us possessive?

A. We’re just stewards

B. Use our resources wisely



Welcome to Supplee!

Our Greeters this morning are Dave and Nancy Bischoff.

The Communion Table Flowers are given today by Gayle Martell in memory of her parents Christopher and Eleanor McGinnis.

Parents: If you have younger children who become restless during worship, the service can be heard in the infant nursery and the narthex where children's bulletin packets are available on the ushers' table. Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided in Room 6.

What's Happening this Week at Supplee . . .

Today 11/25	9:15 am	Childcare for infants through four years of age, Room 6
	- noon	Worship Service
	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Education Hour for all ages
	12:00 pm	Seoul Church
	12:00 pm	Youth Group Paintball with Lunch
	3:00 pm	Ambler Choral Society Concert, S, FH
Mon. 11/26	11:00 am	Miriam Circle, Judy Barit's
	7:30 pm	Boy Scouts
	7:30 pm	Praise Team, Sanctuary
Tues. 11/27	10:00 am	Women's Bible Study, Parlor
	12:00 pm	Men's Lunch Group, Parlor
	7:00 pm	Deacon's Meeting, Room 2
	7:00 pm	Session Meeting, Parlor
Wed. 11/28	6:00 pm	Cub Scout Pack 410, Parlor
Thurs. 11/29	10:00 am	Men's Bible Study, Parlor
	6:30 pm	Handbell Choir, Sanctuary
	7:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir, FH
Fri. 11/30	8:00 pm	Seoul Church, CC, L
Sat. 12/1	8:00 am	Boy Scouts, FH, P, Rm 2, Choir Room
	10:00 am	Hanging of the Greens, Sanctuary
	5:00 pm	First Saturday Worship, CC

Please sign the red friendship folder, found at the end of your pew, and pass it to your neighbor. Note the names of those who are sitting around you so you can greet them by name. If you are a first-time visitor please add your address and phone number and stop by the welcome center in the Narthex after the service so that we can give you a small gift.

Children ages four through fifth grade may leave when noted for Discovery Time, a worship education program which will be held in Crossroads Center. Please see an usher for directions to the room. Children should be picked up there following this service. Older children are encouraged to stay with their parents during worship. If you have a little one that needs Nursery care during this service, please see one of our ushers.

You are encouraged to write your prayer and praise requests on the yellow sheets found in the pew slots. Please give them to an usher or place them in the offering plate.



Hanging of the Greens – THIS Saturday, December 1st at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome! Come and help decorate the sanctuary. Refreshments will be provided. Come when you can and leave when you must, but come! Help us prepare our church to celebrate Jesus' birth.

*Please mark your calendar to undecorate the church on Sunday, December 30th following worship.

Saturday Communion Service – Just a reminder that the next Saturday worship service will be this Saturday, December 1 at 5:00 p.m. in the Crossroads Center. We will celebrate the Lord's Supper together. Join us!



"Room at the Inn"

Room at the Inn begins in a week. We are in the process of confirming the families we will host and making the plans to welcome them to Supplee as their temporary home. We need many compassionate volunteers throughout the month Please consider sharing a meal, staying overnight, or being an occasional driver (Note: Supplee Church authorized drivers only). The sign-up sheet is available online (website link <http://signup.com/go/UAAHqpx>) or through contacting Jason Cottone. Please call him at 215-275-1475 or email jasoncotton@gmail.com with any questions.



The Giving Tree - It's that time of year once again when we celebrate the birth of Jesus and thank him for our many blessings. It's also a time to reach out to others less fortunate and provide a love gift from someone who cares. This year we will be giving gifts to needy children of "The Village" in Rosemont, PA.

The Christmas tree in the narthex is filled with red hearts. Please help by taking a heart from the Christmas tree, purchase the gift and place the gift UNWRAPPED under the tree **by Sunday, December 9th**. If you have any questions please contact Gayle Martell at 215-989-0623.

Bazaar Crafts - are currently on sale in the church library until Friday. Stop by to pick up gifts and stocking stuffers! Please pay in the church office.

Mission of the Month
Hunting Park Christian Academy

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For December, Supplee's Mission of the Month moves much closer to home. We catch up with the Hunting Park Christian Academy, located in North Philadelphia. Although close to us in distance, this school occupies a world as unfamiliar to most of us as any of our missions found on the distant continents. Since 1999, this school has been part of the fabric of this neighborhood. Its mission has been to break the community's cycle of poverty and despair by reaching out to the children. Education is provided from pre-kindergarten through eighth grade. Over 70% of the Academy's students are impoverished and more than one half are from single family homes. Diversity is a theme at Hunting Park. Not just diversity, ethnically, but in its goals of providing education, spirituality, community service and the message of the rewards of hard work. Today, more than 200 children attend the school with many more on the school's waiting list.

The school has been busy since the start of the 2018-19 academic year. There have been several fund raisers, including annual selling of Yankee Candles. On November 3rd, the school celebrated the twentieth anniversary of its founding, an event held at the Felt Factory in North Philadelphia. The evening included a silent auction featuring the students' artwork. There was a Giving Tree, which included requests from teachers and other staff for specific materials and equipment, not provided for by the annual budget. There were varied presentations from students, staff, family and alumni.

Hunting Park Christian Academy needs our support, both materially and spiritually. There is information on their website on how we can donate money and school supplies. This is critical as only one third of the schools' operating costs come from tuition. Any of us can be a member of the school's prayer team, whose members pray for the school on a specific day of the month.

More information on Hunting Park Christian Academy can be found at their website: <http://www.hpcaphilly.org>



Prayers for Our Church Family

Please put this list in a prominent place at home or work to remind you to pray for these individuals.

Please pray for:

Health Concerns:

Stan Christiansen – health issues

Sylvia Eagono – recovering following surgery

Lexi Harris (child of friend of Mark Christiansen) – liver tumors

Bob Hagendorf – recovering following surgery

Bob Moroski (brother of Don Moroski) – recovery following surgery

Bill (Pam Sands' father) – health concerns

Our Adult Education Classes (meeting Sundays at 10:45 a.m.):

Actionable Faith for Today's World: A Study of the Book of

Romans - Led by Russ Hensel and Jay Eibner in Fellowship Hall;

Jesus the Game Changer - Led by Chuck and Jan Wormington, Suzy Moore, Sue Dunswell, and Bob Flanagan in the Parlor;

The Power of Love-Essentials of Parenting - led by Pastor Don in the Crossroads Center.

New Class Starting Next Sunday - The Parlor and Crossroads Center Adult Education Classes will be combining for December 2, 9, and 16 for a class entitled **Who Needs Christmas?**

Details:

The Christmas story didn't begin with shepherds watching over their flocks, wise men following a star, and a young couple that couldn't find a place to have their baby. It began much earlier than that, and it was more epic than anyone could have imagined. The Christmas story began in Genesis with God's promise that through one man the entire world would be blessed. Apparently, the world needed blessing. But it wasn't only the world that needed Christmas. God needed Christmas to demonstrate and document that he was with us and for us. We needed to see it to believe it. We need Christmas because we need a savior who wants us to have life, and have it to the full.

We will be using Andy Stanley's DVD presentations as a starting point in coming to a deeper understanding of God's promise, how it has carried through the entire history of ancient Israel, and how it reaches to transform our lives today.

This class will meet in the parlor and will be taught by Don Hoagland, Chuck and Jan Wormington.

The **Actionable Faith for Today's World: A Study of the Book of Romans** class will continue to meet in Fellowship Hall.

Please note that there will be no children's or adult classes on December 23 and 30.

Men's Bible Study - Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. All men are invited! Come and explore God's Word. Contact Bob Barit for information at 215-659-1911. This week we are meeting in the parlor.

Men's Lunch Group-The Men's Lunch Group will meet this Tuesday, November 27 at noon in the Church Parlor. Please bring your brown bag lunch. We will provide beverages.

Woman's Bible Study - Join us for prayer, study and discussion, Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in the parlor. Come each week, or just whenever you can. Call Sylvia Eagono at 215-355-4385 with any questions.

Supplee Youth Group - SYG is offered for all students in 6-12 grade. It provides students with unique experiences, biblical teaching, challenges, fellowship, fun and games. We invite you to join our Sunday night meetings and other activities. Check the calendar for details.



Women's Retreat – Save the Date! In January we will return to Ocean City, New Jersey for our annual Women's Retreat (January 18-20, 2019). Mark the date on your calendar now so you won't miss a great time of spiritual refreshment, fun and good food. All women of Supplee and their friends are invited! The cost will be \$60 per person. The house is on the first floor only so no steps! Contact Sylvia Eagono or the church office for more information.



Prayer Shawl Update - The resident crafters of Melmark of Berwyn, together with the Supplee Prayer Shawl Ministry, are creating lap blankets for the residents of Whosoever Gospel Mission. Anyone who would like to knit, crochet, quilt or sew a blanket to help out can see Toni Hagendorf or Frank Chmielewski for information. If anyone would like a prayer shawl to give to someone in need, please contact Toni Hagendorf at 215-421-8068.



Harvest Home... WOW, You did it again... What a bounty of food, help, cash donations, and turkeys... We gave a gift card from Giant, groceries, and turkeys to 72 Head Start families... THANK YOU so very much... These families are so appreciative over and over for the blessing of these meals... Thank you for extending your Thanksgiving to these families.

Deacons' Flower Fund News



Donations to Help Decorate the Church

Once again the Deacons will be decorating our sanctuary for the celebration of Christ's birth. You can help by making a donation that can be designated for either the decorations or for the needy. Please make your check payable to "Supplee Church" and place it in one of the special envelopes that are on the cabinet in the Narthex. To designate your donation in memory of or in honor of a loved one (in the Christmas bulletin insert) complete the appropriate section of the envelope and return to the church office by Sunday, December 16th.

Sanctuary Flowers – The Deacons thank all who have provided flowers for our chancel and communion table throughout the year. Your contributions toward this fund allow us to bring color and sunshine into the lives of our sick and shut-in church members, as well as beauty to the sanctuary for our worship services.

The flower chart for the fall has a few openings available for you to give flowers. Also, the 2019 Chart is now available through September 2019. It is on the bulletin board on the left in the hallway leading out of the narthex. If you would like to donate flowers, please sign next to the date, choosing chancel (listed first) or communion table. There will be only chancel flowers on communion Sundays (the first Sunday of the month). At the same time, please pick up a flower envelope (at the bottom of the chart) and fill it out. When doing so, be sure to check whether or not you will take the flowers and also include your dedication information. The cost of chancel flowers is \$40; a communion table arrangement is \$20. Please make your check payable to "Supplee Presbyterian Church."

The Worship Committee of Supplee Memorial Presbyterian Church Presents



The 44th Annual Advent Hymn Sing and Concert



NEXT Sunday, December 2nd at 7:00 p.m.

Ring in your Christmas season with festive music by:
Pipe Organ, Adult Choirs, Grand Piano,
Bell Choir, Vocal and Instrumental Small Groups and
Brass Ensemble plus Seasonal Readings

Started in 1973 by Dr. Richard Buckwalter, this popular annual event has become a Supplee Church tradition providing a unique and meaningful introduction to the Advent and Christmas Seasons. The program will include a generous sampling of Christmas carol singing, so plan to bring your family, friends and neighbors. Child care will be available. Join us for refreshments in the Narthex afterwards.

(Inclement weather date December 9 - please check www.suppleepc.org or call the church at 215-646-4123 if the weather is questionable.)

Can you provide Christmas Cookies? - Cookies and punch will be served after the Advent Hymn Sing. If you would like to share your family's favorite Christmas Cookies, please bring them to the kitchen any time before 7 p.m. on Sunday, December 2. Please make sure you label them "for Advent Hymn Sing."

Prelude to the Holidays Concert - The Ambler Choral Society is presenting their "Prelude to the Holidays" concert **TODAY at 3 pm at Supplee**. The program features "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming", Rutter's "Angels Carol" and favorite holiday music. The program concludes with traditional caroling and Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus". A reception follows the concert. Tickets (\$20) are available at the door.



**Christmas Caroling and Fellowship Meal
December 16 at 4:00 p.m.**

Individuals, families, people of all ages, are invited to meet at the church to go as a group to sing Christmas carols to some of our shut-in members. Following the singing, the group will return to church for a simple fellowship meal. Adults, children, teens, and anyone who likes to sing and eat are invited to attend. Please sign up in the narthex or call the church office so we can provide enough food and transportation for everyone.

Let's celebrate together and get at the heart of Christmas!
Come caroling and share a meal.

Y.A.C.H.T. Event

Young Adult Christians Hanging Together
SAVE THE DATE!!!!

The Y.A.C.H.T Group will be having a Christmas Party at the home of Mike and Alison Barber on Saturday, December 8th at 7:00 p.m. Please contact Janice Brunner at jbrunner@suppleepc.org for more information.



Upcoming Fellowship Events:

1. Vienna Boys Choir Christmas in Vienna at the Keswick Theater - Saturday, December 15 at 4:00 p.m.

This trip is now full – payment is due, so please deposit it in the offering in a pew envelope marked “Vienna Boys Choir Concert.” The cost is \$39.50 per ticket, and checks should be payable to “Supplee Church.”

2. Soup and Bingo Night – January 26 at 6 p.m. Save the date and join us for a fun night of food and prizes for all ages.

3. Family Craft Night March 2 – Volunteers are needed. The Fellowship Committee is working on a plan for a family craft night and we are looking for 8-10 people to share their talents. You might teach us how to make jewelry, greeting cards, art, slime, or hair braids. Or you might sponsor a service project like making prayer blankets or neck pillows. If you have a talent you are willing to share at this event, sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex or contact Faye Kolos or Jenn McKnight.

Stewardship and Finance News



Our 2019 Stewardship Pledge Campaign is off to a good start as we have received 44 pledge cards in the past 3 weeks. Pledge cards are due by December 2nd. If you have pledged in the past, please continue and consider increasing your pledge for 2019. If you have not pledged in the past, consider starting the 2019 year with an affordable amount. Spiritually speaking, the goal is not just to fund the budget; we are offering our gifts to God and to each other to “Keep Supplee’s Vision Growing”.

As of November 18th, our contribution total of \$363,961 is close to budget. In the remaining weeks of the year, we need contributions of \$123,151 to achieve our budget of \$487,112. We ask for your help in meeting budgeted contributions so that we can continue to support Supplee’s many activities that further God’s word and love for His followers.

Let us unite as a congregation and reflect on the abundance of giving that God has provided in our lives and express our gratitude to Him by continued pledged giving and non-pledged offerings to Supplee.

We are truly grateful for the financial gifts that each Supplee member and friend contributes. Thank you for your continued faithful support of Supplee Presbyterian Church.

Regarding Your Taxes and Contributions to Supplee Church

- All contributions must be received in the church office by noon on **Monday, December 31, 2018** in order to claim a charitable contribution for 2018. Checks that are received after December 31st, either in the mail or in the



collection plate on the first Sunday of January 2019, will not qualify as a charitable contribution for 2018. If you have any questions, please contact Adrienne Basara in the church office at 215-646-4123, ext. 15.