



# October 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 <b>Communion</b>	3	4 Morning Devotions	5	6 <b>Stewardship &amp; Finance-6:30pm via Zoom</b>	7	8 <i>Randy Snider Scott Whitt</i>
9	10 <i>Dolly Hager Alec Legg</i>	11 Morning Devotions	12 <i>Carolyn Neale</i>	13 <i>Steven Sarver</i>	14	15 <i>Jimbo Godwin</i>
16	17 <i>Stephanie Smith</i>	18 Morning Devotions <b>Session-6:30pm</b>	19	20	21	22
23 <b>Centsability Offering</b> <i>Michael Testerman</i>	24	25 Morning Devotion	26	27	28 <i>Ethan Whitt</i>	29
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*available in the narthex for items to be donated.*

*Worship: Pulpit supply is covered for the next couple of months. An order of worship for the bulletin was approved.*

*Other business: Eric Foster and Charley Dodson are working on a list of new equipment to improve our broadcast capability and will submit that at the next Session meeting in October. Session is also sending a letter to the radio station addressing the issues we are having with the radio broadcast. Actions that we take on this are dependent on the response we get from the radio station.*

*Communion to shut-ins will resume on 2 October. John Feuchtenberger volunteered to take this on and will enlist one more Elder to accompany him.*

*Wishing you warmth and Gods' blessings until next time!*

*Becky Allen, Clerk of Session*

#### **A HUGE THANK-YOU**

**To ALL the Dodsons for hosting our annual church picnic on August 28th!! We also want to thank Derrick Zimmerman for being our grill chef, and everyone who brought food to share. It was wonderful for all to be together and share fellowship on a beautiful day in such beautiful surroundings!!**

#### **IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT**

**The weather is beginning to cool down and winter will be here before we know it. We are now collecting warm clothing for the Blessing Box. There is a basket in the coatroom to collect hats, scarves, gloves, mittens, and socks. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the church office or contact Sharon Perkinson. This is a wonderful way to bless those in our community who are less fortunate than we are.**

#### **SESSION STREAM**

*Session met on Tuesday, 20 September at 6:30 in the library. Our newly elected Elders were in attendance at this meeting to be examined for ordination and installation. Each Session member was given opportunity to ask questions of the group and after a short period of discussion, the new group was accepted unanimously. Prior to their examination at this meeting, the newly elected group had participated in a ZOOM training class with Susan Sharp Campbell which they all felt had been really interesting and informative. So, we are looking forward to new Session members coming on board and are grateful to the "graduating" members for their dedicated service for the past 3 years.*

*Clerk Report: The yearly Presbytery Session Records Review has been completed. Also, we got 2 bookcases and a small table from presbytery offices which have been used in the choir room to make it more functional and welcoming. Check it out!!!! It looks much better!!*

*The Stewardship/Finance committee reported that pledges are down and that our utility bills are already exceeding the budget and felt that we need to ask congregants to increase their giving when possible or make a donation for this problem.*

*Property/Personnel: Third floor renovations are near completion but more money is needed to finish. Community Foundation of the Virginias has approved a grant for this and Jim Harvey is also submitting an application to Presbytery for a New Life Innovation Grant. The work on the exterior of the church is near completion and thanks to the generosity and work ethic of the contractor and his crew we got more done than we bargained for!*

*Congregational Care: Thanks to Betse Feuchtenberger for the lovely reception after our patriotic concert on 11 September! Both were a smashing success!! (Concert is available on YouTube in case you missed it)*

*Missions: This committee is in discussion about participating in the Operation Christmas Child shoebox project this year. Also, they are asking for winter wear donations for the Blessing Box. A basket is*

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