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I was thinking this month about obedience. It is a tough word and hard word to apply to our everyday living. We come into contact with so many people and so many situations. Words are spoken, opinions formed, and relationships are forged or lost in the midst of our coming and going. Most of the time we want our own way and are quick to point out the faults of others and we certainly have a tendency to keep people bound by the rules and regulations., when this happens, on most occasions the church and people suffer fail to be obedient to one another.

“In reality, all of us are inclined to do our own will and agree more readily with those who hold with our views. But if we want to have the presence of God among us, then we must be willing to give up our own way in order to live in love and harmony with others. Surely there are no persons so wise that they know everything.” (The Imitation of Christ. On Being Obedient and Submissive. P. 26)

There are so many occasions in the life of the church where I sit back and think to myself that it sure would be nice if people could actually hear themselves and see how their actions and words are affecting people’s lives and the outcome of a situation. I encourage all of us to look deeply at our selves, to listen to ourselves and think of the other person before ourselves. Jesus certainly placed everyone else above Him and he did it all the way to the cross. We too can practice this type of obedience if we would only try. We too could change the usual way of business if we would but submit ourselves to Christ and to our fellow Christians.

“Therefore, listen to the opinions of others and do not trust too much in your own point of view. Perhaps you are right, but by setting aside your own will and following another out of love for God, you will profit by it.” (The Imitation of Christ. On Being Obedient and Submissive. P. 26)

Yours in Christ, Pastor Doug



Attendance for October

	Sunday School	Worship
10/5	32	102
10/12	N/A	60
10/19	27	96
10/26	31	94

Hospitalized:

Vicki Fischer
Jane Maedge

Deaths:

Elda Henke 10/16/21 - 10/23/14

Newsletter articles are
due on **Nov. 16th.**

You may:

- bring your articles to the office
- e-mail them to:

friedenscircuitrider@hotmail.com

- fax the article: 667-6006



If you need a ride to Sunday worship service, call the office at 667-6535 and the church bus will come get you!



November

2	Kay Brendel Carolyn Gore
8	Molly Toennies
9	Dorothy Holtmann
14	Charles Brown Charles Gaultney Wyatt Seagle
15	Kimberly Meyer
17	Jake McCoy
20	Swiss Kamm
21	Ron Emmons
26	Amanda Corey
27	Megan Nungesser



Someone to take over the "35 Years Ago" articles for the *Circuit Rider* beginning January 2015. Please let Judy know if you are interested in volunteering for this project.



Ushers

- Nov. 2** Dave & Pat Edgar
Bill & Marla Brown
- Nov. 9** Wayne & Julie Loehring
Doug & Debbie Brendel
- Nov. 16** Lloyd Bliss
Larry Bliss
Kenny Grotefendt
Dennis Williams
- Nov. 23** Gladys Huston
Julie Loehring
Jackie Estes
Sue Hanks
- Nov. 30** Ron & Sandy Harbison
Rick & Sherry Smith
- Dec. 7** Cindy & Dennis Westfall
John & Carol Deloney

**If you cannot be present on your day,
please call Yvonne, 667-8409**

Liturgists

- Nov. 2** Marla Brown
- Nov. 9** Doug Brendel
- Nov. 16** Jim Galaske
- Nov. 23** Julie Loehring
- Nov. 30** John Lally
- Dec. 7** Jeff Estes



**Bus Drivers and
Helpers**

- Nov. 2** Doug Brendel
Debbie Brendel
- Nov. 9** Mike Byrd
Debbie Byrd
- Nov. 16** Roy McMillan
Faye McMillan
- Nov. 23** Jack VanHoose
TBD
- Nov. 30** Jim Galaske
Claudia Galaske
- Dec. 7** Doug Brendel
Debbie Brendel

**If you cannot help on your scheduled day,
please call one of the others to switch.**





Items collected for
Ministries Unlimited in
October were:

- 24 bottles of shampoo
- 280 food storage bags
- 500 brown sandwich bags
- 2 pair socks
- 14 boxes macaroni and cheese
- 50 cans soup
- 1 box cereal
- 1 jar peanut butter
- 2 large cans pasta
- 1 large (33 oz.) can coffee
- 1 box mashed potatoes
- 1 box Au gratin potatoes
- 1 bag pasta side
- 1 box Girl Scout cookies
- 1 box toaster pastries
- 2 cups Maruchan instant lunch
- 2 bottles Vaseline lotion
- 1 foaming facial cleanser
- 2 bottles body butter
- 1 chapstick
- 2 compact makeup
- 2 cans pork & beans

Thank you for your donation! The items for **November** are: **pumpkin pie mix, pie crust mix, soup, evaporated milk, and bath soap.**



Thanks to the CE Board for chairing the Halloween party! A great time was had by all.

The children's Christmas program will be December 14th during the worship service. A music CD is available to all Sunday School families. We ask that you start listening to the CD so the children will learn the words to all the songs.

CHILDREN'S Choir is open to all Sunday School children. Practice is at 6:00 on Tuesday evenings in the Fellowship Hall. All children are welcomed and encouraged to join.

We are having great fun during Sunday School learning of God's love for each of us. There are many children who could and want to join us if they had a ride. Please extend an invitation to your neighbors, friends and grandchildren there is no greater way to grow than with a personal invite.

Thank you to the confirmands and their parents for all their hard work during the sausage dinner. We have great youth and I'm so proud of them all!



Women's Guild

The Women's Guild met on October 15, 2014 with 17 members present. President Schiller welcomed the ladies and offered prayer for the shut-ins and many other prayers of concern. Virginia Bailey had devotions. She passed a bowl around and had everyone select and read one of the sayings that she had collected on Facebook. Many were inspirational, encouraging everyone to enjoy life. Thank you, Virginia.

The next Hobby Bee has been scheduled for Saturday, October 18, 2014. The next one will be scheduled in 2015. It was reported that pecans will be shipped and ready to sell at the Quilt show in November. The cost will remain at \$10 per lb. The Quilt show was discussed and plans were finalized. The last cookbook was sold. Congratulations to Thelma Huston who was involved with the publishing of the cookbooks in 2006/2007. Over 2000 books were sold.

Virginia led a discussion on the next World Day of Prayer which will be in March, 2015. Friedens is hosting the service and providing lunch. More information will follow. Georgia Wilkins won the attendance prize. The hostesses for the evening were Georgia and Stephanie Williams. They provided delicious pies with ice cream and whipped topping. The next meeting will be on November 19, 2014. In lieu of devotions, everyone is encouraged to bring one of their favorite Christmas ornaments. Ministries Unlimited items are pumpkin pie mix, pie crust mix, soup, evaporated milk, and bath soap. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer and the parting song.



Looking ahead

Santa Breakfast 12/13
Children's Christmas Program
12/14



Thank you to our church family for the prayers, words of concern, cards, and memorials. We appreciated your presence at the visitation and funeral of our father. Thanks again to the Women's Guild for the wonderful luncheon. Your kindness and thoughtfulness will remain with us.

Family of Warren Spencer

Greetings and Blessings,

I hope you're well and enjoying the many blessings of God's wonderful world. On behalf of everyone here, I thank you for blessing our children with this gift (\$35) as well as the Box Top labels. I hope to see you at the annual meeting. Until then, peace be with you all.

Brenda Crisp
Uni-Pres Kindercottage



Dear Friends,

Hitz Memorial Home would like to thank you for your donation of \$69. Your generosity, combined with thoughtful gifts of other friends, is a very important part of the Home's commitment to excellence in long term care. On behalf of the residents, Board of Directors and staff of Hitz Memorial Home, please accept our sincere appreciation for your generous gift.

Sincerely,
Susan Tudor
Administrator



Thank you Friedens UCC, Troy,

Your generous donation of \$66 has helped brighten the lives of the people Hoyleton cares for. The families we serve often find themselves in circumstances they can't address on their own, and so we rely on the generosity of volunteers and donors like you to help support our ministry.

With gratitude,
Chris L. Cox, MSW, LCSW
President & CEO



It Happened Here – 35 Years Ago

Congregational Meeting

Bill Schaubert reported on the activities of the Remodeling and Expansion Committee, two meetings have been held – an organizational meeting and a tour of the facilities at Grantfork UCC.

Senior High Youth Fellowship

The hayride is scheduled for 7 p.m. on November 3, 1979 at Bangerts Grove.

Friedens to Host

On Wednesday, November 21st at 7:30 p.m., Friedens will be the host for the annual Union Thanksgiving Eve Service. Troy United Presbyterian, Troy United Methodist and Friedens United Church of Christ congregations will be invited to worship together on this evening.

Women's Guild News

Lunch stand at Erna Engeling's sale on October 6. Thanks to all who sent pies and for their help. Last week our semi-annual Rummage Sale was held. Thanks to everyone who helped in any way to make this a success.



Veterans and their families are invited to a (free) dinner on Tuesday, Nov. 11th. We will begin at 4:30 p.m. and serve until we run out of food!



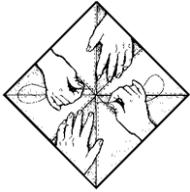
Blood Drive

How often do you get a chance to save someone's life? Here comes an opportunity:

Nov. 15, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Fellowship Hall



This year, the Women's Guild Christmas Banquet and Auction will be held on Sunday, Dec. 7. Watch for future announcements for the time and other details for the event.



Every month there is something great going on at Friedens, and in November it is the 13th annual Quilt and Art Show on Saturday,

November 8, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

By now we hope you have decided to have an entry (or 2 or 3 or more) in the show to make it the best show ever. We definitely need your entries - you just can't have a quilt or art show without entries. Our congregation has a lot of quilts, and a lot them you have already seen. Entries do not have to have been made or painted this past year and heirloom quilts (over 50 years old) bring as much attention as the newer ones. You can also enter afghans, wall hangings, table runners, Christmas and miscellaneous needle work, such as pictures, pillows, etc. In the art category there will be oils, pastels, pen, pencils, acrylic and photography. Inform your relatives, friends and neighbors about the show and encourage them to attend and to submit an article for the show.

All of the entries are locked up and we provide security at the church all night on Friday.

Hours for accepting entries in the upstairs conference room (use elevator entrance for quilts) will be:

Tuesday, Nov. 4 from 1 to 3 p.m.,
Wednesday, Nov. 5 from 6 - 8 p.m.,
Thursday, Nov. 6 from 2 - 4 p.m. and
6 - 8 p.m.

All items MUST be in by Thursday, 8 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS, NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED - NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY. If these times don't fit into your schedule, call Sue 505 - 0422 or Gloria 667 - 2769 and we will arrange for someone to be at the church to accept your entry.

There will also be holiday market, bake sale, crafts, cutlery, pecans, quilt books, patterns etc. Donations to these stands will be gladly accepted. These items can be brought to Fellowship Hall any time during the week of October 26. All items for the Bake Sale, Cookies and Lunch Stand need to be in on Saturday morning by 9:00 a.m.

A donation of \$2 gives you free coffee and cookies. Lunch will also be served.

