



*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.*

January 2019

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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

Bob McCutcheon presents cross...

On his return from his trip to the Middle East with the Iraq Presbyterian Network, Bob McCutcheon presents Rev. Dr. Peter Vial and members of the congregation of Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church with a cross, a gift from the Basra Evangelical Presbyterian Church.



Bob McCutcheon has published an essay that appears in the Presbyterian Outlook magazine. Here is the link to the essay:
<https://pres-outlook.org/2018/12/catching-our-breath-judaism-presbyterianism-and-pittsburgh/>

Session Notes from the December 10, 2018 meeting:

- *The meeting was opened with a devotional and prayer by Dana Marzolf
- *The members of the new class of 2021 who were present were welcomed
- *Rev. Vial thanked the members of the class of 2018 who were present for their last meeting
- *Under Capital Gifts, the Session took a second (secret ballot) vote on a request from the Property Committee for \$1,500 for a preliminary study of the masonry around the church building that will need repair work done to it. The vote was 10 for and 0 against
- *Adam Kota, chairperson of Personnel Committee, informed the Session that the proposed budget for 2019 has a 3% raise built in for staff
- *John Talbott, chairperson of Witness Service, reminded the Session that DMPC and HTLC are hosting Common Ground Café, Saturday December 15. Volunteers needed
- *Dana Marzolf, chairperson of Worship Committee, recommended that Rev. Laura Brekke Wagoner fill the pulpit on December 30th in Peter's absence
- *Kim White, chairperson of Fellowship Committee, reinforced her call for cookies from the congregation for the upcoming holiday receptions
- *Mike Bell recommended a 2019 budget for the Church and it was approved. It will be shared with the congregation at the 2019 annual meeting
- *Monica Varchetto, chairperson of Property Committee, updated the Session on the review of the masonry situation around the church. Additionally, Monica updated the Session on some 10 year maintenance due on the elevator
- *Peter Vial requested vacation time December 27 to January 2
- *2020 will be the 125th anniversary of the DMPC and Session began the discussion on how we could mark the occasion
- *The Session set Sunday January 13th as the date for the Ordination and Installation of new elders during our service of worship
- *Nate Garver-Daniels will be our Ruling Elder Commissioner at the December 12th meeting of the Presbytery of West Virginia
- *The Session approved a plan proposed by the Prayer Group to hold a day of prayer on a weekly basis in the sanctuary.

BUCKWHEAT BREAKFASTS...

Start your new year off right and join us for one of the Men's delicious breakfasts!

January 5

February 2

March 2



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN ...

As Scholarship Chairman for the Presbyterian Women of DMPC, I was happy to present \$250.00 Scholarships to three of our D&E students; Julia Hancock, Abby Soward and MacKinzie Smith. Julia has been working with the Kids Club, Abby takes care of our children in the Nursery and Kinzie sings in the choir. We are pleased to have them involved here at DMPC. Judy Guye



The Presbyterian Women collected mittens, hats, scarfs, ear warmers, gloves, socks and throws this fall to be used by several Social agencies in Elkins, to help children stay warm this winter. Holly Reilly, Chairman of the PW Social Services, was pleased to deliver some of the donated articles to The Children's Advocacy Center last week. In addition to the winter wear, a \$200.00 check was presented to CAC, to be used in their program to help the children. Accepting the check is Margot Evick, Executive Director of Children's Advocacy Center. Tiffany Higham, CAC coordinator and Forensic Interviewer, accepts the winter wear to be given the children in their program. Judy Guye, PW Moderator thanks the members of DMPC for all the donations, which will also be distributed to WAIC and the Homeless Shelter.

DMPC CIRCLES...

PW held a joint meeting for the December Circle meetings. A delicious sandwich and salad luncheon was enjoyed by members from Circle 1, 2 and 6. Desserts were provided by Brenda Hermanson. Judy Guye, Moderator, announced \$150.00 was sent to Davis Stuart School for Christmas gifts and Christmas gifts were given to Staff by PW. Our Bible Study was led by Becky Ashburn focusing on God's Promise, I AM WITH YOU. The next joint Circle meeting will be held in February with Dana Marzolf leading the Bible Study on Lesson 5. All women are invited to attend.



Becky Ashburn teaching the lesson.



Virginia Cassells played the flute as we sang the opening hymn

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE...

The Stewardship Committee wishes to say thank you to each one of you who pledged your time, talents and treasures to God and our church for 2019. (And if you haven't done it yet, there is still time). Thank you for "honoring the Lord with your substance, and the first fruits of all your produce" as it says in Proverbs 3:9. Your pledge is primarily a commitment between you and God, but it helps us as a church community to serve the Lord in all kinds of ways – both spiritual and practical. We are grateful to God for the generosity of your time, talent and treasures, and we look forward to what God will do in and through us as individuals, and as a church community, in 2019. To Him be the glory.

Jean Snedegar

Stewardship Committee Chair

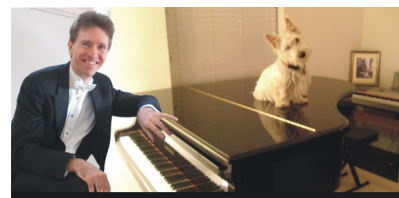
The 2018 Lessons & Carols service was offered to a packed sanctuary in December. Rev. Laura Brekke Wagoner brought the message.



*Please join us for a benefit concert for the
Randolph County Humane Society
presented by Jack Gibbons.*

*Musical Menagerie:
Peter and the Wolf
and Other Animal Tales*

*Davis Memorial
Presbyterian Church
Sunday, January 27, 2019
2:00 p.m.*



*Admission by Donation
Reception to follow*

Church Open for Quiet Prayer to start in 2019...

For some time the church prayer group has been thinking about the possibility of opening the church sanctuary for a few hours one day a week so that people can come inside for quiet prayer, meditation and/or to be prayed for themselves. We have not yet chosen the day of the week that will be best for this, but will have that information in upcoming bulletins, in Mid-Week Manna, and posted throughout the church.

We plan to have a sign outside inviting people in. Everyone is welcome, whether church members, people from the community or visitors to Elkins.

We are hoping it will meet some important needs in the church and community:

- Provide a place where people can be quiet, meditate, pray and experience God's presence

- Provide an opportunity for folks to be prayed for during that time, if they wish, or to ask prayer for a loved one

- Provide an opportunity for quiet contemplation that is not being provided elsewhere in the community.

One or two volunteers will be in the sanctuary available to pray with people who want prayer for themselves or a loved one. We will provide training for those volunteers in what to do – such as: how to pray with those who ask for prayer, how to pray quietly for those in the sanctuary, that God will minister to them, or how to use the time by praying for prayer requests/needs in the church bulletin. We already have a few volunteers, but need several more. *If you sense this is something you would like to do – or feel God is calling you to do – please let Peter, Brenda Hermanson or Jean Snedegar know.* We will schedule a training day in January, and after that we will start this new ministry.

We hope that people will come in and sense God's presence and feel they are in a place where they can bring their needs and concerns to God, and feel refreshed as they leave.

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

Matthew 11:28

*"Be still, and know that I am God I am exalted among the nations,
I am exalted in the earth."*

Psalm 46:10

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH JANUARY NEWS CORNER...

Holy Trinity's Church Council made the decision in November to purchase a new Christmas tree whose light will shine to be a reminder of our past, present, and future members and friends. John 8:12 says: "When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." We have been passed the light by all those past faithful followers and are encouraged to pass our lights on to others around us. Let us consider the lights from our new Christmas tree to be a reminder of all those faithful souls in our past that enlightened us all to be Christ-like and let our lights shine in the same manner to others, encouraging them to light up their own lives to be worthy of God's love. We invite you to come and worship with us on Christmas Eve at 5:00m and lift up all those memories of lights in our own past that have helped guide us through this path of life. - Jane Hazer

Steve Schumacher and Jane Hazer will be installed along with the other council members during our service on January 5. We would like to thank Brenda and Chip Ramsey for serving on council for the last six years.

Congratulation to Chip and Brenda Ramsey on their retirement at the end of December.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS:

Logan Campbell Jan 4 Steve Schumacher Jan 5 Nancy Schumacher Jan 16

I would like to thank all who participated in the WELCA Christmas bazaar, both with labor and purchasing items. We couldn't have done it without the help of our auxiliary men and especially Brenda Ramsey. We really appreciate all of your support. The \$1,300 raised will be used to help several non-profit organizations and needy persons in our community.

Nancy Schumacher





Birthdays

- 2 David Hyre
- 2 Lynn Proudfoot
- 3 Kaleigh Papez
- 6 Margaret Stalnaker
- 8 Addison Riddle
- 9 Julia Cassells
- 13 Hollis Vance
- 15 Tom Ditty
- 15 Levi Fath
- 19 Marlene Kyle
- 19 Benjamin Proudfoot
- 22 Jayson Hamrick
- 23 Arnold Kyle
- 24 Wyatt Chenoweth
- 24 Roberta Dye
- 28 Tom Regan
- 30 Isaac Anger
- 30 Marsha Gardner

Happy Anniversary

7 Joan & Larry Armbruster

DMPC YOUTH GROUP

- Jan. 06 6:00pm Regular Meeting
- Jan. 20 6:00pm Regular Meeting

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

- Jan. 03 10:00am PW Coordinating Team/Fellowship
- 6:00pm Girl Scouts/Fellowship Hall
- Jan. 05 7:00am Buckwheat Breakfast
- Jan. 08 2:00pm Membership Committee/Dunham
- Jan. 10 6:00pm Girl Scouts/Fellowship Hall
- Jan. 14 6:00pm Session
- Jan 17 1:00pm Meals on Wheels Bd/Dunham Rm.
- Jan 21 Martin Luther King Day (office closed)**
- Jan. 21 9am-4pm Life Line Screening/Fellowship
- Jan. 22 Noon Book Club/Old Chi-Rho Room
- Jan. 24 1:30pm Property Comm/Dunham Rm.
- 6:00pm Girl Scouts/Fellowship Hall
- Jan. 31 6:00pm Girl Scouts/Fellowship Hall



YOUTH GROUP IS READY TO GO CHRISTMAS CAROLING!



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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	
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CIRCLE MEETINGS

- CIRCLE 1** **Brenda Hermanson & Mina Cupp, Chairs**
 Jan. 10 @1:30pm at Jan Burr's home

- CIRCLE 2** **Judy Guye Swanson & Linda Rudy, Chairs**
 Jan. 10 @10:00am TBA

- CIRCLE 6** **Holly Hughes-Reilly, Chair**
 Jan. 9 @7:00pm at Marlene 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.

