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There is a free show at the Robinson Grand on Sunday June 9th at 3:00 pm. Pam Mitchell would like to get a group to go and have a light lunch before the show at the church. If interested, please contact Pam. It should be an excellent show. Some suggestions would be pizza, salad, soft drinks, dessert, paper plates, cups, and napkins.



Life isn't about

Waiting for the storm to pass

It's learning to

Dance in the rain



Worship Leaders

5th – Rev. James A Harris 12th – Anthony Paletta 19th – Maria Morrison 26th - Jeanne Harris

Greeters

5th – Jane Simmerman 12th – Becky Alvaro 19th – Josh White 26th – Connie or Jane

Children's Moments

5th – Scottish Heritage 12th – Jeanne Harris 19th – Dick Ogden 26th - Pam Mitchell

Coffee Hour

5th – Amy Strange 12th – Maria Morrison 19th – Ginger D 26th -

Laundry Ministry

2nd - Jeanne, Kierra, James 9th - Marie & Beckie 16th - Suzi & David 23rd - Wayne and Harriett 30th - Josh White





5th – Denver Atkinson, Lance Kuhens

12th – Lance Kuhens, Hank Lawrence, Andrea Myerberg

19th – Jason Burnett, Lance Kuhens

26th – David Allman, Denver Atkinson, Lance Kuhens

Everyone is invited to Bradley's graduation party. It is May 12th 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm@ Oral Lake Fishing Club.



Bradley Burnett is the son of Jason and Terra Burnett and the grandson of Jeffrey and Pamela Mitchell and H.D."Bud" and Barbara Burnett. He is a 2024 graduate of Robert C. Byrd High School. At RCB he was a 4 year member of the soccer team, recognized as part of the all-county team his Senior year, a 2 year member of the track team, a state track meet qualifier, member of the National Honor Society and the student of the month for May 2024. During his senior year, he was a dual enrollment student at RCB and Pierpont Community and Technical College. At Pierpont, he completed 15 hours in Aviation Maintenance Technology and will continue pursuing that degree upon graduation. He is active at the First Presbyterian Church, serving as an acolyte, usher, and assisting with the sound booth when needed. He also volunteers his time with special projects and activities at church. Bradley works part time at Joe's Flies, Inc. and enjoys spending time with his friends and family, playing soccer, camping, and boating. His summer plans include a graduation celebration on a family cruise vacation, working, and attending summer school to begin his airframe and power plant certification. Bradley would like to thank his family and church family for their love and support over the years.



Karoline Colucci, the daughter of Bobby and Kara (Atkinson) Colucci, is graduating Summa Cum Laude with a degree in Elementary Education from West Virginia University. Karoline will be graduating from the Honors College and is a member of Kappa Delta Pi, Education Honors Society; her plans after graduation are to work with The Walt Disney Company in Orlando, Florida. She is excited to see where her journey takes her! Denver and Kandy Atkinson are extremely proud grandparents.



Cassie Delawder is the daughter of Ginger and Bryon Delawder. Her grandparents are the late Earl and Loretta Delawder and the late Ernest and Barbara Duncan. She graduated from Grafton High School and attended Fairmont State University and received Associate of Science in Nursing and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Her college major was Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Degree. She attended WVU for Nurse Practitioner. Cassie will graduate College in May from West Virginia University with a 4.0 grade point average and take her Board certification to become a Family Nurse Practitioner in June. She hopes to do some Travel Nursing while waiting on her license this summer. She plans on applying for Nurse Practitioner jobs around the area. Cassie would like to thank her Church family for all the love, support, and prayers given to her over her College career.





You all are such a blessing!

Quentin Harris - His parents are Terri Hines and Errick Harris, Grandparents James and Jeanne Harris, and Carolyn McHechan and Terry Wyckoff.

Quentin graduated from United Technical Center, passed his Journeyman license for an electrician.





Anthony Corsini

He is the son of Chip and Robin Corsini and Grandmother Jackie Corsini.

He played Baseball and Soccer with post season awards. He was Captain of both Soccer and Baseball his senior year. His summer plans are graduation trip fishing in British Columbia with his dad and Uncle Kevin and play Baseball and work.

Anthony's future plans are either Insurance Institute of WV and/or Fairmont University.

Coen Thomas Eddy, son of Tom and Traci Eddy of Marietta OH and great-nephew of Connie and Chuck Leuliette, is graduating from Marietta High School, from which he received a Social Science and Civic Engagement Honors diploma. A member of the National Honor Society and the Student Council, he was active in the Chess Club and the Debate Club. He plans to attend Ohio University or Ohio State University and major in finance.



Carson Ware, son of Mary Ann Ware and Ryan Ware and great-nephew of Connie and Chuck Leuliette, is graduating with honors from Worthington Kilborne High School in Columbus OH, where he played soccer. He plans to attend Ohio University and major in finance.



Sermons:

May 5th – "Kirkin O' the Tartan" Scriptures- Psalm 98, John 15: 9-17 Scottish Heritage – Rev. Peter Vial

May 12th - "God's Gift to Mankind"

Scriptures Proverbs 31: 10-31, Acts 16: 9-15

Mother's Day

May 19th – "When the Spirit Fell"

Scriptures – Psalm 104: 24 -25, Acts 2: 1-21

Graduation Sunday – Pentecost Sunday – Wear Red

May 26th - "God's Family"

Scriptures - Psalm 29, Romans 8: 12-17

Memorial Day Weekend



2nd Denver Atkinson

7th Xochitl Leuliette

Sara Waters

8th Dianne Keller

10th Tammy Kennedy

15th Betty Boyles

Lance Kuhens

17th Harriett Northey

18th AJ Paletta

20th Peggy Allman

21st Molly Hugus

26th Peggy Clark



We had a busy time during the Lent and Easter celebration. What a blessing to know that our Lord and Savior died for us. His suffering means that he cares for us. His resurrection lets me know that he lives.

The month of May brings about new beginnings. The flowers are starting to bloom. The trees have leaves that are green, gardens are being planted. Graduations are being celebrated. A new way of life is beginning to develop, for some school days are over and they join the work force. Others go from one level of education to a higher level, from middle school to high school, from high school to college. The exciting thing that takes place is the changes that we go through.

Let us explore how we can make our spiritual life more exciting. We can study God's word, talk to God through prayer and love one another as God has so loved us. Our lives are filled with joy and our relationship with God becomes much stronger when we love each other and we trust God. Let the month of May be the beginning of our new growth with mankind and God.

Church Corner

The West Virginia Presbytery consists of 111 churches in every city and many small communities. The Clarksburg cluster consists of Church of Our Savior – Clarksburg, First Presbyterian Church – Clarksburg, First Presbyterian Church – Fairmont, Bridgeport Presbyterian Church – Bridgeport, Church of the Covenant – Grafton, First Presbyterian Church – Kingwood, First United Presbyterian Church – Mannington, First Presbyterian Church – Morgantown, Canyon Community Presbyterian Church – Morgantown, Rock Forge Presbyterian Church – Morgantown, Sugar Grove Presbyterian Church – Morgantown, Bethlehem Presbyterian Church – Shinnston, First Presbyterian Church – Weston, Community Presbyterian Church – Arthurdale.

The West Virginia Presbytery is a member of the Trinity Synod which consists of 16 Presbyteries.





Poems for Memorial Day (We need to remember WHY we celebrate)

"Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We did not pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same, or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children's children what it was once like in the United States where men were free." Ronald Reagan

"Memorial Day isn't just about honoring veterans; it's honoring those who lost their lives. Veterans had the fortune of coming home. For us, that's a reminder of when we come home we still have a responsibility to serve. It's a continuation of service that honors our country and those who fell defending it."

Pete Hegseth

"We do not know one promise these men made, one pledge they gave, one word they spoke; but we know they summed up and perfected, by one supreme act, the highest virtues of men and citizens. For love of country they accepted death, and thus resolved all doubts, and made immortal their patriotism and their virtue."

James A. Garfield

"Some people live an entire lifetime and wonder if they have ever made a difference in the world. A veteran does not have that problem."

Ronald Reagan

"Never throughout history has a man who lived a life of ease left a name worth remembering." Theodore Roosevelt

"The veterans of our military services have put their lives on the line to protect the freedoms that we enjoy. They have dedicated their lives to their country and deserve to be recognized for their commitment." Jud Gregg

