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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

September 2022

Peace & Global Witness Offering and Classes

Be Led Forth in Peace

The words of Isaiah 55:12 convey a profound message to us during A Season of Peace:

For you shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace.

Go out in joy! When we look around our world these days, it is sometimes hard to feel joyful. Yet joy inherently embraces optimism. Joy is the companion of faith and hope. In our polarized world torn by war, famine, and marginalization of the poor and disenfranchised, we are in desperate need of joyful and brave people who are willing to ask the hard questions and live the difficult solutions that make peace possible.

Be led forth in peace. Through the Peace & Global Witness Offering, we connect with each other, as the Church, together, to confront systems of injustice and promote reconciliation in places around the world and right here at home.

The Offering will be collected on World Communion Sunday, October 2. 25% of the Offering stays with local congregations, and 25% with mid councils to unite congregations to support peacemaking in their regions. The remaining 50% is remitted to the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

In addition, we are holding in-person classes following worship on September 4, September 18, September 25 and October 2. The classes will be in the parlor, and will study "SEEKING TO BE FAITHFUL TOGETHER: Guidelines for Presbyterians in Times of Disagreement". Each class will be about 45 minutes to an hour long. A class sign-up sheet is on a table in the Narthex. Sign up, and we will email you the study materials. You may also call the church office to sign up

First Presbyterian-SC's Annual Church Picnic Sunday, September 25 at 1:30 pm Little Creek Park Shelter 2



Dear Friends,

It will soon be that time of year again to fellowship together for our annual church picnic. We will be serving from the grill - delicious hotdogs and hamburgers. We just need people to bring side dishes. It will be Sept 25th starting at 1:30 pm at Little Creek Park at Shelter 2. RSVP the church office (304)768-4141 by September 16.

Hope to see you there!

Cheryl S Eary

First Presbyterian Church of South Charleston

Sunday, September 4

Sunday, September 11

Sunday, September 18

Sunday, September 18

Sunday, September 25

Rev. Patricia Jarvis
Rev. Sallie Daugherty

RLPC SEPTEMBER PASTORIAL SCHEDULE

*The Rev. Jim Robinson is serving as Moderator for the Session and the Congregation during the coming months.



Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Decker K. Elder, 87, who passed away at her home in South Charleston on August 16, 2022. Decker was a long-time member of Rock Lake Presbyterian Church. At her request, there were no funeral services and her ashes will join her husband's ashes in the hay field and woods where they lived for many happy years.

To read her obituary, please go to:

https://curryfuneralhome.org/?page_id=72



THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. For those who attend in person worship service, we are serving communion in a more traditional manner. The cup is uncovered and staggered in the tray and the usual bread packets are served on a tray.

RLPC Church office will be closed Monday, September 5 in observance of Labor Day.

With vaccinations underway, a wonderful way to help your church is to be an Audio-Visual (AV) team member. RLPC is planning to have a third AV team formed to give the existing two AV teams a little break. We have good checklist documentation and will train you. Call Scott Hamilton at 304 746-5457(H) or Ken Schmidt at 304 768-8565(H) or 304 881-2408.

If you have a name change or a change to your mailing address or email address, please notify the church office at rocklakepreschurch@gmail.com or 304-768-4141. We would like to keep our Directory current.



Heart and Hand Food Pantry has an urgent need for food. They are asking for our assistance. Their needs list follows:

Fruit, Rice, Beans, Jelly, Ravioli, Spaghetti Noodles, Crackers, Soup, Jiffy Mix, Ramen Noodles, and Chicken Noodle Soup

Food Offering Sunday is Back!



Don't forget that each Communion Sunday is 'Food Offering' Sunday. A good reminder: on Sundays that we share the Lord's Supper, we also remember to share food with people who are less fortunate. You may leave

your offering in the red wagon in the Narthex. All the collected food will go to Heart & Hand.

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Bridgeview Food Ministry

The Bridgeview Food program is in full swing. We are asking church volunteers to meet after worship service the last Sunday in each month to pack lunches.

Food items can be dropped off at the church during office hours (9 until noon Monday through Friday).

Below is a list of foods needed for the program:

Mac & Cheese (microwavable and single serving)

Pudding Cup Applesauce or Fruit Cup

Juice Box or Capri Sun Pop Tarts (package of 2)

Individual cereal package

Snack Bag (pretzels, Cheezits, goldfish, gummies, chips, cookie (individual packages)

White milk (non-refrigerated, single serving – example: Horizon brand)

Chocolate milk

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

Applesauce or Fruit Cup

Pop Tarts (package of 2)



2	Marlene Solberg	14	Gina Cunningham
3	Ashley Marion	14	Liz Given
8	Cameron Baker	17	Connie Musgrave
9	William Wilson	17	Benjamin Straight
11	Day Bishop	17	Colin Thornhill
12	Hilda Alsop	21	Sarah Wagner
12	Ryan Broyles	25	Beth Barnes
13	Merrily Bailey	29	Anthony Clay



- 1 John & Phyllis Fenwick
- 8 Bill & Mary Wagner

- 9 David & Angie Bradley
- 17 Keith & Judy Knowles



Bluestone is offering the following annual retreat events this year:

Fall Getaway Retreat
October 21 – 23, 2022
PWV Older Youth Retreat
November 17 – 20, 2022

For details on registration, rates, and other information, please go to their Please visit their website: https://bluestonecamp.org/retreat/

NURTURING FAITH IDEAS

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

September 4 - Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Read: Luke 14:25-33

What do you think Jesus means when he says one must hate his/her life to be his disciple? How does his call to carry our own cross inform this? Jesus give examples of "counting the cost," showing that being his disciple involves a willingness to give up everything. Is there something in your life that you need to give up in order to follow Jesus more faithfully?

September 11- Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Read Timothy 1:12-17

How has God abundantly poured his strength, mercy, grace, faith, and love into your life? How has Jesus shown his "immense patience" to you? How can all of this be used as an example to share with others that they, too, "would believe and receive eternal life?"

September 18 - Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Read 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Paul urges the church to pray particularly for those in positions of authority. Why do you think that is, and what are ways you could answer this plea to pray for our leaders? He shifts the focus to its proper center: our Mediator and Ransom Christ Jesus. How might we point other to him in our worship and witness that they may "come to a knowledge of the truth?"

September 25- Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Read 1 Timothy 6:6-19

Paul contrasts godliness (in the form of contentment) with greed. In what ways can an eagerness for goods over God lead to grief and ruin? What might it look like instead to pursue righteousness, faith, love, and gentleness? What is the difference between putting hope in wealth vs. in God? How does this take form in our actions and deeds?

WE ARE

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OF THE LORD, OUR GOD;

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THROUGH THE WORK OF

THE HOLY SPIRIT.

Mission Statement for Rock Lake Presbyterian Church Adopted May 8, 2007

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."

In our congregation, the Cents-Ability offering is collected on the last Sunday of months containing five Sundays. On Sunday, July 31, \$336.20 was collected for the Centsability offering. Thanks to everyone for making our first collection a great success to feed the hungry.

The next offering will be collected Sunday, October 30, 2022. 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.

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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 July Income
 \$ 10,690.86
 Year to Date Income
 \$72,571.68

 July Expense
 \$ 11,360.70
 Year to Date Expense
 \$66,264.55



Since RLPC is now open for in-person worship on Sundays, we want to welcome everyone! We understand that there are some who are uncomfortable attending in-person worship and hope that you are able to watch 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.

Please contact Judy Hardin for further information. (304)768-4141.

WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK

You will find on the *Home Page* of the church's web site <u>www.rlpc.org</u> the link to the current Sunday worship bulletin. http://rebrand.ly/n2uc6x2 will take you to the latest worship experience available on YouTube plus past services.

https://www.facebook.com/Rock-Lake-Presbyterian-Church-195172942357/ will take you to Rock Lake's Facebook page. Please like us on Facebook!

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



August 2022 Session Digest

WORSHIP (W): The August 7 communion reached an estimated 38 communicants. John Haynes will be the celebrant at the September 4 communion. Both bread and cup will be served by elders. **If you are joining worship at home that day, please remember to prepare your elements in advance.**

The pulpit supply has been secured through the end of 2022. The supply list is:

Sep 4, Patricia Jarvis; Sep 11, Kathy Weed; Sep 18, Patricia Jarvis; Sep 25, Sallie Daugherty; Oct 2, Ravi Isaiah; Oct 9, Patricia Jarvis; Oct 16, Patricia Jarvis; Oct 23, Ravi Isaiah; Oct 30, Music Department;

Nov 6, Patricia Jarvis; Nov 13, Ravi Isaiah; Nov 20, Ravi Isaiah; Nov 27, Patricia Jarvis; Dec 4*, Ravi Isaiah; Dec 11*, Ravi Isaiah; Dec 18*, Ravi Isaiah; Dec 24, Patricia Jarvis; Dec 25, Patricia Jarvis.

* One of the Sundays in December will be the Cantata but we don't know which one at this point. A supply might not be needed that Sunday.

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE (A&F): Income YTD continues to exceed expense YTD, currently by about \$6,700. The Stewardship Task Force is meeting August 30 to plan for this year's stewardship campaign.

CHRISTIAN NURTURE (CN):

With Christ's Peace.

MISSION & SERVICE (M&S): The Peace & Global Witness offering is coming up in September, culminating in World Communion Sunday on October 2. A 4-week study, 'SEEKING TO BE FAITHFUL TOGETHER: Guidelines for Presbyterians in Times of Disagreement' will be offered after worship September 4, 18, 25, and October 2. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex.

PROPERTY (P): The sump pump under the hallway has yet to be checked to see if it is operating.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE (CC): The next brunch potluck is September 11 following worship. We will meet in the parlor for this potluck, and invite participants to bring a dish to share.

OTHER: The Interface Team (Mary Wagner, James Straight, Scott Hamilton) reported on an August 10 meeting with Patricia Jarvis, and other items.

- 1. Patricia is willing to serve in a pastoral relationship with session, and would like to offer a class from October 10 through November 13. Details on the covenant with Patricia will be developed by the Interface Team, for presentation to the presbytery committee on ministry.
- 2. We are considering an LED sign to replace the current sign at the junction of Lincoln and Village Drives. Cost is an issue at this time.
- 3. A team member has had preliminary discussion with Pollen8 about them using the church kitchen, and other discussion items. The session granted permission to continue the discussion.

RLPC Incorporation is now complete, with the state issuing our Business Registration Certificate. It is hanging in the church office.

First Presbyterian Church, South Charleston is hosting a picnic on September 25. RLPC members need to RSVP by September 16 if they plan on going. Details are in bulletin and elsewhere in this newsletter.

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Rock Lake Presbyterian Church

September 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 9:00 am Church Office Open 1:00 pm Handwork for Mission (Choir Room) 6:30 pm Grandparents & Friends Bridge (P)	2 9:00 am Church Office Open 6:00 pm Foundation to Freedom (NA) (FH)	3 8:30 am Manna Meal Work Party
4 10:00 am RLPC Worship (live and online) HOLY COMMUNION Food Collection for Heart & Hand Peace & Global Witness Class	5 Church Office Closed 2:30 pm Amethyst Group (P)	6 8:30 am Manna Meal Work Party 9:00 am Church Office Open	7 9:00 am Church Office Open	8 9:00 am Church Office Open 1:00 pm Handwork for Mission	9 9:00 am Church Office Open 6:00 pm Foundation to Freedom (NA) (FH)	10 8:30 am Manna Meal Work Party
11 10:00 am RLPC Worship (live and online) 11:15 am Potluck Lunch	12 9:00 am Church Office Open 2:30 pm Amethyst Group (P)	13 8:30 am Manna Meal Work Party 9:00 am Church Office Open 9:30 am Carbide Old-Timers	14 9:00 am Church Office Open	15 9:00 am Church Office Open 1:00 pm Handwork for Mission	16 9:00 am Church Office Open 6:00 pm Foundation to Freedom (NA) (FH)	17 8:30 am Manna Meal Work Party
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25 10:00 am RLPC Worship (live and online) After worship service, pack Lunches for Bridgeview Peace & Global Witness Class Church Picnic at Little Creek Park	26 9:00 am Church Office Open 2:30 pm Amethyst Group (P)	27 8:30 am Manna Meal Work Party 9:00 am Church Office Open	28 9:00 am Church Office Open	29 9:00 am Church Office Open 1:00 pm Handwork for Mission	30 9:00 am Church Office Open 6:00 pm Foundation to Freedom (NA) (FH)	



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