

The Chapel Chimes



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From the Rector's Desk...

Thanksgiving

As I went out the door to take Cash for his morning walk the other day, I was greeted by a sudden chill that told me "It's not summer anymore." It was that crisp autumn chill that brings back memories from days past; memories of walks in the woods, hours sitting in a tree stand, strolling down an empty beach or boardwalk, or gathering some firewood to bring into the house.

That same autumn weather also calls us toward thoughts of the season's holidays.

Thanksgiving is traditionally the beginning of that holiday season. Since the pilgrims landed at Plymouth, Thanksgiving has been a time to thank God for things he has provided for us in our need: food, shelter, family, friends and the like. It is a time to recognize that everything we need, for body, mind and spirit comes from our loving God.

But for the last twenty months Covid 19 has managed to change everything that we could consider normal. Our ability to travel, visit and gather with friends and family has changed. The availability of various food and other needs has been compromised. Sports and Artistic performances have been canceled or profoundly changed so that they no longer bring the same level of satisfaction in our life.



I had a friend who once told me that, if I was going to be able to weather the challenges of life, I would have to approach them with "an attitude of gratitude". Now, if we do that as we approach Thanksgiving this year, there seems to be a light at the end of the tunnel. What can we show gratitude to God for? We can show gratitude that since October 15, the Covid transmission rate in NJ has been below 8.9, putting us in the green for the first time since June 5th (go to https://covidactnow.org/us/ new jersey-nj/?s=24751390 to follow the numbers for yourself).

We can show gratitude that we haven't had to pay an electric bill for many months because of our solar panels. We can show gratitude for the wonderful music that our reconstituted choir has been offering us since August.

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Most of all we can show gratitude for the steadily increasing attendance at our in-person services due to returning and newly arrived parishioners.

If each of us just takes a moment to name just one small thing to God for which we are grateful as we get up each morning, it can change our whole outlook throughout the rest of the day!

The things that I show gratitude to God for every morning are my wife Priscilla, my five children, four grand children and two more due in a matter of weeks; and also for the wonderful members of St. Stephen's which pray together every week and support the spread of God's kingdom here in Whiting and beyond.

Once we start our attitude of gratitude we will be surprised at the number of good things that we will find to be grateful for, because God's gifts are never-ending and his love for us is eternal.

Praying for you with an attitude of gratitude,

The Rev. Paul Van Sant Sr. M. Div., Th. M.



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Give Thanks with a grateful heart

Give Thanks unto the Holy One

Give Thanks because He's given Christ His Son

And now let the weak say, "I am Strong"

Let the poor say, "I am rich"

Because of what the Lord has done for us.

Give Thanks

This song embodies all that we should be thankful for during this Season of Thanksgiving and always. Our hearts are grateful for all the blessings that we have been given. We acknowledge that all our gifts and blessings come from our loving Father. We are most grateful for His Son, Jesus Christ who gave His life so that we can be assured of eternity with God in Heaven.

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Please submit signed and dated items in writing to Articles are welcome form all parish members. The Church Office or email us at ssechurch@gmail.com

Any Questions, please feel free to contacts us

(732) 350-2121 ext 10

(First Monday of the Month) The deadline for items This month, I challenge you to write a list of all that you are thankful for. Add to your list each day. Perhaps you will begin to see things from a new perspective, or you will you see things that you didn't recognize before.

Christmas is coming soon. We need our chime choir. Please let me know if you are willing to stay after church on Sunday for a while to work on a piece for our Christmas service.

There is a community wide church service at the Methodist Church on Lacey Road on November 24 at 2:00 pm. Our choir will be joining with other choirs from Whiting to sing worship and thanksgiving to our Lord.

You won't want to miss this beautiful service.

Esther Graham Minister of Music





The Pain of Inaction

Many are afraid of taking action because it is painful. Washing the dishes isn't fun. Waking up early and exercising requires effort. Learning new things and ways of thinking is difficult. The discomfort of constructive action often paralyzes people from doing anything. They think inaction is the solution to avoid the pain of action. By avoiding the pain of action, we breed a new pain, the pain of watching our relationships grow cold, our bills stack up, our bodies weaken.

Inaction in our spiritual life can hurt our souls. Avoiding participating in our personal and church ministries, not forgiving those that have hurt you, staying silent in the presence of injustice, all come at a cost.

All life suffers, nobody gets to escape pain. Pain is part of the human condition. Pain takes from us, but it can also give back, only if we choose the right kind of pain. There are only two kinds of pain that you get to choose: the pain of action, and the pain of inaction.

The pain of action is forces you to grow. This is the pain that gives back. For every hour we suffer through sharpening our skills, saving our money, cleaning our house, building our body, we don't reduce the amount of pain we face, but rather, gain strength to shoulder it. By embracing the pain of action, we are simultaneously transformed by it, we become healthier, have more meaningful relationships, and have the resources to handle times of crisis. We bring meaning to our suffering.

Through reflection and good works, we discover God's calling for us. By being a participant in our faith, we grow spiritual. The opposite of love is not hate, it is indifference. Only through work of love can we reduce the suffering of others.

The pain of inaction, however, is slow burning. It softens you and decays your soul. Inaction is a fool's paradise, trading temporary comfort, for long-term, existential suffering. While nobody can escape pain altogether, we can use it to our advantage if we choose its healthier variant. Action is a lifegiving breath; inaction is a slow death.

Mike Munson





ECW NEWS

The Women of Honor zoom event went well on Saturday, October 16. With my co-chair's help, we created a booklet, certificates. My committee consisted of a host for the zoom, Steve Welsh's help from the Diocese for the link and taking reservations, music, and more. The Bishop wrote a wonderful article in "Good News in the Garden State" about the ECW and this event. Thirty-nine women were honored. What a joy to read about their accomplishments in this COVID

era in their parishes. So many have been involved in ECW for decades, member of their parishes their entire lives, serve as Wardens, Vestry members, Altar Guild members, food pantry, LEM's, Lectors, Sunday School, Choir/music ministry, and so much more. Our National ECW President, our Province II ECW President, our representative from Province II to the National Board, our Diocesan ECW President, our Province II representative to UTO, all joined us through the magic of zoom as they were all over the country and our state. What a joyous occasion. Our current Diocesan ECW President appointed me to chair the next event in October of 2023. This year, we honored Mary Storey from our parish. St. Stephen's assisted me (with Greg's help) to create the copying of the booklets quickly and efficiently. I have mailed them all to each of the honored women. If you go to the Diocesan website, you can see the event on you tube'

We still collect card fronts (not Disney, American Greeting or Hallmark Cards), pop-tops, cancelled stamps. The Altar Guild is still collecting clean, empty coffee cans small 1lb size. The empty cartridges from your printer, any brand, are also collected. We recycle them at Staples. You can leave these items on Stefanie's desk. Thank you for caring. Stefanie Rotsaert, ECW President

Our Atlantic Convocation representatives-- Sheleigh Bluni, Bill Bodine, Linda Chiappetta, Kay Karlick, Peter and Susan Quigley, and Fr. Paul --joined the Convocation Zoom Meeting to help elect one lay and one clergy representative from our Convocation to serve on the Bishop selection committee. Our church will host the November 2 Convocation Meeting in-person and on zoom.

ECW President



ORDER OF ST. LUKE

The Order of St. Luke meets the second Thursday of each month after the healing service. On October 14, Carol Zagorski was inducted as a full member of OSL at a service conducted by Fr. Paul at the Church. On Friday, October 15, Margaret Poper was inducted as a full member of OSL at a worldwide event entitled Quiet Walk on zoom by our Region 2 Director Carolyn Rae.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, November 11, and the last meeting of the year will be on Thursday, December 9 after the Healing Service.

PRAYER OF THE ORDER OF ST. LUKE THE PHYSICIAN

Almighty God, who inspired Luke the Physician to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power of Your son: Graciously continue in Your Church the love and power to heal, to the praise and glory of Your Name, through Jesus Christ, Our Lord.

AMEN

DO YOU NEED PRAYER'S FOR HEALING

Your prayers have been included in our Compline prayer list. Contact Fr. Paul. Susan Clarke, or Stefanie at (732) 350-2904 or houseofpink7@gmail.com if you have any questions or need prayers.

SHINE GOD'S LIGHT MORE DEEPLY AND BROADLY

Source of all healing light, we joyfully lift our faces to You. We open wide our arms and our hearts to receive the warm and radiant sunshine of Your love. Pour Your light through us in a deep and intensely powerful way. We are Your Magnifying Glasses of Healing. Come now and focus on this person, the healing love of JESUS...Light of the world. Come now and shine your healing light through us so like lighthouses we carry Your love to our families, neighbors, churches, and healing ministries, to our OSL healing communities, cities, countries and all creation! May the light of Your love shine ever more broadly through our ministry of blessing.

ST. STEPHEN'S PRAYER CHAIN

St. Stephen's is in need of additional members for our Prayer Chain. The Prayer Chain is a dedicated group of parishioners who will pray for any who are in need. If you are interested or would like further information, please contact Greta Pearl at 732-350-7584 for details. Greta is the contact when placing, on the Prayer Chain, your name or the names of family, neighbors, or friends who would like prayers for healing, comfort, or any other purpose.

FORWARD DAY BY DAY BOOKLETS

For November / December 2021 January 2022 is now available in regular & large print editions, See Stefanie.

ONLINE CHURCH SERVICES

Holy Eucharist are held every Sunday at 8AM and 10:15AM – join us in person or on zoom or you tube. Each evening at 7PM, join us for Compline on Zoom or You Tube. All are welcome!

COME AND SEE!!!

BLACKJACK NEEDS OUR HELP

Hi my name is Phyllis, my adopted shelter dog Blackjack is in very much need of dental work. I live solely on social security and need this financial help. He's a dog that gave up on life, I adopted him, I

trained him myself, he is now a state certified therapy dog and has his k-9 good citizenship award...he is kind and gentle and has helped many people...thank you for your help...God Bless You...

Please visit the link provided below to support a good cause and help Blackjack with his needed dental work.

https://www.gofundme.com/f/please-help-blackjack-with-dental-work/share?qid=c112c9

Sincerely,

Miss Phyllis

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection

Every year, ECW sponsors Operation Christmas Child. Donors fill shoeboxes with small gifts and school supplies. These boxes go to needy children all over the world, including the USA. The Operation is a project of Samaritan's Purse, headed by Franklin Graham. Before they are sent, the story of Jesus, in the child's language, is included in each box.

There will be a card table in the Narthex with instruction booklets and shoeboxes. Filled boxes must be returned to St. Stephen's by November 4th, and the latest by Sunday, November 7th.



If you have questions, please call Pat Russo, (732) 941-4644



CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERINGS

The Altar Guild is again planning to order Christmas flowers and wreaths to decorate the Sanctuary as we prepare for the Celebration of Our Savior's Birth. This is a time when we especially may want to remember our loved ones and friends who have died or to express thanksgiving for our blessings.

Christmas Flower Offering envelopes are enclosed in this edition of your Chapel Chimes, and also will be available in the Narthex for those who would like to participate. Please fill out the appropriate information, and return the envelope to the church at your earliest convenience.

DEADLINE FOR CHRISTMAS OFFERING ENVELOPES:SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2021

If you have any questions, please call Altar Guild Flower Chair, *Valerie Thompson*, at 732-657-4510. Thank you and God Bless.





LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER (LEM)

In the year 2000, I joined St. Stephen's in September. One day, I received a telephone call from Ernie Clarke, the then leader of the LEMS/Lectors asking if I would like to be a LEM. Since I had never heard that term before, I asked what was that? He stated a person who serves on the Altar, assisting the Rector at services by serving the chalice, reading lessons, bringing communion to shut-ins. I asked if I could call him back. He said yes. My Mother and I had a chat about that possibility as I was her caretaker and I wanted to know what she thought about this possibility. She asked if I could bring communion to her. So, I called Ernie back, and he said that could be arranged. So, my Mom said that I should take the job!

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Here I am 22 years later, still inspired by service to God and his church-still reading lessons, still bringing communion to shut-ins, still assisting the Rector. In addition, I have learned technology and rotate streaming services from church with Susan Clarke (Ernie's daughter), and Bill Bodine. Now, as a Worship Leader, I rotate with Fr. Paul, and Susan Clarke conducting various services online from evening prayer to Compline. Susan and I shared the Morning Prayer services in August from our church while Fr. Paul was on vacation.

God is always our guide and I have always felt not only with God are all things possible, but I have learned to go wherever he sends me, where I am needed, where I can help.

You too, can join this ministry. Serving on God's altar is ever inspiring and bringing communion to our shut-ins brings them part of our church, our thoughts, and God's word. Contact Susan Clarke if you would like to read, share communion with others, help Fr. Paul. Training, guidance, and help is available for you to be part of this valuable ministry.

Stefanie Rotsaert





ARTS AND CRAFTS

The next arts and craft workshops will be on Thursday, November 11/18. In the morning from 10:00 –12 noon, we will be highlighting card making. In the afternoon, from 1:00-3:00, we'll be highlighting needlework. You're welcome to share in one, or both workshops and to bring your own projects.



Hope to see you then,

Gerrie Vergona, Facilitator





FROM THE TREASURER'S DESK

So far, my journey as your new Treasurer has been relatively smooth. With Gerianne's help (now online from Delaware) we're keeping up with all that must be done. Soon, we'll be in "Stewardship Season" and I'm not quite sure what to expect then!!

However, with all the wonderful folks I've met at St. Stephen's, there will be no lack of support. We'll keep up the good momentum and cele-

brate with thanksgiving often.

Blessings,

Gerrie Vergona Treasurer



Stewardship Is Gearing Up For The Fall Season

St Stephen's has got off to a great start with our Stewardship Season! All of our speakers for this season can't be thanked enough for their service and support of our program. With respect to Stewardship, as mentioned during various speaking engagements, Stewardship is expressing gratitude, showing appreciation for, and thanking God and this Parish for all the good gifts we have received. When you take a closer look at the theme of Stewardship, you can express that appreciation in terms of your pledge, no matter what you contribute. I can honestly say, Stewardship is NOT all about money! To me, Stewardship means being a good manager and a good student of appreciation. A manager of how you can utilize the gifts received by God and the Church. It does not necessarily mean dollars and cents. Whether you pledge a small amount or a sizeable amount your very presence in the church is appreciated.

In the coming weeks ahead, you will hear from the remainder of our Stewardship slate, which will be capped with Consecration Sunday on November 21st. On the day, we all will be asked to reflect and discern how much we would like to contribute to our Parish. And by filling out your pledge card in whatever amount you choose, plus how you will share your time and talent. You are indeed expressing gratitude and appreciation for St Stephen's. But more importantly, you are expressing your gratitude from God which is ever present in the Parish! The Stewardship Committee will be meeting to discuss ideas and create a newsletter just on Stewardship. It will be mailed to you soon for your edification.

It is a pleasure to lead such a vibrant program, and I applaud all who support it! We will have more information to report on once all of our speaking opportunities are completed, and when the Stewardship Committee has had a chance to meet, discuss, and deliberate the data and feedback we receive from you - our Church Family! We're still holding out hope on someone from the Diocesan Project Resource Committee attending to speak on Consecration Sunday – November 21st. If that doesn't happen, we will appoint fellow parishioners to speak that day which will end our Stewardship Season. The real work begins after that, and I ask you all for your patience and understanding of what we're trying to accomplish. That is – to reach our goal of ALL parishioners to step up and help the Church! Special thanks to our Stewardship Committee for a job well done: William Bodine (Chairman), Debbie Fischer, Karen Tessa-Mayer, Gerianne Murphy, Stefanie Rotsaert, Ken Seda, and Gerrie Vergona. So get on the Stewardship train, which is running full steam! Thank you all so very much, and May God Bless And Protect Our Parish and Parish Family!!!

By William Bodine III

Stewardship Season 2021 Parishioner Speaker List

Sunday, October 10th – Stewardship Sunday, October 31st 8 am William Bodine 10:15 am William Bodine Sunday, October 17th 8 am Karen Kliemisch 10:15 am Roberta Mackey Sunday, October 24th 8 am Paul Gerhauaser 10:15 am Susan Clarke

8 am Tom Larson 10:15 am Esther Graham Sunday, November 7th 8 am Debbie Fischer 10:15 am Ken Seda Sunday, November 14th 8 am Susan Quigley 10:15 am Robert Virtue

Sunday, November 21st - Consecration Sunday 8 am Project Resource Speaker 10:15 am Project Resource Speaker

MESSAGE BOARD

SPECIAL THANKS! for the BLESSING OF THE BIKES



Thanks to Al and Val Thompson, Ken Seda, Joy Frey, Roberta Mackey, Lydia Kremer, Bob Virtue, Gerrie Vergona, Tom and Beverly Larson, Linda Chiappetta, Anna Albanese, Sue Quigley, Esther Graham, Priscilla Van Sant, Estelle Pizzuti, Stefanie Rotsaert, JoAnn Smithson, Deb Fisher, Maryann Payne, Dennis Lacey, Fr. Paul, Greg, --for helping, by making food, getting door prizes, and tickets, selling and making the day a success.

THANK YOU!

To everyone that supported CROPWALK with their donations. So far, they totaled \$307. Our Noisy Sunday totals from the 2 services were \$96.01. Total so far (10/17) is \$403.01. If you forgot your Noisy Sunday \$ (noisy or quiet \$) I can still accept the \$ into November,

THANK YOU!

To all that helped with the Dollar Auction on October 9th, it was a fun day for all. We want to especially thank Tom and Beverly Larson for their time and dedication in organizing the event. We hope to see you all back next year for a wild and wacky, dollar crazed day!

BOSCOV'S FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS, THANK YOU!

For supporting this fundraising event. We raised \$295. Hopefully, you enjoyed your shopping experience.

THYROID SUPPORT GROUP

Come join us on Monday, November 8, 2021, at 10AM at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Whiting. This group meets monthly to learn about thyroid issues, share our experiences, and support each other. Anyone with a thyroid issue, looking for help and information, willing to share and learn about thyroids is welcome. We welcome speakers whenever they are available. All are welcome. Contact the Facilitator, Stefanie Rotsaert at (732) 350-2904 with your questions.

ST. STEPHEN'S THANKSGIVING MACARON SALE

Delivery date is November 4th and will be distributed after the 8am and 10:15am Mass on that Sunday. Boxes include the following: Pumpkin, cranberry, Vanilla, Coconut and Chocolate Macarons. \$10:00 for each box please see Linda Chiappetta or call her at 609-276-3453 for your orders. YUM, YUM, YUM DON'T MISS OUT!

PINELAND SYMPHONIC BAND CONCERT

The Pinelands Symphonic Band will present a concert on Sunday afternoon, November 21 at 2PM at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. The concert will consist of old favorites, Broadway Show tunes, and perhaps some holiday music to enjoy. St. Stephen's is located at 180 Route 539 in Whiting, NJ. Tickets may be purchased in advance by calling (732) 350-2121 or stopping by the church office from Monday through Thursday from 9AM to 2PM. The cost is \$8 per ticket. Tickets may also be purchased on the day at the door. Refreshments will be served.

Come and join us for this wonderful event full of fabulous music from these talented musicians.





Additional help is needed for the rest of the year. Sign-up in the Narthex. Everyone is so grateful for the delicious food that you share, your help, and they love chatting after the services. Any questions, contact Stefanie at (732) 350-2904





Scout Leader Kevin Rembach and his Troop 350, will be serving up a Turkey Dinner for the Community .

Sign-up Sheets are available in the Church Narthex and at "Our Daily Bread, Food Pantry"

Please sign-up and enjoy a Thankful Day of Good Food, Fun, friends and Blessings.

For more information contact the Church office at 732-350-2121



* <u> Happy Birthday!</u>



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	Emily Tominovich	Ricki Minix	12/06
11/02	Karen Crawford	Thomas Larson	12/09
11/08	Nancy Mullin	Riley Woods	12/11
11/18	Robert Pizzuti	Warren Bruen	12/15
11/19	Dorothy Kaster	Andrew Van Sant	12/19
11/20	Matthew Johnson	Carolsue Cummings	12/21
11/27	Shrene Delucia	Dolores Ropes	12/23
	MaryEllen Mills	Johann Soriano	12/25
		Ryan Woods	12/30
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If you would like your Birthday added to our Happy Birthday page for recognition in our Chapel Chimes Publication, please contact Greg Mathews in the Church office between the hours of 9-2pm, Monday through Friday. Or you can Email us at seechurch@gmail.com, or call us at (732) 350-2121 ext 10. Have a Happy Birthday and Many More, from all of us at St. Stephens Episcopal Church!

Laughter is Good for the Soul



Mrs. Jones got a little too used to watching online worship from home.



Pancakes

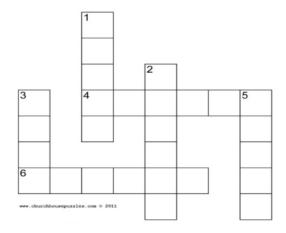
A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin, 5, Ryan, 3. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson.

"If Jesus were sitting here, He would say, 'Let my brother have the first pancake. I can wait."

Kevin turned to his younger brother and said, "Ryan, you be Jesus!"



Mountains in the Bible



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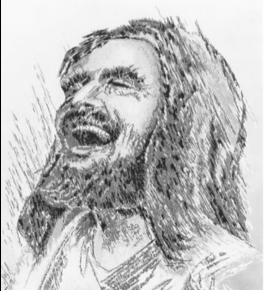
- 4 Where you might find Noah's ark
- 6 Where Jesus ascended into heaven

DOWN

- 1 Where God gave the Ten Commandments to Moses
- 2 Where Elijah defeated the prophets of Baal
- 3 Where God showed Moses the promised land
- 5 Where God helped Barak defeat Sisera

(Solution on pg. 14)







Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
NOV 2ND CONVOCATION MEETING 7 PM	I Woman's Bible Study Group 11am Boy Scouts, 6:30-8:30	Closed AA Meeting 2pm Convocation Meeting 6:30-9pm Cub Scouts, 7:30 -8:30pm	3 Choir Practice 10am Garden Club 10am AA Meeting 3pm	4 Healing Service, 10am AA Meeting 3pm "Shoeboxes are due"	5 Pinelands Symphonic Band Practice 9am AA Friday Nighters 7-8pm	6 AA Meeting 8pm
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Help Hotline Contact Information

As many of us face challenges with today's unstable economy, here are some helpful telephone numbers for assistance. Pass them along if you know someone who needs a little extra help getting through these tough times.

Heating & Weatherization

O.C.E.A.N. Inc. 732-244-5333 (heating)

732-244-5396 (weatherization)

www.oceaninc.org

NJ Shares 866-657-4273

www.njshares.org

Mortgage Assistance

Hope Hotline 888-995-HOPE

www.hopenow.com

Health Insurance, Food Stamps, Utilities

NJ Family Care 800-701-0710

www.njfamilycare.org

OC board of Social Services 732-349-1500

Verizon NJ Communications Lifeline

888-337-3339

Ocean County Government Resource Center

732-3708854

www.ocean.nj.us/socialservices

Ocean County Food Bank 732-918-2600

www.foodbankmoc.org

Angel Food Ministries 732-240-7543

Pick-up Location Christ Episcopal Church

1415 Washington St. Toms River

www.angelfoodministries.com

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Social Security 800-772-1213

www.socialsecurity.gov

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Nov 3 - 10AM Whiting Garden Club

Nov 4 - Operation Christmas Child - shoeboxes due

Nov 8 - 10AM Thyroid Support Group

Nov 11 - 10AM Healing Service followed by OSL Meeting

Nov 18 - 10AM Arts and Crafts

Nov 21 - 2PM Pinelands Symphonic Band Concert, w/refreshments

Nov 24 - 2PM Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service @ Whiting United Methodist Church

Nov 25 - 11-1PM Boy Scout Thanksgiving Day Turkey Dinner