



*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.*

May 2018

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SUNDAY AT DMPC



Adult:

- 9:30am Coffee in White Chapel
- 9:30am Breakfast & Bibles at Henry G's
- 9:45am Dr. Lacy Bible Class in Dunham Room

Youth:

- 9:30am Breakfast & Bibles at Henry G's

Worship Service at 11:00 am and
Live broadcast on WDNE, 1240am

Pentecost Is New Creation

According to the Day of Pentecost story in Acts 2:1-13, God gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to empower witnesses to the resurrection. Sounds from heaven, cosmic language, the rush of a mighty "ruach" (wind, spirit, breath) invaded the house in which the apostles gathered, and appeared to them as a burning fire. Tongues of fire touched their nerve centers. A power — the unseen power of God — moved among them and gripped them. The Holy Spirit is unseen, like the wind, which is why the Old Testament calls it ruach YHWH, "the wind, or breath, of God" (cf. John 3:8). The Spirit is the "unseenness of God" working among us.

According to Joel (2:28-29) the ruach is to open everybody to God's future. People young and old will dream and will have visions of hope; they will be able to loose themselves from the way things are now, because God is establishing a whole new economy of creation. The Holy Spirit breaks us out of our preoccupation with ourselves and frees us to serve neighbors, loosens our grasp on possessions, and sets us to loving people. New creation is what Joel is talking about. Pentecost is new creation.

The book of Acts tells the story of the outcome of Pentecost's new creation: people witness in word and in deed to the risen Christ. At the outset, the newborn church immediately tumbled out into the streets to witness to God's mighty works in the languages of people all over the world. By the end of the story, a tiny, Spirit-filled community of faith that broke from its present order has spread across the continents with incredible power to bring new things into being. With the gift of the Spirit, all things are possible...

Therefore, on the Day of Pentecost, we celebrate God's gift of Holy Spirit which draws us together as one people, helps us to comprehend what God is doing in the world, and empowers us to proclaim, in word and in deed, God's plan of reconciling all people in the name of Christ (Ephesians 1:10).

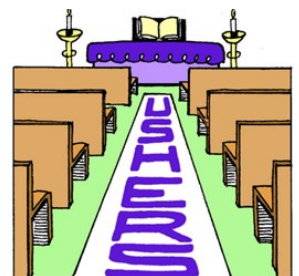
Without the gift of the Spirit, Christ's church dries up and withers away, and we are left with only our broken selves. With the gift of the Spirit, all things are possible. A spirit-filled community of faith opens eyes to needs in the world and sees its missing as God's new people. The Day of Pentecost is the climax of the Great Fifty Days of Easter, celebrating as it does the gift of the Spirit to the body of Christ — the church.

SESSION NOTES FROM APRIL 9, 2018...

1. The meeting was opened by Elder Jean Snedegar with a devotional and prayer based on Luke 11.
2. Larry Wing, Treasurer, gave a first-quarter report. The Session took the first of two actions to withdraw \$30,000 from the Angel Fund to use for current expenses. This has been a standard practice to supplement our deficit budget.
3. Jane Hazer reported for the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The partnership is going well. The offering from the Maundy Thursday communion service was donated to the Food Truck visit on June 2, 2018.
4. John Talbott reported dates of activities for Witness Service Committee:
 - *Easter Food Baskets on Palm Sunday
 - *Great Day of Service on April 28
 - *The Food Truck on June 2 and September 22
 - *Common Ground Café on July 28
5. Christian Education reported by Nate Garver-Daniels and Ginny Rast:
 - *A new printer has been purchased and placed upstairs for the use of the committee and Sunday School teachers
 - *May 20 will be the last day of Sunday School for children and youth for the Spring.
 - *Plans for VBS are beginning.
 - *Plans for recognizing our High School and College graduates are ongoing.
6. The Stewardship Committee, chaired by Jean Snedegar, reported that the pledges for 2018 totaled \$164,812.
7. The Property Committee, chaired by Monica Varchetto, reported on the completion of repairs at Manse #2. The kitchen floor was repaired and new linoleum put down and the dishwasher was replaced after a frozen pipe gave way in January.
8. Rev. Vial will be taking May 5 and 6 as vacation days. Rev. Laura Brekke will be preaching and serving communion in his absence. Rev. Vial will be taking a continuing education day on April 17th.
9. The Presbytery of West Virginia will be meeting Thursday, May 17th in Charleston at the Village Chapel Presbyterian Church.
10. The next stated meeting of Session will be Monday, May 14th, 2018

USHERS NEEDED...

The call is out for ladies and youth of DMPC to help take up the offering on Sundays. A willingness to serve is the only requirement. Please let Donnie Corbin know any Sunday morning that you would like to help.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN...

MOTHER/DAUGHTER

MAY 17, 2018 AT 6:00pm

The Presbyterian Women will hold a Mother/Daughter Dinner that Thursday in the Fellowship Hall. Chicken casseroles will be provided by the Circles and members are asked to bring a covered dish. A Birthday Cake will be provided by the Coordinating Council. In addition to our 2018 Birthday Offering Service, a special program is being planned to celebrate our 30 years as Presbyterian Women here at Davis Memorial, when we changed our name from Women of the Church. It has been several years since we have had a Mother/Daughter Dinner, so mark your calendars and invite your daughters and family if they wish, wear your hats and come celebrate with us.



FACES OF FAITH

We are now collecting items for area agencies such as Women's Aid in Crisis and the Homeless Shelter. These will be delivered during May and June. Suggested items are: toothbrush/toothpaste, comb, brush, deodorant, razors, washcloth, soap, shampoo, lotion, make-up, nail care products, and other personal care items you may wish to bring in. Items may be placed in the baskets in the White Chapel and the Fellowship Hall.



This year we are also accepting items for men such as: shaving cream, after shave, beard trimmers, and other personal care items for men.



THE FAMOUS HOT HAM-N-CHEESE SANDWICHES!

It is a tradition for the Presbyterian Women to fix these for a luncheon during Holy Week Services. This year, Mina Cupp, Sonja Corbin, Linda Rudy, Susan Pell, Judy Guye, Holly Reilly, Sue Chenoweth, Betty Legg, and Jan Burr kept that tradition going by preparing 90 sandwiches for Tuesday's lunch.

MAY FRIENDSHIP DAY...

FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2018 @ NOON

This will be held at the Woodford Memorial United Methodist Church located at 113 First St. We will have a short program before the luncheon.

During the meeting, the Women will be collecting the Least Coin offering. The Fellowship of the Least Coin has flourished as a global ecumenical women's prayer movement. The key to the movement's success is its simplicity. Individuals or groups may join by committing to pray for peace, justice, and reconciliation among families and communities and worldwide. Each time a woman prays, she sets aside the least coin of her local currency as a symbol of the prayer. Women's national groups collect the coins and send them to the Central FLC Fund, c/o World Council of Churches in Geneva, Switzerland. The prayers offered and the least coins collected support projects for women and children around the world.

SUNDAY SCHOOL...

Our heartfelt appreciation to each and every teacher who welcomed children, youth and adults every Sunday for Sunday school. We honor them and give thanks for their dedication and faithful service. May 20 will be the last day for the 9:45 am Children and Youth classes. We will recess for the summer months and begin again in the fall.



MOBILE FOOD PANTRY...

JUNE 2, 2018

This has become one of our most successful projects. Please take some time and come help us distribute food to those in our community who are in need of a little help.

If you would like to help, meet us in the parking lot behind the church between 8:00am & 8:30am.



EASTER LILY DONATIONS MADE TO THE PW SCHOLARSHIP FUND...

In Memory of:

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Butler by Joyce Allen
Robert Butler, Jr.
Jean Butler Lancaster
Mr. & Mrs. James F. Allen
David Garrett Allen
Dr. & Mrs. John B. McKee
Peter Kingsley McKee
Paul & Toots Burr by Jan Burr
Annalee Carlson by Joe Carlson
Wilma Johnson
Donna Teter
Charlie & Flossie Jones
Freda Sharp by Garrett, Lori,
Roger Sharp & Wyatt Chenoweth
Jim Cost by Marsha Gardner
Jeannine Williams by the Garver-Daniels Family
D. J. Graziani By Nancy Graziani
Lynn Orr Hilliard
Stephanie Shreves Ours
Peter Orr, Jr.
Cathrine Dauber (mother) by Judy Guye
Mathilda Swanson (mother) by Allan Swanson
Clark Hinkle (son) by Ruth C. Hinkle
Ellie Lesser by Walt Lesser
Pat Bennett by Cliff & Sherri
Wanda Marsteller Marsteller
Howard Marsteller
Rachel Forinash
Jeff Broschart by Janice & Robert Nelson
Joan Johnson
Harold Schenck
Elsie Schenck
Grandpa & Grandma Nelson
Our sweet Maddy by Peter & Tina Vial
Jeanette & Henry Albert by Bryan Wagoner
Marjorie & George Wagoner
William & Miriam Rankin by Bryan, Kim,
Stet & Ava Chenoweth Jacob, Elliot &
Buck & Rosalie White Samantha White
Juanita Marco

In Honor of:

Joe Carlson by Joyce Allen
Judy Guye Swanson
Lisa & Chris Wood
Will Proudfoot by Lynn Proudfoot
Ben Proudfoot
Elizabeth Proudfoot
Bernie Bennett by Cliff & Sherri
Marsteller
Mr. & Mrs. T. R. Ross by Nancy Smith
Corin and Toby by Bryan Wagoner

Donations:

Norma Rector Triplett



HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH May NEWS CORNER...

We wish to congratulate Jordan Schumacher upon his graduation from the University of North Western Ohio this month where he earned a degree in Auto Mechanics. His sister, Sydney, will graduate from Elkins High School on May 25. She plans to attend West Liberty College where she will study nursing. Their parents are Brad and Christy Schumacher. Proud grandparents are Greg and Nancy Schumacher.

May Friendship Day, sponsored by Church Women United, will be held at Woodford Methodist Church on May 4 beginning at noon.

On May 6, the Women of the ELCA will hold their annual Thank Offering service. Our special speaker will be Rev. Laura Brekke, Chaplain at Davis & Elkins College.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL MOTHERS ON MAY 13!

All of our ladies are invited to join us at Dukes's Restaurant on May 10 at 11:30am to celebrate Mother's Day.

MAY BIRTHDAYS: 15 Charles Spanitz
16 Joyce Estridge
16 Ric Campbell

MAY ANNIVERSARIES: 2 Arlene and Steve Williams

TYRAND AUCTION HUGE SUCCESS...

On April 7, Tyrand Cooperative Ministries held an auction and cake walk at George Ward School in Mill Creek. It was very well attended and the bidding rose to a frenzy over two homemade cherry pies, with \$500 being paid for the yummy desserts. Tyrand Director Belinda Toms is very grateful for the volunteers who helped with the auction, as well as those who donated items, including our church members. The final tally was \$7,300.

Nancy Lanham is standing in front of the quilt she made for our Auction. Beside her is auctioneer, Harvey Taylor.





BIRTHDAYS!

MAY

- 1 Nancy Booth
- 2 Julia Elbon
- 2 Everett Garver-Daniels
- 3 Jack Haher
- 4 Scott Corbin
- 4 Phyllis Jackson
- 7 Cliff Marstiller
- 8 Cristal Carlson
- 12 Harold Elbon
- 13 Fay Maynard
- 14 Jean Snedegar
- 15 Mary Ann McDonald
- 16 Vidia Ross
- 16 Ryan Schooley
- 19 Mark Armentrout
- 19 Lena Mealey
- 19 Sue Talbott
- 22 Neva Georgeson
- 24 Natalia Ross-Schooley
- 25 Susie Kump
- 25 Carter Loudin
- 30 Ann Wakeford



- 12 Cliff & Sherri Marstiller
- 31 Rev. Peter & Tina Vial

DATES TO REMEMBER

Every Monday	6:30pm	Boy Scouts
Every Tuesday	6:00pm	Girl Scouts
Every Wednesday	7:00pm	Al-Anon

May 1	2:00pm	Membership Committee
May 3	10:00pm	PW Coordinating Team
May 10	7:00pm	Home Prayer Group
May 14	6:30pm	Session
May 15	5:30pm	RCHS in the Dunham Room
May 18 & 19		Emma Scott Garden Club Annual Plant Sale in the Fellowship Hall
May 22	Noon	Book Club in the Dunham Room
May 24	7:00pm	Home Prayer Group
May 28	MEMORIAL DAY - office closed	

DMPC YOUTH GROUP

May 6 Last meeting—Picnic in the City Park
Youth Group will not meet in June, July, or August.

VBS WILL BE HELD JUNE 17-21

If you would like to help, contact Sue Chenoweth,
Ginny Rast or Monica Varchetto

CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER

You are invited to an informational event presented by Margot Evick from Children's Advocacy Center. The presentation will help us learn how predators operate and manipulate our young people, how to recognize the signs and what you can do to prevent it from happening.

This will be held at Woodford Memorial United Methodist Church at 11AM Tuesday, May 1, 2018.



DAVIS MEMORIAL
 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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 ELKINS, WV 26241

Minister	Rev. Dr. Peter A. Vial
Director of Music	Dr. Melody Meadows
Assistant Organist	Mark Armentrout
Church Secretary	Marsha Gardner
Clerk of Session	Mark Armentrout
Treasurer	Dr. Larry Wing
After School Program	Monica Varchetto
Chi-Rho Youth Group	Ginny Rast
Kids Club	Sarah Gustafson
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Vial e-mails	minister@dmpc.org tinamvial@gmail.com

CIRCLE MEETINGS

- CIRCLE 1** **Brenda Hermanson & Mina Cupp, Chairs**
May 10 @1:30pm at Sue Chenoweth's home

- CIRCLE 2** **Judy Guye Swanson & Linda Rudy, Chairs**
No regular meeting. We will see everyone on
May 17th at the Mother/Daughter Dinner

- CIRCLE 6** **Holly Hughes-Reilly, Chair**
May 9 @7:00pm at Juanita Kyle's home

If you need a ride to get to our Sunday morning Worship Service, please call the Church Office at 304-636-2788 and we will ask a Church member to pick you up.

Join us on [Facebook](#)! Join the Group "Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church" to receive current announcements, discuss topics, see our growing photo gallery, and generally stay in touch.

