



# THE LAMPSTAND

Mellingers Evangelical Lutheran Church † 80 Gockley Road † Stevens, PA 17578  
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## PASTOR'S MEDITATION

### It's Called Thanksgiving, Not Thankstaking

One of the great mistakes we make about the holidays is that they are primarily about us. They're not.

The first mistake we make is often readily identified by relatives and other depressed people as they seek to become hermits during a time gone mad when the world seems to be spinning out of control in an orgy of excess. Those remind us, often cynically, that seeking the most stuff and eating the most is just not the path to spiritual wholeness and might, in fact, bring about serious heartburn as well. They are to be commended for their social commentary and half-hearted attempt to slow us all down. It never works, but they should be commended anyway.

However even they miss the point. Even cynics of the season focus too much on themselves. In that regard, they are just like the rest of us. Instead of seeking salvation through accumulation, they seek their nirvana through naysaying. It's just the other side of the same selfish coin.

What the holidays are really about is not us at all. Rather Thanksgiving and Christmas are about God. Yes, God created and gave all this stuff to us. But it's not really ours. We're supposed to take care of it and give it away of to those who have less than we do, whether we like them or not, whether they deserve it or not. The Good Lord knows we don't deserve all the wonderful things we have been given. Jesus came to save the world, to save our souls. But even that is not about us. The Christmas baby Incarnation is primarily about the fact that since we cannot be in an unholy covenant that, well, God's going to have to fix things Himself by sending Christ.

The big day coming up in November is called Thanksgiving, not Thankstaking. We are to give thanks, not just go through lip service but through the things we do. One way that we give thanks is to give away some of the things God has given to us. That's thankful giving.

So as we swing into the holiday season and you begin your annual debate about whether you should throw your lot in with the hedonistic gluttons or take the spartan road of grumpy denial, I suggest that you do neither. Don't worry too much about it because it's not really about you any way. Spend a lot of time during the next couple of months thanking God by giving a lot of things away. You don't necessarily have to go to the mall to find these things. Start by looking with what God has already given you, not only in your home or property or wallet, but in your heart as well. You might be surprised how much you already have and by how cheerful you can be at doing some thanks through giving. Happy Holiday!

## WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### Thanksgiving Eve Service November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm

Everything is better when we start with God. Please try to join us Thanksgiving Eve November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm as we begin the holiday season by praising and thanking Almighty God for his many blessings.

During the service there will an opportunity for people to bring forth Thanksgiving food items which they will be using in their celebrations to be placed on the table and blessed during worship.

Start the season off right! See you in Church!

### Dinner Church

Dinner Church will return in the winter. We hope to see you then!

## SERVANT OPPORTUNITIES

**HELP WANTED!** The kiddos of Mellingers are in need of Sunday School teachers. Would you be willing to help out? I am looking for substitute teachers to help out when regular teachers are on vacation or need a bit of a break. Our children's Sunday School program currently consists of three different classes, Nursery (0 - 3), Rotation (age 4 to 5th grade) and Jr/Sr. High (6th - 12th grade). Please contact me, Diane Adair (717-715-3124 or see me in church), if you are willing to give some of your time to the children of Mellingers. I'd love to answer any questions you may have! You don't have to be a Biblical scholar to shape the minds of children. The curriculum will be provided for you and all classes are easy to teach! "What we instill in our children will be the foundation upon which they build their future" ~ Steve Maraboli

### We are in need of the following Worship

**Assistants:** Acolytes, Candlebearers, Communion Assistants, Crucifers, and Lay Worship Leaders. Anyone interested in participating in worship as a leader in this way should contact Pastor Tim or the Church office.

**Volunteers Wanted for the Nursery:** In the quest to provide a pleasant nursery experience for all, we are extending to the congregation the ability to work in the nursery on the dates that they choose. The sign-up sheet is available on the table in the narthex. You MUST have a completed PA Child Abuse History Certification and PA State Police Criminal Record check completed and turned in to the office. Forms can be obtained through the office or at the following websites:

PA State Police Request for Criminal Background Check Volunteer Only:  
<https://epatch.state.pa.us/TandCVolunteerAction.do>

PA Child Abuse History Certification:  
[http://www.dhs.state.pa.us/cs/groups/webcontent/documents/form/s\\_001762.pdf](http://www.dhs.state.pa.us/cs/groups/webcontent/documents/form/s_001762.pdf)

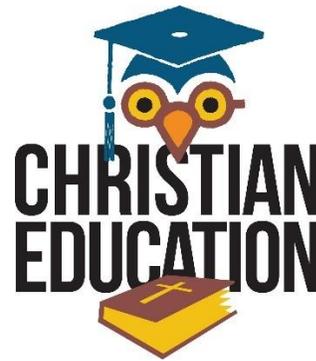
**Volunteers Wanted to Take Communion to Shut-ins:** To supplement Pastor Tim's visits, Mellingers is looking for volunteers who would like to be trained to visit and take Holy Communion to our shut-ins. This ministry will benefit those receiving communion and will also be a blessing for those who offer it. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Tim at (717) 468-9049.

**Calling All Sewers:** If anyone is willing to sew school kits for Social Ministry's LWR Ingathering, please contact Betty Cordes at (717) 335-3624. Patterns are available in the church office. Cut patterns are currently available from Betty Cordes. Please note that sewers keep sewing throughout the year to replenish the stock needed for the upcoming year's school kits.

**Photos Wanted:** Do you enjoy taking pictures of special moments? Would you be interested in sharing those photos with the church? We are looking for photos to share in the newsletter, on our website, Facebook, etc. Sharing is easy, you can send them through email at [mellingerslutheran@gmail.com](mailto:mellingerslutheran@gmail.com).

**2017 Coffee Social Bakers Needed:** The 2017 Coffee Social charts are available in the narthex. Please sign up for a date to provide after service treats.

**Gardener for the Memorial Garden:** We are seeking one more person or group of people to care for the Memorial Garden. Please contact Randy Meckley or the church office if you are interested.



**Saturday Morning Men's and Women's Bible Study Breakfast:** meet at Oregon Dairy at 8:30 am on the 2nd Saturday of each month. All are welcome to attend. You are responsible for the purchase of your own breakfast. You can check out the breakfast menu at:

<http://www.oregondairy.com/wp-content/themes/oregondairy/menus/breakfast-menu.pdf>.

### TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Join us for the Tuesday Evening Bible Study with Pastor Tim in the Faith Café.

### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS



**10:30 AM.**

**by Heart:  
Conversations with Martin  
Luther's Small Catechism**

**led by Seminarian Scott Brubaker**

Like the Small Catechism itself, this course aims to create faith. It is for adults who have never encountered the Small Catechism, and it is for adults who studied and memorized it as adolescents or teens. It is for those who assume that the original document requires no further explication and that we should simply pick it up and start reading (or memorizing). It is also for those who find scripture to be an inaccessible forest of words, the Creed and Lord's Prayer to be rote exercise, the sacraments to be obscure rituals, and Martin Luther and his innovations to be largely irrelevant. For those who are about to be introduced to the Small Catechism, and for those who know it well already, we hope the Spirit will use this course to ignite—and reignite—in them the irrepressible spark that Luther's poetic and resonant words uniquely do still today. So, the purpose of this course is to create space, at least, for conversations with Luther's Small Catechism.

We will be using a combination of a student handbook and short, lively, animated videos to help participants quickly engage in the session's topic.

## GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

### YOUTH GROUP ONGOING PROGRAMS

The Youth Group is collecting Moo Money caps from Turkey Hill products purchased at Turkey Hill stores.

### YOUTH GATHERING 2018

Mellingers will be sending 7 members of the Youth Group and 2 adult chaperones to the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas. Due to the distance, the group will be flying to Houston, which adds a big amount to our proposed budget. The congregation has been very supportive of the group's fundraising efforts in the past through the BBQ Meal and Silent Auction, purchasing of Kettle Corn and Peanut Butter Eggs, and sandwich sales, but the group still has a long way to go. We will be applying for "scholarship" money through the Gathering to cover the registration fees for the Youth members (\$350 per person). Each member of the group has been asked to pay a non-refundable deposit for the trip. The group will continue with other fundraisers until we leave for Houston in June of 2018. Any donations made by check should be made to: Mission Investment Fund and given to Gail Harker for deposit in the Gathering Fund account. Thank you for your past support.

### CONTRIBUTION OPPORTUNITIES:

Contributions may be made to the following funds at any time and may also be used to aid people in designating monies for memorials. Should you wish to donate to any of these funds, please place funds in an envelope and provide the name of the fund in which you would like your donation placed, your name, and your envelope number. Should you choose to remain anonymous, do not include your name and envelope number.

- ✠ The Kitchen Project Fund
- ✠ The Seminarian Fund
- ✠ Maintenance and Building Fund
- ✠ Youth Gathering 2018
- ✠ Campus Crusade for Christ
- ✠ Needy Fund
- ✠ Security System

**CARE PACKAGES:** Due to increasing need within the congregation we have placed a box in the narthex for Staples (shelf-stable foods) and Sundries (toiletries, toilet paper, etc.). These items will be used for members within the congregation who are in need. Should there be an excess of items, items may be donated to Ephrata Area Social Services. Please prayerfully consider donating to those less fortunate. Thank you!

### LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF INGATHERING

Social Ministry will be collecting 4-5 oz. bars of soap for Lutheran World Relief throughout the year. Please place your donations into the green container in the narthex.

Also we will continue to collect funds to support our mission throughout the year. Just use an envelope located on the table in the narthex.

Thanks to congregational support, in 2016 we were able to produce:

- ✠ 4 Quilts
- ✠ 186 Personal Care Kits
- ✠ 353 School Kits
- ✠ 16 Baby Kits
- ✠ 1,624 Bars of Soap

## LIFE OF THE CHURCH

### Upcoming Events

- Sat. Dec. 2** Noon Congregational Christmas Party
- Sun. Dec. 3** 10:30 am Hanging of the Greens
- Sun. Dec 10** 10:30 am Annual Congregational Meeting
  - Election of Council
  - 2018 Resource Allocation (budget)

### Important Notes from the Office

Following next month's, (December's) newsletter, the next newsletter will be published mid-January as a Jan/Feb newsletter. Birthdays and Anniversaries will be published for Dec and Jan in Dec.

Please submit to the church office by November 30<sup>th</sup> any military addresses in which you would like the congregation members to send holiday greeting cards.

### "DO YOUR OWN THING" TRIP TO NEW YORK CITY December 9 2017

**Leave Mellingers Lutheran Church, Schoeneck**  
at 6:30 AM  
**Leave New York City**  
after a day "To Do Your Own Thing"  
at 7:00 PM

**Trip Price: \$45 Linda @ 336-6177**

### SEMINARIAN UPDATE

By Scott Brubaker

I made it over the hump and I am over mid-way through the semester. One class is on church history until 1500; the other on Lutheran confessions and theology. I am hitting the books hard. I will be attending a colloquy on Luther at the Gettysburg campus on November 1. Then, on November 2, I will be attending the inauguration of United Lutheran Seminary's first president, Rev. Dr. Theresa Latini, at Trinity Lutheran in downtown Lancaster—Pastor Tim and Kim will also be attending.

I am enjoying facilitating the adult Sunday School class, "by heart," which is a class engaging Luther's Small Catechism in a way that helps adults grasp the basic Christian teachings contained therein. It is very interesting. Come join us on Sundays at 10:30.

I am helping with the Youth Group as we prepare for our trip to Houston next June. I made my tie-dye t-shirt

in Red Lion on October 15 along with our youth and the youth from Grace Lutheran in Red Lion. I will be helping to chaperone the lock-in at Mellingers on November 3-4. Your support of the fundraisers and purchase of "stock" in our Youth is greatly appreciated.

My duties at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in Lancaster have been light in October. On November 10-11, I will help teach about Baptism at their confirmation retreat at Kirchenwald. I preach next at Good Shepherd on November 25 (6 pm) and 26th (8:15 & 11 am). I preach at Mellingers next on New Year's Eve Sunday (Dec. 31). As always, I thank God for your prayers and support.

In Christ,

**Scott**

### How to help Scott with Tuition Expenses

If you feel called to help assist Scott financially, please take advantage of the white envelopes and select the Seminarian Fund. Congregational support (whatever is given through Mellingers) is matched, dollar for dollar up to half of tuition cost, by supporters of the seminary.

### PRAYER CORNER

Interested in receiving or making prayer chain updates throughout the week? Visit our website at [www.mellingers.org](http://www.mellingers.org). The links to sign-up are under the Resources tab.



Dear Mellingers Family,

Thank you for the prayers, flowers, and well wishes during my recent hospitalization.

Your brother in Christ, Randy Brubaker

Dear Pastor Tim and Mellingers Family,

I want to thank you all for the prayers and cards while I was ill and hospitalized. Pastor Tim, I appreciate your calls and visit. Thanks too for the altar flowers and to Dotty for bringing them to me. I am feeling much better.

Joe Brubaker



❖ A correction was made to the council report that the trees in the front were a memorial to Roy Gerhart.

- ❖ Skip Hutchinson raised concerns regarding our trending deficit to general giving. The security system and kitchen fan installation also contributed our deficit.
- ❖ The church council will persue setting up online giving.
- ❖ Randy Meckley is seeking suggestion on how to solve the situation with the sliding doors in the social hall.
- ❖ Pat Jeffers will be taking over the role of head of Lawn Care.
- ❖ Thyssen Krupp repaired the downstairs call button on the elevator.
- ❖ The water heater was adjusted to 125 degrees to meet certification for the dishwasher.
- ❖ A yellow jacket nest was found on the lower parking lot. Randy Meckley destroyed the nest.
- ❖ Dave Weidman offered to take the mowers in for their annual servicing.
- ❖ Printer/copier lease contracts have been signed. The new lease will cost less than our current maintenance contract for the copier.
- ❖ Council will explore replacing the dying trees in the Spring.
- ❖ Jill Showalter was asked to explore adding a check # field to the giving envelopes.



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COMMUNITY



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Current program information is available in the narthex and at the hospice [website](#).

### The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania

#### November 2017

- **Annual Quilt Auction** at Nawakwa  
- November 5
- **Women's Craft Retreat** at Nawakwa  
- November 10-12

#### December 2017

- **Advent Day Apart** at The Wittel Farm  
- December 9

#### January 2018

- **Winter Youth Retreat** at Kirchenwald  
- January 5-7



## East Cocalico Lions Fall Dinner

Featuring Oysters, Shrimp, Fish & Ham

**SATURDAY, November 4, 2017**

**3:00 PM UNTIL 7:00 PM**

**AT THE REAMSTOWN FIRE HALL**

Church Street, Reamstown; east off Route 272 (Reading Road)

THE FOLLOWING MENU WILL BE AVAILABLE:

### PLATTERS

(Include: French Fries, Pepper Cabbage, Roll, Apple Sauce, Beverage and Dessert)

FRIED OYSTER  
FRIED SHRIMP  
FISH N' CHIPS  
GRILLED HAM

Combination FRIED OYSTER - FRIED SHRIMP  
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### SANDWICHES

FRIED OYSTER  
FRIED FISH  
GRILLED HAM

### FRENCH FRIES

TAKE-OUTS AVAILABLE!!

100% of all net proceeds from this Dinner and other East Cocalico Lions Club fundraisers are donated back to our community

*Our Spring Dinner will be on March 3, 2018 !!!!*



## Annual Holiday Bazaar

<p><b>FRIDAY, NOV. 17</b> <b>5 - 8:00 PM</b></p>	<p><b>SATURDAY, NOV. 18</b> <b>8 AM - 2:00 PM</b></p>
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TOWNE CENTER COMMUNITY ROOM  
on the campus of Luther Acres, 600 E. Main St., Lititz  
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*Get a Head Start on Your Holiday Shopping!*

• Attic Treasures	• Baked Goods
• Handmade Crafts	• Silent Auction
• Wooden Crafts	• Jewelry

Sponsored by the Luther Acres Residents' Council.

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### Pancake Breakfast

Sponsored by  Friends of Luther Acres  
A Luther Acres Auxiliary

**SATURDAY, NOV. 18**  
**7 - 10 AM**



KATY'S GRILL in Luther Acres' Towne Center  
**\$5 Pancakes, Sausage and Juice**

**FREE** **FREE**

## Community Thanksgiving Day Dinner

Sponsored By  
Local Churches & Businesses

**Date - November 23, 2017**  
Meals Served - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Take Out Meals Only - 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Transportation Provided OR Meals Delivered  
**NO RESERVATIONS NECESSARY**

### NOW ONE LOCATION

**Ephrata Business Center**  
(Former Gerber Building)  
400 W. Main Street, Ephrata

Call Barry or Carol Haller at 336-2512  
Deb or Jerry Zerbe at 336-6765

Day of Dinner Only - Call 721-5613

♿ Handicap accessible  
Join people in these communities for a tasty Thanksgiving Day meal and good conversation for a spiritually uplifting day. Plenty to eat and lots of great tasting desserts to choose from!

**FREE** **FREE**

## CHURCH AT LARGE



Lower Susquehanna Synod  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
God's work. Our hands.

## ELCA presiding bishop responds to DACA announcement

9/5/2017 10:45:00 AM

CHICAGO (Sept. 4, 2017) – The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton, presiding bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), has issued the following statement in response to the Trump administration's announcement about the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program.

"As we journey together through the time God has given us, may God give us the grace of a welcoming heart and an overflowing love for the new neighbors among us" – ELCA social message, "Immigration" (1997).

We are saddened today by the end of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program, which provided relief from deportation to young people who have grown up as members of our churches, as neighbors playing with our children, and enriching our communities. We pray today for those who will suffer undue repercussions due to

the end of this program. As Lutherans, we regard the family as an indispensable social institution and stand firmly against policies that cause the separation of families.

As we lament this change in policy, we call on members of Congress to pass long-overdue legislation to protect young people brought to the U.S. as children, also known as Dreamers. Our churches, our schools, our communities and the country are enhanced by their presence and contributions. It is time that our immigration policy reflects their gifts to all of us.

God's peace,  
Elizabeth A. Eaton  
ELCA Presiding Bishop

## HOME CONNECTIONS

### FRUGAL FAMILIES

**Featuring a low-cost meal and a whimsical read. Relaxation and stress reduction are important to stay happy and healthy especially in tough economic or emotional times.**

### CHRISTIAN HUMOR

#### Communing with Nature

In *More Than Words* (Westminster John Knox), Erin Wathen tells of serving as pastor at a church where, following communion, the children take the leftover bread outside for the birds. One day, Wathen's own youngsters were playing church when they summoned her to a "meeting" for a new church plant.

The kids had planned the building layout, an order of worship, a prayer garden, a grand-opening picnic — and something else, which Wathen didn't initially understand. Then her heart swelled with joy, recognizing that her daughter meant the post-Eucharist disposal of bread, which clearly, to the child, was a natural and assumed part of church. "[We need] a place," the girl stated casually, "for the animals to have communion."

### RECIPES FROM THE HEART

By Erin Strybis

September 8, 2017

For many Lutherans, food and faith are inextricably linked. We gather for a funeral—and a luncheon; a baptism—and reception; a wedding—and a banquet. And we gather around the table in worship to receive the meal that matters most of all, the Lord's Supper.

Sending manna from heaven, multiplying fish and loaves, Jesus as "the bread of life"—the Bible is rich with food imagery illustrating God's abundant love for us. It's no surprise, then, that making and sharing food is one way we express love for each other and our neighbors.

This summer Living Lutheran invited readers to share their favorite recipes—and the faith stories that accompany them—with the wider church.

We selected five recipes and stories to publish in the printed magazine; additional recipes are linked at the end

of this article. View the complete collection by clicking the "recipes" tag at the end of this article.

We will be sharing one recipe per newsletter over the next 5 newsletters.

### Widow's loaves

By Cathy Baca, member of [Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, Berkeley, Calif.](#)

I wanted to link Bible stories, healthy food and cooking, so I developed Bible Time Cooking for our day camp at Shepherd of the Hills. Children made recipes related to the Bible lessons taught by their counselors. All the ingredients from these recipes were available during biblical times, and the final products were served as a snack.

This recipe for widow's loaves is based on the story of Elijah and the widow (1 Kings 17:7-16). God sent Elijah to a widow during a great drought. When he arrived, she was almost out of meal. Elijah said God wanted her to make loaves for him.

Wheat was the favorite grain in biblical households, but barley, rye, spelt, millet, garbanzo beans and lentils were also grown. When wheat ran low, these elements were ground and added to or substituted for flour to make bread. The widow had likely done one of these things to make bread for Elijah.

God saw to it that the widow never ran out of food while the drought lasted. Her bread had enough nutrition to sustain her, her son and Elijah until rains brought a new crop.

**Recipe** (makes 1 medium loaf or 2 small loaves)

These simple flatbreads are made almost as 1 Kings describes, with only the addition of a bit of salt and some water. Children can even grind whole lentils and millet with a mortar and pestle, if you have one.



#### INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 cup (whole wheat, spelt, millet, garbanzo, lentil or some mixture of these) flour/meal
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 cup water
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- Additional flour or meal for kneading

## DIRECTIONS

1. Mix flour and salt. Mix liquids together and add them to the dry, mixing well.
2. Put flour or meal on a nonstick surface and turn the dough onto it.
3. Sprinkle flour/meal on top of the dough, and knead 12 times. (If using flour without gluten this isn't necessary for rising, but it allows you to work in just enough meal to keep it from being too sticky.)
4. Form dough into one or two small loaves.
5. Transfer dough to a cookie sheet and flatten with your hand to about 1/4 inch or so thick.
6. Bake at 400 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes.
7. Cool on a wire rack.

*Note: These loaves can easily be made gluten-free. If you are cooking with children with gluten sensitivities, be sure all cooking instruments for them are kept separate.*

<https://www.livinglutheran.org/2017/09/recipes-from-the-heart/>

## CLEAN CONSCIENCE

**Environmentally sound and inexpensive cleaning tips and/or reusing tips**

## ALUMINUM CLEANER

1/2 cup apple cider vinegar  
2 tablespoons of Cream of Tartar

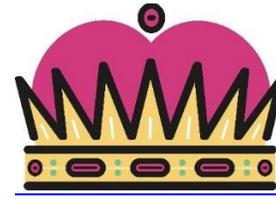
Fill your aluminum pot with water to boil; for every quart of water added, also add 1/2 cup of vinegar and 2 tablespoons of cream of tartar. Boil the mixture for about 10 minutes, then pour the mixture out. When the pot is cooled, wash it with dish soap.

## THANK YOU, VETERANS!

On Veterans Day, we honor men and women who've served and sacrificed in one of America's armed services.

On November 11, 1918, America and her allies signed a truce with German leaders, ending World War I. In 1919, President Wilson decided the United States should remember with gratitude the end of that war and honor military members by marking Armistice Day, or "truce" day. In 1954, Congress changed the name to Veterans Day, honoring veterans of every era.

Veterans Day highlights our country's quest for peace, justice and freedom throughout the world. Followers of Jesus, the Prince of Peace, pray for unity among all nations and for the day when "nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore" (Isaiah 2:4, NIV).



A crown, of course, symbolizes royal authority. As a Christian symbol it represents both Christ as King of kings (Revelation 17:14, for example) and the eternal life promised to Christ's followers: "Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life" (Revelation 2:10, ESV).



**Thanksgiving is a time to share. A roasted turkey stuffed with care, potatoes, yams and buttered rolls are passed around in festive bowls. But first we thank our God above and share with others his great love. The dish served last is always best — a slice of pie for every guest.**  
—MaryAnn Sundby

## AUTUMN WARDROBE

The leaves fall, the wind blows and the farm country slowly changes from the summer cottons into its winter wools. —Henry Beston

**DON'T FORGET  
TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK  
ON THE EVENING  
OF NOVEMBER 4!**



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### Financial Report

#### General Receipts Compared To Resource

##### Allocations October

	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Over(Under)</u>
10/1/2017	3,570.00	4,188.34	(618.34)
10/8/2017	3,591.00	4,188.34	(597.34)
10/15/2017	4,668.00	4,188.34	479.66
10/22/2017	4,444.55	4,188.34	256.21

#### General Receipts Compared To Resource

##### Allocations YTD

	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Allocation</u>	<u>Over/(Under)</u>
10/22/2017	180,690.50	197,765.42	(17,074.92)