



December 2022

**Congruity
Presbyterian
Church**

Finding God * Growing in Faith * Discovering Purpose * Making a Difference

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Poinsettia Orders Due Dec 4			1	2	3
4 CONGREGATIONAL MEETING S.School 9:45 Worship 11am Kids' Store Cents-Ability offering	5 6 pm Walk Fit	6	7	8	9 2 pm Women's Assoc Mtg	10
11 S.School 9:45 Worship 11 am Women's Tea 3pm	12 6pm Walk Fit	13	14	15	16	17
18 S.School 9:45 Worship 11 am Deacon mtg Newsletter Deadline	19 6 pm Walk Fit 7 pm Session	20	21	22	23	24 7:30 pm  <i>Christmas Eve Worship</i>
25 Worship 11 am 	26 6 pm Walk Fit	27	28	29	30	31  <i>Happy New Year</i>

SPECIAL REPORT:

REDSTONE MISSION TEAM BY DAVID O'HARA

While doing our devotions last week, Ed ask the question what would you say to the congregation about the trip to get them interested in trying one of these trips? I gave it some thought and this was what I came up with:

Twice a year we go on these mission trips to help people in need and I know a lot of us think what can I do? Some of us may be skilled workers with a lot of experience working with tools while some of us don't know the difference between a chop saw and a reciprocating saw, but we all can serve a purpose on the mission trip. You see on the mission trips we may build a ramp, put on a roof, or repair a bathroom, but the important part is providing HOPE.

The families see their everyday needs and they don't see a light at the end of the tunnel. They put their names on a list for help but sometimes it takes years before their name ever gets to the top of the list. So when we show up at their door they find hope, they see strangers spending time making much needed repairs on their homes, but when we stop and take time to meet and get to know the homeowners we provide the loving arms of Christ telling them that God is with them every step of the way and that God provides.

Just think of a time when you were down on your luck and how you felt when someone sent you a lifeline. That's why these mission trips are so important, because we provide a light in the darkness. Christ tells us in Romans 12:1, *"Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to **offer your bodies as a living sacrifice**, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship." To honor God with our time lets Him know that He is more important than our agendas. Don't worry about whether you have the skills for the work we are doing or not, we all can be used by God to shine a light in the darkness.*

The adjacent photos show some of the work done during this latest trip to Hampdon WV in October.

