

The Colliers Creek Chronicle

The Newsletter of Collierstown Presbyterian Church

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September Birthday's

- 1st Jade Knick
- 2nd Louise Tardy
- 3rd Ruth Ann Hildreth
Taelor Faith Hicks
- 4th Mark Fontenot
- 6th John Ross Higgins
Ben Cartwright
- 7th Billy Potter
Conner Ray Potter
- 10th Morgan Goodbar
- 13th Chasity Horne
Cincheteffi
- 14th Ryan Morris
- 15th Trinity Zollman
- 16th Deborah Russell
- 18th McKenzie, Paden
& Rachel Hines
- 19th Steve Potter
- 20th Josie Caldwell
- 22nd Shirley Martin
- 26th Chris Montgomery
- 27th Hank Leech

Anniversaries

- 5th Doc & Ann Wilmore
- 7th Charlie & Joan
Potter
- 16th Rick & Lynn Leech
- 18th Jean & Peter Cook
Tom & Nancy Catlett
- 22nd Kirk & Brooke
Goodbar

IT'S DINNER COUNT DOWN TIME!!

COLLIERSTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ANNUAL CHURCH DINNER

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2024 11:00 AM

The dinner Steering Committee is already at work with plans for the Annual Church Dinner. Our committee chairmen are coordinating their stations to have everything in place for "THE BIG DAY".

November 2nd will be here before we know it! Our canvas sheets for needed donations will be circulating soon so watch your emails for that.

The Bazaar Room is making plans as well so be watching for some info on that. As always start crafting, baking, canning, etc. to prepare for this years' donations . We can accept donations at any time so feel free to reach out to Jennifer Kelly if you have something.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Frances Ruley, PW Moderator by email at angelz4maw@gmail.com or call 540-461-2041.

The Annual Church Dinner is sponsored by
Presbyterian Women.

**OUR CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION
COMMITTEE WILL
HOST CPC RALLY DAY
SUNDAY, SEPT. 8, 2024
@ 11:00am**



**COMMUNITY
REVIVAL SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 29, 2024**

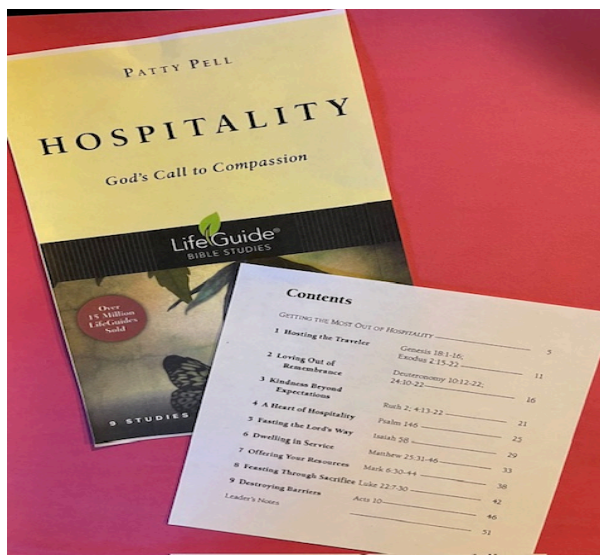
A purple and white poster for a 'Revival' event. The text reads 'Revival September 29, 2024' in a large, stylized font. Below it, 'Palmer Community Center' and '1230 Blue Grass Trail, Lexington, VA 24450' are listed. The event is at '3 PM' and includes 'Music' by 'Datz Us Trio' and a 'Gospel Hill Ministries' logo featuring a flame. A note says 'Bring Your Lawn Chair' with a chair icon. The event is hosted by churches in the Buffalo, Effinger, and Collierstown areas.



**COLLIERSTOWN SCHOOL BAGS
SENT TO STUDENTS!**

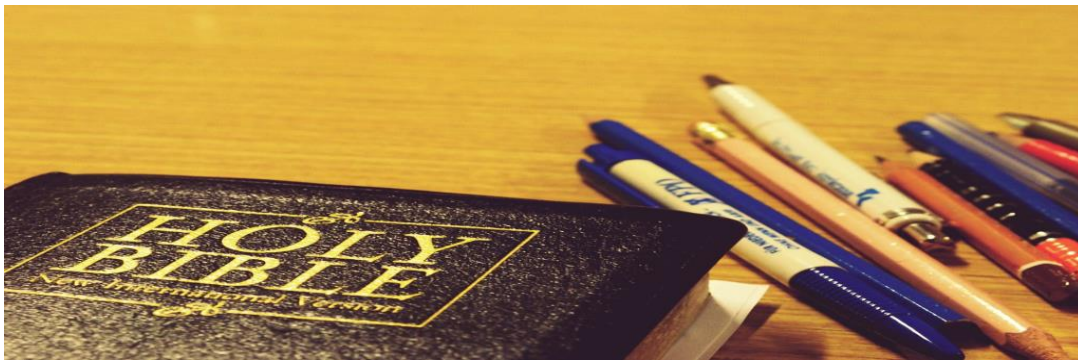
The Collierstown Presbyterian Women concluded their annual "School Bag Campaign" on Sunday, August 11. Each year the PW works with Church World Service to fill and deliver canvas tote bags with seven basic school supplies needed by students in the United States and around the world. The PW set as its 2024 goal to make 260 school bags. The church family was invited on July 7 to take canvas tote bags and fill them with the required school supplies or to make a financial contribution that could be used to purchase supplies for the bags or to pay for the shipping and handling costs incurred in sending them to students around the world. On August 11 a record breaking TWO HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE school bags were returned to the church sanctuary. Special thanks to PW member Louise Tardy for making the sturdy and attractive canvas totes that were filled for the students that will receive these special gifts. (Louise has made over 5000 totes that have been used in the CWS school bag campaigns.) A team of PW members checked each bag's contents and boxed them by shipment. They were delivered to the Shenandoah District Office of the Church of the Brethren in Weyers Cave, VA on August 19 where they were picked up by Church World Services for delivery to needy students. Each bag was sent on its way with a prayer that the student who receives it will come to know Jesus. Many thanks to everyone who helped make this PW project a churchwide effort that will provide the supplies needed for learning to so many children.

PW School Bag Committee



NIGHT CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY SET TO BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER

The Night Circle is organizing for the 2024-25 Bible study year. It meets the first Thursday of each month from September through May at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our membership is composed of CPC women as well as others from the community and area churches. An optional time of hospitality that includes a light supper precedes the study starting at 6:30 p.m. The Night Circle shares its Bible study virtually at 7:00 p.m. from the CPC Facebook page using FaceBook Live for those who can't attend in person. We are inviting all CPC women and their friends to be a part of this year's study entitled "Hospitality: God's Call to Compassion" by Patty Pell, a staff worker with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship on the campus of the University of Northern Colorado and an author of the LifeGuide Bible Study on Esther. This year's study will examine the outward focused nature of hospitality to meet the needs of those outside the faith community while extending the grace and provision God has generously given to believers. We encourage you to think of our monthly meeting as a brief respite (no more than 90 minutes) from all the responsibilities you have. You don't have to cook or clean to come. You will be joining a small group of women focused on Bible study who will also help share a burden you might have, celebrate a joy, make you laugh, and encourage you in your faith walk. Together we will discover treasure in God's Word that will strengthen and sustain us each day. An added bonus will be that you make new friends or become better friends with those you already know. Our first meeting will be THURSDAY, September 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Debbie McCormick (463-7652) or any member of Night Circle for more information and to secure your study book. We're looking forward to an exciting study and time of fellowship!



C&F CIRCLE SET TO BEGIN A NEW YEAR IN SEPTEMBER

September begins a new year for the C&F circle meetings. We meet once a month on the third Tuesday at 1:00 P.M. in the church social hall. We would like to invite you to join us if you enjoy bible study as well as delightful fellowship. Our Bible Study for the coming year is the Presbyterian Women/ Horizons Study, LET JUSTICE ROLL DOWN, God's Call to Care for Neighbors and All Creation. We will be meeting TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 17, 2024 AT 1:00 P.M. in the social hall. Judy will be leading lesson 1, Environmental Justice. Join us in Bible study and delightful fellowship. If you have questions call, Mary, 540-463-4639 or Lindsey, 540-463-6777. We look forward to seeing you!

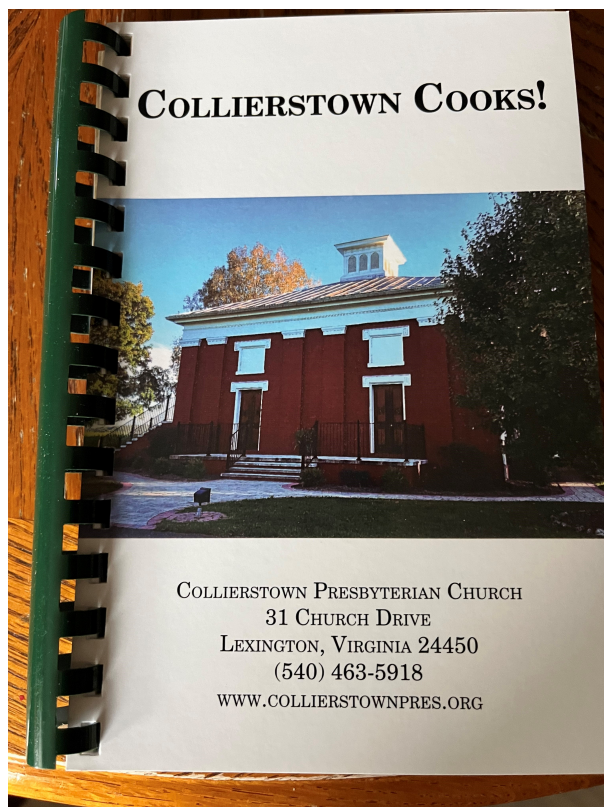
A NOTE FROM BURR

Pretty much all my life has been involved in education: Kindergarten at age 7, through elementary school, high school, W&L, and then as a teacher for two years. I moved back here to work at W&L, and did so for the next 43 years before retiring. I used to joke and say that I was an addict to the academic calendar. Nine months of intense focus and then three months to recharge batteries, hang out with family and play lots of golf and music. Now that students are back in school, that familiar excitement that comes with new beginnings is in the air. Traffic in Lexington has picked up, parking spaces are not as easy to find, and the rhythm of life has sped up.

It can be easy to get distracted by all that outer energy, but it is also a good time to renew our inner energy and do some "soul work", and CPC certainly provides opportunities for that: From The Night Circle's' Bible Study which begins on 9/5 on Hospitality: God's Call to Compassion in the Fellowship Hall and monthly C&F Circle meetings on the third Thursday of each month at 1 PM, beginning on 9/17 to a REVIVAL at Palmer Community Center on 9/29 and Young Adult dialogues on The Chosen will be resuming in October.

May God lead all of us into deeper relationship with God and each other throughout this new academic year.

Blessings~~~~Burr



"COLLIERSTOWN COOKS" AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Get one before they are gone!
Only approx. 50 left!

The Collierstown Presbyterian Church has its own cookbook that was first published in 2010 and is entitled Collierstown Cooks. To mark the church's 175 th anniversary in 2017, the Presbyterian Women reprinted the cookbook making some recipe corrections and adding new photographs to the cover. The 2017 edition is dedicated to "the many hands it takes to make the Church's Annual Dinner a success." The introduction includes information on the Annual Dinner that began in 1925, recipes of favorite Annual Dinner menu items, as well as reflections on the dinner from several church members. This year's annual Church Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 2 with meals being served continuously from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. If you don't have a copy of Collierstown Cooks, now would be a good time to get one. Each copy is \$10 and is filled with wonderful recipes that will make your holiday cooking and baking a delight to all who share meals or desserts with you. To get your own copy or several to give to friends contact PW member Joyce Reid or shoot an email to the church secretary at cpcsecretary5918@gmail.com

CPC Presbyterian Women

CPC DIRECTORY UPDATE:

“HELP US KEEP YOU IN THE LOOP!”



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WE NEED YOUR HELP to “KEEP YOU IN THE LOOP” with what is going on at Collierstown Presbyterian Church. We want to stay connected with you and make it possible for the members of the church family to contact each other. To do that we need your PHYSICAL ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS, AND CELL and/or LAND LINE PHONE NUMBERS with AREA CODES LISTED.

We will be updating the CPC Directory for publication and distribution. Please review your listing and those of family members and friends in the current Directory posted on the bulletin boards in the vestibule and in the hallway across from the water fountain. If an error is found or a change needs to be made, LET US KNOW! Changes in listings can be made by calling the church at 540-463-5918 and leaving a message or by emailing cpcsecretary5918@gmail.com. There will also be a Change of Directory Info form located at each door in the sanctuary that can be completed. Would also love for this info to include your birthday and anniversary if you wish for that info to be shared in our monthly newsletter.

We need your information by SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8! We look forward to hearing from you! Thanks for your help!

CPC Witness and Congregational Care Committee



BE STRONG
---and courageous---
DO NOT BE AFRAID
do not be discouraged
FOR THE LORD
YOUR GOD
---will be with you---
WHEREVER YOU GO
-JOSHUA 1:9

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I am sure our young adults would love our prayers along with some kind words, well wishes, thinking of you notes, etc as they have headed back to their homes away from home to start the next school year.