



*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 2021**

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**SUNDAY AT DMPC**

Worship each Sunday is   
 broadcast live over WDNE 1240 AM  
 and live-streamed on  
 our Facebook Group  
[www.dmpc.org](http://www.dmpc.org)

**RALLY DAY 2021!! ...**

**WITH A GRAB-N-GO PICNIC! ...**

The Fellowship Committee has planned a Grab & Go Box Lunch after worship on Rally Day, Sunday, September 12. The meals will be available in the White Chapel and include your choice of ham or turkey sandwich with salad or Pepperoni Roll with Mac & cheese. Lunch also includes dessert and drink. Pick up your lunch and enjoy it in the park or in the comfort of your home!

If you cannot be at the church for this, but would like a meal, please call the office at 304-636-2788.



## SESSION NOTES FROM THE AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup> SESSION MEETING...

The following items of information and action were recorded at the August 9th meeting:

1. The Session voted unanimously on a second vote to take \$30,000 from the Angel Fund to support our deficit budget... a practice we have used for several years.
2. The Session voted on a first vote to approve the use of moneys from the Myles Fund of Capital Gifts to purchase additional video recording equipment for the sanctuary.
3. Heard a report from Worship Committee on ideas regarding the return to worship in person together again.
4. Heard a report from the Finance committee that efforts are underway to tighten up spending from our budget and plans to have a financial review (audit) of our 2020 books.
5. Witness Service reported that Common Ground Café will be October 16<sup>th</sup>. Also efforts to secure another food truck for distribution continue.
6. Christian Education reported on a successful "Staycation Bible School", plans to use "Growing in Love" (PCUSA) curriculum this fall for our children, and that Holly Harper will be our new Nursery Supervisor on Sunday mornings.
7. Fellowship Committee will make plans for a Rally Day celebration on September 12.
8. Stewardship will be meeting on August 19<sup>th</sup> to make plans for a Fall stewardship drive.
9. Property reported on the progress on the repairs to the Sycamore St. side of the church, the new covering of the stained glass window in the White Chapel and the pending repairs to the plaster wall in the White Chapel.
10. Prayed for, among others, Beth Kittle, the family of Robert McCutcheon Sr., and the family of Jay Anderson, and Matt Maynard and wife.
11. The Session is seeking to fill the role of Personnel and Nominating Chair for this fall.
12. Tina Vial was elected to be our commissioner for the August 19<sup>th</sup> Presbytery meeting in Charleston.

The next Session meeting is scheduled for September 13, 2021 at 6:30pm.

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## NEWS FROM YOUR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE ...

### RALLY DAY- September 12, 2012

As is our tradition, we will kick off our Fall Sunday School programs with the Rally Day celebration on Sunday, September 12. Our 2021—2022 theme is “Homecoming”. We will invite children, youth and our Sunday School teachers to be part of the worship service. Also, we will stream greetings and messages from special guests and those not able to be with us on Sunday. Students are invited to bring their backpacks for the “Blessing of the Backpacks” as they begin the new school year.

There will be a time in the service when we will collect school supplies for the students in our city. If you would like to donate items such as: pack of pencils, glue, notebook, crayons, hand wipes, pens, or pencil case, it will be very much appreciated.



We have chosen “Growing in God’s Love”, a Bible story curriculum for our Children’s Sunday school this fall. Sunday school will begin at 9:45 am on Rally Day, September 12 for all children 5-10 years, in the Education Room on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Children will explore Bible stories, key people in the Bible and biblical themes.

Come join us in this faith journey!

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We welcome Holly Harper as our **Nursery Coordinator**. Holly is a senior at Elkins High School this year and has been attending Davis Memorial since she was an infant! She is a caring, responsible young lady, and we are blessed to have Holly oversee our nursery and care for our little ones.



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### **KIDS CLUB AT DMPC**

Plans are forming for the start-up of our Kids Club in the near future. Dates and activities will be announced soon!

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## ADULT CLASSES ...

The Dr. Lacy Sunday School class will continue to meet at 9:45am on Sundays. Class Leader, Bob Hermanson, reports the following:

*“We continue in the book we had been using: Barklay’s LUKE. We are working right now on Chapter 11 of Luke until probably Thanksgiving! Who knows what is next! The class will choose. My suggestion: If you are new to the class, bring donuts for 8-10 people - and leave the left overs...”*

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This Fall DMPC’s Lay Academy will reopen along with the church. Both as spiritual formation for the congregation and outreach to the community, the Academy offers classes on Christianity and culture.

This semester’s offerings:

Does the Bible Say What It Means? Making Sense of Scripture.

Focusing on key stories in both testaments, we will discuss the way their writers conveyed God’s word through human language. Sunday evenings, 4:30-5:45, beginning September 12th.

“Wherefore could not I pronounce ‘Amen’?” Salvation and Damnation in Shakespeare’s *Macbeth*.

The class will look at the theological dimensions of the play and culminate in a trip to the Blackfriars Theater in Staunton, VA, for a performance.

Five Thursday evenings, October 7-November 11, 6:30-7:45.

Classes will meet in Fellowship Hall, a space that lends itself to social distancing.

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“Breakfast & Bibles” is seeking a new restaurant setting to continue their lessons with Brad Martin. If you are interested in joining this study group, please contact Mike Bell for more information.

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## **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN ...**

The Presbyterian Women will hold their Annual Fall Gathering on Thursday, September 16th at 1:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Installation of officers and an overview of the new Study Book will take place. All women are invited to attend to start off our new Women's year.

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Circle 2 took a trip to Canaan Valley for lunch at Canaan Valley State Park Lodge, August 19th.

Our two Davis, WV residents, Mary Moden and Pat Gilchrist, met the Elkins members and enjoyed a delicious lunch overlooking Canaan Valley.

This concludes our year of studying Lamentations and we look forward to the coming year's study.

From left, Mary Moden, Joyce Allen, Virginia Cassells, Linda Rudy, Barbara Tedford, Pat Gilchrist, Judy Guye Swanson and Julia Cassells.



# PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS SPECIAL OFFERING AND WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY COMING UP ON OCTOBER 3, 2021 ...

Our Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and around the world.



## PEACE WITHOUT WALLS

Your gifts will help more people experience the freedom and dignity that Christ wants for everyone, everywhere—regardless of boundaries or the walls that separate us. Let us offer the peace of Christ in all times and all ways.

Thank you for your participation in the  
Peace & Global Witness Offering.

25%

of this Offering stays with our congregation to support peacemaking and reconciliation in our own community.

25%

of this Offering will go to joining with other congregations in our area to support peacemaking work in our region.

50%

of this Offering supports the work for peace and reconciliation being done by Presbyterians across the globe.



 **PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS**  
SPECIAL OFFERINGS  
PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION



Please give generously.  
IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT.

## HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER ...

Church council met in August, making no decisions and took no action.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO: Greg Schumacher on September 5



## 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 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

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Sept. 1		<b>No Al-Anon Meeting</b>
Sept. 2	10:00	PW Coordinating Team/FH
Sept. 5	11:00	Communion Sunday
<b>Sept. 6</b>	<b>Labor Day</b>	<b>Office Closed</b>
Sept. 8	5:30pm	Capital Gifts/Fellowship
	6:30pm	Finance Committee/Dunham
	7:00pm	Al-Anon/Dunham Room
Sept. 3	1:30pm	Membership Committee
<b>Sept. 12</b>	<b>11:00AM</b>	<b>Rally Day</b>
Sept. 12	4:30pm	Lay Academy/Fellowship
Sept. 13	6:30pm	Session
	7:00pm	Emma Scott Garden Club/FH
Sept. 15	7:00pm	Al-Anon/Dunham Room
Sept. 16	1:30pm	PW Fall Gathering/Fellowship
Sept. 18	11:00am	Penelope Busch Evick Memorial
Sept. 19	4:30pm	Lay Academy/Fellowship
Sept. 21	1:30pm	MOW/Fellowship
Sept. 22	7:00pm	Al-Anon/Dunham Room
Sept. 24	5:00pm	Randolph Co. Retired School
		Personnel/Fellowship
Sept. 26	4:30pm	Lay Academy/Fellowship
Sept. 29	10:00am	Emma Scott Garden Club/FH
	7:00pm	Al-Anon/Dunham Room
Sept. 30	10:00am	PW Coordinating Team/FH



**DAVIS MEMORIAL**  
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**CIRCLE MEETINGS**

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
Financial Secretary	Dr. Larry Wing
Treasurer	Sherri Marstiller
After School Program	Monica Varchetto
Kids Club	Nate Garver-Daniels

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- 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 16, 2021.**

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. Follow our Facebook *Page* "Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church" for live-streaming worship.

