



The Courier

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

September 2018

Court Street United Methodist

AUTUMN: REFLECTIONS ON THE SEASON

The autumn equinox marks the arrival of the season of fall, traditionally seen as a period of changes leading to the end of the yearly cycle but for Christians who observe the liturgical year, autumn is actually the beginning of the cycle. What spiritual lessons and practices are suggested by the coming of autumn? Here are three areas for your meditations.

On the autumn equinox, day and night are of equal length. This signals the need to balance light and darkness within us. Far too often, we fear the dark and adore only the light. Joyce Rupp, a Catholic writer and poet challenges us to befriend our inner darkness: *"I gratefully acknowledge how darkness has become less of an enemy for me and more of a place of silent nurturance, where the slow, steady gestation needed for my soul's growth can occur. Not only is light a welcomed part of my life, but I am also developing a greater understanding of how much I need to befriend my inner darkness."*

As we watch leaves fluttering to the ground in the fall, we are reminded that nature's cycles are mirrored in our lives. Autumn is a time for letting go and releasing things that have been a burden. All the religious traditions pay tribute to such acts of relinquishment. Fall is the right time to practice getting out of the way and letting Spirit take charge of our lives. James Hillman, the elder statesman of contemporary depth psychology, challenges us to learn from others about this: *"For what the actor tries to achieve on stage is to 'get out of the way' so that the character he or she is portraying can come fully out. So, too, the writer and the painter; they have to get out of the way of the flow of the work onto the paper and the canvas."* Fall, then, is the perfect season to give generously of your time and talents to others.

Autumn reminds us of the impermanence of everything. We have experienced the budding of life in spring and the flowerings and profusions of summer. Now the leaves fall, and bare branches remind us of the fleeting nature of all things. Fall also brings home to our consciousness death and the challenge to live every day to the fullest. I was once told that certain spiritual masters in Tibet used to set their teacups upside down before they went to bed each night as a reminder that all life was impermanent. And then, when they awoke each morning, they turned their teacups right side up again with the happy thought, 'I'm still here!' This simple gesture was a wonderful reminder to celebrate every moment of the day. Enjoy your fall and let it be a beginning of a new cycle of your life.

~ Pastor Bill Burleigh

FALL LEAVES ARE BEAUTIFUL, GODS BLESSINGS ARE BREATH-TAKING.

The Chancel Choir returns September 9th!

The Chancel Choir will have rehearsal for the new choir year on Wednesday September 5th and will sing for the Sunday service on September 9th.



Musical Musings

Anthems for September



September 9th

"When in Our Music God Is Glorified," by Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Charles Stanford was a truly gifted composer, conductor, organist, and teacher. Among his students were Ralph Vaughan Williams and Gustav Holst. His energetic setting of "When in Our Music", employing the tune ENGELBERG, is a well-known favorite.

September 16th

"The Heavens Are Telling," by Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

This wonderful setting of Psalm 19 (paraphrased) is often described as majestic and dramatic, and has been a regular favorite of the Court Street Chancel choir.

September 23rd

"Kyrie Eleison," from *Missa Brevis*, K.259 by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Alternatively titled "Organ Solo Mass", the work was composed in 1776 - just as our nation was establishing its independence.

5TH SUNDAY → September 30th

"We Gather Together," arranged by Katherine Davis (1892-1980)

The Dutch hymn "We Gather Together," composed in 1597 by Adrianus Valerius (ca. 1575-1625), originally rose in popularity because the Dutch were seeking national independence through war with King Philip II of Spain. The Spanish prohibited Dutch Protestants from gathering for worship; it was only natural that "We Gather Together" became known as a Dutch patriotic song. The hymn first appeared in American hymnals in 1903, and rapidly gained popularity in the U.S. The arrangement we perform is by Katherine Davis, who composed "The Little Drummer Boy."

5th Sundays will be a combined service with All Peoples, Lighthouse and Breakthrough churches.

Lunch (Pot Luck) will be served after worship service in the Refectory.

Court Street will host September.



Dear Ladies

Thank you so much for the lunches you have lovingly provided after the Midday Music Concerts. These tie in so well with the programs and we can see from the support at the concerts that they are much appreciated. Since Kerry and I have been at Court Street, we have observed the care that goes into the catering. Thank you.

Also, to all ushers who are greatly needed but not thanked enough. Your guidance to new folk into our sanctuary is wonderful.

Best Wishes
Doc. Carol

Lunch at Westminster is BACK!!!



Every 2nd Thursday is
**Lunch with members living at
Westminster-Canterbury**
Join us on September 13th
Fauber 2 - 11:30am
Ask the front desk for directions to
the new location of Fauber 2



September Paint Night with Ecclesia:

Saturday, September 15th ~ 2pm-4pm

\$10 pre-registered

\$12 at the door

All ages

(children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult)

Sign up at: <https://ecclesiaarts.com/paint-night/>



Feeding His Lambs



Members and friends of Court Street will once again provide, prepare, and serve dinner to neighbors at Park View Community Mission on Wednesday, September 26th. The evening for neighbors will begin with a devotion and music at 5:00 p.m. (preparation of the food will begin earlier). Dinner will be served at 5:30.

Volunteer opportunities include:

Food preparation on site Cooks to make their best desserts
Setting up Serving food Cleaning up

Please contact Mary Tyree [434-239-2270](tel:434-239-2270) or Harriette Cash [434-929-2460](tel:434-929-2460) to volunteer.

COMING IN OCTOBER



COLLABORATIVE BIBLE STUDY STARTING IN OCTOBER! Court Street UMC, All Peoples, Breakthrough, and Lighthouse will have a covered dish dinner followed by a bible study on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday each month at 6pm. Each ministry will take a turn in hosting the fellowship meal/Bible study for those two Wednesdays in the month. Hosting will include set-up, clean-up, and bible study. All Peoples will host the month of October. A sign-up sheet for covered dishes will be in the Bishop Early Hall. We are excited for this collaboration and the opportunity to get to know one another and bring unity to Christ's body in the city of Lynchburg.

Volunteers Needed

Please contact the Adult Care Center at:

(434) 847-8111

or email:

office@adultcarecenter.org

October 5, 6 and 7, 2018



Friday and Saturday 10AM-5PM
Sunday 1-5PM

Tour eight spectacular waterfront homes by car or boat.
Tickets valid all three days, one visit per home.
Tour held rain or shine.

TICKETS

www.smlcharityhometour.com

Buy tickets online and save!

(All fees included • Tickets are non-refundable)

\$25 June 1 - 30

(offered on line at the www.SMLCharityHomeTour.com web site only)

\$30 July 1 - October 4

(offered on line at and selected Ticket Outlet Locations only)

\$35 October 5, 6, 7

(offered on line and at each home only)

Beautiful Setting ⇨ Beautiful Homes
⇨ Beautiful Cause ⇨

Benefiting these area charities: Adult Care Center of Central Virginia, AGAPE Center, Franklin County YMCA, Bedford Pregnancy Center, Henry Fork Service Center, SML Good Neighbors, Children's Assistive Technology Services, and Disability Rights and Resource Center

DIAMOND SPONSORS



CONSTRUCTION
MARKETING, LLC

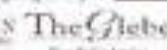
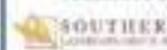


540.297.4055

GOLD SPONSORS



Safe, Reliable & Lighting Gallery



2018 TICKET OUTLETS

BRIDGEWATER

SML Visitors Center
16430 Booker T. Washington Hwy.

WESTLAKE

The General Store
213 Scruggs Rd.

UNION HALL

Lakescapes Nursery
11508 Old Franklin Tpke.



TRUNK OR TREAT

October 26th 5:30pm -7pm

AND

Silent Movie Night with Carol Williams

~Stay tuned for more~

SEPTEMBER'S ADULT BIBLE STUDY CLASS ~ SUNDAYS ~ 9:45AM

September 2: **“God Created the Heavens and the Earth”**, Richard Chaffin

September 9: **“God Created Plants and Animals”**, Lewis Johnson

September 16: **“God Created People”**, Dan Sweeney

September 23: **“God Created Family”**, Richard Chaffin

September 30: **“God Creates; Humans Sin”**, Megan Straw

Birthdays and Anniversaries

| September Birthdays | | September Anniversaries | | October Birthdays | |
|---------------------|---------|-------------------------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Barbara Brown | Sept 01 | Nancy & Mike Russell | Sept. 03 | Jeb Haley | October 01 |
| Chris Paunov | Sept 01 | Stuart & Tracy Jackson | Sept. 24 | Charles Sweeney | October 05 |
| Mike Russell | Sept 01 | Lisa & Jeff Thaxton | Sept. 25 | GiGi Sweeney | October 05 |
| Alicia Speer | Sept 01 | | | Addison Johnson | October 08 |
| Dane Peterson | Sept 04 | | | Libba McCraw | October 09 |
| Cecil Kidd | Sept 06 | | | Caroline McCraw | October 09 |
| Mark Roper | Sept 06 | | | Pat Haley | October 10 |
| David Case, Jr. | Sept 07 | | | Karen Hudnall | October 13 |
| Pam Jackson | Sept 10 | | | Patrick Pillow | October 15 |
| Lynette James | Sept 10 | | | Susan Leazer | October 16 |
| Dennis Pruitt | Sept 10 | | | Irby Hudson | October 22 |
| Robert Draper | Sept 16 | | | Charles Thaxton | October 22 |
| Billy Pence | Sept 17 | | | Robin Hudson | October 23 |
| Aubrey McDaniel | Sept 29 | | | Anne Quillian | October 28 |
| Eva Shober | Sept 29 | | | Karl Speer | October 29 |
| Patsy Cundiff | Sept 30 | | | | |



PRAYER CONCERNS

All Men and Women serving in the Military

Robert Shober – Fort Bragg, NC, son of *Eva Lee and *Reiman Shober

Kenny Kincaid and children, son of *Bobbi and *Randy Hurst

SICK

*Dolly Clingempeel – 2231 Woodcrest Drive, Lynchburg, VA 24503

*Patsy Cundiff – 1559 Lexington Drive, Lynchburg, VA 24503

*Christopher Lilley - 408 Blackford Street #2, Lynchburg, Virginia 24504

*Ann & Phil Ripley – 1101 Federal Street, Lynchburg, Virginia 24504

*Eva Shober - 172 Shober Lane, Monroe, Virginia 24574

Sylvia Shuff - Mother-in-Law of *Pastor Bill Burleigh

*Alicia Speer – 1815 Rivermont Ave #68, Lynchburg, VA 24503

*Audrey Tyree – P. O. Box 4463, Lynchburg, VA 24502

* Church members



A gift was presented to the church in honor of the members & friends of Court Street by Eleanor & Doug Pillow in gratitude for the cards, meals, thoughts and prayers. We miss being in church and hope to return soon.

~ Eleanor & Doug

Update on Capital Campaign for church repairs:

| | |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Campaign Goal | \$300,000 |
| Promised as of 8/26/18 | \$242,881 |
| Balance needed to reach goal | \$57,119 |
| Received to Date | \$194,666 |
| Received since last update | \$800.00 |
| Elevator fund | \$10,328 |

September 2018

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|
| 2 Adult Sunday School 9:45am Worship 11am Breakthrough Worship Service ~ 7:00pm | 3 Labor Day Church Office Closed | 4 LSO Practice 7pm | 5 AGLOW 9am All Peoples Service ~ 7pm | 6 | 7 Get Downtown 6pm-10pm | 8 LSYO Auditions 8am-12pm All Peoples Worship Service 6pm |
| 9 Adult Sunday School 9:45am Worship 11am Breakthrough Worship Service ~ 7:00pm | 10 Adult Care Center Bocce Ball Tournament 12pm | 11 LSO Practice 7pm | 12 Finance Committee Meeting 2pm All Peoples Service ~ 7pm | 13 Lunch at Westminster 11:30am Fauber 2 Ask front desk for directions | 14 ESA Swing Dance Class 6:30pm (register online) | 15 ESA paint event fundraiser 2pm (register online) All Peoples Worship Service 6pm |
| 16 Adult Sunday School 9:45am Worship 11am Breakthrough Worship Service ~ 7:00pm | 17 Susan's Vacation 17th-21st (I will check email during the week) | 18 LSYO Practice 4pm LSO Practice 7pm | 19 Adult Care Center portraits with Legacy till 5pm - Refectory All Peoples Service ~ 7pm | 20 Adult Care Center portraits with Legacy till 5pm - Refectory | 21 | 22 All Peoples Worship Service 6pm |
| 23 Adult Sunday School 9:45am Worship 11am Church Council meeting after church Breakthrough Worship Service ~ 7:00pm | 24 | 25 LSYO Practice 4pm LSO Practice 7pm | 26 Parkview Mission Dinner 4:30pm All Peoples Service ~ 7pm | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 Adult Sunday School 9:45am Worship 11am Breakthrough Worship Service ~ 7:00pm | 5 th Sunday combined service CSUMC host | COLLABORATIVE BIBLE STUDY STARTING IN OCTOBER WITH ALL PEOPLES, CSUMC, BREAKTHROUGH AND LIGHTHOUSE. 1 ST AND 3 RD WEDNESDAY @ 6pm. FELLOWSHIP WILL START WITH A COVERED DISH (POTLUCK) FOLLOWED BY BIBLE STUDY. ALL PEOPLES WILL HOST THE MONTH OF OCTOBER. COVERED DISH SIGN-UP SHEET WILL BE IN THE BISHOP EARLY HALL. | | | | |
| | | | | | | |

Court Street UMC
621 Court Street
Lynchburg Va. 24504



In worship, praise and ministry, we respond to God's call by reaching out to all people with light, hope, and a vision of God's love.

COURT STREET UMC WEBSITE: www.courtstreetmethodist.com

EMAIL: 621courtstumc@gmail.com

PHONE: 434-845-3427

Please contact the church office at:
621courtstumc@gmail.com or (434) 845-3427 on or before Wednesdays to have
events and notices posted on the church website.
(The newsletter, The Courier, is also on the website)

