

Rock "905"

The monthly newsletter of
Rock Lake Presbyterian Church
905 Village Drive, South Charleston, WV 25309



"...on this rock I will build my church..."

August 2026

Nurturing Faith Ideas 2026, based on the Revised Common Lectionary

August 2: Tenth Sunday after Pentecost -Read Matthew 14:13-21

When the disciples told him the crowds before him needed food, Jesus told the disciples to give them something to eat. From the five loaves and two fish, Jesus fed over five thousand people, all because he saw the need of many and felt compassion. There are still hungry people in our midst. This week, when you or your family go to the grocery, what might you contribute to the local food pantry as a way to show compassion to those who are hungry?

August 9: Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost - Read Matthew 14:2-32

In this acrostic poem, each verse begins with the next letter of the Hebrew alphabet and praises God for what God has done. By yourself or with a friend, write the letters of our alphabet down a piece of paper. For each letter, write something that begins with that letter for which you would praise God.

August 16: Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost -Read Genesis 45:1-15

Many years after Joseph's brothers sold him into slavery, they came to Joseph seeking food in a time of famine. Joseph recognized them, thought they did not recognize Joseph. When Joseph told them who he was, he also told them that not to be distressed for God had been working in all that had happened. When/how, as you think back over your life, no matter how long it's been, has God worked in a surprising way? Give thanks to God for God's never-ending care.

August 23: Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost -Read Matthew 16:13-2

At Caesarea Philippi, Jesus asked the disciples who other people were saying that Jesus was. Then Jesus asked the disciples the same question – "Who do you say that I am?" Peter declared Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God. Jesus asks that same question of his disciples today – "Who do you say that I am?" What is your response?

August 30: Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost Read Exodus 1:1-15

When God called to Moses through a bush that was on fire but not burning us, God told Moses to take off his sandals for he was standing on "holy ground." While we may not literally take off our shoes, what "ground" for you is "holy," that is set apart as a place where God meets you? It could be a special place or with special people or engaging in a special activity or something else.



This month, in addition to praying for our church and congregation, please pray for these churches and their ministry that may all we do be to the Glory of God!

August 2

Fayetteville Presbyterian Church
First Presbyterian Church, Clarksburg
Gitero Church
Rware Parish

August 9

Marsh Fork Presbyterian Church, Dry Creek
Valley Bend Presbyterian Church, Beverly
Gitumbi Church
Rware Parish

August 16

First Presbyterian Church, Morgantown
First Presbyterian Church, Parkersburg
Kingongo Church
Rware Parish

August 23

Comfort Presbyterian Church
Spring Creek Presbyterian Church, Renick
Union Presbyterian Church
Muringato Church
Rware Parish

August 30

Beechwood Presbyterian Church, Parkersburg
Bradley Presbyterian Church
Centerville Presbyterian Church, Greenville
Nyamachaki Memorial Church
Rware Parish

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## RLPC SECOND SUNDAY POTLUCK – JULY 12



## MEET - DAWN ADAMY



Rev. Dawn Adamy is Rock Lake's new liaison with the Presbytery of West Virginia. Dawn is a member of the Commission on Pastoral Ministry's Transitions Team, which helps congregations that are between pastors explore their options and discern the best path forward as they seek pastoral leadership for their present ministry needs.

Dawn has been the installed pastor of Bream Memorial in Charleston since 2019, and has been the part-time interim pastor for Kanawha United since January of 2025. These congregations are in the process of exploring merging.

She has extensive experience in transitional ministry and has worked with several congregations in her former New Jersey presbytery to navigate seasons of significant change and possibility.

She looks forward to working with Rock Lake during this important time in its life.

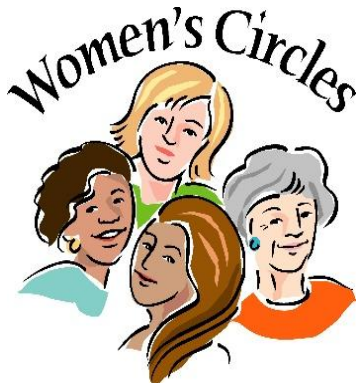


BIRTHDAYS

- |   |                 |    |               |
|---|-----------------|----|---------------|
| 1 | Levi Means      | 10 | Jean Smith    |
| 4 | Don Broyles     | 15 | Marilyn Padon |
| 6 | Tiffany Hoke    | 18 | Lauren Taylor |
| 7 | Madison Barnes  | 19 | Judy Knowles  |
| 7 | Madison Meador  | 25 | Max Broyles   |
| 7 | Raylee Wilson   | 27 | Eliza Baker   |
| 9 | Patricia Jarvis |    |               |

ANNIVERSARIES

- |   |                    |    |                        |
|---|--------------------|----|------------------------|
| 3 | Jeff & Sandi Ray   | 11 | Ed & Jackie Thompson   |
| 7 | Jeff & Connie Dent | 28 | Alex & Margie Gumowski |



Circle meetings will begin Tuesday, September 28 at 7:00 pm. They will be meeting every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month.

The September Service project will be making "Birthday Kits" for Heart and Hand to give out for those special days!!

Please bring a cake mix, or icing, candles – anything birthday related to fill the "Birthday Bags"!



# Blessing of the Backpacks

## Bridgeview Food Ministry

School is getting ready to start again!!

We will begin packing food ministry bags for Bridgeview Elementary after church service on

Sunday, August 30 for a September 2<sup>nd</sup> delivery.

Our closet is completely empty so any donations will be welcome!

Below is a list of food needed for the program:

Mac & Cheese (microwavable and single serving)

Pudding Cups

Juice Boxes

Individual cereal packages

Snack Bags (pretzels, cheezits, goldfish, gummies, chips, cookies (individual packages)

Chocolate milk

Ravioli (or other Chef Boyardee Pastas, microwavable, single serving)

Applesauce or Fruit Cups

Pop Tarts

Thank you for your generosity!!

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CENTS-ABILITY OFFERING

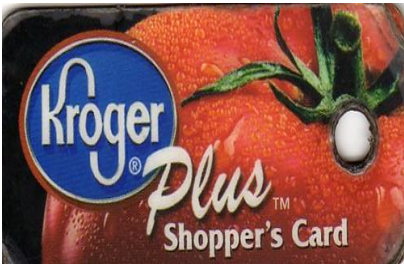


From the PCUSA website:

“Cents-Ability is one way that families, congregations, and presbyteries can support the battle against hunger and poverty. Every member is invited to contribute a few cents at every meal. Funds are then used to support local hunger ministries, as well as national and international projects through the Presbyterian Hunger Program.”

The next offering will be collected Sunday August 30, 2026. So, start to collect your 5 cents per meal each day. Proceeds will go to Heart & Hand. Please remember people who are less fortunate by donating to this, and all Cents-Ability offerings.

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Through the Kroger Community Rewards Program, Kroger will donate to RLPC 5% of all grocery/pharmacy purchases YOU make just by using your Kroger Plus Card. Please sign up for this FREE profitable program for RLPC. You only have to open an account and register your Kroger Plus Card online at: [Krogercommunityrewards.com](http://Krogercommunityrewards.com).

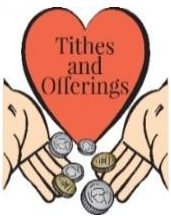
OR

You can simply telephone Kroger Community Rewards at 1-800-576-4377.

They will assist

you with registering your Kroger Plus Card. You will need to have handy either your Kroger Plus Card number or your alternate ID (your telephone number).

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We understand that there are some who are uncomfortable attending in-person worship and hope that you are able to join the service on YouTube.

We appreciate your continued gifts to the church. There are several ways that you may make a donation. By logging onto the church website at www.rlpc.org you can give through PayPal.

Also, outside the choir room is a mailbox where you can drop your offering. Or you can send a check by mail to the church's address: 905 Village Drive, South Charleston, WV 25309.

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## Session Notes

## July Session Digest

**WORSHIP (W):** The estimated total communicants on July 5 was 50. The next communion will be on August 2. **If you are joining worship from home that day, please remember to prepare your elements in advance.**

The list of 2026 preachers for August 2 through September 27 is:

| Date              | Preacher         | Notes                                           |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Sun, Aug 2, 2026  | Sallie Daugherty | 10 <sup>th</sup> SaP, COMMUNION                 |
| Sun, Aug 9, 2026  | Kathy Maddy      | 11 <sup>th</sup> SaP, potluck following worship |
| Sun, Aug 16, 2026 | Cherrie Sizemore | 12 <sup>th</sup> SaP                            |
| Sun, Aug 23, 2026 | Randy Fife       | 13 <sup>th</sup> SaP                            |
| Sun, Aug 30, 2026 | Kathy Weed       | 14 <sup>th</sup> SaP, Centsability Offering     |
| Sun, Sep 6, 2026  | Sallie Daugherty | 15 <sup>th</sup> SaP, COMMUNION                 |
| Sun, Sep 13, 2026 | Brandi Hicks     | 16 <sup>th</sup> SaP, potluck following worship |
| Sun, Sep 20, 2026 | Cherrie Sizemore | 17 <sup>th</sup> SaP                            |
| Sun, Sep 27, 2026 | Randy Fife       | 18 <sup>th</sup> SaP                            |

Extend RLPC hospitality to these people who ministering to us in this time of transition!

The committee will be meeting on August 26 to begin preparing for 4<sup>th</sup> quarter worship, and approve the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter preachers.

***We encourage you to make in-person worship a priority at the start of every week.***

**ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE (A&F):** The Income & Expense YTD actual income exceeds actual spending by about \$33,000. Session approved a \$34,000 loan from the general account (currently with a balance of \$96,181) to the solar panel loan principal; the loan will be repaid when the 30% IRS reimbursement is received. The purpose is to reduce the solar panel interest cost.

The Stewardship Task Force will meet on August 12 to prepare for the fall stewardship campaign. The Nominating Committee met on July 29 to begin populating the class of 2029 nominees.

**CHRISTIAN NURTURE (CN):** The Bridgeview Bag Project will resume monthly food bag preparation on August 30 for distribution in September. Also, in September, the women's circle will resume meeting on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

**MISSION & SERVICE (M&S):**

**PROPERTY (P):** Shrubbery around the building on the Village Drive side has been trimmed back. The stained ceiling tiles outside the sanctuary main doors have been checked, and are dry.

**CONGREGATIONAL CARE (CC):** The next second Sunday potluck will be August 9.

The pastor search sub-committee met on June 30. Rev. Dawn Adamy is Rock Lake's new liaison from the Presbytery Committee on Pastoral Ministry (CoPM). She will help RLPC as we discern God's will for our congregation.

**OTHER (O):** On June 30, the session tax sub-committee met with Steve Duffield and Zach Phelan in the Kanawha County Tax Assessor's office. The meeting was cordial, and recommendations made by the assessor's office were shared with Recovery Point (RP) Executive Director Leah Cook and Deputy Director Patrick Brown in a July 22 meeting.

RP is in the process of taking over operation of the Appalachian Behavioral Health Care (ABHC) from Pollen8. RP attorneys are drafting a memorandum of understanding between RP and RLPC. RP will invite RLPC delegates to join the Advisory Committee overseeing this RP facility, which will meet monthly.

With Christ's Peace,

Ken

# Rock Lake Presbyterian Church

## August 2026

| Sunday                                                                                                              | Monday                                                             | Tuesday                                                                               | Wednesday                                                                                                                                             | Thursday                                                                                                                                                      | Friday                                                                | Saturday                                                                                                              |
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| <b>2</b> 10:00 am RLPC Worship<br> | <b>3</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open<br>2:30 pm Amethyst Group (P)  | <b>4</b> 8:30 RL Comm Garden<br>9:00 am Church Office Open                            | <b>5</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open                                                                                                                   | <b>6</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open<br>1:00 pm Handwork for Mission(P)<br> | <b>7</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open<br>6:00 pm Foundation to Freedom  | <b>8</b> 8:30 R L Comm Garden                                                                                         |
| <b>9</b> 10:00 am RLPC Worship<br> | <b>10</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open<br>2:30 pm Amethyst Group (P) | <b>11</b> 8:30 RL Comm Garden<br>9:00 am Church Office Open<br>9:30 Carbide OldTimers | <b>12</b> 9:00 am Church Office                                                                                                                       | <b>13</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open<br>1:00 pm Handwork for Mission (P)                                                                                      | <b>14</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open<br>6:00 pm Foundation to Freedom | <b>15</b> 8:30 R L Comm Garden<br> |
| <b>16</b> 10:00 am RLPC Worship                                                                                     | <b>17</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open<br>2:30 pm Amethyst Group (P) | <b>18</b> :30 RL Comm Garden<br>9:00 am Church Office Open<br>6:30 pm Session Mtg     | <b>19</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open<br><br>Pray for Our Students | <b>20</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open<br>1:00 pm Handwork for Mission (P)                                                                                      | <b>21</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open<br>6:00 pm Foundation to Freedom | <b>22</b> 8:30 R L Comm Garden                                                                                        |
| <b>23</b> 10:00 am RLPC Worship                                                                                     | <b>24</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open<br>2:30 pm Amethyst Group (P) | <b>25</b> 8:30 RL Comm Garden<br>9:00 am Church Office Open                           | <b>26</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open                                                                                                                  | <b>27</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open<br>1:00 pm Handwork for Mission (P)                                                                                      | <b>28</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open<br>6:00 pm Foundation to Freedom | <b>29</b> 8:30 R L Comm Garden                                                                                        |
| <b>30</b> 10:00 am RLPC Worship<br><br>Cents-Ability                                                                | <b>31</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open<br>2:30 pm Amethyst Group (P) |                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                       |                                                                                                                       |



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