

GraceNotes

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF GRACE From the Pastor



Pastor's Page

The Church, it is the people, living out their lives Called, enlightened, sanctified for the work of Jesus Christ.

This is the final verse of “The Church Song,” which I cited last month on these pages. Living out our lives, for the work of Jesus Christ.

On Sunday, January 28th, we also reflected on our *formation* as the Church; hearing the Word of Jesus, Its authority (Mark 1:21-28), which leads to our “living out our lives for the work of Jesus Christ.” (Our *formation* as the Church never ends, whether we are 5 years old or 95 years old!)

The Season of Lent is traditionally a time of *formation* and discipline, and I encourage you to see the forty days of Lent as just that.

This year, we are guided in our life together by the gospel of Mark. It’s an URGENT gospel. Jesus doesn’t mess around. “*IMMEDIATELY*” is used 42 times in the gospel to urge

us forward to the heart of the gospel, which is Jesus’ arrest, death, and resurrection. Mark is clear: the key to “living out our lives, for the work of Jesus Christ,” is most powerfully understood at the Cross. You don’t hear the word “immediately” after Mark 14:43, which is the verse when Judas leads a group of police and soldiers to arrest Jesus. We are meant to take time in order to be *formed* as we follow Jesus to the cross and the tomb.

Look at our Lenten Schedule, which begins Ash Wednesday, February 14th.

- We join with three other congregations – First Baptist, Main Street UMC and St. John Episcopal – for a joint worship service with Holy Communion at 7:00 p.m. What a powerful way to begin Lent with our local sisters and brothers in Christ!
- We also share Lent with our Lutheran sisters and brothers on the five Wednesdays, with a focus on the witness of the Saints for “living out our lives for the work of Jesus Christ.”

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There are other times for deepening our time in God’s Word, giving it time to *form* us:

- Sunday School with Pr. Karen Van Stee (8:30am prior to worship)
- Text Study Thursday mornings (11:00 a.m.) or evenings (7:00 p.m.) with me.

Children’s Sunday School and Confirmation AFTER worship each Sunday at 11:15 a.m.

Sunday Worship during Lent, as Jesus continues to walk with and teach his disciples and the world around him.

In most cases, Zoom or YouTube are available to you to take part if you are unable to attend in person. Owen Keefer has used his gifts to equip Grace well to take part in worship, and our Text Study is available via Zoom as well.

Finally, a note about the discipline of giving something up for Lent. If this discipline is a type of “fasting” for you – a time that redirects your focus to your *formation* as a follower of Christ (“let them deny themselves, take up their cross and follow me” [Mark 8:34]) – then consider this ancient discipline as a part of your forty day journey of Lent.

May God guide our journey together in this Season of *formation*!



**FROM OUR
PASTOR**



Annual Congregational Meeting and Lunch - In keeping with the pre-COVID practice of enjoying a lunch fellowship in conjunction with the Annual Congregational meeting, we will be having a modified potluck lunch **after worship on February 25**. There will be main dishes of soups/stews/chilis, along with salads, bread, and desserts. A sign-up sheet will be placed at the back of the church starting February 4 or you may call the church office to volunteer to bring something. Come on down to the Fellowship Hall for the Annual Meeting and stay for the lunch and time for fellowship on the 25th.

If you have any questions about the lunch, please contact Linda Meyer (540-256-2277) or Karen Walck (765-480-9920).



Tutoring Needs—We are working with Westminster Presbyterian to offer tutoring of the children of Jules Madawa and Masoka Mmeswa once a week on Thursdays, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. There are four (4) lively children in school right now – and the baby, Happy, also likes to join in the activities. If you have an interest in participating in the tutoring every week or just a time or two a month, please contact Linda Meyer (540-256-2277).



Dinners of Eight – 2024 - Members and friends of Grace are invited to join in the next round of Dinners of Eight – a monthly time of informal fellowship and getting to know each other better as a family of faith. Thirty-two members participated in the autumn gatherings. If you'd like to be part of the winter-spring gatherings, or for more information, contact the coordinator Mark Radecke at radecke@susqu.edu.



We will be starting our **Quarterly Community Support Info Ministry Fellowships** this month. Each quarter, two (2) to three (3) community volunteer groups will present their mission and work in Waynesboro. Grace members can introduce their volunteer organizations to our congregation, helping those interested in contributing to the community. Each group will provide a five (5) minute overview of their work, target audience, and volunteer tasks, followed by fellowship and light refreshments. To participate, sign up your organization on the sheet at the back of the church.



Home Safety Review Opportunity—Grace will be starting a new “Home Safety Review Safety” team. This is an opportunity for Grace members to have a friend help you check the safety of areas you may have concerns about. Many members of Grace have older homes that could benefit with a safety review of their basement stairs (railing & stair treads). It could be beneficial to have someone visit your home and assist in tightening rail attachments or checking your stair treads. If the work is beyond simple maintenance, we could also help you in seeking further professional assistance. We are looking for both volunteer members of the safety review team and those interested in using this new Grace service. Please sign up in the Nave or contact Donna Yobs or Jerry Kite for more information.



First Sunday Fellowships! These are wonderful opportunities for fellowship as well as a time to get a great “snapshot” of the ministries of Grace! **We need your ministry to sign up** to provide light refreshments, as well as make a brief presentation of your ministry. However familiar you think Grace is with what your ministry does, it’s always important to share our ministries at Grace! See the **sign-up sheet** in the narthex and sign-up today!



The Grace All God’s Children and the Grace/Christ Tabernacle Christian Coalition for Equity and Justice groups will provide lunches for guests at the Expo Center WARM Shelter Tuesday, February 6th through Monday, February 12th. We will be packing up to 70 daily lunches at the Christ Tabernacle kitchen on Monday, February 5th, Wednesday, February 7th, and Saturday, February 10th. Other Grace members are welcome to participate in the packing. Donations to help defray the cost of the lunch provisions would also be greatly appreciated. They can be submitted to Grace with the notation they are for the “WARM Lunch Program”. Contact Rick Bump, Donna Yobs or Nancy Schwiesow for further information or to volunteer.



WARM Cold Weather Shelter and Grace - Thank you so much for your support of another successful CWS week at Grace (December 4 - 11)! We provided warm, safe shelter and food to 17 - 20 guests each night. And received so many blessings -- a few examples include:

"This dinner is SO good, thanks!"

"Thank you so much for wanting us."

"Your church has so many people who help us."

"I like coming here."

We had ~87 volunteers come, in -person, over the course of the week! That's 57 Grace members/friends, 13 members of Kiwanis (other than Grace members), ten (10) volunteers from Zion Lutheran, and seven (7) members of St. John's Episcopal. All these volunteers put in just under 430 volunteer hours! And that doesn't include the many who were behind the scenes - helping make food, bringing donations/supplies to the church, time spent organizing and such.

A special **thank you** goes to Donna Yobs - for being our Evening Coordinator throughout the week! AND, to Jerry Kite for coordinating the breakdown and re-set of the Fellowship Hall on short notice!

To all our volunteers/donors/supporters: THANK YOU for your time/talents; **thank you** for your financial support; but most of all, **thank you for your prayers and for being such gracious hosts**. "I like coming here." - that one makes my heart burst wide open. Each of you made a difference; together, we **are** the church! Peace, Susan





For several weeks, we have requested donations for the mission trip to Nicaragua. Mark and Tami Radecke were preparing to lead a group of 16, including seven members of Grace. Unfortunately, we received some sad and shocking news this week that the Children's Center, CICRIN, has been seized by the Nicaragua government. Locks have been placed on the front gates and CICRIN is no longer in operation. Therefore, **the mission trip has been cancelled.** CICRIN is one of 3,500 non-governmental organizations closed and seized by the Nicaraguan government in the last several years.

The Director of the Children's Center, Hellen Vindas, and her daughter were asked to leave immediately, and they are living in a partially built home on the island with no electricity, toilets, drinking water or an exterior door. She is out of work after a 33-year career with CICRIN.

After learning the news of CICRIN's closure, several members of the team decided that our monies would be better spent helping Hellen to finish her home. This would also allow her to employ local people who have lost work due to the closing of CICRIN. Pastor Paul and Ron Almarode have graciously offered for Grace to be the conduit for these donations to support Hellen and her family.

People have asked what will happen to the children at CICRIN. The school will continue to be run by the Nicaraguan government. However, the public school system is not providing the necessary preparation for youth entering college or the workforce, which is why Hellen founded the CICRIN school. The children living in residence at CICRIN are those who were most at risk of abuse and neglect when living with their family of origin. They are staying with church families right now and their long-term housing situation is unknown.

Thank you for your prayers and financial contributions for the mission trip. If you donated items such as children's vitamins, cold medicine or underwear, please feel free to take those items. We will donate what is left to a local shelter such as WARM or Valley Mission.

We ask for your prayers for Hellen Vindas and her family, the workers at CICRIN who are now unemployed in an impoverished place with little opportunity to secure income, and for the children who lived and went to school at CICRIN.

If you are interested in learning more, please contact Mark or Tami Radecke.



Columbarium “Almost” Sale—As you make your final plans, please consider purchasing your space in the Grace Columbarium before July 1, 2024. The beautiful Columbarium is located on the 13th Street side of the building. Currently the cost is \$2,250 per niche, which includes two (2) brass urns, and engraving. **Due to an increase in engraving costs, we anticipate a price increase July, 2024.** There are also Memorial Bricks available for the patio for \$300, which can be engraved with the name of a loved one who may be buried elsewhere. For more information, contact Bradley Keefer at 540-942-4290 or the Church Office.



All God’s Children meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Grace conference room. Our January agenda includes the following:

- Starting February 12th, we begin discussion of *A Fever in the Heartland – The Ku Klux Klan’s Plot to Take Over America, and the Woman Who Stopped Them* by Timothy Egan. The next book is a historical thriller by a Pulitzer and National Book Award-winning author that tells the riveting story of the Ku Klux Klan's rise to power in the 1920s, the cunning con man who drove that rise, and the woman who stopped them. *A Fever in the Heartland* is compelling, powerful, and profoundly resonant today. The book marries a propulsive drama to a powerful reckoning with one of the darkest threads in American history.



The **Virginia Synod** has two learning events that are great opportunities for participation and learning: **Midwinter Power in the Spirit, February 5-7**, from 5:45 p.m.-7:00 p.m., which will focus on a study of the stories and witness of three women from the New Testament, Dorcas, Lydia, and Phoebe; and include numerous workshops from Business and Ethics, to "Sacred Threads". Check out <https://vasynod.org/event/midwinter-power-in-the-spirit-2/> for more information and to register for this Zoom event.



Altar Flowers—The 2024 Flower Chart has been put up in the Nave. Please consider signing up to provide Altar Flowers for Sunday services. You can either sign up on the flower chart in the Nave or call the church office.

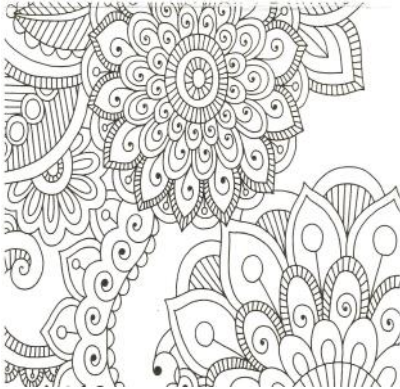


Dear folks at Grace,

The birthday flowers are most welcome, they brighten these wintry days.

Thank you.

Rudy Jobs



Grace members,

Thank you all and Pastor Pingel for your prayers, cards and visits while I was in the Hospital & Nursing home. I am now home and doing well and slowly getting stronger.

Bless you all

Ron Knudsen



Evangelical
Lutheran Church
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January 18, 2024

Thank You

Grace Lutheran Church
500 S Wayne Ave
Waynesboro, VA 22980-4836

Dear Grace Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your gift(s) given to your synod, received by ELCA World Hunger in November 2023.

And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. (Luke 1:46-53).

As we waited once again during Advent, we discovered again within ourselves a longing for Jesus. We are reminded anew that God comes to us, incarnate, bringing forth God's love, justice, and mercy.

Because of your generous gifts people all over the world, including the US, are receiving food, water, health care, livestock, peace, and justice. Through your gifts you join the whole church in working toward a just world where all are fed.

Thank you. May our spirits, like Mary's, rejoice in God for the great things God has done for us all.

In Christ,

Amanda White
Director, Congregational Generosity

P.S. Please see the reverse side of this letter for gift detail.



January 3, 2024

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Dear Grace Lutheran,

On behalf of the Staff and Board of Directors of Waynesboro Area Refuge Ministry, Inc. (WARM), I would like to thank you for your recent contribution.

Your gift allows WARM to provide life-changing programs:

- **The Ruth's WARM House** offers transitional housing, case management, support, and more to homeless mothers with children;
- **Community Outreach** works to support the stability of formerly homeless neighbors, prevent homelessness, and respond to homelessness outside of shelter settings;
- **Cold Weather Shelter** provides shelter and support to our community's most vulnerable during the coldest months of the year, typically utilizing church partnerships and facilities.

WARM takes great pride in the work it is doing throughout our surrounding communities and it is supporters like you that make this work possible. We thank you for caring for others and supporting our endeavors.

If you would like additional information on the work of WARM, please feel free to call 540 324-8166 or send an email to admin@warmwaynesboro.org.

WARM Regards,
Brian Edwards
Interim Executive Director

*****CONTRIBUTION RECEIPT*****

Donor Name(s): Grace Lutheran church

Gift Date: 12/29/2023

Amount: \$100.00

Type (Detail): Check

Fund (Detail): Room Sponsorship

Waynesboro Area Refuge Ministry, Inc. (WARM), Tax ID- 47-1937790, is a tax-exempt organization as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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Use of Grace Facilities—If you are planning a fellowship event, a meeting, a gathering, etc. at Grace for any time or purpose, please contact the church office to ensure that the space you would like to use is available and that it gets put on the Church calendar. As we again become social, the church facilities are being used much more frequently. All current and future Yoga Classes will be held in the Seminar Room as usage of the Fellowship Hall has increased tremendously. Thank you!



Food Pantries - Thanks, and Continuing Need—Many thanks to those who have donated Peanut Butter, Mac ‘n Cheese, Personal Hygiene items, and Dried Rice and Beans to our local food pantries. We have made ***thirty-eight*** deliveries thus far, sixteen to Main Street United Methodist, and twenty-two to Calvary United Methodist, Stuarts Draft, with the donations gratefully received in the midst of great need. **Overall, we have given well over 4,125 pounds of food!** If you can help, please donate to our box set inside the office door for you to drop off.



Words You Don't Want to Say, but We Must! Those words are **COVID, flu, RSV and Winter Viruses**. We've had a number of members who have been sick in recent days and weeks. We are coming into a time when Health experts tell us to expect more cases. With this in mind please note the following:

1. If you have any symptoms, or have tested positive, please stay at home. YouTube worship services are available Live every Sunday for those who are sick.
2. If you have COVID, flu, fever or aches, please wait until you test negative - usually 5-10 days or until symptoms end - until you return to worship.
3. Please note that FREE test kits are available from covid.gov. Or you can find test kits at local pharmacies or grocery stores for about \$8 - \$10.



The Season of Lent Worship

Lent is a time of discipline, preparation and prayer. We invite you into this Season, which begins Ash Wednesday, February 14th, and continues for 40 days through Palm/Passion Sunday. In addition to Sunday Worship, we offer the following:

Ash Wednesday, February 14

10:00 a.m. - Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion in **Grace's Chapel**

7:00 p.m. - Ecumenical Worship Service of Ashes and Holy Communion at **First Baptist, Waynesboro**, with four congregations taking part: First Baptist, Grace Lutheran, Main Street UMC, and St. John Episcopal churches.

Wednesdays in Lent

Sing with All the Saints in Glory - *We have a rich tradition of the Saints over the 2000 years of the Church, and find inspiration in their witness to Jesus Christ over history. We join with Bethlehem, St. James and Zion Lutheran for Soup Lunch/Supper and Worship. Please note one of our Wednesdays is during the Day, while most of the services are in the Evening.*

Wednesday, February 21st - *Inheritance of Faith – John and Charles Wesley* - **Grace Lutheran, 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper, 7:00 p.m. Worship**

Wednesday, February 28th - *Perseverance with Endurance - Perpetua and Felicity; Harriet Tubman and Sojourner Truth* - **St. James Lutheran, Noon Soup Lunch, 1:00 p.m. Worship**

Wednesday, March 6th - *Faithful in Prayer* –Gregory the Great, Patrick -
Zion Lutheran Church, 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper, 7:00 p.m. Worship

Wednesday, March 13th - *Striving for Justice* – Joseph, Oscar Romero -
Grace Lutheran, 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper, 7:00 p.m. Worship

Wednesday, March 20th - *Dying and Rising with Christ* - Hans Nielsen
Hauge, John Donne – **Bethlehem Lutheran Church –**
6:00 p.m. Soup Supper, 7:00 p.m. Worship

Holy Week

Palm Sunday, March 24th - We will once again invite our brothers and sisters from many congregations to give All Glory, Laud and Honor to our Redeemer King before processing to our respective congregations to continue worship.

Maundy Thursday, March 28th - Holy Communion, Foot Washing and the Stripping of the Altar as we gather in the "upper room" with Jesus prior to his Crucifixion.







Good Friday, March 29th - Pastor Mark Radecke gives us the unique Gospel perspective of the Gospel of Mark as he presents the gospel from memory. We witness Mark slowing his "immediately" fast moving gospel - and us! - down, to pay attention to God's act of love and salvation through the Son, our Lord and Savior.

Easter Vigil, March 30th - This ancient worship service shows us God's great desire to reconcile the world to God's self from Creation itself to the Cross and Resurrection of Jesus.










Forty
Days
OF LENT









F E B R U A R Y

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p style="text-align: right;">28</p> <p>Fourth Sunday After Epiphany</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Service of Holy Communion</p> <p>11:10 a.m. Confirmation Class</p> <p>11:15 a.m. K-5 Sunday School</p> <p>1:00 p.m. — 6:00 p.m. VMA Recital</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">29</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Virginia Synod Tapestry Event</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">30</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Quilting (Fellowship Hall)</p>  <p><small>QUILTING GROUP</small></p> <p>7:00 p.m. Worship and Music Committee (Conference Room)</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">31</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Backpacks</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Prayer Group</p>  <p>6:00 p.m. Yoga (Seminar Room)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Choir Practice</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">1</p>  <p>8:30 a.m. Grace Walkers</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Bible Study (Conference Rm)</p> <p>12:30 p.m. Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)</p> <p>6:00 p.m. CCE&J (Conference Rm)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Conference Rm)</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">2</p> 	<p style="text-align: right;">3</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Yoga (Seminar Room)</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">4</p> <p>Fifth Sunday After Epiphany</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Service of Holy Communion</p> <p>First Sunday Fellowship</p> <p>11:10 a.m. Confirmation Class</p> <p>11:15 a.m. K-5 Sunday School</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">5</p> <p>Va. Synod Power in Spirit</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">6</p> <p>Va. Synod Power in Spirit</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Quilting (Fellowship Hall)</p>  <p><small>QUILTING GROUP</small></p>	<p style="text-align: right;">7</p> <p>Va. Synod Power in Spirit</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Prayer Group</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Yoga (Seminar Room)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Choir Practice</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">8</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Grace Walkers</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Bible Study (Conference Room)</p> <p>12:30 p.m. Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Virginia Organizing (Fellowship Hall)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Conference Rm)</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">9</p> 	<p style="text-align: right;">10</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Yoga (Seminar Room)</p>


F E B R U A R Y

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 1	12	13	14	15	16	17
<p>Transfiguration of Our Lord</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Service of Holy Communion</p> <p>First Sunday Fellowship</p> <p>11:10 a.m. Confirmation Class</p> <p>11:15 a.m. K-5 Sunday School</p>	 <p>7:00 p.m. All God's Children (Conference Room)</p>	<p>9:30 a.m. Quilting (Fellowship Hall)</p>  <p>9:00 a.m. School Backpacks</p> <p>10:00 Ash Wednesday Service</p>  <p>6:00 p.m. Yoga</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Ecumenical Service @First Baptist</p>	 <p>8:00 a.m. Newcomers Club (Fellowship Hall)</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Grace Walkers</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Bible Study</p> <p>12:30 p.m. Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)</p> <p>6:00 p.m. CCE&J (Conference Rm)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Conference Rm)</p>	 	<p>11:00 a.m. Prayer Vigil for Racial Reconcil. (Constitution Park)</p>  <p>11:00 a.m. Yoga (Seminar Room)</p>	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
<p>First Sunday In Lent</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Service of Holy Communion</p> <p>11:10 a.m. Confirmation Class</p> <p>11:15 a.m. K-5 Sunday School</p>		<p>9:30 a.m. Quilting (Fellowship Hall)</p> <p>9:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m. Encircle (Conference Room)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Council (Conference Room and Zoom)</p>	<p>10:00 a.m. Prayer Group</p> <p>10:15 Encircle (Fellowship Hall)</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Women's Book Group Stella, Bella and Lucy</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Yoga (Seminar Room)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Choir Practice</p>	<p>8:30 a.m. Grace Walkers</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Bible Study (Conference Room)</p> <p>12:30 p.m. Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Conference Room)</p>		<p>11:00 a.m. Yoga (Seminar Room)</p>


F E B R U A R Y

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	1	2
<p>Second Sunday In Lent</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Service of Holy Communion</p> <p><i>Annual Congregational Meeting and Fellowship Luncheon</i> (Fellowship Hall)</p> <p>11:10 a.m. Confirmation Class</p> <p>11:15 a.m. K-5 Sunday School</p>	<p>7:00 p.m. All God's Children (Conference Room)</p> 	<p>9:30 a.m. Quilting (Fellowship Hall)</p>  <small>QUILTING GROUP</small>	<p>9:00 a.m. School Backpacks</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Prayer Group</p>  <p>6:00 p.m. Yoga (Seminar Room)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Choir Practice</p>	<p>8:30 a.m. Grace Walkers</p>  <p>11:00 a.m. Bible Study</p> <p>12:30 p.m. Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Conference Room)</p>		<p>11:00 a.m. Yoga (Seminar Room)</p>





FEBRUARY

Birthdays

02/04	Bekky Jones	02/06	Kenneth Weller
02/10	Irma Graf	02/11	Chukizo Denis
02/13	Helen Moyer	02/13	Jackson Chaffin
02/17	Carolyn Hite	02/18	Mike Trauscht
02/24	Dawn Reid	02/26	Carol Bowers
02/28	Ed Driskill	02/28	Carol Varner
02/28	Kim Hull		



FEBRUARY

Baptisms

02/05	Tami Radecke	02/20	Andrew Sell
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February 4	February 11	February 14	February 18	February 25
Fifth Sunday After Epiphany	Transfiguration of Our Lord	Ash Wednesday	First Sunday In Lent	Second Sunday In Lent
Preaching and Presiding	Preaching and Presiding	Preaching and Presiding	Preaching and Presiding	Preaching and Presiding
<i>Pastor Karen Van Stee</i>	<i>Pastor Paul Pingel</i>	<i>Pastor Paul Pingel</i>	<i>Pastor Paul Pingel</i>	<i>Pastor Paul Pingel</i>
Altar Flowers	Altar Flowers	Altar Flowers	Altar Flowers	Altar Flowers
<i>Open</i>	<i>Open</i>		<i>Open</i>	<i>Open</i>
Altar Guild	Altar Guild	Altar Guild	Altar Guild	Altar Guild
<i>Jim & Gloria Nelson</i>		<i>Jean Morgan</i>		
Assisting Minister	Assisting Minister	Assisting Minister	Assisting Minister	Assisting Minister
<i>Tripp Franklin</i>	<i>Donna Gum</i>	<i>Lew Yobs</i>	<i>Tami Radecke</i>	<i>Cathy Crowder</i>
Communion Assistants	Communion Assistants	Communion Assistants	Communion Assistants	Communion Assistants
<i>Carolyn Hite Karen Walck</i>	<i>Allison Fink Andrew Sell</i>		<i>Kathy Bump Carolyn Hite</i>	<i>Robin Crowder Tami Radecke</i>
Council Person of the Week	Council Person of the Week	Council Person of the Week	Council Person of the Week	Council Person of the Week
<i>Jean Morgan</i>	<i>Susan Myers</i>	<i>Susan Myers</i>	<i>Stephen Van Stee</i>	<i>Karen Walck</i>
Offering Stewards	Offering Stewards	Offering Stewards	Offering Stewards	Offering Stewards
<i>Pat Brady Robin Crowder</i>	<i>Pat Brady Jean Morgan</i>	<i>Pat Brady</i>	<i>Pat Brady Vivian Proctor</i>	<i>Pat Brady David Proctor</i>
Ushers	Ushers	Ushers	Ushers	Ushers
<i>Fred Biggers David Proctor</i>	<i>Jack Eckstrom Esme Hilker Jim Nelson</i>		<i>Maella Hilker Gail Johnson Jerry Kite</i>	<i>Rick Bump Linda Meyer</i>



Budget Barometer— December 2023

*For the year, actual receipts are below budget and actual disbursements are at budget, resulting in a **deficit of \$23,206.***

Comparison to Prior Year:	Actual 2022	Actual 2023	Difference
Financial Barometer			
Total Budget Receipts YTD	\$317,834	\$311,146	(\$6,687)
Total Budget Disbursed YTD	\$308,045	\$334,352	\$25,307
	\$9,788	(\$23,206)	



*Nursing Home,
Assisted Living and
Homebound Members*

<p>Genevieve Arneson 220 Adventure Trail Waynesboro, VA 22980</p>	<p>LizAnn Binns The Legacy 1410a North Augusta Street Apartment 3027 Staunton, VA 24401</p>
<p>Maribeth Faivre Summit Square 501 Oak Avenue, Apt. 130 Waynesboro, VA 22980</p>	<p>Sandra Hoy River Edge Rehabilitation and Nursing, Room 210 1221 Rosser Avenue Waynesboro, VA 22980</p>
<p>Phyllis Kite Summit Square 501 Oak Avenue, Room 9 Waynesboro, VA 22980</p>	<p>Glenn Myers 144 Patton Farm Road, Apt. E107 Stuarts Draft, VA 24477</p>
<p>Carolyn Shields Brightview 21 Woodlee Road, Apt. 331 Staunton, VA 24401</p>	<p>Dr. & Mrs. Tom Varner Brightview 21 Woodlee Road, Apt. 317 Staunton, VA 24401</p>

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