



*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.*

**December 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

The Presbyterian Disaster Agency (PDA) is working with Santa Barbara Presbytery, Sacramento Presbytery and the Presbytery of the Pacific to respond to the recent wildfires in California. PDA has deployed four National Response Team members to Southern California, where residents are enduring both a mass shooting and the Woolsey and Hill fires.

National Response Team members to the Presbytery of the Pacific will be embedded into the American Red Cross shelters in Pacific Palisades and San Fernando Valley, at the ARC's request, as Disaster Spiritual Care Providers. Grants will be disbursed as we receive requests from the presbyteries. In the wake of the Camp Fire, PDA has approved an initial \$7,500 grant to the Presbytery of Sacramento; grant requests are also anticipated from Santa Barbara and Pacific presbyteries, said Jim Kirk, associate for PDA's National Disaster Response. In the Presbytery of Santa Barbara, fires ignited Nov. 8, a day after a gunman killed 12 people in a country music bar in nearby Thousand Oaks. "The fires are a way of life, unfortunately, but shooting is not," said Sandy Thoits, Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Santa Barbara. "People who are grieving had to be evacuated." People are overwhelmed and distraught. They're experiencing a wide range of emotions and reactions. Firefighters who are increasingly called upon year-round to battle fires in the wildland urban interface are seeing less and less down time. Mental health and spiritual care providers are needed in so many places right now.

This disaster is still unfolding. The PDA U.S. Wildfires account is being used for this disaster-- designate [DR000165](#) on the memo line of your check. Remember 100% of money donated goes directly to those in need.

## Session Notes from November 12, 2018

- \*The meeting began with a devotional led by Marshall Crawford
- \*Jane Hazer, from Holy Trinity Church thanked DMPC for the partnership between the two churches as we enter our fifth year. She also reminded the group of the Women's Bazaar on December 8 from 8a.m. to 1p.m.
- \*Capital Gifts report: The Session took second votes on a request from Bob McCutcheon to pay for his airfare to Iraq of \$885.46 from the Missionary Fund and a request from Melody Meadows for her 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary trip to South Africa of \$13,700 from the Missionary Fund. A first time voice vote was taken and passed on a request from the Property Committee of \$1500 for an assessment and work plan for repairing the stonework on the church building from Property 1 fund. Chairman Cliff Marstiller proposed a slate of new committee members which the Session approved. They are Debby Cook, Holt Chenoweth, and Kerr Kump.
- \*The Worship Committee is working with Christian Education on an intergenerational Advent church school class in December and for a children's Christmas program during worship on December 16<sup>th</sup>.
- \*The Fellowship Committee is looking for folks to donate cookies for the holiday events at the church beginning with the Service of Lessons and Carols on December 6 and including the Children's program on December 16<sup>th</sup> and Christmas Eve. The committee is also working on hosts for our after church coffee hours. They will be calling on Session committees to take turns as well as calling individuals.
- \*The Stewardship Committee is receiving pledges and time and talent card for the 2019 year. Follow-up letters will be going out to those who normally pledge but from whom we have not heard.
- \*The Finance Committee reported the current income and expense were on the expected track. The committee also distributed a draft budget for 2019 for review by the Session.

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## BUCKWHEAT BREAKFASTS...

Please mark these dates so you don't miss any of these wonderful breakfasts!

December 1	February 2
January 5	March 2



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## CUB SCOUTS...

**DECEMBER 3, 2018**

Tuesday evening at 6 pm, local Cub Scouts will hold a fund-raising cake auction in the Family Life Center of First United Methodist Church. This is a sweet opportunity to support the Scouts! Each cake is lovingly decorated by a youth/adult partnership and bidding can get heated. Bring your checkbook!

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## **Wesleyan's Festival of Lessons & Carols will be December 2 at 4pm in Wesley Chapel**

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### **A MULTI-GENERATIONAL ADVENT WORKSHOP... DECEMBER 2, 9, 16, 23**

During the four Sundays of Advent the Christian Education Committee is happy to invite all members of our church family to participate in a Jesse Tree workshop during the Sunday School hour before church. All parents, grandparents and any interested adults are welcome to come participate with our children as we make ornaments, sing songs and learn about some of the people who came before Jesus as we wait and prepare for His birth. Please let Sue Chenoweth or Nate Garver-Daniels know if you might attend to ensure that enough materials are available.

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### **LESSONS & CAROLS...**

**DECEMBER 6, 2018**

The D&E College Concert Choir will once again be presenting this popular program of the Christmas season. Rev. Laura Brekke Wagoner will be offering the evening meditation. A reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall. Cookies for the reception may be left in the kitchen the week of December 2nd. Please mark the containers so we know where they go. If you would like to participate by donating, helping set up, serve, or clean up, please contact Mina Cupp at 636-4507 or Sonja Corbin at 636-4073.

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### **TREE OF LIGHTS...**

The lights will be lit on the first Sunday of Advent and will continue to shine through Epiphany on January 6th. Forms are on the White Chapel table. Lights are \$5.00 each and benefit the After School Club.

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### **CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS...**

The Witness Service Committee will be providing Christmas food baskets to those in need during the holiday season. They are asking for contributions of non-perishable food items until December 9th. Baskets will be distributed after church on Sunday, December 16th. If you or someone you know is in need of a basket please contact John Talbott or Ann Macomber [\(304\) 636-8847](tel:3046368847).

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### **POINSETTIAS...**

The Presbyterian Women will be decorating the sanctuary for Christmas with red poinsettias. You will find a form on the table in the White Chapel to purchase a poinsettia in honor or in memory of a special person for \$15.00. You may also make a donation to the PW Scholarship Fund in lieu of a poinsettia. Donations will be recognized in the bulletin. Please bring the form and payment to the Church Office by December 14.

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## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN...

The 2018 West Virginia Church Women United State Assembly was held at the Quiet Dell Methodist Church on September 24. The theme was *Reaching for Wholeness in Gratitude, in Solidarity and in Harmony*. A large number of health kits and backpacks donated by churches from all over WV, were dedicated. Representing DMPC were:

(L-R) Holly Hughes Reilly, Mina Cupp, Judy Guye and Jane Hazer (not pictured).



The Presbyterian Women held a Thanksgiving Dinner as part of the 2018 Thank Offering of Presbyterian Women. A wonderful dinner of turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy was enjoyed by the congregation. The theme for the Thank Offering was "Diverse, yet one in Christ". Sixteen projects will receive grants for their projects from our donations. Many projects funded are for health ministries. Tina Mullenex, mother of Ryan Mullenex, a D&E graduate, spoke of his involvement in the Young Adult Volunteer program. Ryan is working in Tucson, Arizona, where the problem of immigration is being witnessed.



## WE SAY "FAREWELL" TO BETTY LEGG...



Judy Guye presents Betty with a gift from her DMPC family for her years here at the church and with the Presbyterian Women. Betty was always willing to lend a hand wherever needed to see that the job got done! We will all miss her greatly.



Betty talked about the different things she has done here at DMPC and what it has meant to her. We were all a little teary eyed when she was finished. She can't wait to start her "new" life with her son & his family—she will enjoy staying home & taking care of her grandchildren.



Jan Burr leads the way through the buffet line.



Betty & Rob get ready to cut their cake.

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## HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH DECEMER NEWS CORNER...

The Women of the ELCA will host their annual Christmas Craft/Bake Sale with a Country Store in the church social hall on [December 8 beginning at 8:00am until 1:00pm](#). Lunch of soup and hot dogs will be available after 11:00am. Let us help with your Christmas shopping with that unique gift and your favorite cookies. Proceeds will benefit local and national charities throughout the year.

We will serve the meal for Common Ground along with members of Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church on Saturday, December 15.

Christmas Eve Communion Service will be held on December 24th at 5:00pm.

We are going to purchase a new 12 foot artificial Christmas tree with 1200 prelit white lights from Home Depot at the cost of approximately \$600.00. Funds will be taken from the Memorial Funds.

### Church Council Information:

The church roof needs to be replaced soon as we have several leaks. The cost of the repairs has already been budgeted in the Property Budget. Also, the sidewalk at the end of our street needs to be repaired along with two trees need to be removed. Council voted to do the repairs if it doesn't exceed \$2,500.00. Money will be taken from the Property Miscellaneous line.

Please note this change of address: Barbara Schulz  
Bellaire at Devonshire  
5 Bexley Drive Apt. 130  
Scott Depot, WV 25560

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO RUTH WHITESELL ON DECEMBER 24.

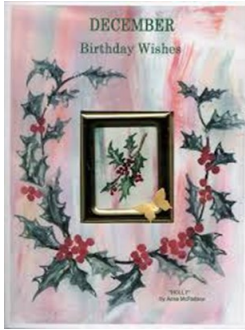
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Dear Church family,

Please know our family's heartfelt gratitude for the many expressions of condolence and sympathy we have received from you these past weeks following Richard's death. God welcomed Richard home October 28 following a long, tough battle with illness. Your kindness, generosity and caring have certainly been a blessed ease to our sorrow and we are so very appreciative. THANK YOU!

Roberta Dye and family

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- 1 Elliot Harper
- 1 Julia Ann Varner
- 4 Naomi Cassells
- 5 Robin Mams
- 9 Mary Emily Anger
- 10 Shirley Young
- 12 Steven Corbin
- 15 Deborah Cook
- 15 Walt Lesser
- 7 Ginny Black
- 19 Virginia Cassells
- 20 Robert Miller
- 22 Mary Hill
- 23 Mitchell Price
- 23 Jacob Riddle
- 24 Mark Talbott
- 25 Sabrina Jones
- 26 Fritz Corey
- 26 Chrisantha Hermanson
- 26 Kaia Miller
- 26 Quincy Miller
- 27 Bronwyn Bear
- 28 Wilma Miller
- 30 Richard Legg

*Happy Anniversary*

- Dec. 05 Greg & Anita Jones  
Dec. 23 Gary & Mary Moden

## DMPC YOUTH GROUP

Dec. 02, 2018 6:00pm Regular Meeting  
Dec. 16, 2018 6:00pm The youth group will be caroling in the Weese District behind the church. If you would like to be included in our tour, please let Nate Garver-Daniels know so that we can make sure we stop by. There will be a sign up sheet available in the White Chapel. If any adults would care to join us we would love to have you.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Every Monday 6:30pm Cub Scouts/Fellowship Hall  
Every Tuesday 6:00pm Girl Scouts/Fellowship Hall  
Every Wednesday 7:00pm Al-Anon/Dunham Room  
Every other Thurs. 6:00pm Girl Scouts/Fellowship Hall

Dec. 01 7:00am Buckwheat Breakfast  
Dec. 04 1:30pm Membership Committee  
5:30pm Capital Gifts Committee  
7:00pm D&E Choir Christmas Party/FH  
Dec. 05 4:00pm Lessons & Carols rehearsal  
Dec. 06 7:00pm Lessons & Carols  
Dec. 10 6:30pm Session  
Dec. 13 6:00pm Girl Scouts/Fellowship Hall  
Dec. 20 6:30pm Piano Christmas Recital

**The church office will be closed for these holidays:**

**DEC. 24 CHRISTMAS EVE**  
**DEC. 25 CHRISTMAS DAY**  
**DEC. 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE**  
**JAN. 01 NEW YEAR'S DAY**



**DAVIS MEMORIAL**  
 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
 450 RANDOLPH AVENUE  
 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	
Kids Club	
Church office	304-636-2788
Peter's Cell	304-621-8282
Vial e-mails	<a href="mailto:minister@dmpe.org">minister@dmpe.org</a> <a href="mailto:tinamvial@gmail.com">tinamvial@gmail.com</a>

**CIRCLE MEETINGS**

- CIRCLE 1**     **Brenda Hermanson & Mina Cupp, Chairs**
- CIRCLE 2**     **Judy Guye Swanson & Linda Rudy, Chairs**
- CIRCLE 6**     **Holly Hughes-Reilly, Chair**

The Presbyterian Women will have a joint Circle meeting on Thursday, December 13, at 12 noon. Please bring a salad or sandwiches to share. Following lunch, we will be studying Lesson 3. All women are invited.

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.

