



*Drawing on our heritage, centered in Jesus Christ, looking to the future;
Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church reaches out with the Gospel to our community and the world.*

November 2015

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THE WEEK AT DMPC



- Sunday: Coffee in White Chapel at 9:30am
- Christian education for all ages at 9:45am
- Bibles, Bagels & Bites @ Bagels & Bites at 9:45am
- Worship Service at 11:00 am and
- Live broadcast on WDNE, 1240am
- Wednesday Adult Bible Study, 10:00am
- After School program, weekdays 3-6pm

We have seen the national statistics. Even as we look around our sanctuary on a Sunday, it is easy to observe that our congregation is growing “more mature” in age. While DMPC has observed growth in our children’s and youth ministry, all the while having seen more young families join our congregation over the past six years, the reality is that we have more work to do in reaching out to others in our community. As the Session of our congregation discerns faithful ways to continue reaching out to our community, our desire for growth is not self-serving – rather, our desire for church growth is grounded in the Great Commission of Jesus Christ where he tells the disciples (and us) to go out to the ends of the earth, **making disciples of all people**, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit **teaching them** to obey everything I have commanded unto you”. After Jesus gives this imperative to the disciples (and us) he says these words, “And remember I am with you, even until the end of the age”.

In the Spirit of trusting Christ and making disciples, our Session has voted to upgrade our Audio/Visual technologies in the sanctuary. This project will give us the capability of integrating audio and visual tools in worship to help us proclaim the compelling Gospel story in an integrated and meaningful manner. Many committees of the Session came together to create a task force of individuals who worked to create a plan that will provide a top-rate system while trying to maintain the beauty of our beautiful sanctuary. It is imperative to note that we do not believe that adding “technology” will attract new members to our church. What we do believe in this age of declining church attendance across the country, churches like ours will **need to articulate with concise effectiveness and with the best tools possible to share the transformative grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.** We believe that this A/V project is a small yet effective way to help make disciples. We believe this project will begin in mid-November, and should be complete by the end of the year.

Please join the session in prayer as we seek to make disciples for Jesus Christ through the ministries of DMPC.

Blessings,
+ Pastor Kevin

TIME CHANGE...

Daylight Saving Time changes on November 1st. Don't forget to change your alarm clock!

BREAD AND BROTH BIBLE STUDY...

WEDNESDAYS AT 6:00PM

We have 3 meetings left in this series:

November 04 November 11 November 18

WORLD COMMUNITY DAY

NOVEMBER 6, 2015 @ NOON

Church Women United will celebrate this at the Elkins Church of God in Glenmore. Luncheon will be in the Fellowship Hall followed by "Our Journey Together", a program relating to Pearl S. Buck.

BUCKWHEAT BREAKFAST...

NOVEMBER 7, 2015 @ 7:00AM

Don't miss a great opportunity to let the men do the dishes!

Breakfast will be served from 7:00am until Noon.

Men, don't forget the patty party on Friday.



AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM...

Our After School Program has had a great October.

All the children participated in designing, stuffing and dressing a scarecrow to enter in the Elkins Main Street Design Committee's Scare Crow Contest. The children decided on a "Minion" character from the movie "Despicable Me" and lovingly named him "Bob."

The ASP was thrilled to find out they had won!

Check out "Bob" downtown in front of Elkins City Hall.



CHI-RHO YOUTH GROUP...

The meeting dates in November are:

11-01 8:00pm D&E Chapel
11-08 11:00am Youth Sunday Worship
11-08 Bowling Night
11-21 morning Operation Christmas Child
11-22 6:00pm Normal meeting



KIDS CLUB...

For children pre-K thru 4th grade.

The club will meet November 8th & 22nd from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS...

The DMPC Women's Scholarship was originally the Minta Hopkins Ogilvie Scholarship. It was established in memory of the wife of George Ogilvie, a former pastor of the church.

The Scholarship of \$500.00 is given annually to a high school graduate enrolled in a college or vocational program. The Women's budget funds one of these scholarships, but we are happy to announce that this year we are able to give scholarships to four recipients because of extra donations given to this fund during the year, and from the Dr. Lacy Sunday School Class. Recipients are Elizabeth Proudfoot, Jason Hamrick, Levi Fath and Emily Caplinger.

Elizabeth Proudfoot is a Senior at WVU and is majoring in Psychology with a minor in Women's and Gender Studies. She is the daughter of Lynn Proudfoot and the late Bill Proudfoot.

Jason Hamrick is completing his undergraduate degree in just three years and graduated Magna Cum Lauda from WVU this spring. He began his MBA course work this summer and will begin Law School in the fall of 2016. In addition to his MBA course work, he is working full time at Gianda, Barrym, Bechtel & Jecklin Law Office in Morgantown. Jason is the son of Debbie Hamrick.

Levi Fath is the son of Tracy and Rick Fath and is a freshman at WVU. Levi is the grandson of Holt and Sue Chenoweth.

Emily Caplinger is a sophomore at Marshall University. She is the daughter of Jeff Caplinger and Thelma Caplinger and the granddaughter of Hope and the late Fred Caplinger.

The Duddy Bertolini Scholarship Fund was given to the Presbyterian Women by Roger Bertolini in memory of his wife, Duddy. The \$2,000 Scholarship is awarded to students at Davis & Elkins College. The recipients are Hunter Fath and Katie Varchetto.

Hunter Fath is a Senior at Davis & Elkins College, majoring in Business Management. Hunter is the son of Rick and Tracy Fath and the grandson of Holt and Sue Chenoweth.

Katie Varchetto is a sophomore at Davis & Elkins College and is majoring in Theater with a minor in Mathematics. Katie has worked in our Nursery upstairs each Sunday for the last six years. She is the daughter of Monica and Pat Varchetto and is the granddaughter of Judy Guye Swanson.

We are blessed that all of our recipients this year are "children of Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church". They have been active and faithful members of Sunday School, and the Youth.

Pictured at left are: Elizabeth Proudfoot, Jason Hamrick,
Emily Caplinger, and Judy Guye Swanson.

Levi and Hunter Fath were unable to attend the ceremony.

Katie Varchetto was upstairs working in the nursery.



NEW YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS...

I write to let you know of a new Sunday School opportunity for young adults at DMPC! Nate and Tessa Garver-Daniels will be hosting an informal discussion for young adults in the Chi-Rho Room during the Sunday School hour at 9:45am. There will be coffee and pastries available in the White Chapel. Children will be attended to in the on-going Sunday School classes for children and youth.

On November 1st, our children will be taught by **Monica Varchetto**, and youth will be taught by **Hillary Shryock** and **Sue Chenoweth**.

We would love to have you join us for this new community-building opportunity for young adults.

COMMON GROUND CAFÉ...

NOVEMBER 14, 2015

Members of DMPC and HTLC will serve lunch at the Woodford Memorial Church on Saturday, November 14, 2015. If you would like to participate in this on-going community project, please contact Diana Kerr or someone on the Witness/Service Committee.

DEDICATION SUNDAY...

NOVEMBER 15, 2015

For the past few years, we have not generated enough income to balance our budget and we have had to dip into our reserve funds to make things balance. Some of the reason is due to unforeseen property maintenance, but we obviously cannot continue to do this, we must do something different.

This year, we have received requests from the Christian Education and Worship Committees to do some very special things with and for our Youth and Worship Services!! We want to say, YES!, to compensate the very special folks who put so much time and talent toward the spiritual growth of our children! We want to say YES! to guests who want to contribute to the music programs of our Worship Services! Simply put, we hope your feelings along these lines are the same and that you can consider increasing your giving. Included with this Newsletter is a "Portrait of How Your Contribution Supports the Mission of Davis Memorial Church". You likely have your own memories of church activities that have required financial support from the budget.

Your annual pledge materials will arrive during the first few days of November, but if you would like to go paperless, there will also be an e-mail sent with information how to submit your pledge that way. Please make sure Marsha has your current e-mail address, your correct postal mailing address and your phone number, if it has changed.

DEDICATION SUNDAY IS NOV. 15, 2015, so please plan to bring your pledge cards in for that special collection!

PW CELEBRATES THE GIFTS OF WOMEN...

October 18 was Celebrate the Gifts of Women Sunday at DMPC. The Presbyterian Women invited Maureen Horning Wright, Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of West Virginia, to be speaker for the day. Her sermon title was "The Ties That Bind" in which, using the story of Naomi and Ruth, she emphasized the bonds that women create to support each other. Presbyterian Women of the PCUSA are an example of those bonds exhibited in their Bible study, fellowship, and service to the church and the wider community.

Participants were: Roberta Dye, Kim White, Holly Hughes-Reilly, Brenda Hermanson. Women of the choir presented musical offerings led by Dr. Melody Meadows, and Dana Marzolf was organizer. As a "thank you" PW presented Ms. Wright with pottery made by Susan Pell. Ms. Wright also preached at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

Maureen Wright



Keitha Wing, Susan Pell,
Brenda Hermanson (our "potter")
Maureen Wright

PW Moderator:
Brenda Hermanson



MITTEN TREE...

In other PW news, please remember the Mitten Tree located in the Fellowship Hall.

We are collecting mittens, gloves, scarves, and hats to distribute to needy children in the community.

Knowing that it gets cold in October(!) we are requesting that all donations be made by Thanksgiving.

Monetary contributions are also welcome.

Thank you for your continued support to this worthy endeavor.



HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWS CORNER...

The first half of our annual congregational meeting was held after church service on October 11th. Steve Schumacher and Charles Spanitz were elected to serve the next three years on church council. The general budget of \$45,250 and property budget of \$10,000 were approved.

On November 1, Logan Campbell will receive his first communion. Logan is the son of Rick and Denise Campbell. A brunch will follow our service. We will also play a few rounds of bingo. Those attending are asked to bring nonperishable food items for the DMPC Food Pantry.

November 1 is All Saints Day when we will remember all of our friends and relatives who have passed on to the greater kingdom of God.

On November 14, our ladies will help prepare food and serve the Common Grounds meal at the Woodford Methodist Church. At 1:30pm we will meet at Holy Trinity to learn how to make hard tack candy. All ladies are invited to join us.

On November 15, one half of our regular offering will go to World Hunger Relief. If you do not wish your offering to be used for this, please mark your envelope stating that you want it to be used for the church only.

Women of the ELCA will meet at the church on November 19 at 10:00am.

The annual WELCA bazaar will be held at the church on Saturday, December 5th from 9am to 1pm. Soup and hot dogs will be available after 11:00am. Proceeds will benefit several nonprofit agencies.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO CAROL MERTEN ON NOVEMBER 2!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO BRENDA AND CHIP RAMSEY ON NOVEMBER 10!

Please pray for: Mary Beck Kisner, Janet Crites, Pauline Fitez, Molly Queen, Herman Schumacher, and Arlene Williams

COMMUNITY KITCHEN...

Come help us dish out a much needed meal for the less fortunate. If you would like to be part of this exciting endeavor, please contact Tate Summerfield and let her know when and how you can help. Call her @304-704-9455 or e-mail her at communitykitchen@gmail.com.

NOVEMBER 28, 2015



FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE...

The D&E Choir will present a musical program on November 5th during the 11:00am Morning Worship Service. Immediately following the service, a luncheon will be hosted by Joyce Allen and the Fellowship Committee. A menu of beef, vegetables, rolls, and drinks will be provided. Please bring a salad or dessert to share and join us for some good food and good fellowship.

The ice machine was removed from the kitchen last year to make room for the new stove. The Fellowship Committee will now be providing ice for our church functions. It will be stored in the chest freezer downstairs.

The old can opener in the kitchen has been retired. It has been replaced with a brand new electric model. Enjoy!

Thank you, Mina Cupp

NOVEMBER LECTIONARY READINGS ...

All Saints Day November 1, 2015 (Sometimes observed on first Sunday in November) ART -- PRAYER	Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9 or Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 24		Revelation 21:1-6a	John 11:32-44
Proper 27 (32) Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost November 8, 2015 ART -- PRAYER	Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17 Psalm 127	1 Kings 17:8-16 Psalm 146	Hebrews 9:24-28	Mark 12:38-44
Proper 28 (33) Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost November 15, 2015 ART -- PRAYER	1 Samuel 1:4-20 1 Samuel 2:1-10**	Daniel 12:1-3 Psalm 16	Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25	Mark 13:1-8
Reign of Christ - Proper 29 (34) Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost November 22, 2015 ART -- PRAYER	2 Samuel 23:1-7 Psalm 132:1-12, (13-18)	Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 Psalm 93	Revelation 1:4b-8	John 18:33-37
Thanksgiving Day, USA November 26, 2015 ART -- PRAYER	Joel 2:21-27 Psalm 126		1 Timothy 2:1-7	Matthew 6:25-33



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CIRCLE MEETINGS

CIRCLE 1	Jan Burr & Mina Cupp, Chairs November 12 at 1:30pm at Susie Kump's home
CIRCLE 2	Judy Guye Swanson & Linda Rudy, Chairs Our meeting will be the Thanksgiving Gathering
CIRCLE 5	Sue Chenoweth , Chair TBA
CIRCLE 6	Sonja Corbin, Chair TBA

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