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TAKE HOLD OF THE LIFE THAT REALLY IS LIFE 1 TIMOTHY 6:18-19 Fall Stewardship Campaign Culminates with COMMITMENT SUNDAY — NOVEMBER 8

The theme Take hold of

the life that really is life (I Timothy 6:19) has been explored over the last several weeks. Several of you have shared your answers to these questions: 1) How has giving and being generous shaped your life? and 2) How has another's generosity made a difference to you?

Pledge cards will be available during the service for you to make your commitment and have them dedicated during the service.

If you can not be here next Sunday, or would like to get a "jump start", please visit www.christpresby.org and go to the "Member" page and click on the link **"2016 Live Free"** and securely make your pledge. During the service on the 8th, you can simply check "I've already pledged online" on your card!





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Newsletter Articles needed



The Courier is only helpful if events and plans are

submitted to the church office to be included. If your commission, or group is planning an activity and would like it broadcast to the membership via the newsletter — please submit articles (pictures too if you have them) to office@christpresby.o rg by the last Monday of the month. Next deadline is Monday, November 30.

Remember In Prayers



At Home:

In Hospital, Nursing Home & Assisted Living Centers: Myrtle Fields @ Clearwater Commons Clara Nicholson @ Mill Run Assisted Living, Columbus, OH Ann McFate @ Berkshire of Castleton Eleanor Moore @ Westminster Assisted Living



Nancy Howard

Is available at church office: 335-7600 or home: 594-5045 or E-mail: nancyh@christpresby.org **November Anniversaries**

Wayne & Betty Brodhecker 11/27 Don & Joan Searcy 11/30



Hanging of the Greens will occur on Sunday, November 22 following worship. A quick lunch will be provided by the PW to give everyone extra energy for the tasks at hand. Please offer your help to Jamie Strebing who will be coordinating these efforts FROM HAWAII!

First Sunday of Advent will be Sunday, November 29. Join us as we begin the four weeks of anticipation of the birth of Jesus. **For Fellowship—bring your left over desserts from your Thanksgiving feast to share.**

On the **Third Sunday of Advent**, **December 13**, our Choir will perform their Christmas cantata, *"A Noel Celebration"* during our morning worship. Then at 6 pm that evening enjoy a Christmas concert presented by the Mount Vernon High School Center Stage choir under the direction of Ms Leigh Anderson.

The Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 20, will be our All Church Christmas Pageant, "The Light Before Christmas."

> Set in Bible-times Bethlehem, brother and sister Ray and Vanessa run a small sunglasses stand while their parents are busy registering for the census. As the sun sets, they notice a brilliant star in the night sky, discover a group of star-trackers looking for a baby King, and meet a hilarious handful of censustakers. As the light grows stronger, they discover the real Star of Christmas!

This fun, **<u>no-rehearsal</u>** (!) pageant will be offered during worship. As we've done in the past, all ages will be invited to make some of the props for this production on the Sunday before (December 13) during Fellowship time.



I want to "Thank" my CPC friends for my 90th birthday

cards. I have read and re-read each of them and appreciated them very much!

Betty Burney



Betty Burney's 90th Birthday

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15



IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP TO ELECT ELDERS / DEACONS





Poinsettia Order Form will be available in the bulletins

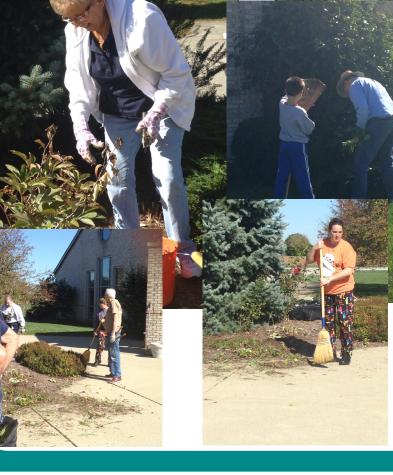
the next few weeks.

Order Deadline is Monday, December 14th Price per plant is \$9.50



The Stewardship Commission thanks all who showed up Sunday for our Fall

October 11 for our Fall clean-up day! The grounds look great and we're ready **??** for winter.





Congrats to the Howards and Maxine!



Hi, my name is Mila. Everyone says it like **MEE** la. It is originally a Russian name and my Poppy [aka Roger] says it remembers my

mama's Croatian heritage. I just spent 9 months in my mama's belly so I really enjoy a good stretch; I even like to put my right foot up on the knee of my other leg* — mama says it's good for me (mama is a Physical Therapist and knows about this stuff).

At birth (that was at 1:11 a.m. last Saturday morning) I weighed 7 pounds and 13 ounces. My dad says there are abbreviations for pounds and ounces that most people use and he promises that he will teach me about that later. * I forget what they call the "other leg" but I guess that's another one of the things papa will teach me.



In the meantime, my brothers — Neven (age 4) and Sebastian (age 2 + 3 days!) — are being so sweet. Neven has been really excited because he knows all about how babies live in the mama's belly for a long time and then come out; Sebastian doesn't really understand where I have been or how I got home (check out the picture that Poppy took and the short story he wrote about it farther down the page). Both boys are doing exactly what mama and papa ask them to — go get Mila's diaper *or* got get Mila's baby shoes *or* shhh, Mila's trying to sleep. I guess you'll agree that they are the best brothers a girl could ever want!

When I came home from the hospital about 2 o'clock on Monday afternoon, Mimi (you call her Nancy) had helped Sebastian lay down for a nap so he was surprised but happy to see me



when he woke up. He played with me and checked out my feet and hands and about everything that mama and papa would let them see — Neven did too. Well after a few hours, I had eaten and changed clothes 2 or 3 times (this seems like a very strange

practice but Nona Severovic really got a kick out of it), Poppy and Mimi said, "Well, we need to get started back to Indianapolis" and gave me some kisses and fussed over me some more (*you would think they'd never seen me before!*). While Mimi and Poppy were kissing and

fussing Sebastian went over to my new car seat and dragged it over so that I wouldn't have to go get it and drag it over to my bassinet myself — he thought I was going to go home with them!!! Now is that sweet or what!? Well, that's about all I have for now. Poppy said "Don't worry, Mila,



Mimi and I will tell everyone at Christ Presbytearean, uh Christ Presbuturian, uh Christ Prisbatirean — OK, look I'm only 3½ days old and papa hasn't taught me how to spell that crazy word yet. But don't worry . . . he's a good speller!!!

It's time for me to eat and, if past experience is prologue, I'll poop pretty soon and then I get to take another nap [naps are my specialty]. Mimi told me about a hundred times that she'll see me at Thanksgiving so — who knows — maybe I'll see you at Thanksgiving, too. I hope so. I'm going to be on my best behavior! I think you will like me.

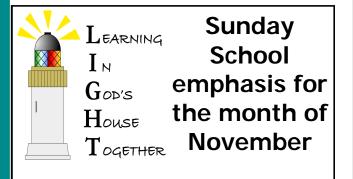
I love you. [Signed] Your friend, Mila Severovic Howard (I am 3½ days old)

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11/1 The First Commandment Mark 12: 28 — 34
11/8 The Widow's Offering Mark 12: 38 — 44
11/15 The Temple's Destruction Mark 13:1 — 8
11/22 Pilate Accuses Jesus John 18: 33 — 37

Christ Presbyterian Church wants God to be a vital part of our lives as we reach out to our community and we embrace the following Vision Statement: We believe that God is calling us to be

the open arms, the healing hands, and the loving hearts of the body of Christ in our community.



"ANGEL BOOK" Lawrence North High School 2015-2016 Lynx Yearbook

Joel Floetker, who is on the yearbook staff at Lawrence North, shared a project with the Stewardship Commission that they decided to present to the congregation.

The school is making an effort to ensure that any student who desires a yearbook, but cannot afford to purchase one for themselves is not left out. The yearbook's cost is \$60.00.

If you would like to help out, any donation would be appreciated.

Indicate on your check, or if you give cash, with a note, that it is for the yearbook fund. We will then send the monies collected to Lawrence North. They, in turn, will recognize Angel Book purchasers in their list of sponsors.