

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..."

Matthew 16:18

June 2020



FROM THE
Pulpit

June is bustin' out all over – all over the meadows and the hill!

As we continue in this mode of "What do we do now?" know that congregational safety is paramount on the part of your Session. It is our hope that you have been able to worship with us 'virtually' through this time. We have tried to make our services as available to you as possible and we would appreciate hearing from you about your desires and lack of being able to communicate. Please call the office and let Sandy know that you have tried and are unable to receive the service.

Now, we also have been hampered in trying to do a 'Mission Study', which I have entitled – "2020 Vision for the Rock". We as a church had one opportunity to be together as we began the three-part series of meetings to establish where we have been, what we are doing, and then looking to the future for RLPC. I had hoped that we might be able to have at least the second meeting by means of an online program called Zoom, but our participation was very lacking, even though we did expand a little on the information from the first meeting. I sense that we will need to 'put on hold' the efforts to establish the study.

One thing we have done, with limited success, was to begin a Bible study on Zoom. We have been looking over the scriptures for the coming Sunday and discussing the passages as to how they apply to our situations today. Elsewhere in this newsletter you can find the online address for the Zoom and for those of you who do not have a computer, you can get into the conversation by phone. Simply dial the number also being supplied plus a #. We are doing this on Monday evenings at 7:00pm, but if you have a problem with that time, let me know and we can perhaps set another day and hour.

Our hopes and prayers are that you have been persisting through this time of being closed in. God has a way of helping us in those times – giving us peace and comfort as we turn to the Triumphant Godhead as our source of life and light!

God Bless you!!!

Blessings and Peace

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The link to online Sunday worship at 11:00 a.m., Monday Evening Bible study at 7:00 p.m. and the weekly bulletin are now listed on the home page of the church's website [www.rlpc.org](http://www.rlpc.org). Links to all the services to date and the bulletins are also available as well as the link to Facebook.

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Please be aware if you are not computer savvy or would just like a CD of the entire service or the sermon, please contact the church office (304) 768-4141 and one will be made available to you.
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**JUNE UPDATES**

THE GUEST PREACHERS FOR JUNE ARE: \_\_\_\_\_ June 7         Ed Thompson  
                                                                  June 14         Rocky Poole

**Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the June 14<sup>th</sup> POT LUCK Lunch is CANCELLED**  
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2020 PEARL INGRAM APPLICATIONS



Applications for the 2020 Pearl Inghram Scholarship are now available. To be considered for the scholarship, the applicant must have graduated from high school by spring/summer of 2020 or in a previous year. Applicants must also be enrolled in college, trade school, or other post high school professional training program for the fall of 2020. Completed applications must be in the church office by 1 PM, July 1. Applicants will be notified of the Scholarship Committee's decision by email on or before July 20. A check will be mailed directly to the applicant awarded the scholarship no later than August 21. APPLICATION FORMS

can be requested by calling the church office at 304 768-4141 weekday mornings or by emailing rocklakepreschurch@gmail.com ."

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**BLUESTONE SUMMER CAMP 2020**



Because of the pandemic, Bluestone summer camp will be going virtual via video-conference this summer. It will be free to all that want to participate. Bluestone needs our help. Rock Lake's Session decided to donate \$500 in "Honor of RLPC Youth" that have attended Bluestone camps. The funds were raised by RLPC Youth in previous years. Can you help too? If so, please send donations

to Presbytery of West Virginia, 520 Second Avenue, South Charleston, WV 25303. Make the check out to Presbytery of West Virginia, but on the check's memo line write "Bluestone Virtual Summer Camp". Also, if you have supplies or skills to donate, contact Sarah Specht at [sarah@bluestonecamp.com](mailto:sarah@bluestonecamp.com) or Mark Miller at [mark@bluestonecamp.com](mailto:mark@bluestonecamp.com). Please keep Bluestone in your prayers.

## Festival of Faith has moved to August 29

Festival of Faith, with keynote presenter Jill Duffield, editor of *The Presbyterian Outlook*, has been moved to Saturday, Aug. 29. More information will be coming in early summer. Please mark this date on your calendar!

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STRESS and OUR RESPONSE TO THE PANDEMIC - Some people deal with stress better than others. Hopefully these will help you or someone you know. Circle the items you commonly use, and write down additional ideas you would like to begin using.

Spiritual

- Pray
- Meditate.
- Practice gratitude.
- Discuss your spiritual concerns with spiritual leaders.
- Balance time spent with others with time for yourself/with God.
- Practice the rituals of your faith.
- Attend spiritual retreats.
- Visit new places of worship.
- Be bold in asking the hard questions.
- Read spiritual literature.
- Read stories of other survivors who overcame hard times.
- Tune in to your higher power: sing, paint, write poetry, journal.
- Renew your sense of purpose.
- YOUR IDEAS



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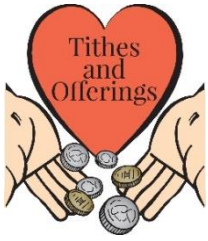
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Continue to collect centsability offering "5 cents a meal". Plans to collect will be announced at a later date.

### Bridgeview Food Ministry

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The Bridgeview food bag program is temporarily suspended while children are being homeschooled. Kanawha county schools are doing a wonderful job at delivering food to the bus stops for the kids.



April Income	\$ 9,480.07	January through April Income	\$49,275.19
April Expenses	\$ 10,525.63	January through April Expenses	\$46,085.24



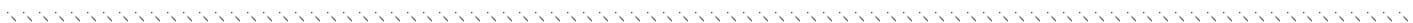
Since we have not coming together for worship, many of you have generously given to the ministry of RLPC and may want to continue your gifts to the church. There are several ways that you may make a donation. By logging onto the church website at www.rlpc.org you can give through PayPal. Also, outside 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. Contact Mary Wagner for further information. (304)552-1627.



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.

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).



Birthdays:

2	Susan Kuhn	17	Dan Shriver
5	Linda Hunt	20	Justin Broyles
7	Phyllis Fenwick	22	Elaine Crabtree
8	Ed Bailey	28	Janell Childers
11	Mary Anne Estill	29	Susan Hamilton
15	John Haynes	30	Dick Clark

Anniversaries:

9	Scott and Susan Hamilton	21	Ken and Olga Schmidt
15	Gary and Jane Crosby	27	Don and Michelle Broyles
19	Dan and Cheryl Shriver		





May, 2020 Session Digest

WORSHIP: The estimated (from 65 views during the service) May 3 communion congregation was about 100 people. Jim Musgrave will be away the first two Sundays in June. Ed Thompson and Rocky Poole will lead worship June 7 and June 14, respectively. **Communion will be celebrated June 7, so remember to prepare your elements at home.**

The committee is preparing a list of brief questions regarding resumption of sanctuary worship. The session will be calling regularly-attending members for their responses. These answers will be carefully considered as session works out how & when to resume sanctuary worship. It is highly likely that both on-line and on-site worship will be offered for some time to come.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE: The June potluck is canceled. Graduation gifts for three high school seniors have been ordered. Ways to recognize the graduates are being considered.

PROPERTY: The committee has been working to get the large backhoe moved from the RLCLC front lot. Yard contractor Chris Oxley is doing a great job maintaining the church lawn. A bi-fold door in the parlor is being repaired.

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE: The new church secretary, Sandy McNeely, is getting comfortable in her job. She does ask that newsletter submissions be made on time. A vacancy on the scholarship committee needs to be filled. Scholarship applications are covered elsewhere in this newsletter.

CHRISTIAN NURTURE: Monday night Bible Study continues each Monday at 7pm. Why not join us on-line? Your email invitation will arrive up to 4 days before. Look for it and join the discussion!

MISSION & SERVICE MINISTRY & NEW MINISTRY TASK FORCE (RLCLC): Session approved giving the Shrove Tuesday donations to Heart & Hand.

OTHER: Session and trustees reviewed the current lease proposal to be emailed to Pollen8 (note: the proposal was emailed to Pollen8 late on May 19). Pollen8 plans to provide a year-round resident women's addiction recovery program in the RLCLC.

Session approved donating \$500 from the 7014 Youth Account to Bluestone's \$10,000 fund to offer on-line summer activities.



Included in this newsletter is a survey. Any who would like to respond may do so by contacting a session member with their input.(numbers are listed on the front of the newsletter or email your responses to rocklakepreschurch@gmail.com or use the contact page on the rlpc.org website) This is a big decision and we want to protect our congregants and their families as much as possible. We value your input."

Dear Rock Lake Family,

The session has been discussing the online worship service and whether it is meeting the needs of our members. We are also discussing if and when it would be safe to return to IN-PERSON worship. They asked the Worship committee to create a survey so that our worshipping community can help us determine when and how we restart IN-PERSON worship. Please prayerfully consider your answers to the questions below. You do not have to return these forms as a session member will call you in the near future to discuss your answers. We appreciate your willingness to assist us as we strive to make the most informed and faith-based recommendation to the session.

Covid-19 Questionnaire for Rock Lake members

- 1) Since we stopped gathering in person, do you feel your spiritual needs have been met?
If no please elaborate _____

How often have you been able to join Rock Lake's online worship services?

- every week
- at least twice a month
- once or twice
- never

- 2) When would you as a member feel safe to resume IN-PERSON worship:

- ASAP
- Mid to Late June
- Early July
- Not Sure When

When IN-PERSON worship resumes, there will be certain CDC recommended protocols that will need to be followed for the safety of those in attendance.

- Wear a mask over your nose and mouth
- Maintain at least 6' distance from people outside your household
- Seating every other pew
- Refrain from singing
- Enter as a family unit-exit one pew at a time- exit the building



Nurturing Moments

Please use these suggested scriptures, questions, and activities to help you explore your faith.

June 7: Read Genesis 1:1-2:4a Trinity Sunday In this first story of creation, God looked on the creation and each day “saw that it was good.” If you are able, take a walk and look around you. What is your favorite part of God’s creation? Share with a friend or family member.

June 14: Read Genesis 18:1-15 When Sarah overheard their visitors say that she was going to have a son, she laughed. She knew Abraham and she were too old to have children; it just wasn’t possible. But they did have a son, Isaac. When has God surprised you so that you laughed? Share with someone else, and ask them when God surprised them.

June 21: Read Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17 Trusting in the goodness and love of God, the psalmist prays to God for help, asking for God to save their life and to answer them in the midst of trouble. What is troubling you that you might ask for God’s help, trusting God is listening and will answer?

June 28: Read Psalm 13 Psalm 13 is a psalm of lament in which the psalmist feels forgotten by God and calls upon God to answer their cry. As is common in psalms of lament, the psalmist also affirms God’s presence and love. In the psalmist’s cry, we are reminded that we can bring our whole selves and all of our emotions to God, who knows what we’re thinking and feeling before we even speak. Thank God for God’s love that surrounds your every moment.



Newsletter Deadline: Monday, June 22

It would be appreciated if you submit your items to rocklakepreschurch@gmail.com by this date.

**Rainbow on Mother’s Day
Sunday
May 10, 2020**

“I believe the Lord was blessing all mothers that evening.”

Barbara Clark

Thank you, Barbara, for the beautiful picture.



RLPC - RLCLC

June 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9:00 am Church Office Open 7:00 pm Bible Study (online)	2 9:00 am Church Office Open	3 9:00 am Church Office Open	4 9:00 am Church Office Open	5 9:00 am Church Office Open	6
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