

OCTOBER 2018 NEWSLETTER
BURNT FACTORY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
STEPHENSON, VIRGINIA 22656
C. STEVEN MELESTER, PASTOR



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OUR MISSION STATEMENT ~
SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST
WITH ALL PEOPLE.



"Let your light shine before men that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in Heaven." ~ Matthew 5:16

A VERY IMPORTANT MEETING REGARDING THE FUTURE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OCTOBER 24, 2018 @ 7:00

No doubt many of you have heard about the upcoming "called" special session of the General Conference of the UMC that will convene in St. Louis, Missouri from February 23-26, 2019.

There has been an abundance of mis-information and questions surrounding this special conference. I want to invite you to a special time of Holy Conferencing at BFUMC to inform you of the particulars and try to answer any questions you may have.

The purpose of this special session of the General Conference is to receive and act on a report of "The Commission on a Way Forward." The Commission was appointed by the Council of Bishops and authorized by the 2016 General Conference to examine all paragraphs in the Book of Discipline concerning human sexuality and also explore options that would strengthen and unify the church.

The goal of this special meeting at BFUMC is to give you some background and education as to who is who and what is what. Who is the Council of Bishops? What is the Book of Discipline? What specifically is this "Commission" tasked with exploring? What are these "plans" I keep hearing about regarding the Commission's proposals?

I hope to share with you information that will clear up some questions and allow you to pray and discern and prepare as to how each of you will respond to the results of this special session. To some, the truth is: there will be no response at all. For others, the results, regardless of which side wins or loses; the response will be epic, painful, and perpetuate continued division, disillusionment and downright anger.

My job, as your Pastor, **at this point**, is to educate and inform you, to the best of my ability, about this process and polity of the UMC and to provide the due diligence my authority as your pastor grants. My desire is to provide clarity and transparency surrounding this difficult and challenging time in our beloved denomination. On a personal note, this is a most painful and difficult time for all pastors. The storms that are coming are not storms that anyone wants to endure. The mere talk of continued division and painful decisions and even the fact, that we need to talk and vote about such things has already taken a tremendous toll on the church. I cherish your prayers as I know all UMC pastors, bishops, deacons and all leadership does.

This evening will be about information and education. It will not be a debate on human sexuality.

**God bless.
Pastor Steve**



SCHEDULE FOR MAKING APPLE BUTTER

For anyone coming in new since last fall, (and to refresh the memory of others), here are the facts about our big fundraiser for the year, our Apple Butter Making Project **October 18th-20th**. There's always something for people of all ages to do. JAY POWELL lovesgoldens1@comcast.net CELL 540-327-3118 and DEBORAH WALKER dswalker1@yahoo.com Home 540-667-6711 Cell 540-664-0908 will be taking the orders for Apple Butter and it can even be ordered by phone, by email, through the church web site or in person. Web site http://burntfactory.org/main/?page_id=952. All **new** Jars, which are purchased by the UMM, will be used this year. Pints are discouraged and if you order them, you must furnish your own **new** Jars. **The price of apple butter this year is \$10.00 qt., \$5.00 pt.** **PLEASE GET YOUR ORDERS IN EARLY!!**

On **Saturday, September 29th**, we will start to gather around **8:00 a.m.** Pickers will meet at the orchard behind Walmart, Route 50, to pick about 65 bushels of apples. Crates are provided, but please bring a bucket to pick into. This is always a family affair. All ages are welcome! We will pick rain or shine! The apples will be taken to the peeling garage until **Thursday, October 18th**, the day the peeling process begins. The men usually begin the peeling process, but there are always women and youth who come to help. The sides of the shelter will be dropped and canvas placed across a part of the shelter to insure comfort while sitting and working. The fireplace will be ready for fire, which always feels good as the temperature drops outside. We have special peelers up in the building near the shelter area. As they come off the peelers they are put in plastic bags and placed back in the crates and taken down to the shelter where the quartering and "cleaning up" of the apples takes place. **This step begins at 9:00 a.m.** **Many hands** are needed for this step. Everyone who can is encouraged to come and help, even if it's just for a couple of hours. The more help we have, the easier it is on everyone. Bring a couple of big pans and a sharp knife and maybe a comfortable chair. It really is a social event, even fun! The ladies will bring soup, hot dogs, buns, drinks and desserts to tide us over until the "hour has come" to go home.

On **Friday morning, the 19th**, the kettles will be set and a canopy put over the kettles to protect the precious product from leaves, etc. Next step, washing the apples, which is a very demanding job and help is always appreciated; some women have also come to help. By this time, it's time for these loyal workers to go home, get something to eat and sleep awhile before coming back **around midnight to begin the cooking**. All ages meet to begin the project at midnight, which is the hardest part. Lighting the fires, putting the apples in the kettles and stirring is also a demanding job! About 20-30 helpers are needed at midnight. A few brave women and the dedicated youth get in on this part and work through the night to get it all started.

Early Saturday morning, about 5:00 a.m. a hearty breakfast will be ready for all the workers. After working throughout the night on donuts and coffee, the **6:00 a.m. call to breakfast**, in shifts, of course, is a welcome invitation. Everyone is welcome to eat! By this time, relief help has come to give the early crew a break. The apples are now easier to stir. The sun is up and, hopefully, it's a pleasant, sunny day to finish the process. BUT, the project must be finished, regardless of the weather. The ladies will have brought soup, hot dogs, barbecue, buns, desserts, drinks, etc. (When we work, we eat)! Lunch is usually early, so we can get the tables cleaned up and get the area cleared for the jars that will be placed on the tables, ready for filling. Through experience, at just the right time, the sugar will be added (about 100# + to each kettle!). Then at just the right time, the spices will be added and very quickly it will be ready to take off. We have two special dispensers with cut-off valves for filling the jars. There are two assembly lines and everything must be done quickly to get the apple butter in the jars and lids screwed on tight. **NO jars of butter will be taken by purchaser until ALL butter has been jarred and released. This cuts down on confusion and allows for an accurate count of butter made. All butter taken home must be recorded by the order-taking team.** There's usually "oohs and aahs" after sampling the apple butter on rolls! It's the best apple butter in the land! Just ask us – and others, too! While some people are working in the assembly line, several of the men are cleaning up the kettles as they become empty. Then everything must be cleaned up, some utensils taken up to the church as well as the orders by people who aren't there to pick it up. The project is headed by Keith Roberts & Eddie Cooper.

A big project for a small church? You bet! It takes dedicated people who want to see it carried on. We have a wonderful reputation for our apple butter and hope it will continue for many years. Let's set aside the time that it takes for this once-a-year effort and continue this project in the same united way. So many programs in our church benefit from its profits. All apple butter not taken on Saturday will be at the church with the order name attached and any leftover apple butter will be available for additional sale. Please order your apple butter early. It may be paid for in advance or you may wait and pay when you pick it up.



The Family of Burnt Factory extends our heartfelt sympathy to the following families whose loved ones claimed the promise of the resurrection:

To Irene Reynard and Family on the passing of her son, Henry Reynard. Henry is also Amy Shepley's brother. Keep Henry's wife, Lori, in your prayers also.

To the Hudson and Hardesty Families on the passing of Johnny and Dave Hardesty's uncle, Louis Hudson.

To Rena Harris and Family in the passing of her husband, Dick,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all in this time of sorrow. God Bless and Comfort You!

PART-TIME YOUTH DIRECTOR POSITION

Burnt Factory United Methodist Church has an opening for a part-time youth director to join our team. This position would begin as a part-time, paid position, averaging 20 hours per week, reporting to the Pastor. This position may have the potential to become a full-time, paid position. The youth director would be responsible for planning, coordinating and executing youth activities as well as mentoring and counseling our youth. This position would require the candidate to have a vision and creativity for building and leading a strong youth program by encouraging the youth to respond to God's call to serve.

Experience in leading small groups, mission trips, skills in communication and the ability to work well with youth, staff, and parents are essential.

If interested, please send a copy of your resume to:

Burnt Factory United Methodist Church
Attn: Becky /PPRC Chair
P.O. Box 399
Stephenson, Va. 22656

Or email resume to :
burntfacumc@yahoo.com



- 1st - Josh Jenkins & Serenity Buddenhagen
- 2nd - Donna Willis & Martha Pool 5th - Kathy Dick
- 8th - Nancy Hulver, Jill Crowe & Asher Dennis 9th - Doris Duvall
- 11th - Etta Miller 12th - Bubba Hall 14th - Jim Shepley
- 18th - Mike Young, Ramona DeLafe, Kathy Dixon, Lillian Sutphin & Jack Jenkins
- 20th - Savannah Lee 21st - Tiffany Smith
- 22nd - Edna Melester 23rd - Darlene Morrison 24 - Ryan Swisher
- 26th - Chuck Thomas, Nathan Thompson & Ayda Rodgers 27 - Anne Kackley



- 3rd - Tom & Cindy Miiller
- 7th - Scott & Ruth Ann Snyder and also Jason & Angela Wiseman
- 8th - Kenny & Christina Rohrbach 11th - Mike & Allie Goode
- 12th - Buddy & Margaret Willis 14th - Duane & Karen Swisher
- 21st - Tim & Jennifer Stinnette 24th - Larry & Kathy Dick
- 29th - Wilson & Theresa Gilbert

FOOTBALL JOKES FROM BUDDY

Q. - Why did the poor quarterback have his receivers cross at midfield?

A. - Because he was trying to make ends meet! 😊

Q. - What's the difference between a quarterback and a baby?

A. - One takes snaps, the other takes naps! 😊

Q. - Which football team cooks gourmet meals together?

A. - The Kansas City Chefs. 😊

Have You Given Your E-Mail Address to Keith Roberts, yet?

Pastor Steve has special notices he needs to send to those who attend Burnt Factory. The notices will include not only prayer concerns, but also schedule changes during bad weather.

Keith keeps an e-mail list in his computer for just such purposes. Your e-mail address is protected and e-mails are sent, recipients not disclosed, to protect your privacy.

Kindly send your e-mail address to Keith Roberts at john.k.roberts@comcast.net with the message:

"ADD ME TO THE CHURCH EMAIL LIST"

From your pastor,

Melanie and I want to thank all of you who were so kind to share in the celebration of our 40th anniversary. We thank you for your continued support and love as we minister together for the glory of God!

I wanted to share with you that I will be leaving after the services on Sunday, October 14 to participate in a very special Spiritual Formation Retreat in Richmond, Va. The "Five Day Academy for Spiritual Formation" is sponsored by Upper Room ministries and the co-leaders of the retreat will be Dr. Amy Oden of the St. Paul School of Theology at Oklahoma City University and Dr. Luther Smith, Professor Emeritus of Candler School of Theology at Emory University. I will be returning on Friday afternoon, October 19th just in time to stir Apple Butter! For emergencies, please contact Rob Moss and he can contact me. I look forward to this time of education, worship, prayer, reflection and rest.



We Fall For Jesus Event

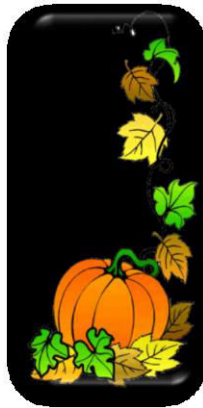
Sunday October 21st

from 3-5pm

in the social hall of the church!

Crafts

Pumpkin
Painting!



Games

Face
Painting

Snacks

For more
Information

Contact: Carrie Fair
N2dscripures@hotmail.com

Burnt Factory UMC
Church-Wide
"Life Group" Study
Starting in
January 2019

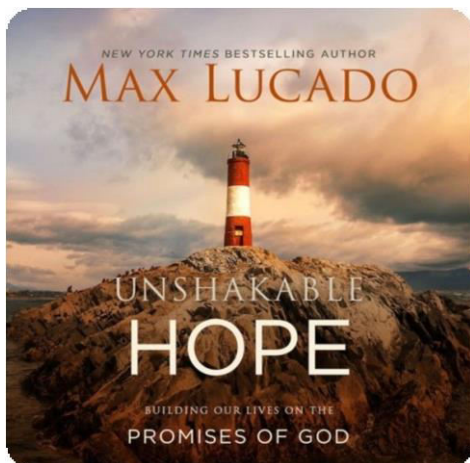
Burnt Factory UMC is looking to embark on a church-wide "life group" study starting in January of 2019. This small group bible study is a great way to form new connections and friendships! We are looking for 12 leaders who want to step up and lead a group! Remember that there were 12 people who followed Jesus and they changed the world! If you need help and/or training, we are here to provide it!

The life groups or small groups will all study the same material which I am excited to share with you will be Max Lucado's new offering entitled, **"Unshakable Hope, Building our Lives on the Promises of God"**

This is a twelve session study that challenges the participant with this question:

"Is what you're anchored to stronger than what you're going through? The answer to that question changes everything. Pastor Max Lucado offers encouraging, practical guidance for overcoming difficult circumstances and gaining inner peace, building resolve, and walking into a better future!"

You will be hearing more about this opportunity but I hope you will open yourselves to this wonderful opportunity to grow in faith and in connection to each other. I will be waiting for 12 leaders (and I hope even for more) so we can begin to plan and start 2019 off on the right foot! If God is leading you to this leadership, do not hesitate for God will empower and equip those he calls! Step up and lead a group --- it will change the world and it will change you!



Fall Library Newsletter



Fall has arrived and with it comes a *Harvest of Good Reading* from our church library. Thanks to the many donations of books from our congregation, our library keeps growing and growing. To all of you who have donated hundreds and hundreds of wonderful books – THANK YOU SO MUCH!!

Come downstairs and browse to your hearts content, then check out a few books to take home. Here are just a few of the titles that you may be interested in reading.

Marriage and Family:

- *Mom Needs a Raise (Because Quitting Is Not An Option)* – by Sarah Perry. Perry invites you to laugh alongside her in the ‘Are You Kidding Me?’ moments of rearing children.
- *The Winning Day – How to Finish First With Your Kids* by Alan Toler. This book helps give every man the confidence to be a good dad.
- *Planet Middle School* by Dr. Kevin Leman – “Helping Your Child Through Peer Pressure, Awkward Moments and Emotional Drama”
- *Raising the Perfectly Imperfect Child* by Boris Vujicic – Boris and Duslika Vujicic reared a child who had no arms or legs. Their son Nick has become an international speaker and author.
- *The Heart of Remarriage* by Gary and Greg Smalley – Couples who remarry face unique challenges. This goes straight to the heart of these challenges and gives guidance for a lasting remarriage.

Children’s Books:

- *Victoria Smiles* by Rita Geller – Victoria is 6 years old with brain cancer that has damaged her face so that kids don’t like her.
- *The Don’t Give Up Kid* by Jeanne Gebret – This is the story of a child who has a learning disability.
- *Don’t Look at Me* by Sanford Evans – Patrick has a very hard time reading.

The children’s shelves are packed tightly with **hundreds of books for infants to teens.**

CD’s

- *Walking the Bible - Journey by Land* Through the five books of Moses - the 10,000-mile journey.
- Tim Conway – *What’s So Funny* – Straight Shooting Hilarious Memoir (8 CDs)
- Victor Frankle – *Man’s Search for Meaning* – Tells of the horror of the Nazi Concentration Camps (4CDs)
- Mark Twain – *Adventures of Tom Sawyer* (8 CDs)

FICTION: Many new fiction books have also been added!

Thank you for taking the time to *come down* and check out your church library!

Doris Duvall, Church Librarian



Our District UMW meeting was held Sunday, September 23, 2018 at Bethany UMC in Purcellville, VA. The Candle Burning Ceremony was held and the names we presented for this ceremony were printed in last month's newsletter.

We look forward to our next meeting on October 11, 2018. Note the date change because of Apple Butter Week. Hope you have it on your calendar. Donna Gallagher and Diana Smith will have refreshments. Anne Perrault will have our annual pledge service. The Nominating Committee will present a slate of officers for 2019.

Continue to clip the cancelled stamps and Box-Tops for Education. Put them in the lavender box in the Social Hall. Pray for your local prayer partner and remember her with a little something special once in a while. Also send a birthday e-mail and pray for the missionary name you chose at the September meeting.

Fall has arrived! What a beautiful time to think about how we have been blest and look forward to all that the cooler weather offers. We will participate in the Apple Butter project, knowing the proceeds will be used for many mission opportunities. Not to mention, the best apple butter in the land! We will also have an opportunity to help Project Esperanza, Trinity House, Valley Light and other groups that need helping hands. We will be there to assist in any way that we can. Our PURPOSE calls us to "develop a creative, supportive fellowship, and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church." Yep, that's what we are about!!

Blessings, Polly Duvall, president

FALL AND ADVENT FOR 2018



- 10-2-18 Charge Conference @ 7:30 (Tuesday evening)
- 10-7-18 World Communion Sunday
- 10-28-18 Winchester District Conference @ 3:00 (Sunday afternoon)



- 11- 4-18 All Saints Day
- 11-11-18 Veterans Recognition Sunday
- 11-21-18 Thanksgiving Eve Service @ 7:00
- 11-25-18 "Christ the King Sunday"
(the last day of the season after Pentecost)
- 11-28-18 Healing Service @ 7:00



- 12-2-18 Advent 1
- 12-9-18 Advent 2
- 12-9-18 Children's Christmas Program @ 6:00
- 12-16-18 Advent 3 Christmas Cantata @ both services.
- 12-23-18 Advent 4
- 12-24-18 Christmas Eve Services --- 5:00 and 8:00



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CCAP Corner

CCAP, the Congregational-Community Action Project, is a cooperative ministry of 45 area churches and one synagogue serving Winchester and Frederick County that have joined together to provide financial, material and supportive assistance to people in need. CCAP is located at 112 and 106 S. Kent Street.

On Sunday, Sept 16, our church served lunch to over 55 CCAP clients. Our numbers served continue to grow. Beef Brisket was the main dish served and was a big hit. We appreciate all the sides and desserts that were donated and the time spent by our volunteers serving and communing with the clients. Thank you Debbie Walker for leading and coordinating this meal. **This mission is done monthly at CCAP on the 3rd Sunday** as part of our Outreach Ministry. Our friends at CCAP know we serve on the third Sunday and look forward to our visits. Our next Sunday Lunch will be served on October 21st starting about 12:15 at CCAP. We are usually finished by 1:30. Karen Willis will be the team lead for this meal. We would love to have more volunteers preparing food and serving. If you would like to be part of the October meal at CCAP, please contact Karen at kwillis1@comcast.net or 540-667-9293.

New volunteers are always welcome at CCAP. There are lots of ways and times to volunteer. We suggest job shadowing to see if you would like this work. Any amount of time is appreciated. If you feel the calling to serve this ministry we will be happy to share the contact information with you and take you on a tour.

SPECIFIC NEEDS ARE: Diapers, Socks, Hats and Mittens for Sizes NB - 5T.

THE PANTRY NEEDS ARE: Cans of Hearty Soup, Dried Beans, and Rice.

THE CLOTHING AREA ALWAYS NEEDS: Men's and Women's New Underwear.

Thank you for all you do for CCAP. Your continued prayers for the many clients of CCAP are always appreciated.

Patty Leonard



The Laurel Center



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21ST IS OUR LAST COLLECTION OF 2018 FOR THE CENTER.

IF YOU HAVE ITEMS ON THEIR WISH LIST YOU MIGHT CONSIDER.

Body Wash, Shampoo & Conditioners, Hairbrushes, Deodorant, & Paper Products are always welcome.

Clients often arrive with only the clothes they are wearing.

THE CENTER NEEDS:

New Adult Sweatshirts and Pants ~ Sizes: Medium, Large, X large and 2X large.

THE LAUREL CENTER'S MISSION:

To empower victims of domestic and sexual violence by providing emergency housing, advocacy, support services and education. They reach out to the community through education and awareness programs.

THEIR VISION:

Working together in our community to stop the cycle of domestic and sexual violence.

God Bless and thank you for your past generosity and support.

Donna Gallagher

From a branch on the Vine

I miss you. I miss the little ordinary things and the big events we shared. I miss the banter, the quirkiness, the special and one and only of being together. I miss the presence of you in my life. I miss you. Some may perceive this as sad, and at times it is sad, but it is also an incompleteness. What once was whole is now broken apart with pieces missing. At moments it is depressing; all the time it is different than what it was. Love is a pre-requisite for grief.

To those who are mourning a loss in their lives, a new “normal,” I am sorry. It is not a broken bone or a scraped knee. It is a pain that lives deep in the marrow; an ache all over our insides. Hear the words of Jesus, “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted”. It would be nice if that comfort came quickly; or, our head knowledge of Jesus’ promise of eternal life could convince our hearts. Would but our tears wash away the awful feeling of loss. The sorrow is base in love.

You miss someone you love. Love is a gift from God. This is Love.
4 “Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5 It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. 7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. 8 Love never fails”...1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Our love for others is a beautiful but dim reflection of God’s love. We love, but not to the heights and depths of God’s love. Can we imagine the intense passion of God’s love – and the intense passion of God’s grief when we are lost to Him? God is not a cosmic entity that does not feel. He knows what a heart in piece feels like. Jesus felt all we feel. He is not “out there”; He is where you are - bearing what you bear in your grief. Perhaps others can’t relate to your grief. Jesus can and does. We, as His flock of imperfect people, and He, as Lamb of God, can and do love you.

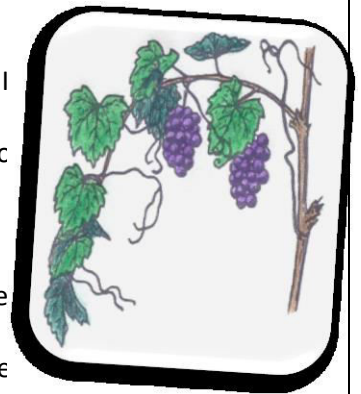
Love does not erase grief or make it disappear with a wave of a magic wand. It does hold you up through the loss. Love is so much more than a mere emotion. It is a life-line from God to sustain us when our world is crumbling. I wish there was no grief and only love; but I am thankful there is love and not just grief.

One day it will be so...

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death’ or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”
Revelation 21:3-4

Cry if you need to cry; grieve for you have loved. You are loved.

In Christ, 



United Methodist Men News

Fall is a busy time of the year. We have charge conferences, meetings, retreats and of course Apple Butter. Please mark your calendars for October 18-20th as that will be Apple Butter 2018, information to participate is in this newsletter and will also be on the church’s Facebook page. We need everyone’s help to pull off this huge church-wide project. While it is a lot of work, it is also a tremendous time of fellowship.

October is a very busy month for the United Methodist Men. The Winchester District UMMen’s Fall Rally will be October 13th at 8:00 AM at Riverton UMC. Their guest for this year’s event will be Martha Stokes who will discuss the Commission on a Way Forward’s report and the 2019 General Conference. Martha is a member of the Commission on a Way Forward and will be a delegate to February’s General Conference.

Our next Burnt Factory UMMen Meeting will be Thursday, November 15th at 7:00 P.M. We look forward to seeing everyone and discussing ways that the UMMen can be of service to our Lord at Burnt Factory United Methodist Church and in our community.

If anyone has any questions, feel free to contact me (540) 207-7404; tamtut@comcast.net.

Steve Cunningham

President Burnt Factory UMMen

RELAY FOR LIFE

It's the breast ever time to be a "Believer"!!

We had our first team meeting on Thursday, September 18th. We discussed opportunities for fundraising.

The first two listed were previously discussed. We did add two more for you to be thinking about.



: dinner for the Stonewall Ruritan Club
o help, please call or text Theresa (540) 247-5612.

ghetti Dinner/Theme Basket Auction

memade Soup Sale after both church services
and Allie Goode co-chairs)

- yara Sale in the Spring

If you have not joined our team and would like to you can register on line at relay.acsevents.org and then,

- Click on "Join this Relay"
- Create an email account or log in if previously registered
- Choose Winchester Frederick
- Choose team "The Believers"

If computers are not your thing, you can call (877-957-7848), or fill out a registration form and give it to either Theresa Gilbert or Christina Rohrbach.

The theme for 2019 Relay is "Carnival" so put your thinking caps on about campsite decorating ideas and join us at our next meeting (date to be determined).

"When we embrace uncertainty, it can be very liberating. If you can accept the uncertainty, it allows you to live life every day." Victor Gospodinoff

Theresa Gilbert and Christina Rohrbach, Co-captains



Faith and Health Corner October 2018

October
Is

Breast Cancer
Awareness Month!

In 2017, an estimated 252,710 new cases of invasive breast cancer were diagnosed in women and 2,470 cases were diagnosed in men. Approximately 40,610 women and 460 men were expected to die from breast cancer in 2017.

If breast cancer is found early, the chances for survival increase dramatically. Women ages 40 to 44 should have the choice to start annual breast cancer screening with mammograms if they wish to do so. Women age 45 to 54 should get mammograms every year. Women 55 and older should switch to mammograms every 2 years, or continue yearly screening.

Breast cancer screening is only recommended for some men at higher than average risk due to an inherited gene mutation or a strong family history of breast cancer. The National Comprehensive Cancer Network recommends men at higher risk for breast cancer starting at age 35, have a breast exam every year.

At this time there is no guaranteed way to prevent breast cancer; but everyone can take steps to lower their risk. No matter your age, take action to protect your breast health now. Practice routine self-check breast examinations. Maintain a healthy weight. Engage in moderate exercise daily. Reduce alcohol intake. And, discuss the risks and benefits of hormone therapy with your health care provider. Let your faith be bigger than your fear.

Faith is being sure of what you hope for, and certain of what you cannot see.

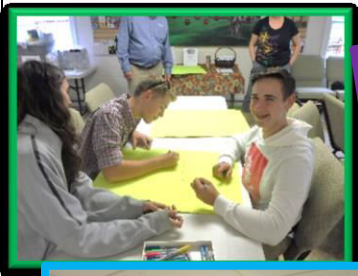
Hebrews 11:1

Until the next time ... Blessings to you and yours,
Theresa

You can reach me at any time by e-mail at tgilbert@afpdocs.com
or theresa.h.seddon@gmail.com or by phone at (540) 247-5612.

As your Faith Community Nurse, I am here to serve as a bridge to better health, meeting the wholistic healing mission of the church by partnering with the Pastor as a healer of the spirit, mind and body.





At our Regular Meeting on September 16th, we experienced first-hand that ministry is not convenient. The Youth made cards, posters, movie scripts and did puzzles, but could never quite get any of them done because of the interruptions. We all make plans; yet God presents opportunities which don't fit those plans. What to do? Do what is pleasing to God! Thanks Pastor Steve, Angie and Crystal for changing what you could be doing to being in Youth Ministry.

The "plan" was to go and serve our friends at the Motels on September 22nd; however, life got in the way. Our Youth have busy lives and deal with pressures from all sides. Let us support and encourage them and be examples of what are the right choices.

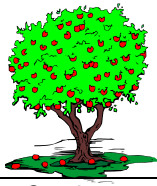
September 30th we are off to the trampoline Park. Oh how my heart "jumps" with joy!

Upcoming Youth Events:

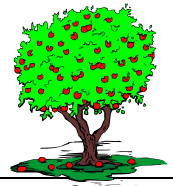
- ◀ **Sunday, October 14th** **5 – 7:00pm**
 - Regular Meeting in the Fellowship Hall
- ◀ **Saturday, October 27th** **9:30 – 1:00**
 - Motel Ministry, meet in the Fellowship Hall
- ◀ **November 9-11** **Middle School Retreat** **Eagle Eyrie (Lynchburg)**
 - More information to come.
- ◀ **Sunday, November 18th** **5 – 7:00pm**
 - Regular Meeting in the Fellowship Hall
- ◀ **November 30 ~ December 2** **High School Retreat** **Eagle Eyrie (Lynchburg)**
 - More information to come.
- ◀ **Sunday, December 16th** **4 – 6:00pm** **Salvation Army Angel Shopping**
 - Meet in Fellowship Hall
 - Each Youth is asked to donate \$10 towards purchasing gifts
- ◀ **Thursday December 27th** **5 – 8:00pm** **End of Year Party** **Fellowship Hall**
 - Cookie Exchange and Thieves Christmas (\$10)





Pastor Steve: 540-550-3189/ pastorsteve58@comcast.net

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OCTOBER 2018 CHURCH CALENDAR



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
About 12:15 – 1:30 October 21 st – Burnt Factory serves CCAP clients lunch.	1 7pm-Bible Study Fellowship Hall	2 NO CHOIR PRACTICE 7:30pm-Charge Conference	3 9-12:30-Pastor's Office Hours 10am-Bible Study Fellowship Hall	4 Burnt Factory Relay for Life Team "The Believer's" serve dinner for the Ruritan Club	5	6
7 WORLD COMMUNION 8:30-Worship 9:45-10am-Children's Praise & Worship 9:45-Sunday School 11am-Worship The Laurel Center Collection 11am-Children's Church 4-4:30-Little Singers 4:30-5-Children's Choir 5-5:30-Dance Team	8 7pm-Bible Study Fellowship Hall	9 PRACTICES: 6:00pm-Choir 6:30pm-Cantata 7:30pm-SONrise Singers	10 9-12:30-Pastor's Office Hours 9:30- 10am-Bible Study Fellowship Hall	11 6:30pm-Hymn Sing at Evergreen Nursing Home 7:00pm-UMW	12	13 8:00am-Winchester District UMMen's Fall Rally at Riverton UMC
14 8:30-Worship 9:45-10am-Children's Praise & Worship 9:45-Sunday School 11am-Worship Pastor leaves for Retreat 11am-Children's Church Blood Pressure Clinic 5-7pm-Youth Regular Mtg.	15 Pastor at Retreat 7pm-Bible Study Fellowship Hall	16 Pastor at Retreat PRACTICES: 6:00pm-Choir 6:30pm-Cantata 7:30pm-SONrise Singers	17 No Pastor's Office Hours- Pastor at Retreat 10am-Bible Study Fellowship Hall	18 Pastor at Retreat 9am-Begin to peel apples 	19 Pastor returns from Retreat Kettles set up! Wash the apples! Around midnight begin cooking! 	20 6am-Breakfast for Workers When Apple Butter is ready jars will be filled! 
21 8:30-Worship- Little Singers Perform 9:45-10am-Children's Praise & Worship 9:45-Sunday School 11am-Worship- Dance Team Performs 11am-Children's Church 3-5pm-We Fall for Jesus Children's Event	22	23 PRACTICES: 6:00pm-Choir 6:30pm-Cantata 7:30pm-SONrise Singers	24 9-12:30-Pastor's Office Hours Need November Newsletter articles by 3:00pm TODAY! Thx! 7:00pm-BFUMC Very Important Meeting!	25	26 PRINTING NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER	27 9:30-1:00 Youth Motel Ministry
28 8:30-Worship 9:45-10am-Children's Praise & Worship 9:45-Sunday School 11am-Worship 11am-Children's Church 3pm-Winchester District Conference	29	30 PRACTICES: 6:00pm-Choir 6:30pm-Cantata 7:30pm-SONrise Singers	31 9 - 12:30-Pastor's Office Hours	 MEN'S WALK LV88 – October 25 - 28 Northern Virginia 4-H Educational Center 600 4-H Center Drive Front Royal, Virginia 		

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