

# 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..."*

**May 2024**



## **A Duty and a Privilege**

The purpose of worship is to adore and to praise God. Worshiping God is both a duty and a privilege. As those who were created and redeemed by God, it is our duty to offer our praise and thanksgiving. It is our privilege to come into the presence of the Most High God. If we feel good after worship, that's a bonus God has given us, but it's not the true purpose for our being there.

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## **WE ARE SO BLESSED!!**

In our February 2024 RLPC Newsletter, we were hoping that Spring would be coming soon. Rev. Dr. Patricia Jarvis along with John Solberg and Susan Hamilton were planting bulbs at the corner of the bridge driveway (left picture). The picture on the right is our beautiful garden in bloom.



## 2024 EASTER SERVICES AT RLPC

As a tradition at Rock Lake Presbyterian Church, we provided tulips for anyone in the congregation to purchase in memory or in honor of someone. The tulips were placed in the sanctuary on Easter morning as we celebrated the resurrection of our Lord.



### THE EASTER FLOWERS WERE PLACED.....

#### IN HONOR OF:

Our Congregation by Rev. Dr. Patricia Jarvis  
Son, Kevin and Family by Fred and Linda Reehling

#### IN MEMORY OF:

Pat and Bill Bailey by Merrily, Ed, and Taylor Bailey and Ashley, Tom and Hailey Marion  
Beth and Fritz Deeter by Merrily, Ed, and Taylor Bailey and Ashley, Tom and Hailey Marion  
Susan and Brian O'Connell by Merrily, Ed, and Taylor Bailey and Ashley, Tom and Hailey Marion  
Jeanne and Bill Beasley in Loving Memory from Michelle, Don, and Family  
Norma and Calvin Broyles in Loving Memory from Michelle, Don, and Family  
Marie and Harry Layne by Margie and Alex Gumowski  
Lydia and Danny Gumowski by Margie and Alex Gumowski  
Pearl M. Inghram by Helen Inghram  
John T. and Margaret R. Inghram by Helen Inghram  
Derek Rogillio by Ron and Chris Rogillio  
Edward and Dorothy Aurady by Olga and Ken Schmidt  
Paul and Hertha Schmidt by Olga and Ken Schmidt  
Jack and Margaret Seibert by Ed and Jackie Thompson  
Arch and Phyllis Thompson by Ed and Jackie Thompson  
Our son, William (Wag) Wagner by Mary and Bill Wagner  
His parents, Hank and Orah Wagner by Mary and Bill Wagner  
Her parents, Ray and Ethel Robinson by Mary and Bill Wagner

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## EASTER THANK YOU!!

The Worship Committee would like to thank and bless all those who played a part in preparation for this Easter Sunday.



- ❖ Pam Ferrell and Marilyn Padon and the choir for their music.
- ❖ Sandy McNeely for the bulletin.
- ❖ Pam Ferrell for the beautiful paraments she made and her worship support work.
- ❖ Dan Shriver for cleaning the sanctuary.
- ❖ Ken Schmidt for draping the outside cross, hanging the banner, and placing the tulips.
- ❖ Margie Gumowski, Judy Hardin, and Merrily and Taylor Bailey for preparing the flowered cross and John Solberg for placing it on the point.
- ❖ Those who have placed a tulip in honor of or memory of someone they loved.
- ❖ Flowers on Olde Main for supplying the flowers and tulips.
- ❖ Merrily and Taylor Bailey, Linda Reehling and Mary Wagner for the scriptural crosses.
- ❖ Our liturgist David Broyles and our Pastor Patricia Jarvis.
- ❖ And also, to the congregation when together we praised the Risen Lord!



## FLOWERING OF THE CROSS

Rock Lake Presbyterian Church celebrated Easter Sunday 2024 with the traditional Flowering of the Cross.

Many thanks to Merrily and Taylor Bailey, Margie Gumowski, and Judy Hardin for donating their time to arrange the flowers on the cross in the Sanctuary.

After the worship service, John Solberg placed the cross on the corner of Village Drive and Kanawha Turnpike for all to enjoy – whether driving by or taking pictures.



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!

**May 5**

South Park Presbyterian Church, Charleston  
Winfield Presbyterian Church  
Kagumo Parish

**May 12**

Community Presbyterian Church, Arthurdale  
Milton Presbyterian Church  
Point Pleasant Presbyterian Church  
Githiru Church  
Kagumo Parish

**May 19**

Bates Memorial Presbyterian Church, Huntington  
Zion Presbyterian Church, Helvetia  
Kiagonde Church  
Kagumo Parish

**May 26**

Church of Our Saviour, Clarksburg  
Clothier Presbyterian Church  
Enslow Park Presbyterian Church, Huntington  
Marua Church  
Kagumo Parish





12 Mary Wagner  
14 Myles Broyles  
24 Carl Smith

27 Dani Crouch  
27 Sandi Ray  
30 Emma Kuhn



6 Chris & Beth Barnes

10 James & Amber Grigsby



OUR BEST WISHES GO OUT TO JUSTIN BROYLES AND HALLIE BARRY  
WHO WERE MARRIED ON APRIL 24, 2024



Thank you to Rev. Dr. Patricia Jarvis and thank you to Session for the gifts and flowers that I received on Secretary's Day – April 24, 2024.

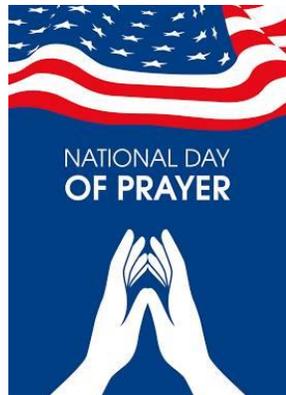
It was a wonderful surprise and I am deeply blessed to have an amazing group of individuals to work with in God's name – **Sandy McNeely**



Our denomination, Presbyterian Church USA, is the birthplace of the Presbyterian Peace Fellowship, a nation-wide, non-partisan community of Presbyterians who act on the example of Jesus to reduce war, violence and exploitation. Founded in 1944, the organization works with other faith groups. Since 1968, PPF has sought to strengthen and implement sensible steps to regulated firearms and save lives.

Guns to Gardens, a project to turn voluntarily surrendered guns into garden implements, will begin in April at St. Marks United Methodist Church in downtown Charleston. Want to know more? Log into [presbypeacefellowship.org](http://presbypeacefellowship.org), or call Dina Mohler (304)444-2211.

A poster with information is available on the bulletin board in the church hallway across from the Parlor.



The National Day of Prayer in the USA will be observed on Thursday, May 2, this year. The mound in South Charleston will be the location, beginning at noon. Several local pastors will take part, including our own Pastor, Patricia Jarvis. More information will be provided as the time grows nearer, but plan to join others as you are able. Patricia is glad to be representing Rock Lake Presbyterian Church in this annual community event.

## First Presbyterian Church Furniture Ministry



For almost 30 years, First Presbyterian Church of South Charleston has spearheaded the Furniture Mission. In co-operation with Heart & Hand, participating churches pick up and store donated furniture every other weekend from late May through August each year.

Other churches currently supporting this ministry are First Baptist, First Methodist, Genesis Fellowship, and First Nazarene.

Each church has one or two Saturdays during the summer on which it has three volunteers pick up donations and deliver them to a storage shed on the FPC parking lot. Heart & Hand then distributes the donations to local people in need. Pick up hours are about 8-1, with one person driving a truck rented by FPC.

If you would like to help on either May 25 or June 8, please contact Scott Hamilton or Ken Schmidt.

# SPRING GETAWAY RETREAT

**MAY 3 - 5 @Bluestone**

**Adults \$85**  
(ages 12 & older)

**Youth \$50**  
(ages 4 - 11)

**Children FREE**  
(ages 3 & under)

Registration deadline is May 1.

**There'll be plenty of good food  
and fellowship... plus**

- † trail hike or craft you can do at your leisure †
- † study track w/weekend chaplain TBA †
- † games, campfires, devotions †
- † plenty of time and space to just simply be †

**Join us for a fun and relaxing  
low key weekend!**

Get Registration and Medical Release Forms  
online at

[bluestonecamp.com/spring-getaway](http://bluestonecamp.com/spring-getaway)

Presbytery of West Virginia's Nurture's Committee Leadership Development Coordinating Team Presents:

# “Being Vital Today”

with

**Brian Coulter**

**Saturday, May 4**

**9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

**on Zoom**



**Course Description:** We live in a new post-Christendom world in which the church is no longer the center of our society. This new world is unlike any world the church has ever existed in before. Thus, we need to be ready to answer a new set of questions; we cannot assume our new world understands what we do anymore. We will explore the “7 Marks of Vital Congregations” that the Office of Vital Congregations within the Presbyterian Mission Agency has identified to help us come up with some discussion questions and talking points for all the people around us in this world who want to hear more and believe but simply can’t until they see the marks.

**Leader:** Brian Coulter is the Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Fort Worth, TX, and a consultant with the Presbyterian Mission Agency Office of Theology, Formation and Evangelism.

Registration deadline: Monday, April 29. Cost: **\$40**, due with registration

To register and pay online, go to [www.wvpresbytery.org](http://www.wvpresbytery.org).

To pay by check, complete the form below and return it with a check to:

Presbytery of West Virginia, P.O. Box 11720, Charleston, WV 25339.

Questions? Contact Susan Sharp Campbell at [susan\\_sharp\\_campbell@hotmail.com](mailto:susan_sharp_campbell@hotmail.com) or 304-667-9428.

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“Being Vital Today,” Part of the EXPANDING YOUR MINISTRY TOOLBOX 2024





# Happenings in May



Be sure and join us this Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12 and Pentecost, Sunday May 19. We have so many people to be thankful for who have mothered us and whom we have mothered in our lives. We also want to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit into our lives and the birth of the Christian church. So, plan now to be with us. Invite your friends and family.



Pentecost is a Christian holiday which takes place on the 50th day after Easter Sunday. It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Mary, mother of Jesus and the Apostles of Jesus while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as described in the Acts of the Apostles. Pentecost is Sunday, May 19, 2024.

When you give to the Pentecost Offering, you help the church encourage, develop, and support its young people to build a life of faith, and also address the needs of at-risk children.

Wear RED for Pentecost.



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).



## Bridgeview Food Ministry

The Bridgeview Food Ministry is temporarily on hold until August (due to summer).

We will keep you updated in the bulletin and newsletter with further information.

### 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.”

Cents-Ability offering on March 31, 2024 was \$150.58. Thank you to all who contributed. The proceeds will be donated to Heart and Hand.

**The next offering will be collected Sunday, June 30, 2024.** 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.

**One Great Hour of Sharing Offering** in March 2024 was \$870.

This offering provides relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed.

Thank you to all who contributed to help less fortunate people.



March Income \$ 10,557.86

March Expense \$ 6,635.51



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](http://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 Mary Wagner for further information. 304-552-1627.



## April 2024 Session Digest

**WORSHIP (W):** On April 7, RLPC had an estimated 41 communicants between on-line and live. The next communion celebration will be May 5.  
**If you are joining worship at home that day, please remember to prepare**

**your elements in advance.**

**ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE (A&F):** The balance sheet general account has about \$76,000. The March Budget vs Actual has a balance in March of \$3,922, and YTD about \$1,000.

**CHRISTIAN NURTURE (CN):**

**MISSION & SERVICE (M&S):** Preparations are underway for the Pentecost offering.

**PROPERTY (P):** Several members worked on April 13 to clean up debris from the April 11-12 heavy storm. The Rock Lake Community Life Center (RLCLC) had more extensive damage, and the church has submitted a claim to our insurance company. The Pollen8 purchase of the hollow property may be affected, as Pollen8 did not have 'renter' coverage on their flood-loss furnishings at the RLCLC.

See 'RLCLC Flooding' following Session Digest in this newsletter for more details.

**CONGREGATIONAL CARE (CC):** The next Sunday potluck will be May 19 (moved to avoid conflict with Mother's Day). Don't forget, the most important ingredient is Y-O-U!

**OTHER:** Session approved a motion from the sign committee for a two-faced LED sign to replace the existing point sign at the corner of Village Drive and Kanawha Turnpike. The project cost is about \$29,000 and will be paid from memorial funds.

With Christ's Peace,

Ken

### RLCLC Flooding

Summary of actions subsequent to the flooding at Rock Lake Community Life Center (RLCLC) on Thursday, April 11, 2024.

April 12 - Cheryl Laws, Pollen8 CEO, called Ken about 7:45am asking if RLPC has flood insurance. Ken was not sure, but told Cheryl he would check. Cheryl confirmed that their policy does not have flood insurance. She also asked if it would be possible to move the Appalachian Behavioral Health Care (ABHC) operation to the church while the RLCLC is remediated. Furniture was being removed to the back concrete pad, and a remediation company had installed dryers to dry the floor. Ken arrived at the RLCLC later that morning. Most of the furniture on the ground level was already on the pad. Cheryl said that she had arranged to move the ABHC to the St. Paul United Methodist Church on Kanawha Turnpike while the RLCLC was unusable. Pollen8's damage estimate is \$75,000. Ken later called the Smith-Carpenter Agency (S-CA), our representative to The Insurance Board and spoke with receptionist Nancy. She advised that Jeff Carpenter, our agent, was out of town, but she would forward Ken's questions to him.

April 15 - Ken reached out to S-CA and left a request for a callback. He gave particulars about the RLCLC to Nancy when she called back.

April 16 - Ken left a message with S-CA for another callback. Jeff Carpenter called back on his cell phone. Ken asked Jeff if the church has flood coverage on our policy and if Jeff could send him a copy of the current 2024 memorandum of insurance (MOI). At that time, Jeff did not have internet access, so he said he would try to get internet, check on coverage and MOI. After that conversation, Ken called church treasurer Mary Wagner, who forwarded the 2024 MOI to him. Ken reviewed the MOI, and thought that we did have flood coverage, so he texted Jeff, asking him to call back when he had a chance to review the MOI. Jeff called back about noon, reporting that RLPC did have flood coverage. Ken reported that in an email to the session. At the April session meeting Tuesday evening, Ken reviewed the sequence of events. It was decided that John, Ron, and Ken would call Jeff back after the meeting to initiate an insurance claim.

In a 3-way call John created about 9:15pm, John & Ron, at the church, conferenced with Ken at home, and Jeff Carpenter. We initiated a claim against the policy. Ken will be the primary contact. Jeff advised that Ken will get an email from a claims adjuster Wednesday, and will get a phone call from an unknown contact, so Ken should answer unknown calls until he gets that call. Jeff also advised that he will now be out of the claim loop.

After that phone call, Ken tried to call Cheryl, and wound up leaving a message advising her that a. RLPC does have flood insurance, b. we have initiated a claim, c. he was going to bed.

April 17 - Ken followed up with a similar text early Wednesday morning, letting Cheryl know he would be available until 7:30am if she wished to call. Cheryl did call at about 7:10am. They agreed to meet sometime Wednesday afternoon, both having other morning obligations. At 11am, Ken texted Cheryl that he was back home, and asked Cheryl if they could meet at the RLCLC. They agreed to meet there at 12:30pm.

At about 12:10pm Wednesday, a woman named Brenda Cerrone called Ken. She said she worked with the adjuster, and would be our contact through this process. Ken got her phone number, but not all of her contact info (he later found out Brenda works for Travelers Insurance). At 12:30pm, Cheryl, Pollen8 COO Hollie McCraw, and Ken met to discuss the situation. Ken brought hard copies of an email from The Insurance Board containing a hand-holding cover letter going through what to expect, and an outline of the claim's current details. Ken will contact Cheryl when the insurance adjuster calls him sometime in 24-48 hours. Cheryl, Hollie, Ken will arrange a time to meet the insurance adjuster after he calls Ken. Ken also told Cheryl and Hollie that the session took no action on the latest hollow property price proposal from Pollen8, thinking that we need to concentrate first on recovering from the storms of last Thursday.

April 18 - Chris Kwiatkowski called Ken about 10:30am. He is an inspector with Travelers Insurance, and works with Brenda. He advised that our tenant's (ABHC) furnishings would not be covered; the building will be inspected. Because Chris would have to drive 4 hours from his home and back, he is contacting a local inspector, Cindy Sikora, to do the inspection in his place. Ken called Cheryl to let her know that the RLPC coverage will not cover ABHC furnishings.

Cindy called Ken about 2:15pm, advising that she would be available April 25 at 9am for the inspection. After a round of phone tag, Ken initiated a 3-way call with Cindy and Cheryl at 4:10pm, at which time we settled on Wednesday, April 24 at 2pm for inspection. Cindy emphasized that she has a morning inspection at Yeager, so she did not want us to be upset if she is delayed. She will contact Ken if the morning inspection delays ours.

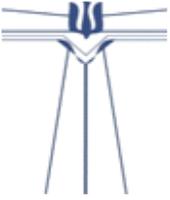
April 24 - The inspection was carried out about 1:30pm with Cindy, Cheryl, Hollie, and Ken attending. RLPC has now submitted requested documentation. The remediation company hired by Pollen8 is also submitting their bill for evaluation. As of April 29, this is the current state of the events resulting from the flood damage at RLCLC.

Peace,  
Ken Schmidt

# Rock Lake Presbyterian Church

# May 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open	<b>2</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open 1:00 pm Handwork for Mission(P)  National Day of Prayer	<b>3</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open 6:00 pm Foundation to Freedom (NA) (P)	<b>4</b> 8:30 am Manna Meal Work
<b>5</b> 10:00 am RLPC Worship  Cinco de Mayo	<b>6</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open 2:30 pm Amethyst Group (P)	<b>7</b> 8:30 am Manna Meal Work 9:00 am Church Office Open	<b>8</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open	<b>9</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open 1:00 pm Handwork for Mission(P)  Ascension Day	<b>10</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open 6:00 pm Foundation to Freedom (NA) (P)	<b>11</b> 8:30 am Manna Meal Work
<b>12</b> 10:00 am RLPC Worship  HAPPY Mother's Day	<b>13</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open 2:30 pm Amethyst Group (P)	<b>14</b> 8:30 am Manna Meal Work 9:00 am Church Office Open 9:30 Carbide OldTimers	<b>15</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open	<b>16</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open 1:00 pm Handwork for Mission (P)	<b>17</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open 6:00 pm Foundation to Freedom (NA) (P)	<b>18</b> 8:30 am Manna Meal Work
<b>19</b> 10:00 am RLPC Worship 1:00 am Rock & Gem Club(P)  PENTECOST SUNDAY Potluck Dinner	<b>20</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open 2:30 pm Amethyst Group (P)	<b>21</b> 8:30 am Manna Meal Work 9:00 am Church Office Open 6:30 pm Session Meeting	<b>22</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open	<b>23</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open 1:00 pm Handwork for Mission (P)	<b>24</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open 6:00 pm Foundation to Freedom (NA) (P)	<b>25</b> 8:30 am Manna Meal Work
<b>26</b> 10:00 am RLPC Worship  TRINITY SUNDAY	<b>27</b> Church Office Closed 2:30 pm Amethyst Group (P)  Memorial Day	<b>28</b> 8:30 am Manna Meal Work 9:00 am Church Office Open	<b>29</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open	<b>30</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open 1:00 pm Handwork for Mission (P)	<b>31</b> 9:00 am Church Office Open 6:00 pm Foundation to Freedom (NA) (P)	



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