



The GoodNews Letter




Christiansburg Presbyterian Church, Christiansburg, Virginia


June 2019

*God calls Christiansburg Presbyterian Church to be a welcoming, loving,
and diverse community that offers people the opportunity to journey
toward the fullest expression of their Christian faith.*

Parsonally Speaking . . .

- What a pleasure it was recently to recognize the Class of 2019 High School Graduates of CPC's church family! It is such a blessing and privilege to have these young people in our congregation. These high school seniors were recognized during our worship service on May 19:
 - **Rickey Eleanor Horton**, daughter of Ronnie and Eleanor Horton, a graduate of Christiansburg High School. In the fall, Rickey will attend Roanoke College to pursue general studies and be on the swim team.
 - **Maggie Grace Lawson**, daughter of Tim and Melissa Lawson, a graduate of Pathway Christian Academy. Maggie plans to attend New River Community College to pursue general studies.
 - **Jordan Nakia Owens**, daughter of Mike and Tara Owens, a graduate of Christiansburg High School. In the fall, Jordan will attend Radford University to pursue a degree in education.
 - **Natalie Louise Wheeler**, daughter of David and Kelli Wheeler, a graduate of Christiansburg High School. Natalie plans to attend Christopher Newport University to pursue a major in English and a minor in theatre.
- **A big THANK YOU to our music staff and choirs** for another wonderful year of music in all our worship services! CPC is blessed with great music, and these fine people are truly a gift to us all. Many thanks to the Children's Ensemble (voice and Orff), the Intergen-

erational Orff Ensemble, the Chancel Choir, and the Chancel Ringers for all their delightful and inspiring music. Special thanks also to **Angie Hagwood** (Youth Music Director) and **Taylor Baldwin** (Adult Music Director and Organist) for the super job they do!

- **Montreat Youth Conference is this month:** Please be in prayer for CPC's Montreat Youth Conference-bound youth and chaperones. From Sunday to Saturday, June 9-15, twelve of our young people will attend this year's Montreat Youth Conference in Montreat, North Carolina. This is the 23rd consecutive summer that a group from CPC has attended the youth conference. Let's pray that they have a safe trip and a wonderful experience. They are: **Elijah Brubaker, Julianne Clements, Lydia Gorzycki, Paulos Gorzycki, Lawson Hamilton, Savannah Hamilton, Emilee Horton, Christopher Neal, Matthew Neal, Sarah Weatherspoon, Natalie Wheeler, and Patrick Wheeler.** Also, please remember in prayer **Sandra Clements** and **Vicki Kitts**, who are sharing chaperoning duties for the week!
- **I hope everyone has a good summer!** Here's a short prayer I came across recently. Perhaps it will be helpful to you, as it has been to me: *"That we can glimpse you within creation is a beautiful thought, but also tells us that you desire to be seen, to be found and known. Open our eyes, Lord, as we walk through this world, feel the wind and sunshine, and see the majesty of creation unfolding before our eyes. Help us to see you."*

Peace and all good, *Don*

A Place to Pray

CPC's Prayer Chapel is located on the ground floor of the church building, next to the Multi-Purpose Room. Anyone who seeks a quiet space for individual prayer or meditation is invited to use the Prayer Chapel, which is available during regular church office hours (9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays) and any other times the building is open. To arrange use of the Prayer Chapel at other times, please contact the church office (382-2802).



Communion for Those Who Can't Make It to Church

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is available for those who are homebound, hospitalized, or otherwise unable to attend worship. To have the sacrament brought to you, please call the church office (382-2802). Anyone who wishes to request Communion for a family member or relative who is not able to make the request her/himself may do so by calling the church.



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Sunday Worship Schedule (New This Year!)

Journey Groups will not meet during the summer.

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Deadline for newsletter submissions is the 20th of each month.

Articles may be submitted in writing and left in the *GoodNews Letter* box next to the church office or submitted by email to Kathie Hollandsworth at luraedythe@gmail.com.

The *GoodNews Letter* is distributed via an email message linked to CPC's website. If you would like to receive a hard copy by mail, please call 540-382-2802 or email the church office at cpchurch@usit.net.

Ushers for June

Tom Greene, Vicki Kitts, Maggie Lawson, Melissa Lawson, Jim Taylor, Kelli Wheeler, Patrick Wheeler

About Our Summer Sunday Morning Schedule

There will be no time change to our Sunday morning schedule this year for the months of June, July, and August. Worship will be at 10:30 a.m. Journey Groups will not meet during the summer.



Presbyterian Women News

Circle members are reminded that regular meetings will take place in June to finish the current *Horizons* Bible study, *God's Promise – I Am with You*. The Merry Hearts Circle will meet June 3 at 6:00 p.m. in Room 201, and the Bethany Circle will meet June 4 at 10:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Meetings will resume in September after taking a break in July and August. Enjoy your summer off!

Need a Helping Hand Around the House?

CPC's Men's Group is dedicated to offering assistance to anyone in the church who may need a little help from time to time with small jobs at home. Need some furniture moved? A leaky faucet fixed? A running toilet repaired? A hard-to-reach light bulb replaced? Furnace filters changed? Smoke detector checked? Pictures or mirror hung? We would love to help . . . no charge!



Please call the church office (382-2802) to make your request. Your information will be passed on to us, and we will be in touch to set up a time. While we are not able to perform routine yard work (such as mowing, trimming, raking) or major repairs or renovations, we are eager to pitch in with the many smaller odd jobs that crop up around the house all the time.

Please do call the church office to let us know how we can lend a hand!

Spiritual Direction Available



Jennifer Makin is available to assist individuals seeking to deepen in their personal relationship with God or who find themselves in the midst of spiritual crisis. The spiritual life is one of "formation" characterized by periods of healing, growth, and transformation as we gradually allow ourselves to know and be known by God. During such periods, it can be extremely helpful to have a spiritual companion or director who provides faithful listening in the context of a safe and trusting relationship where confidentiality is held in

sacred trust. Jennifer is a developmental psychologist, spiritual director, massage therapist, and healing touch practitioner. As such, she has many tools and resources to draw upon to assist those on the path to wholeness. To make an appointment, you may call her at 382-2390, or email her at ringbearer01@hotmail.com.

Notes from the May Session Meeting

- Session members received a brief update from Rachel Sutphin that included her faith statement and how she understands her call as she completes her first year of seminary. Following the discussion with her, the Session voted to endorse Rachel's request to be enrolled as a Candidate for Minister of Word and Sacrament.
- Session members discussed Chapters 5 and 6 of *Canoeing the Mountains: Christian Leadership in Uncharted Territory* by Tod Bolsinger.
- Communications were received from Presbyterian Children's Home of the Highlands, UKirk Ministry at Virginia Tech, and Massanetta Springs, each expressing appreciation for recent financial gifts.
- David Andrews, CPC's Commissioner to the May 4 Presbytery of the Peaks meeting at Northminster Presbyterian Church in Roanoke, briefly reported on the day's events.
- The Session voted to authorize Suzanne Dunn to serve as CPC's Sunday Morning Nursery Care-Giver Coordinator, effective June 1.
- The Christian Formation Ministry Team reported that Vicki Kitts and Lu Vacca had agreed to attend the planning meetings for the community Vacation Bible School that will take place July 22-25 at St. Paul United Methodist Church.
- The Compassion Ministry Team reported that Christy Brown and Faye Gerrard took responsibility for "Feeding the Flock" at Cooper House in April.
- The Framework Ministry Team reviewed the income and expense report for April that showed income of \$31,218.25 and expenses of \$22,945.82, for a surplus of \$8,272.43. Year-to-date income is \$95,374.38, and expenses are \$101,386.53, for a deficit of \$6,012.15. The team also reviewed the April 2019 designated accounts report. Jack Duke has worked on the lawn equipment to get it in good working order, and several members of the congregation have been mowing the lawn weekly.
- The Togetherness Ministry Team reported that even though only 11 people attended the "Movie Time and Popcorn" event, those in attendance really enjoyed it; and plans are underway for the all-church picnic and worship service June 30, at Nellies Cave Park in Blacksburg.
- The Worship Ministry Team reported that Angie Hagwood is interested in holding a music camp this summer for children in the community, and she has started working on some plans. The Session gave its provisional approval for the camp until plans can be finalized.
- The Pastor reported that five prospective members attended the "Consider CPC" class held in April, and four people will be joining CPC in the near future.
- The Session approved recommendations from the Pastor that his remaining vacation dates be July 8-21 and September 30-October 13; that his remaining study leave dates be November 4-10; and that July be a "month off" for Ministry Team meetings and the stated Session meeting.
- The Session noted the death of Peggy Walker on May 19, and the baptism of Abram Peebles on May 5.

Remember Our Shut-In and Out-of-Town Members

(For contact information on any of our shut-in or out-of-town members,
please call the church office at 382-2802.)

Dorothy Beasley

Charlotte Davis

Ray Obenshain

Estelle Chandler

Lois Morris

Edith Reed



We Welcome All Who Worship with Us

We welcome all visitors to our worship services and activities. If you are a visitor, please know that your presence among us is noted and appreciated. We hope to see you again. Members, if you see neighbors or co-workers visiting us, please extend your personal greeting, and invite them to return. Let's be sure all our visitors know that they are welcome and needed here!



Reasons to Rejoice in June!

Birthdays

June 2 Janet Doak
Liam Hamilton
Lori Keeling
June 3 Jessica Bell McPeak
Harriet Williams
June 6 Laura Walters
June 7 Len Angle
Alecia Smith
June 9 Lawson Hamilton
Chris Rutledge
Karen Touchton
June 10 Ryan Shelor
Monica Shelor Tignor
June 11 Brandon Miller
June 12 Morgan Hubble
Dana Partin
June 15 Ken Hurley
Alessandra Young
June 16 Anita McDowell
June 17 Les Beamer
Jennie Crate
June 18 Dave Makin

June 20 Thomas Davidson
Louise Fentress
Robert Mayorga
Patti Lynn Miller
Jimmy Smith
June 22 MJ Couch
Jason Frank
Martie Ludden
Laura Smith
June 23 Paul Poff
June 26 Elaine Epperly
Sue Farrar
June 27 Bill Campbell
Ben Dabney
Emily Sutphin
Rachel Sutphin
June 28 Dinah Arnott
Mallory Brame
Eleanor Horton
Emily Duke Koch
Kim Rhodes
June 29 Kagen Fisher
Julie Stanley
June 30 Frances Bower

Anniversaries

June 2 Jack & Barbara Duke
Joe & Karen Hamed
June 6 Jimmy & Becky Smith
June 8 Larry & Karen Shelor
June 9 Don & Jennifer Makin
Rick Obenshain & Cynthia
Jennison
June 10 Phil & Susan Daniels
Ron & Betty Mattice
June 11 Seth & Lindsey Craft Hale
June 13 Michael & Lane
Hollandsworth Davis
June 14 Paul & Ginny Poff
Tom Springer & Nikki
Gross
June 15 Ronnie & Eleanor Horton
June 21 Tom & Marge Teates
June 23 Dave & JoAnn Thomas
June 24 Norm & Carrol Morgan
June 28 Drew & Beth Newman
June 30 Terry & Susan Young



Thanks from Our College Students

CPC,

Thank you for the exam care package and keeping me in your thoughts and prayers as I finish my last semester at Virginia Tech. I am very excited to be graduating and seeing what the future holds for me. *Love, Emily Sutphin*

Dear CPC Family,

Thank you guys very much for all of the care packages all year. They certainly came in handy for my 8 a.m. lectures. Thanks a lot, y'all!
Erin Rhodes ☺

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 10:30 AM Worship	3 10:00 AM Office Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Merry Hearts Circle Meeting – Rm. 201	4 10:45 AM Bethany Circle Meeting – FH	5	6 Synod of the Mid-Atlantic PW Gathering at Massanetta Springs (through June 9)	7	8
9 – <i>Day of Pentecost</i> 10:30 AM Worship 12:00 N Participants leave for Montreat Youth Conference (through June 15)	10 10:00 AM Office Staff Meeting	11	12 5:00 PM Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team Meeting - Library	13	14	15
16 – <i>Trinity Sunday</i> 10:30 AM Worship	17 10:00 AM Office Staff Meeting	18 6:30 PM Session Meeting – FH	19	20 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	21	22 11:00 AM Memorial Service for Peggy Walker – Sanctuary, followed by reception in Fellowship Hall
23 10:30 AM Worship	24 10:00 AM Office Staff Meeting	25	26	27	28	29
30 10:30 AM Worship at Nellies Cave Park in Blacksburg, followed by potluck picnic						