



The Weekly Wellspring

Happenings in and around WPC

April 8, 2018

GREETERS Apr 8 Carl and Alison Nelson Apr 15 Jerry and Vicki Germroth Apr 22 Barry and Pat Thomas	BULLETIN FOLDERS *Friday mornings at 11:00. Apr 13 Linda Burnside Apr 20 Alison Nelson Apr 27 Jane Runyon
WORSHIP LEADER Apr 8 Emma Saeler Apr 15 Ann Grisdale Apr 22 Morgan Saeler	SANCTUARY ASSISTANTS (during the week of) Apr 8 Jane Helms Apr 15 Jane Runyon Apr 22 Dickie Hinchee
FELLOWSHIP HOUR Apr 8 Carl and Alison Nelson Apr 15 Fellowship Luncheon Apr 22 Cookie Share	WOODSTOCK CLOTHES CLOSET Apr 13 (12:15-2:30) Diane Cook, Carole Lovelace Apr 27 (10-12:15) Linda Burnside, Connee Garman
NURSERY Apr 8 Jessica Jones/Tiffany Newland Apr 15 Jessica Jones/Jennifer Saeler Apr 22 Jessica Jones/Sharon Baroncelli	BROWN BAG BLESSING (Tuesday & Wednesday) Apr 10 M. Johnston, S. Simons, B. Simons Apr 12 Gary Hines Apr 17 Barry & P at Thomas, Irene Mertens Apr 19 Gary Hines
COUNTERS Eric Cook, Barry Fadely, Ernie Grisdale, Terry Johnston	HEAD USHER Apr 8 George Swecker (Team 5) Apr 15 Ray Powell (Team 6)
SEXTON Ray Powell	

Prayer Concerns & Joys

Remember in Prayer Pat Craft, Jim Brownlee, Jennifer O’Ferrell, Bill Coffman, Rick Litten

Those in Nursing/Health Care Facilities Louise Grinstead, Bill Coffman (Greenfield Woodstock); Shirley Lynn, Evalena Isner, Mary Gwen Long (Pine Meadow); Bettie Hepner, Dot Wright (Greenfield Reflections); Brenda Williams Kaine, Bob & Dot Lowerre (Strasburg Greenfield); Marguerite Lynch (Avante, Staunton)

WPC World Mission Focus Corrymeela Peace Community (Northern Ireland)

WPC Local Focus Woodstock Ministerial Association, Shenandoah Alliance for Shelter, Response, Bread of Life Food Pantry, Woodstock Clothes Closet, Brown Bag Blessing

Birthdays This Week April 9: Jacob Kave, Pastor Lisa; April 11: Sharon Baroncelli; April 12: Barry Fadely; April 13: William French

WPC Staff Directory

Ann Grisdale - Clerk of Session
 The Rev. Lisa W. Martin - Pastor
 Lori Staley - Secretary
 Elizabeth Sollenberger - Organist/Pianist
 Lori Staley - Choral Director
 Jessica Jones - Nursery Care Provider
 Cindy Isner - Custodian
 Vicky Germroth - Librarian
 Ray Powell - Treasurer
 Cindy Wilkins - Assistant Treasurer
 Loretta Lantz - Presb. Women Moderator
 Jerry Germroth/Ray Powell - Men’s Co-Pres.

The Presbyterian Preschool (459-8510)

4-Star Preschool Experience for 3 and 4 year olds
 Stephanie Dysart - Director
 Elizabeth Warner - Assistant Director
 Sarah Keefauver - Special Education Aide

Cathy Gilbert - ESL Director
 Cindy Powell - GED Director

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Weekly Scripture Readings

Sunday, April 8

2nd Sunday of Easter

Morning: Pss. 93; 150

Evening: Pss. 136; 117 Exod. 14:5–22 1 John 1:1–7 John 14:1–7

Monday, April 9

Morning: Pss. 97; 145

Evening: Pss. 124; 115 Exod. 14:21–31 1 Peter 1:1–12 John 14:(1–7) 8–17

Tuesday, April 19

Morning: Pss. 98; 146

Evening: Pss. 66; 116 Exod. 15:1–21 1 Peter 1:13–25 John 14:18–31

Wednesday, April 11

Morning: Pss. 99; 147:1–11

Evening: Pss. 9; 118 Exod. 15:22–16:10 1 Peter 2:1–10 John 15:1–11

Thursday, April 12

Morning: Pss. 47; 147:12–20

Evening: Pss. 68; 113 Exod. 16:10–22 1 Peter 2:11–3:12 John 15:12–27

Friday, April 13

Morning: Pss. 96; 148

Evening: Pss. 49; 138 Exod. 16:23–36 1 Peter 3:13–4:6 John 16:1–15

Saturday, April 14

Morning: Pss. 92; 149 Evening: Pss. 23;

114 Exod. 17:1–16 1 Peter 4:7–19 John 16:16–33

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path...

Psalm 119



Minister Musings...from Pastor Lisa

Our sweet cats think that we aren’t eating enough. Almost every day they bring to the back door a plump little mole to contribute to the Martin supper table. I tell them, “Thank you” and, when they run inside for their own bowls of delicious feast, I pick the mole up by its tail and fling it as far into the field as I can.

We go through this routine at least five times a week. I read somewhere that when cats do this—present *their pets* with a food offering (we are their pets, after all, you know), they think that they are helping, because otherwise, we humans would starve to death. If they love us, it is their beholden duty to save us from starvation.

In the interconnected lives between humans and our beloved pets, I can’t help but be grateful for this instinct of care and pity. I’ve heard people say that if they get a suitcase out to go on a trip, their dog or cat knows what’s going on and they start behaving accordingly. Our cats get in the open suitcase that is on the bed. I know one person whose dog suddenly comes down with a limp when *his pet* drags the large duffel bag from the closet.

Our pets need us as much as we need them. I think God planned it that way. Some of the best accountability I’ve seen in life is not between two humans, but between an animal and their human.

On Easter Sunday night, I dreamed that the church of Jesus Christ was made up of cats and dogs and their humans. Small churches, large churches, and every size church in between...cats, dogs, and humans. Contrary to what I expected to observe in this dream (total chaos, herding of cats - as the saying goes), there was care, and provision, and accountability.

Maybe, I thought (in my dream, though I’ve still thought about it afterward), when the church is at its Easter resurrection best, we DO care for each other, provide for each others’ needs, and hold each other accountable for our faithful (or not so) response to the risen Christ’s call in our lives.

That image is growing on me. Just please, don’t bring me a mole.

Children's Easter Interpretation

We are blessed today to have our children share with us their interpretation of the Easter story! Many thanks to Jessica Jones, Nursery Care Provider, who does an excellent job at loving and teaching the Bible to our children. Today's play was written by Emma Saeler.

PW Circle Meetings

This month's Circles' Bible study, In Community with the Household of Faith, is based on passages from Hebrews, Numbers, James and Psalms. Hebrews 13: 1-6 instructs how to live together in faith, to unite us the author prays " God, who calls us to build a house of love and faith, help us to build it together with you and each other" Circle one and Circle two will meet, in the Church parlor, on Wednesday, April 11 at 1:30. We invite you to join us, as we learn together.



Recent Offerings

We have the most amazing congregation! Thanks to your generosity, our March 18 Blanket Sunday offering for Church World Service totaled \$451. Our Easter One Great Hour of Sharing offering last Sunday totaled \$360! Your faithful stewardship of the peoples of the earth is inspiring. Thank you!

Coming May 4! Our Nearly World Famous PORK TENDERLOIN DINNER!

Plan now to come out and enjoy a great homecooked meal! We need helpers, too, so offer to jump in and roll up your sleeves! Contact John Coleman to help.

Marian French Honored

Congratulations to Ruling Elder Marian French, who recently was presented the Clower Award for Community Service by the Woodstock Rotary Club during its 93rd anniversary meeting last month.



Marian has been a champion for young people through her support of programs in Shenandoah County Schools and Future Farmers of America. She has served on the Valley Conservation Council, Citizens Advisory Committee and worked to preserve the old county courthouse.

The award, which singles out a local resident who has spent a lifetime in community service, honors the memory of Dr. Joe B. Clower Jr., a native of the area who was a local historian, author, and member of WPC.

Emmanuel Episcopal Installs New Rector

This Wednesday, April 11, our next door neighbor, Emmanuel Episcopal Church, will install The Rev. Kathleen Murry as Rector. Pastor Lisa will participate in the 6:30 pm service on behalf of the Woodstock Ministerial Association. Because of the crowd expected, the session extended an invitation for the use of our Fellowship Hall for the reception. Everyone is invited to this regal and important celebration of new ministry as we install Mother Kathy into ministry in Woodstock!

April Narthex Collection

We're collecting for Brown Bag Blessing during April. What we need: creamy peanut butter, spreadable jam or jelly, individual treats. Fill the shopping cart in the narthex, and help us help others!

News from PDA / Disaster Response Work Team

The next disaster response work trip will be May 19-26. Our 16th work trip since Katrina from Mountain Valley Mission Community and the WV Eastern Panhandle will return this year to Baton Rouge. We will work for Rebuilding Together Baton Rouge (RTBR) supported by the Presbytery of South Louisiana in partnership with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA). RTBR focuses on home repair for senior and disabled homeowners who have unmet needs from the wide-spread summer flooding. We will stay at University Presbyterian Church, a PDA volunteer host site. Please contact Dave Thalman if you are interested or have questions (dthalman@comcast.net).

Several from WPC have been on these PDA trips to the Gulf: Pastor Lisa, John Coleman, and Terry and Malinda Johnston. Ask us questions if you want to know about our experience!

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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sun.	Sunday School	9:30am
	Elders Pray	10:40 am
	Worship	11am
	Fellowship Hour	12pm
Mon.	Preschool	9-1pm
	Prayer Shawl	10am
Tues.	Preschool	9-1pm
	ESL	1 -12pm
	Exercise Class	11am
	Brown Bag Blessing	4: 30 pm
Wed.	Preschool	9-1pm
	Tone Chimes	4pm
	Em. Episc. Church Event	5-9pm
	Choir	6:30pm
Thurs.	Preschool	9-1pm
	ESL	1 -12pm
	Batterers Intervention	4-7pm
Fri.	Preschool	9-1pm
	WPC @ Clothes Closet	12:15-2:30pm

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to John Coleman and family on the death of his bride, Carol, last Saturday. Her memorial service was held yesterday here at WPC. We give thanks to God for the wonderful ways that Carol loved and served the Lord through this congregation, especially the choir and her Children's Messages. She is greatly missed.

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world. ~ ~ 1 John 1:2-2