

Protestant Fellowship Community Newsletter November, 2025

"Gratitude and Responsibility"

"God spoke: 'Let us make human beings in our image, make them reflecting our nature so they can be responsible for the fish in the sea, the birds in the air, the cattle, and, yes, Earth itself, and every animal that moves on the face of Earth.'"

extracted from Genesis 1:26-28, The Message

At the end of the account of Creation in Genesis God stated that His work was "very good". And humans were given the responsibility of overseeing this God-given bounty and the responsibility of caring for the earth and every animal on the earth. We have also been blessed with the gift of freewill – the ability to make decisions and choose what we will and what we will not do.

Among the choices we can make are some which have an impact on the health of this home planet we call Earth. Use plastic bags at the store or take your own reusable bags? Toss the plastic liter soft drink bottle in the trash or toss it in the recycle bin? Leave all the lights on in your apartment all the time or turn them off in unoccupied rooms and when leaving? Toss this newsletter or tell someone I would rather not receive it? Our Earth-stewardship choices affect our surroundings, our environment, our quality of life, and other people's lives.

God of Creation, we have not taken care of your Creation as you intended. Forgive us. Guide us and help us to be better stewards and to make better decisions for using the resources You have blessed us with. Amen.

Prayerfully submitted by John Hodges

The Protestant Fellowship Council would like to reduce the number of newsletters printed each month. There is a survey form on the reverse for you to indicate whether or not you would like to continue receiving this newsletter and how you would like to receive it.

Please return the survey to Mark Heuckroth, HR-115 (Village), John Hodges, BC-412 (Liberty), or Fr. Ernie Curtin, MT-214 (Keystone)

Protestant Worship During November, 2025					
Each Sunday at 2:00 pm from the Chapel with Prelude at 1:45;					
also on ACTV channel 976 (standard definition) / 980 (high definition)					
	All are Welcome to join us in the Chapel on Sunday Afternoons				
Sunday, Nov. 2	Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost Rev. Abigail Visco Russert, Assoc. Dean of Continuing Education, Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, NJ, will preach and officiate Communion. Prelude will begin at 1:45. Organist: Jane Smith; pianist: Betty Kingston.				
Sunday, Nov. 9	Prelude will begin at 1:30. Organist: Bud Williams; pianist: Betty Kingston.				
	Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost Rev. James Sutton, retired Baptist minister and retired Pastoral Ministries Manager at Ann's Choice, will preach. Prelude will begin at 1:45. Organist: Joan Kirk; pianist: Betty Kingston.				
	Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost Rev. Amy Martin, Pastoral Ministries Associate at Ann's Choice will preach. Prelude will begin at 1:45. Organist: Ann Keesey; pianist: Betty Kingston.				
Sunday, Nov. 30	First Sunday of Advent - Hope Join us as we explore our Advent Hope through this Worship Service with Scripture Lessons, Meditations and Hymns exploring our Advent Hope. Prelude by Betty Kingston and Bud Williams will begin at 1:30.				
Quiet Reflections and Prayers: The Chapel at Ann's Choice is open daily for					
private reflection when worship services and other events are not being conducted.					
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Ann's Choice Pastoral Associate

As Pastoral Associate, Rev. Amy Martin devotes part of her time supporting the Mission of the Protestant Fellowship Council. Stop by her office in Liberty Commons to introduce yourself and meet her. Or you can call and leave a message for her at (215) 443-3831; send an email (Amy.Martin@erickson.com); or write a note on an offering envelope and leave it in the offering plate at Chapel worship.

Ministries in Continuing Care: Monthly Protestant Communion service is held in Memory Care. Pastoral Visits and Home Communion are also available.

Also, each week, worship bulletins and hymns are delivered to residents at RG and CP and to those who have asked for them on a regular basis.

A **new ministry** is a monthly hymn sing and worship service at 11:00 am on the fourth Monday of each month. November 24 will be the next service. Contact Bud Williams at (267) 387-6188 or TC-107 to volunteer, or if you have questions.

Protestant Page on the Resident Website:

You may find worship bulletins, hymns, newsletters and other information about the Protestant Fellowship at www.acresidents.org.

Hand-Made Greeting Card Ministry: This Ministry group creates handmade cards for special holidays and occasions, and it meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the VC Craft / Pottery Room from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 11.

Call Shanda for more info (513)739-6258, sfcuster@aol.com. Please join us; we need creative people, envelope stuffers, and cutters.

Second Saturday Cinema in November: On November 8, we will show the 1993 feature *Free Willy* in the **Catering Room** at **6:30 pm** with **no** pre-show. A young boy with no good role model in his life gets into trouble with the law after vandalizing the local marina. This program is sponsored by the Protestant Fellowship Council as a ministry to residents at Ann's Choice and staff.



No donation will be requested. Your presence at this movie is your donation.

Supporting Our Ministry and Mission: You can help support mission projects and ministries of the Protestant Fellowship. Donations may be enclosed in an envelope addressed to Rev. Martin and taken to any clubhouse front desk. Donations by check are preferred; please make the check payable to "A. C. – Protestant Fund". On the memo line, please write "Donation."

Protestant Fellowship Council

The Council consists of 12 members elected by the Protestant Fellowship at the annual meeting. Current members are listed below. Each member has different gifts for ministry and leadership in the Protestant community, just as Paul described the church in 1 Corinthians 12:12.

The agenda for the annual meeting will be in December will include election of new members of the Council. Terms of four Council members will expire at the end of 2025 and we will be electing four new members to serve for three-year terms.

Now is the time to pray for discernment about serving on the Council. The council, as with any ministry group, functions best with members who each have different gifts. Some of us organize well; some speak well; some are thoughtful and prayerful; some are good listeners. Each is different. Each is a valuable member. If you are asked to serve, seriously consider the opportunity for ministry.

Protestant Fellowship Council:

Our purpose is to bring glory to God in all that we pursue in and through the Protestant Faith Community

Members of the Protestant Fellowship Council in 2025					
Fr. Ernie Curtin MT-214	Mark Heuckroth	HR-115	Bob Swan BR-201		
Jack Custer MC-320	John Hodges	BC-412	Lynn Swan BR-201		
Dolores Ehrenfeld BC-312	Betty Kingston	LP-407	Janet Wentz PV-107		
Trudi Hertfelder BG-111	Polly Riddle	BG-120	Bud Williams TC-107		

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