

# The Colliers Creek Chronicle



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## September Birthday's

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

## Anniversaries

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

## CHRISTIAN

## EDUCATION SAVE

## THE DATES:

Rally day September  
10<sup>th</sup>

## IT'S COUNT DOWN TIME

### COLLIERSTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ANNUAL CHURCH DINNER - MARK YOUR CALENDARS SATURDAY NOVEMBER 4, 2023 STARTING AT 11:00 AM:

The dinner Steering Committee is already at work with plans for the Annual Church Dinner (11/05/22). Our committee chairmen are coordinating their stations to have everything in place for "**THE BIG DAY**".

The Annual Dinner is fast approaching, Nov 4, 2023. As most of you know Mary Jarvis is unable to be our Dinner Chair this year due to health issues. That being said the steering Committee will meet at the church on Wednesday September 6th at 6:30 to discuss and move forward with plans. At that time, we will discuss all things dinner related. If you were a point person for any of the dinner jobs, I hope you can join us. If you are interested in heading up or being more actively involved, please join us that evening.

The Presbyterian Women will hold a meeting on Thursday September 21, 2023, at 6:30pm to conduct business of the group, such as decide where the proceeds from the bazaar room will go toward, we will also take time to finalize some dates and items for the Annual Dinner.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact by email [angekz4maw@gmail.com](mailto:angekz4maw@gmail.com) or call 540-461-2041. Frances Ruley PW Moderator **THE BAZAAR ROOM** is back with all your favorite homemade baked goods, soup, crafts, vegetables, and lots of other goodies.

The Annual Church Dinner is sponsored by Presbyterian Women.

## **STATED SESSION MEETING OF CPC HIGHLIGHTS: AUGUST 12, 2023**

Session approved the June and July reports of the Receiving Treasurer (Mark Fontenot) and the Disbursing Treasurer (Jeanne Staton) as well as the stated session minutes of June 12, 2023, and the congregational meeting of July 23, 2023.

### **Christian Education: ( Rosalea Potter) :**

- Vacation Bible School 2024 will be discussed this fall - many liked being at the
- Palmer Community Center.
- Hosted by all our local churches, a community revival with “Just Believe Ministry,
  - Kirk and Dr. Janelle Wade was held at the Effinger Fire Department on August 10, 2023
  - at 7 p.m. At 6.p.m. a potluck supper was held with Kenney’s chicken, drinks, utensils.
  - and paper products provided. Approximately 50 attended this event.
- Rally Day is being planned for Sunday, September 10, 2023.
- If anyone has an interest on joining the Christian Education Committee, please contact Rosalea Potter. Give us your ideas and let us know what programs you’d like to see.

### **Witness & Congregational Care: (Debbie McCormick).**

- Annual Church Picnic will be held on Sunday, August 27 at CPC with 10:30 a.m.
- Worship outdoors (weather permitting) followed by a picnic lunch. Tables and
  - chairs will be set up under tents as well as in the fellowship hall. Kenneys’ chicken,
  - drinks, utensils and paper products will be provided. Folks are asked to bring lawn
  - chairs for Worship and side dishes/desserts for lunch. Burr Datz will be the guest
  - speaker and provide special music with Jeremiah Holland.
- In appreciation for Linda Wilder’s years as CPC Disbursing Treasurer, a sewing
  - machine and a share of a well have been given to the PC(USA) Mission.
- Members, friends and college students are urged to check for updates to the
  - directory and send to the CPC Secretary by September 10.
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### **Worship: (Joan Potter)**

- Communion was celebrated on July 23, 2023, with the Rev. Bill Klein administering the Sacraments.
- By general consensus, Session approved pulpit supply for August-October 2023:
- 8/6 Greg Jewett, 8/12 Bernard Bangley, 8/20 + 8/27 Burr Datz,
- 9/23 Malcolm Brownlee, 9/10 + 9/17 Burr Datz, 9/24 Bernard Bangley.
- 10/21 Malcolm Brownlee. Word Communion Sunday.
- 10/8 Burr Datz.
- 10/15 Greg Jewett,
- 10/22 Bernard Bangley,
- 10/29 Burr Datz.

**Building & Grounds: (Mark Fontenot):**

1. Boiler inspected (Richard Davis). Kitchen lock and ice machine repaired; creek bed in front of CPC cleaned out (Don Reid); sprayed bees at playground (Mark); manse guttering worked on and house checked over for rental; Owen Wood cleaned guttering on CPC with his bucket truck (\$160).

**Personnel: (Judy Goodbar).**

Committee met with Donna V. Potter for annual review, and she accepted a contract to continue as CPC Secretary this year.

**Stewardship: (Gaylea Goodbar and Jeanne Staton):** No report.

**Old Business:**

1. PNC: At the July 23rd Congregational meeting, the members approved Elder Judy Goodbar, Reese McCormick, Elder Rosalea Potter, Austin Ramsey and Hayden Richardson with Karey Ramsey assisting in data research.

2. Manse Rental Update: The second week in August a couple moved into the manse. He is part of the coaching staff at VMI and she is working at an Elementary school.

**New Business:**

1. Shenandoah Presbytery meeting, August 22, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. via zoom: No elder was able to serve as CPC Elder Commissioner.

2. The Big Event: Saturday, September 9, 2023 at Massanetta Springs Conference Center. Theme: "Faithful Decisions in Difficult Times".

3. PW: with the goal of filling 200 school bags for Church World Service, Debbie McCormick reported that 115 bags have been completed and \$222 donated to purchase supplies.

Respectfully submitted  
Janet S Scott, Clerk of Session



## **"STAY CONNECTED!"**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP to "KEEP YOU INFORMED"** with what is going on at Collierstown Presbyterian Church. We want to be able to send you information and links to our virtual opportunities as well as to those that are available in person at the church and in the community. To do that we need your **PHYSICAL ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS, AND CELL and/or LAND LINE PHONE NUMBERS**. We have a Church Directory, but it needs to be kept up to date. Please submit those changes by Sunday, September 10 by calling the church at 540-463-5918 or by emailing [cpcsecretary5918@gmail.com](mailto:cpcsecretary5918@gmail.com). Changes can also be emailed to Witness & Congregational Care Committee Chairman, Debbie McCormick: [dmccormick53419@gmail.com](mailto:dmccormick53419@gmail.com). Copies of the most recent Directory are posted on the bulletin boards in the vestibule and in the hallway across from the water fountain. If you find or know of an error in the current directory, LET US KNOW! We plan to have updated CPC Directories available for pick up on Sunday, October 1. We will look forward to hearing from you! Thanks for your help!  
*CPC Witness and Congregational Care Committee*

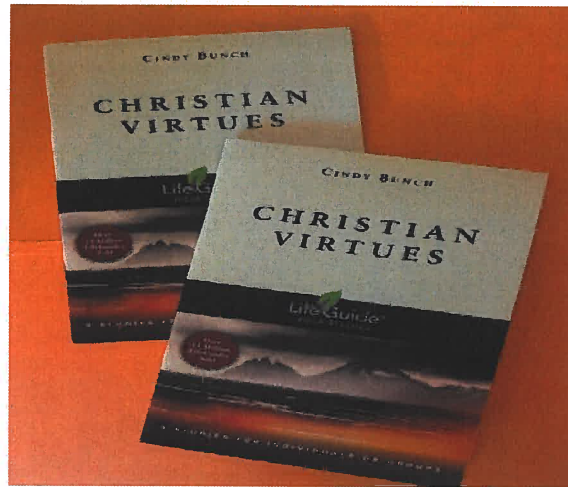
### **COLLIERSTOWN SCHOOL BAGS READY FOR STUDENTS!**

The Collierstown Presbyterian Women concluded their annual "School Bag Campaign" on Sunday, August 20. 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 2023 goal to make 200 school bags, an increase of 23 bags over the 177 bags prepared in the 2022 campaign.

The church family was invited on July 23 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 20 a record breaking TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY-FOUR school bags were returned to the church sanctuary filling the first pew and the floor surrounding the organ. 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 will check each bag's contents and package them for their journey to Church World Service who will handle their delivery to needy students. Each bag will be 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.

### **ONE MORE THING . . .**

The boxed Collierstown school bags will be taken to the Brethren Disaster Ministries building located at the Shenandoah District Office of the Church of the Brethren in Weyers Cave, VA. This location is an official pick-up point for Church World Service that is used by a number of churches and denominations in providing donations to CWS. The facility welcomes volunteers from youth to seniors and is handicapped accessible. It is equipped to assemble health kits, disaster buckets, as well as school bags for Church World Service. The CPC PW has volunteered to go to Weyers Cave to help with assembling CWS kits. Please pray for additional opportunities for the Collierstown congregation to help meet the needs of others by sending teams of volunteers to this location to assist in the work being done so close to home.  
*PW School Bag Committee*

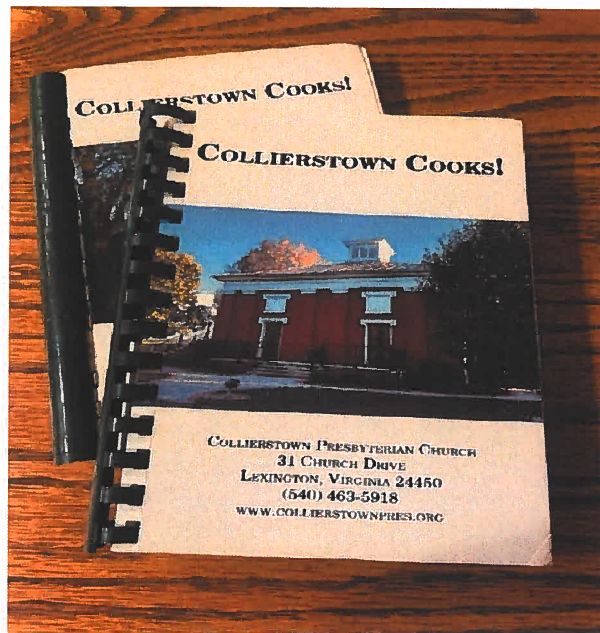


## NIGHT CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY SET TO BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER

The Night Circle is organizing for the 2023-24 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 "CHRISTIAN VIRTUES" by Cindy Bunch, senior editor for InterVarsity Press and the author of the LifeGuide Bible Study Woman of God. One of the fruits of knowing God is that he grows us into people of virtue. This year's study begins with the inner virtues of faith, hope, and love and then moves to wisdom, justice, courage, moderation, integrity, and perseverance. Our focus will be on what each of these virtues are and how they impact our Christian Walk.

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 7 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!*



## **“COLLIERSTOWN COOKS” AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**

The Collierstown Presbyterian Church has its own cookbook that was first published in 2010 and is entitled Collierstown Cooks. To mark the church’s 175th 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 4 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 PW Moderator Frances Ruley.  
CPC Presbyterian Women



**PEACE**  
BEGINS  
WITH EACH  
OF US.



## PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING TO BE RECEIVED

On Sunday, October 1 the CPC family will join other Christians around the world to observe World Communion Sunday. As we gather at the communion table we will celebrate our oneness in the Spirit and the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Also, on that day Presbyterians will receive the Peace & Global Witness offering. This offering supports the work for peace and reconciliation being done around the globe. Twenty-five percent of the offering will remain with our local congregation to support peacemaking in our locality.

The funds received during the past two years have been used locally to support Project Horizon, established in 1982. Project Horizon serves Rockbridge County, VA and is dedicated to eradicating domestic, sexual, and dating violence through empowerment of survivors, and by being a sanctuary for victims. Be in prayer as to what you will give as we commit to building a more just and peaceful world.

Witness & Congregational Care Committee

## PLAYGROUND DEDICATION:

On August 27, the playground was dedicated to God during the annual church picnic. A big thank you goes out to all of those who supported this project whether financially, physically, or in prayer.



Special thanks to all those that made this project a success, your time, talents, contributions and manual labor has made a huge impact on our children of the CPC community.



# RECIPE CORNER

## UNSTUFFED PEPPERS –

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO USE ALL THOSE FRESH PEPPERS FROM YOU GARDEN. GIVE THIS A TRY

- 1 cup uncooked instant rice; 1 pound ground beef
- 2 medium green peppers, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1/2 cup chopped onion; 1 jar (26 ounces) marinara sauce
- 1-1/2 teaspoons salt-free seasoning blend
- 1/2 cup shredded Italian cheese blend
- 1/2 cup seasoned bread crumbs; 1 tablespoon olive oil

### Directions

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°. Cook rice according to package directions.
- 2. Meanwhile, in a large cast-iron or other ovenproof skillet, cook beef, green peppers and onion over medium-high heat until meat is no longer pink; drain. Stir in rice, marinara sauce and seasoning blend. Stir in cheese.
- 3. Toss bread crumbs and oil; sprinkle over the top. Bake until heated through and topping is golden brown, 8-10 minutes.

## GERMAN POTATO SALAD

5 lbs. new potatoes	8 strips of bacon	1 small red onion
3 green onions thinly sliced	1 ½ cups water	½ cup white vinegar
1/3 cup canola oil	1 ¼ tsp salt	½ tsp pepper

- Place potatoes in a stock pot add water to cover, bring to boil. Reduce heat, cook, uncovered 15 mins or until tender. Drain potatoes cool slightly.
- Cut potatoes into slices, place in a large bowl, stir in bacon onion and green onions.
- In a small bowl whisk the remaining ingredients, until blended, pour over salad, and toss gently to coat.
- Serve warm refrigerate leftovers.

## FRESH CORN SALAD

4 cups fresh or frozen corn, rinsed and drained; 1 cup cherry tomatoes, halved  
1/3 c crumbled feta; ¼ red onion finely chopped; ¼ cup basil, thinly sliced; 3 T (extra virgin olive oil);  
Juice of 1 lime; Kosher salad; Freshly ground black pepper

Toss all ingredients together, season with salt and pepper, chill.

# Thinking of you

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We are sure all those listed above would love a care package from their church family.  
BLESSINGS TO ALL





# Mended Hearts®

Our motto is *"It's great to be alive and help others"*

Information and support are available free to anyone diagnosed with a heart condition or disease and also for those who are the "caregivers" of heart patients!

Any age, any diagnosis... all can receive support and information free.

Hospitals that treat heart patients have welcomed volunteers who have previously undergone heart treatment including heart surgery and/or transplants. There is a volunteer group available at area hospitals, and here at CPC we have a volunteer among us that would love to share information with you: Kay Lewis.

Ten years ago, Kay Lewis had a heart attack while working in the yard. 6 weeks later she had cardiac triple bypass surgery in Roanoke. While recovering in the intensive care cardiac unit Kay received a visit from a Mended Hearts volunteer who had undergone the very same heart attack and bypass surgery 25 years before. These volunteers provide information and a visible hope to current patients trying to understand what life could be like after such a diagnosis or surgery. That one visit by a volunteer provided Kay more support and realistic hope than any doctor could predict!

Within months after surgery, Kay became a member of the Mended Hearts and soon thereafter became a trained volunteer to visit other patients and their families so she could give them the same sense of hope that she received. Kay has been very active for the past 10 years, and she is the current President of a chapter located near her Florida home. She also just completed a two year term serving nationally as the Assistant Regional Director for the southern region of the US. She is a trained accredited visitor for heart surgery patients, and is available to talk to other heart patients or their family members about their personal concerns of living with a heart condition.

More information about the Mended Hearts is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway. Kay can be reached by phone or text 954-260-9796, or email at [KayL17MHearts@gmail.com](mailto:KayL17MHearts@gmail.com).

*(A copy of the Informational Flyer on Mended Hearts follows and is available for pick up on the bulletin board in the hallway of the Educational Building. Witness & Congregational Care Committee)*



# Mended Hearts™

## The Facts

Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of Americans, totaling more than 600,000 deaths annually. Heart disease claims more lives each year than cancer, respiratory diseases and accidents combined.

## We Are Mended Hearts

Whether you have just been diagnosed with heart disease, had a heart event, or had heart surgery or other medical procedures, Mended Hearts is here for you! We understand the feelings, concerns, and questions you may have because we are patients, caregivers, and families too.

## Support for when you need it the most, where you need it

Mended Hearts provides peer-to-peer support on a local, regional, and national level. Our support services include:

## Chapters

Chapter meetings are a safe space for patients and caregivers to share, learn, discuss, support and even have fun together.

## Discussion Communities

Our Discussion Communities allow patients, caregivers, and families to connect online and to learn from one another about living with heart disease.

## Accredited Visiting® Program

Trained volunteers conduct peer-support visits in-person in the hospital, by phone, by email, by text by video chat and online. [www.myheartvisit.org](http://www.myheartvisit.org).

Our motto is *"It's great to be alive and help others"*

## Education

We have many resources available to patients and caregivers. Get back on your feet after your heart diagnosis! When you get home, get online with us at [connect.mendedhearts.org](http://connect.mendedhearts.org).

## Get Connected today

We're here to help you! We even conduct "visits" via email with heart patients, caregivers and families. You can connect with an Internet visitor by emailing [support@mendedhearts.org](mailto:support@mendedhearts.org).

## Toll-free Heart Line

We're just a toll-free phone call away. Dial **1-888-HEART99 (1-888-432-7899)** and we'll answer questions to address any concerns you have and connect you with a Mended Hearts chapter and fellow heart survivor in your area. M-F 10 AM-6PM Eastern, Saturday Noon-3PM Eastern.

# September 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
	4	5	6	7	8	9
Rev. Brownlee						
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Mr. Burr Datz/ Rally Day						
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Mr. Burr Datz						
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Rev. Bangley						

Notes	OCT Dates: CPC session meeting 10/9; dinner clean up dates: 10/21 & 10/28
All meetings will be held in fellowship hall.	

WCC @ 6:30pm

PW annual dinner steering committee meeting @ 6:30pm

Night Circle @ 6:30pm

C&F Circle @ 1pm

PW quarterly meeting at 6:30pm

BARC townhall @ 6:30pm