



*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.*

September 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

THE BREKKE WAGONER FAMILY'S BABY SHOWER



Laura, Bryan, Corin & Toby check out the cake.

Big smiles!!

Do you think she likes it??

Look, there are 2 of them!!



SESSION ACTIONS FROM THE AUGUST 12TH SESSION MEETING...

1. Sympathy was expressed to the family of Martha Cardot. Services were scheduled for August 31st.
 2. Tina Vial was elected as commissioner to the August 24th meeting of the Presbytery of WV.
 3. The first vote was taken on a capital gifts funds request by the Treasurer, Larry Wing, for \$30,000 from the Angel Fund to cover regular expenses. The vote passed.
 4. The Session established a separate money market account to hold reserve accounts.
 5. The Church received a bequest of \$10,000 plus some jewelry from Carolyn Respass. The Session acted to place the funds and proceeds from the sale of the jewelry into the Angel Fund of the Capital Gifts list of funds.
 6. Jean Snedegar reported that our on-line giving option is being set up through the Presbyterian Foundation and should be ready to go in September. More information is coming soon.
 7. Rally Day was scheduled for September 8th along with the Annual Church Picnic. Sunday School for all ages will resume on September 8th.
 8. Steve Cook, reporting for Witness Service, relayed that there were 62 people served at Common Ground Café on July 20th. The next Common Ground Café is scheduled for November 9th.
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BUCKWHEAT BREAKFAST...

SEPTEMBER 28, 2019

Fall is fast approaching and with it comes those famous buckwheat cakes! Come join us as we kick off this years' annual event hosted by the Men of the Church. Breakfasts will be on the first Saturday of each month—except September:

September 28 (before Forest Festival week)

November 2

December 7

January 4

February 1

March 7

RALLY DAY & ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC ...

SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

Our Sunday School classes will begin the 2019-2020 session at 9:45am. Our picnic will be in the City Park immediately following the morning service. Please wear comfortable clothes to church so that we can go directly to the park. The meat and drinks will be provided. Please make plans to bring your favorite covered dish or a dessert and join us!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN...

PW HORIZONS BIBLE STUDY

SEPTEMBER 10, 2019 @10:00AM

A workshop on the new 2019-2020 Horizons Bible study—"Love Carved in Stone - A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments" will be offered by Dana Marzolf in Fellowship Hall. Open to all women, this workshop will be an introduction to this study as well as provide study helps for circle leaders.

PW FALL GATHERING

SEPTEMBER 19, 2019 @ 1:30PM

The PW Annual Fall Gathering will be held in the Fellowship Hall. All women are invited to attend. The program will be Installation of Officers, Least Coin Offering, Life Membership, Memorial Service and overview of the new Horizons Bible Study.

WEST VIRGINIA CHURCH WOMEN UNITED STATE ASSEMBLY

SEPTEMBER 23, 2019

The West Virginia Church Women United's State Assembly will be held on Monday, September 23, 2019 at Quiet Dell United Methodist Church in Quiet Dell, WV (near Clarksburg). Please mark your calendars to attend this event to participate with women of all faiths. We have devotions, conduct our state business meeting (includes electing our CWU State President), enjoy a delicious lunch with great fellowship, and relax with a program presented by Father Jim O'Connor of St. Brendan Catholic Church with special music to calm our souls. We will again collect health kits and New Beginning personal kits. The cost for registration is \$25.00 which includes a booklet, refreshments, and lunch. If you have any questions, please contact either Holly Reilly (DMPC) or Jane Hazer (HTLC). We will have the information for registration and items needed for the kits.

DMPC LIBRARY...

Looking for good reads? Good movies? Inspirational music? Check out the DMPC library! We own all of the above! While small, our library covers a wide range of topics. Most are religious or theological in nature – including many different Bible translations. We also have denominational materials, hymnals and religious research materials. There is a fiction section as well as some non-fiction. We have the whole collection of the Great Books series, which covers literature, philosophy and some science. In addition to books, we also have music CDs and movies on DVD.

Book/DVD/CD donations are welcome! The same is true for suggestions! If there are items you think other folks might enjoy, please contact Brenda Hermanson. If you have any questions, please ask Brenda. There is no time limit on borrowing materials. Please make sure to sign the check-out sheet and then check the items back in when returning them.

PRESBYTERY OF WEST VIRGINIA...

It was a pleasure to serve as DMPC's Ruling Elder Commissioner at the August 24th meeting of the Presbytery of West Virginia, particularly since it was held at Bluestone Camp and Retreat Center! Each time I visit, I am reminded of what a treasure we have right here in our presbytery. If you haven't been there, I highly recommend you carve out an opportunity. You'll find it very nurturing for your spirit! Whatever we can do to support this sacred space, especially combined with our own personal retreat and renewal, will be worthwhile. Some highlights of the meeting include:

Education segment featuring Jessica Lilly, host and co-producer of *Inside Appalachia*. She spoke about her life and career as a journalist in Appalachia and some of the stories she has covered.

Worship was reminiscent of old time and camp songs sung *a cappella*, with Rev. Stephen Baldwin preaching a powerful sermon about living and serving between faith and fear. Megan White, who serves as moderator of the D&E Chapel, accompanied us to the meeting. The Presbytery Leadership Team has recognized the importance of the only 1001 New Worshipping Community in our presbytery having a formal place in the structure, and Megan made the first official report from the student leadership to the Presbytery. It was a proud moment to witness!

We successfully examined Maggie Rust, a candidate from East Tennessee Presbytery seeking ordination to serve the First Presbyterian Church of Bluefield as a minister of Word and Sacrament.

Rev. Dawn Adamy was introduced as the new pastor of Bream Memorial in Charleston. We approved the Presbytery's 2020 budget. It includes a larger (and most would say unsustainable in the long run) draw on investments. Some adjustments have been made to reduce some programmatic expenses, along with the acknowledgement that as staff retirements become a reality, attrition will likely result in a smaller staff.

New committee members and chairs were elected.

Anyone who might be interested in serving as a Ruling Elder Commissioner to the General Assembly in Baltimore next summer is encouraged to apply for consideration.

Approved the dissolution of four churches: Pickens, Lakeview, Richwood, and Westminster in Charleston.

Respectfully submitted,
Tina Vial



THE LITTLE MARKET...

The Little Market at Tygarts Valley Middle/High School was started last year to meet the hygiene and dietary needs of the students in the school. The school does participate in the successful backpack program run by Otterbein Methodist Church, but the faculty found that there were needs that extended beyond the scope of that program. The Little Market is designed to fill that gap, based on the freedom to choose. Students can shop before lunch, after lunch or at the end of the day. The only restriction is that whatever they take goes into their locker and home with them that day. They are not allowed to eat the food in school. We encourage them to take what they want but to use what they take.

Before we started the market we only had the backpack program. Food was dropped off at a table by the front door and left there. Students were free to take the bags of food home if they wanted. This caused a problem. The bags of food were torn into and all the best treats were taken out. Only the healthy food was left. Students that needed the food weren't taking it because it was embarrassing. Students that didn't need the food were eating it for lunch or for snacks during the day.

We realized that we needed to re-imagine what food distribution could look like. Basing our model on a food bank in Akron, Ohio called "The Landing" we set out on our mission to give students who need food dignity and choice. We painted, re-branded, and opened our doors to all the students. We did tours at lunch time to show the students the new facility. We recruited student helpers to stock the shelves and make phone calls. Those in need "self identified" and were placed on the "Preferred Shoppers" list. The faculty pooled resources and were able to fill the shelves of The Little Market with hygiene products that were collected through various programs. We had tooth paste, tooth brushes, deodorant, lotion, shampoo, conditioner, soap, towels and body wash. Some of these products had been in the school for some time, never finding their way into the hands of the students. When placed in The Little Market, they flew off the shelves. Kids were even sent down mid-day to grab deodorant. They were so happy to have a choice in products and would even bring their friends in later to grab some deodorant of their own. Products like can openers and spoons that were donated to the school were put on the shelves. Students were so pleased. These went home to be presents to moms and to replace broken utensils. Students were able to choose their own shopping bags to fill with whatever they wanted. Our list of preferred shoppers bloomed to over 40 students. Daily shoppers at the market held strong and we served about 5-10 students per day. We now have the support of the student body. They think it is cool.

The Witness Service committee is helping with some of our needs by making funds available for purchasing needed items, but we would like to ask the congregation to donate regular size (not travel or sample size) hygiene products, non-perishable food items, and small household items that will fit into the shopping bags. A shopping basket will be in the White Chapel for you to leave your items in. We will also gladly accept monetary donations.

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER...

Church Council News:

Pastor Vial will be on vacation from September 30 through October 12.

Bishop Matthew Riegel will be with us for communion on October 6.

Davis Electric has done the electrical work that was needed in the basement . Basement Systems will do their work on September 5.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA NEWS:

Jane Hazer attended the WV-Western MD 32nd Annual Synodical Women's Organizational Convention at Bishop Hodges Pastoral Center in Huttonsville on August 9 & 10. Twenty-eight ladies enjoyed the programs and fellowship.

We would like to thank those who donated items for the "New Beginnings" backpacks. We were able to make twelve kits for church Women United.

The ladies of Holy Trinity will host the World Community Day Service for Church Women United on November 1. Lunch will begin at noon followed by the program. We will be responsible for the drinks and desserts. If you would like to help, please contact Nancy Schumacher.

We will help DMPC with "Common Ground Café" on November 9.

It isn't too soon to mark your calendar for our annual Christmas bazaar on December 7. We will have lots of gifts, hot dogs, cookie trays, soups and a country store.

It is with a heavy heart that we say good-bye to Nancy Goerlich. Nancy will soon be moving to Morgantown to be closer to her family. She is currently serving as a council member and devotion leader for the WELCA. Nancy has made most of our beautiful banners which hang throughout the church. She will be greatly missed.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO: Greg Schumacher on September 5



Julia Cassells looks on proudly as her sister Naomi Cassells shares her musical talents with us during morning worship. Naomi played "Syrinx" and "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" while Melody Meadows accompanied her on the piano.





SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Phil Kyle
- 7 Monna Macomber
- 7 Bodie Shockley
- 8 Don Corbin
- 9 Estrid Garver-Daniels
- 10 Richard Moore
- 11 Elizabeth Kump Conlan
- 11 James Lambert
- 12 Brendan Kerr
- 13 Joan Armbruster
- 15 Cyrus Kump
- 16 Nicholas Harper
- 16 Ralphene Maynard
- 18 Matao Hinkle
- 18 Elisa White
- 19 Bernice Becker
- 23 Nancy Smith
- 25 Anna Harper
- 26 Joyce Allen
- 29 DMPC (1895)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- Sept. 1 Larry & Keitha Wing
- Sept. 1 Ryan & Natalia Schooley
- Sept. 21 Dan & Lynne Harper

DMPC YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group will begin on Rally Day, September 8, 2019. We will do some activities at the picnic & our first meeting will be Sept. 22 at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Every Monday 6:30m Cub Scouts/Fellowship
 Every Tuesday 10:am-2pm Prayer Tuesdays/Sanctuary
 6:00pm Girl Scouts/Fellowship
 Every Wednesday 7:00pm Al-Anon/Dunham Room
 Every other Thursday 6:00pm Girl Scouts/Fellowship

Sept. 2	Labor Day	Office Closed
Sept. 3	1:30pm	Membership Committee
Sept. 5	6:00pm	Mountain Heart/Fellowship
	6:30pm	Witness/Service—Dunham Rm
Sept. 9	6:30pm	Session
	7:00pm	Emma Scott Garden Club/FH
Sept. 10	10:00am	Horizons Bible Study/Fellowship
	10:00am	Minister’s Lectionary Study
Sept. 12	6:00pm	Girl Scouts/Fellowship
Sept. 12 & 13 Sanctuary closed for carpet cleaning		
Sept. 17	Noon	Book Group
Sept. 19	1:00pm	MOW Board Meeting
	1:30pm	PW Fall Gathering
Sept. 21	9:00am	Food for Thought/FUMC
Sept. 23	10:00am	CWU/Quiet Dell
Sept. 26	10:00am	PW Coordinating Team
	1:30pm	Property Committee
	6:00pm	Girl Scouts/Fellowship
Sept. 28	7:00am	Buckwheat Breakfast

The Mobile Food Pantry for September has been canceled.



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CIRCLE MEETINGS

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

Everyone will meet at the Fall Gathering on September 29, 2019.

If you need a ride 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.

