

The Colliers Creek Chronicle

The Newsletter of Collierstown Presbyterian Church

NOVEMBER 2019

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CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS FALL BACK ON NOVEMBER 2nd



NOVEMBER Birthday's

4 th	Doug Ballard
6 th	Rachel Kingery
8 th	Greg Wines
14 th	Ann Wilmore
15 th	Linda Wendt
20 th	Greg Hartless
21 st	Peter Cook
23 rd	Shelley Martin
24 th	David McCormick
25 th	Michelle Zollman



ELECTION IS DAY NOVEMBER 5TH

Each Sunday at Collierstown
Presbyterian Church

9:45 a.m. -- Adult Sunday School
10:00 a.m. -- Youth Sunday School
11:00 a.m. -- Worship



A Note from the Pastor, Rev. Kevin Channell

Dear Friends,

We live in a very troubling and confusing world. Especially today, when things seem to happen so fast. Traffic seems faster than it did years ago. Information bombards us at alarming speeds. It seems as if things are upon us before we know it. Life happens so quickly, and we seem all alone as it passes us by. Civil life no longer seems civil. I am always reminded of a story from my childhood that gives me comfort.

My father used to tell a story about when he first joined the army at the outset of World War II. His outfit was being shipped to the Philippines aboard a Naval vessel. On each side of the vessel there were escorts—smaller vessels whose job it was to ensure the safe arrival of the main ship. My father was on the main transport ship, his next-door neighbor was on one escort ship and his future brother-in-law was on another escort ship. It was not until the war was over and they had all returned home and began sharing their adventures that they came to realize how close they were to one another on that trip. Sometimes, we are not really aware of what or who is in our presence.

With All Saint's Day a few days away, and Veteran's Day just around the corner I want to remind us that we are surrounded by Saints alive and present, as well as Saints, loved ones no longer among us, surrounding us in that great cloud of witness, walking beside us day by day, watching over us, and sharing our joys and tears.

In the days to come, with the Annual Dinner and the Saints of the Church working beside us, and the holidays before us, and the saints surrounding us, let us embrace our past, present and future knowing we are not alone, but that our loved ones are always among us.

Peace, Joy, and Love,

The Channell's

College Corner:

Don't forget the college students, they could use an extra prayer and word of encouragement as they prepare for their end of term exams.

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LifeTouch

Thanks so much to everyone who participated in our new CPC directory. We had a wonderful turnout of members and families that joined the effort. These directories and pictures will make awesome Christmas gifts.

Congratulations:



The birth of Thomas Allen Goodbar on Wednesday October 2nd at 12:03 p.m. He weighed 8 lbs. and 14 oz. and is 20 and a half inches long. Congratulations to both families. You may send Congratulations cards to them at 22 Upland Drive, Salem, VA 24153.

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JAMIE MARTIN SCHOLARSHIP

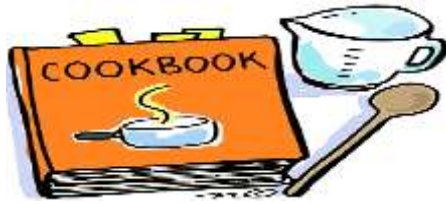
An account has been established at Bank of Botetourt with a tax ID number. The Jamie Martin Memorial Scholarship Fund. Money will be accepted into this account from now until we disburse it in May 2020. This will be a onetime scholarship given to a member of her graduating class, not an annual one. We are still working on the requirements & plan to provide an application to the school by the end of October. Here are the ideas we have so far:

1. A GPA of at least 3.0.
2. They will be asked if they are obtaining an Advanced Studies Diploma, but have not yet decided if we want it to be required
3. We will ask how they plan to use their education/degree to help others or animals ©
4. Financial Need



Children's Church

We are excited to announce Children's Church started on October 13th. The beginning focus of this special time for our young children is on characters of the Bible. Children move through stations of Bible study, crafts, snacks, songs, and prayer. During prayer time, children start with the Lord's Prayer and move into a time of prayer which includes their personal prayer requests. Please keep Children's Church and our precious children in your prayers. Thank you,
Tonya and Hayden Fontenot
Gay Lea Goodbar



Cookbook

Collierstown Cooks!!!

Would make an awesome Christmas and or Wedding gift. Contact Joyce Reid. The price is \$10.

THE "WHAT" AND "WHY" OF THE ANNUAL CHURCH DINNER

The Annual Church Dinner is **Saturday, November 2**. The centerpiece of the day will be the fried oyster, country ham, and turkey dinners with all the trimmings that will be prepared in the church's kitchen and served to patrons in the Fellowship Hall from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. The same meals will be available as take out dinners for those that cannot come to the church to dine. A team of people will be assembling and packaging these meals for pick up. A "meals on wheels" team will be taking packaged meals at no charge to individuals in the community and surrounding area who are in need or would have difficulty getting meals. The proceeds from the sale of meals on "Dinner Day" will be used to fund a number of local and international ministries.

A Bazaar containing a variety of homemade crafts, baked goods, vegetables, apples, homemade soups, and holiday items for sale will be located in the "red building" on the church grounds with proceeds being donated to the Fellowship of Christian Athletes of Rockbridge and to the Jamie Martin Memorial Scholarship Fund. Jamie, a daughter and member of the Collierstown Presbyterian Church family, died in a tragic automobile accident on October 17, 2018. A memorial scholarship has been established in her memory and will be awarded to one of her classmates in the Rockbridge County High School Class of 2020.

The Annual Church Dinner is sponsored by the Presbyterian Women but is a total church effort with CPC men, women, youth, and children working together to invite others in to enjoy our hospitality and share in our fellowship. Hospitality is a Biblical command whose purpose is to minister to those around us – both believers and unbelievers. It is the foundation of the Annual Dinner that began with a dream held by three Presbyterian Women in 1924. Their work and planning became a reality with the first Annual Dinner being held on November 5 and 6, 1925. We have kept their dream alive by continuing this event. It is one way we can show love, care, and concern for others in everything we do on this special day and in the way we do it. It is our experience at Collierstown Presbyterian Church that as we offer hospitality to our guests and each other on "Dinner Day," we are the ones that are richly blessed.

Don't let anything hold you back, come to the church and be a part of the Annual Church Dinner and the blessings that will be yours for doing so! See you on November 2nd!!

Submitted by Debbie McCormick, PW Communications Coordinator



**Collierstown
Presbyterian Church
31 Church Drive, Lexington, VA
Annual Dinner
Saturday, Nov. 2
11 a.m. - 7 p.m.**

**Country Ham - Turkey w/Dressing
- Fried Oysters**

Child's Plate (under 8)

Dine in or Call 463-5918

on dinner day to place your order for pick up.

Bazaar room proceeds to benefit:

Jamie Martin Scholarship Fund and

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Check out our Facebook page: Collierstown

Presbyterian Church Annual Dinner





Veteran's Day: 11 November 2019, don't forget to thank a Veteran for their service!!



CPC Christmas Program is gearing up!

Christmas will be here in two months!

Can you believe it? Rehearsals started for our Christmas program. We need kids, youth and others interested to help. Choir members, please come to these rehearsals so we can present a well-rehearsed program. Let me know if you can't make it for practice. We will present the program on Sunday December 15 during regular service time. We have a special guest artist to assist with the music! Come on out! On another note, I need more requests for solos, choir anthems and congregational hymns and inspirational tunes.

Thanks, Kelly Harris

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN TO CELEBRATE 2018
THANK OFFERING**

Since 1888 Presbyterian Women have expressed gratitude and thanksgiving for God's blessings by sharing their blessings with those in need at home and around the world. Eliza Clokey of Springfield, Ohio urged other women in 1888 to give one dollar over their usual contribution to the Women's General Missionary Society as a "thank offering to the Lord." Since then the Thank Offering has raised tens of millions of dollars to meet the needs of others. This year the Collierstown Church family will join other churches in taking a "Thank Offering" on Sunday, November 24 during the morning worship hour. Funds given will be used to support sixteen ministries, twelve in the United States and four internationally. More than forty percent of this year's Thank Offering recipients are dedicated to funding health ministries. Other recipients will assist the displaced, feed the hungry, provide safe housing, and help individuals secure skills and job training.

The 2019 Thank Offering theme "God Heeds Our Call" comes from Jeremiah 29:12-13. We have faith that God hears and heeds our call using our gifts to minister to those in need. We are called to give generously to assist this year's recipient ministries. The Presbyterian Women invite the entire church family to participate on November 24. Let us join together and share our provision with those whose need is great!

Submitted by: Debbie McCormick – PW Special Offerings Coordinator

BAZAAR ROOM; Annual dinner NOV 2nd



Bazaar Room Best Sellers:

We would also like to see some:

Pies Bread Loaves

Jewelry/Crafts

(Surprise us w/ your talents)

Rolls Cinnamon Rolls

Pumpkin/Banana Bread

Soups

Cakes (cut in half seems to sell better)

Cookies/Candy

Please remember to have your goodies priced.

If you don't have time to make something from scratch, a monetary donation can be used to purchase items and is tax deductible.

Thanks in advance for your support!

Jennifer, Joyce, and Shelley



RARA food items for the month of November is
Canned vegetables.



Effinger Community Thanksgiving Service;
November 24th 7pm @ Palmer Community Center;
Rev. Kevin Channell



FOUR-CENTS A MEAL

offering for the month of September was 107.00.

YTD offering is \$937.07.