

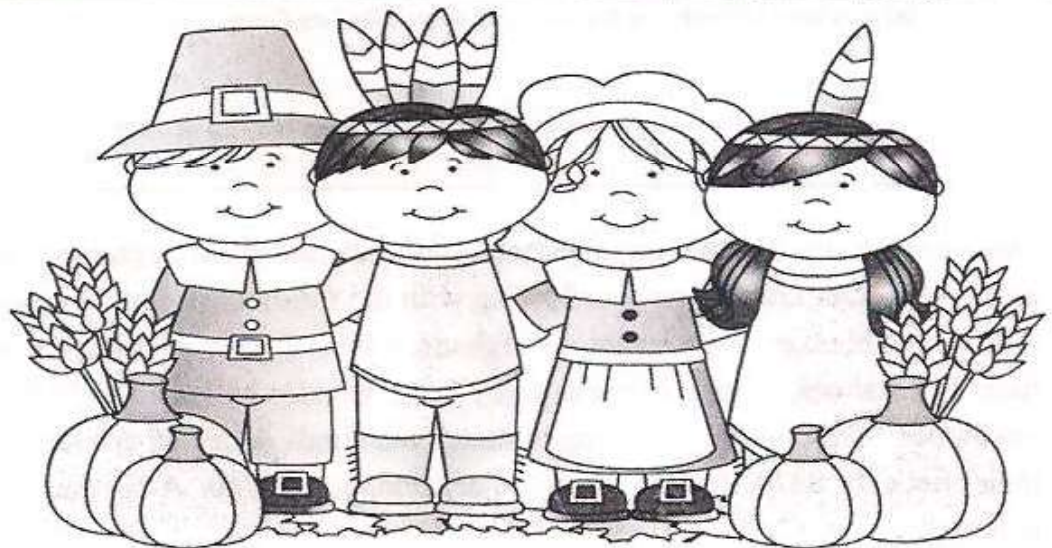
PARADISE LIFE

NOVEMBER, 2025



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2	3 *Joe & Susan O'Harah	4 Cassidy Reed <i>FHF - 7 pm</i>	5 Brad Bittner	6	7 Joshua Peace * Matt & Deidre Smith	8
9	10 Loretta Shepler Violet Schreckengost	11 Marie Grape Lisa Keller Rachel Hiles	12 Hannah Moyer Dean Reed	13 Leslie Pifer <i>Consistory - 7</i>	14	15
16 Kevin Villella	17 Sarah Reed Sierra McCloskey	18	19 Renee Reed	20 Rod Pifer, Jr.	21	22 Rod Pifer, Sr. Myrna Trithart <i>Feeding His Flock Meal - 4:45-6 pm</i>
23	24 Dan Keller Dale Perry, Sr.	25 *Barry & Carla Fillman	26 <i>Thanksgiving Eve Service & Pie Social - 7 pm</i>	27 Kevin Muth Alexis Sprague <i>Thanksgiving Day</i>	28 Jenalee Smith Brenda Weber John Pifer	29 Patty Burkett Ray Shepler
30 *Richard & Myrna Trithart <i>Decorate & Lunch</i>						



Paradise Community Church Consistory Meeting

October 16, 2025

President Diane Carlson opened the meeting with prayer with Dean Reed, Bob Roy, Bobbi Becker, Diane Carlson, Brenda Weber, and Brooke Limrick in attendance.

The secretary's report was approved as read with a motion from Wendy and a second from Bobbi and the treasurer's report was reviewed and approved with a motion from Dean and a second from Bob.

- The properties committee has finished the chimney topper. They will be waiting till spring to reassess the door.
- Comcast internet is now installed at the Church
- The activities bags for kids have been laundered and given new books and toys.
- Memorial Bench update- Brenda has spoken to Susie O'harah who offered to donate 4 bench ends if we get the center wood.

Dates to remember

- Feeding his Flock's upcoming schedule will be Nov 22, Dec 20, Jan 24, and Feb 28
- Women's Service group has set Christmas decorating for Nov 30 with a meal. They will also take care of the ornaments for the Bethlehem Walk.
- November 26 the activities committee have scheduled a pie social for after the service
- The We Care Pregnancy fundraiser raised \$870 which the consistory will match.
- The election of the consistory will be Dec 14

Benevolence

- The We Care Pregnancy fundraiser raised \$870 which the consistory will match.
- Wendy made a motion and Dean seconded donating \$500 to the Leseman family to help with their son's illness, and Bob made a motion and Dean seconded sending Melissa Fedigan \$500 in her search for treatment.
- \$100 was sent to both the Big Run and Sykesville Fire Companies.

The next consistory meeting will be Thursday, Nov 13 at 7pm

Our annual Baby Bottle Campaign held during the month of September was very successful. Our cradle was overflowing with the following items: 1 blanket, 4 quilts, 9 outfits, 8 receiving blankets, 6 sweaters, 11 afghans, 4 bibs, 3 pairs of pants, 19 onesies, 13 sleepers, 7 hats, 1 pair shoes, 16 pair of socks and 1 doll. We also collected \$870 from the weekly offering envelopes. The consistory, voting to match our funds collected at a minimum of \$500, included their check for \$870, making the monetary donation \$1740. A big thank you to everyone who donated.

FALL FESTIVAL – 2025

Lori Yohe

On Sunday, Oct 26, our gracious God blessed us with a beautiful Autumn Day for our celebration of this Season. Many showed up to enjoy the fun, camaraderie, food and friendly competitions.



The afternoon kicked off with a charming, old-fashioned hayride thanks to Mark Pifer with his tractor and wagon all laid out with comfy

haybale seating. We were able to enjoy not one but two rides with a stop on top of Yohe Hill so see the view to the end of the world. The air was brisk and the sky was a mix of clouds and bright sunshine. The Fall Festival would not be the same without this treat.



The afternoon was full of scarecrow judging, cornhole games, 'needles' in a haystack treasure hunt, pumpkin

bowling, wind tunnel leaf catching and hula-hoop ball catching, surrounded by the smell of pots of chili



simmering. Kiddo's played games, earned tokens that they cashed in at the prize table in exchanged for treats and small treasures.

We all joined together and were entertained by the Limrick's fantastic presentation of Family Feud. The families of

the Pifer's, the Triponey's, the Polito's and the Weber's faced off in some nail-biting, edge-of-your-

seat competitions. In the end the The Pifer's and the Weber's claimed the wins. Fun was had by all!

Other competitions included the Scarecrow Contest. Lisa's Little Guy on a Tractor took 1st and Jackson Polito's Perfect Traditional Scarecrow walked away with 2nd Place. The Count the Candy Games were won by Janet Douthit, Melissa Shepler and Rosanne Fillman.

Finally, the climax of announcing the Chili Cookoff winner arrived. We had ten entries seeking this coveted reward. By popular voting 1st place was claimed by Darcie Grenier, 2nd place went to Bob Roy and 3rd place was awarded to Lisa Triponey. Thank you to all who entered and provided us with such a delicious main course to our meal and to round out our day.

Thanks to all that contributed and participated and showed up. Thank you to Nancy Keller for donating a boat-load of pumpkins for prizes; to the Limerick's for all of their work in game set up, techy prowess, and game show hosting; to all those that provided hand-made items that were used for prize awards, to Annette and Bob for their fun outside games; to Bobbi for overseeing the kitchen and food; and to all those on the Activity Committee that planned and pulled it all together.

Praises to our wonderful Father who richly blesses us.

Psalm 67:5-6

"May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you. The land yields its harvest; God, our God, blesses us."





ARTISAN OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15
9AM-2PM

Join us for an Open House showcasing the talents of local artisans in the heart of Paradise at the Paradise Community Building.

If you would like to reserve a table or space to sell your items, please send me a message. Regular tables are \$10, small tables are \$5. I am the only contact for this event. No direct sales please.

WANTED: Volunteers

2025 Bethlehem Walk is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, December 6 & 7, from 6:00 – 8:00 PM and December 7 from 2-4 pm and we need you to make it a success.

In 2023 935 guests visited Bethlehem in search of the new born King. The event is an inspiration and needed reminder of the truth of the Christmas Season as well as a perfect way to begin the holiday celebration. That little Baby born in that stable so long ago brought hope and reassurance to those who recognized the importance of His coming. People need that same hope and reassurance today. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this special outreach to bring Light to a world darkened by fear and uncertainty.

Following is a list of all the many opportunities and options from which you can choose to participate. And if you have an idea for something not shown, let us know. We want to fill the setting with the sights and sounds in and around Bethlehem and make it an enjoyable and memorable experience for all of our visitors.

So, start thinking about that first Christmas long ago and put yourself there, then look over the list and pick a position. Please check any jobs you would be interested doing. And be sure to mark which night(s) you are available. **Return this form by October 31** and place it in the box in the lobby. Please use a separate sheet for each person, if possible.

Thank you!!

I can help on: ___ Saturday, December 6 ___ Sunday, December 7 matinee ___ Sunday, December 7 evening

Name & phone number: _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Decorate & Prepare Lobby for visitors' waiting area & Census taker | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baking – Breads, small rolls, traditional Jewish cookies (recipes available) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laundering costumes and sheets after the program is over | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Provide artificial trees, plants, or other furnishings and props that would look good in Bethlehem (<i>please mark items clearly with your name so they can be returned to you</i>) | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Angel Choir | <input type="checkbox"/> Indoor Shepherds |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Angel – Manger Soloist | <input type="checkbox"/> Inmate in Jail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baker Booth | <input type="checkbox"/> Innkeeper |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Basket Weaver Booth | <input type="checkbox"/> Jail Guard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blind Beggar | <input type="checkbox"/> Leather Worker Booth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Candle Maker Booth | <input type="checkbox"/> Mary, Joseph & Baby Jesus |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carpenter/Carver/Whittler Booth | <input type="checkbox"/> Outside Shepherds |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Census Taker | <input type="checkbox"/> Parchment/Paper Making Booth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children in Bethlehem | <input type="checkbox"/> Parking Attendant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Entrance attendant to assist on front steps | <input type="checkbox"/> Potter's Booth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Entry Door Greeter | <input type="checkbox"/> Prophet/Priest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exit attendant to assist visitors at back steps | <input type="checkbox"/> Stone Carver Booth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fabric/Weaver Booth | <input type="checkbox"/> Toy Maker |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fruit/Cheese Booth | <input type="checkbox"/> Winery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gift Shoppe | <input type="checkbox"/> Wisemen (3 needed) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grain Mill Booth | <input type="checkbox"/> Woman at the Well |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Guests in the Inn | <input type="checkbox"/> Place Me Where Needed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Herb & Spice Booth | |