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OUR MISSION STATEMENT:
Sharing the Love of Christ with
All People

Burnt Factory
United Methodist Church
SEPTEMBER 2021
CHURCH NEWSLETTER
Stephenson, VA 22656
C. Steven Melester, Pastor

SIGNAL

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



Our Pastor's Message..

Near the end of his life, John received a vision from Christ, which he recorded for the benefit of the seven churches of Asia and for Christians throughout history.

The book of Revelation contains a beautiful promise of blessing for those who listen to its words and do what it says.

Revelation is a book about the future and the present. It offers future hope to all believers, especially those who have suffered for their faith. It proclaims Christ's final victory over evil and the reality of eternal life with him. It also gives us guidance as it teaches us about Jesus Christ and how we should live for him now.

I am excited to be offering a seven-sermon series on the seven churches of Revelation starting in September. I hope you will consider joining us for worship.

God bless.

Pastor Steve

"Blessed is the one who reads the words of this prophecy and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near."

Rev. 1: 3



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1st Delilah Murphy
- 4th Angela Wiseman
Bob Hunt
Crystalyn Edwards
Zayne Bryant
Cecilyn Bayliss
- 5th Jim Blankenship
Randy Willis
Denise Willis
- 8th David Werdebaugh
Linda Bodkin
- 9th Glen Boudier
- 11th Betty Livengood
- 16th Jennifer Stinnette
- 18th Brendan & Colton Luttrell
- 19th Fred Snyder
Sylvia Woods
- 20th Sequoia Britton
- 22nd Liz Duvall
Brandy Woods
Mallory Henschen
- 23rd Zoey Corron
- 26th Grant Henschen
- 30th Debbie Burke
Carter Kerr



- 2nd Adam & Brandy Woods
- 9th Steve & Melanie Melester
- 21st Jim & Amy Shepley



Have you given your email address to Keith Roberts?

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 email list in his computer for just such purposes. Your email address is protected and emails are sent, recipients not disclosed, to protect your privacy.

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

“ADD ME TO THE CHURCH EMAIL LIST”

Thanks, Keith

“FRIENDLY REMINDER” FOR OCTOBER

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

For those people who regularly send me their newsletter articles and for anyone who may have an article for the **OCTOBER** newsletter, kindly send me your articles by _ _



3:00pm on Wednesday, September 29th.

I will be printing the newsletter on

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1ST.

Thanks, Charly



**Hearts of Grace
Caregiver Support Group**
Contact: **Debbie Walker**
Email: dswalker1@yahoo.com
(540)664-0908 Cell / (540)667-6711 Home

Alzheimer's Wandering Series

Part 4: 8 Ways to prevent Alzheimer's/Dementia wandering - (#5 - 8)

5. Enroll them in a safe return program

In case they go/get out of the house, make it easier to find your lost older adult by enrolling them in a program like the Alzheimer's Association's Medic Alert Return. Once enrolled, your family member will get a wearable ID that allows people and law enforcement to identify once found, and return them to you. You may also want to contact local law enforcement agencies to ask if they offer Silver Alert or similar programs to help families locate a missing older adult.

6. Have them wear a GPS device at all times

You might feel safer if your family member wears a GPS tracking device at all times. A wearable GPS device like a wristband sends out tracking signals that can be followed by rescue personnel. Some local law enforcement agencies may offer locator services like Safety Net or Project Lifesaver.

7. Hide keys, purses, wallets

If car keys are accessible, seniors could drive off before you return from a quick bathroom break. To prevent this from happening, make sure all car keys are well-hidden and consider adding a wheel lock to the car. Another precaution is to hide their purse or wallet. Some people won't leave the house without those essentials.

8. Be prepared

Other ways to prepare just in case your loved one wanders and gets lost are to:

- Snap a quick photo of them each morning. You'll always have an up-to-date photo with the clothes they're wearing that day in case you need to show it to law enforcement and rescue personnel.
- Alert neighbors to their wandering behavior and share tips on how to distract or slow them down. Make sure all neighbors have your contact information.
- Sew or iron-on ID labels with contact information into all their clothes.

This completes our series on ways to prevent a person with Alzheimer's/Dementia from wandering.

The support caregiver group, Hearts of Grace, will begin meeting again on

Tuesday, September 14th, 2021

Burnt Factory Church/Faith Seekers Classroom

7:00pm.

Meetings fall on the second Tuesday of each month. I look forward to seeing those of you, who can make it. If not, please let me know and I can meet during the day. I would be more than happy to come to your home, if it's easier.

"When two or three people gather in my name, I am right there in their midst."

Matthew 18:20

Dear Lord, as I place my head on the pillow, I ask for Your peace to sweep over me. Please wash away all my care and concerns and give me the rest I need. Tomorrow, will be a new day and I need your strength and love, to help me through whatever the day holds.

AMEN

Wishing you peace, love and joy -

Debbie Walker



Path Finder Ministry

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(540)664-0908 Cell / (540)667-6711 Home

Monthly: 3rd Wednesday @ Noon

Fellowship Hall

The Path Finder Ministry is a safe space of compassion, respect, and encouragement for those currently experiencing the loss of a loved one, or have previously experienced loss. We will gather as a community of empathy, acceptance, and emotional support.

Our August meeting went well. We joined in prayer, shared, ate a delicious meal and enjoyed being in fellowship. Lunch will again be served for our September meeting, please RSVP. You may sign-up in the Fellowship Hall, or contacting me by email or phone. If you have any questions please let me know.



Pathfinder Luncheon Save the Date

**Wed. Sept. 15th 2021
BFUMC Fellowship Hall
12:00 Noon**

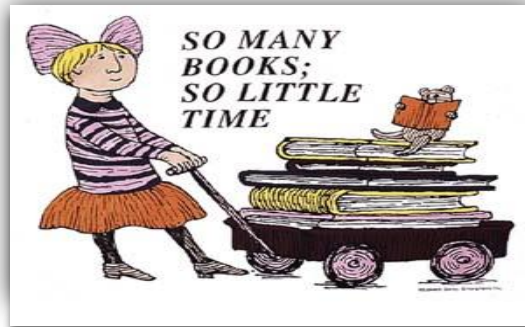
**RSVP: Debbie Walker
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(540)664-0908 / (540)667-6711
dswalker1@yahoo.com**

Please Join Us

"I can do all this through him who gives me strength." Philipians 4:13

**May God keep you in his warm and comforting embrace,
Debbie Walker**

September News from the Church Library



“EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT”

We have books you won't want to miss checking out!!!

If you are looking for a wide variety of good books to read, come visit the Church Library located downstairs. **So many new titles** have been added to our shelves, that the *library* is filled to overflowing with wonderful books to check out.

Whether you're interested in reading books that are **Fiction, Christian Living, Parenting, Prophecy, Biographies, Bible Studies**, and more, there's a wide selection from which to choose.

For those of you who love the books by **Amish authors** such as Brunstetter, Clipston, Fuller or Gray (and many others), **79 new titles** have been added to the shelves (thanks to a generous donor). Many other new **Fiction titles** have also been added.

Browse through the numerous collections of Children's books for all ages. For those who are in the '**Tweens**' age group (9-12), they may want to read titles from the *Cul-de-Sac Kids Collection, Red Rock Mysteries Series*, or Karen Kingsbury's *A Baxter Family Children Series – Books 1,2, or 3* – all new to the library.

Two of the newest current titles in **Christian Living** include: *Get Out of Your Head (Stopping the Spiral of Toxic Thoughts)*, copyright 2020 or *Forgiving What You Can't Forget*, copyright 2020.

Checking a book out is very simple. The directions are on the library table. Please come and browse to your heart's content, check out a few books and then just **enjoy reading**. You have three weeks before they have to be returned.

God Bless Each of You!

Doris Duvall – Church Librarian

BURNT FACTORY UMC PARTNERING WITH GREENWOOD MILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO TUTOR A CHILD?

We are excited! We will continue our partnership with one-on-one tutoring. Please consider working with a child once a week for thirty minutes. The tutoring would start the beginning of October. We ask that this be a faithful commitment. This is an opportunity to serve in Christ's name and make a difference in a child's life. I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Please contact Karen Willis (540-539-6989) or krwillis1@comcast.net if you would like more information.

THANK YOU

for items donated to Bright Futures

31 backpacks

45 packs of index cards

21 packs of dry erase markers

10 highlighters



Students and teachers will appreciate having these supplies during the school year.

OK, Good People, here are funnies for this month from our favorite Jokester, Buddy Willis!

A Salesman called me on the phone to sell me a coffin.

I said, "That's probably the last thing that I need!"



I have a joke about a Flat Tire, but I'll spare you from it!

My wife does a really Great Job Ironing. I'm always impressed!



I used to be addicted to the Hokey-Pokey, but then I turned myself around!

I used to hate Speed Bumps, but now I am getting over them!



"That's it for this month! I bet you are happy!! GOOD!"



We had a small group in attendance Thursday, August 19th, at our meeting, but those who were able to make it had a good time visiting, eating, and helping to get a “thank you” ready for the staff at Greenwood Mill Elementary School. Debbie Moss had gotten a program ready about Bright Futures, but she reluctantly asked Karen Willis to follow through on giving us the scoop on Bright Futures. We learned a lot about this national organization and were glad that we had contributed to some of their needs in the big red bins recently. Thanks, Debbie, for getting that information together. We missed you, and Karen carried on for you!

We remembered a dear member of our group, Helen Shriver, who passed away August 17, 2021. Helen hadn't been able to attend in recent years, but when she had better health, she was an active member and hosted the group in her home several times. She was active in helping prepare floral arrangements for our altar table in our “old church.” She loved flowers and provided them regularly.

Thanks, Kathy, for providing deliciously simple refreshments. We sent cards, provided by Jani, to some who are sick; had an update on Project Esperanza from Penny; had a treasurer's report provided by Anne, and reflected on hosting the District Clergy Reception on July 22nd at our shelter. Several of our group were there to help serve a delicious meal provided by Jordan Springs Market. We wore masks and gloves! Many helped with the reception after the Ray Taylor Service, and seven of us attended the District UMW Celebration at our shelter Saturday, August 21st. Our shelter has become a popular place for holding outdoor events! Many of us enjoyed seeing members we don't normally see at our well-attended church picnic on Saturday, August 14th – an event that had to have some tents put up to accommodate the wonderful dishes we brought, and we were served by members wearing masks and disposable gloves. Thanks to the committee for doing all they could to make it safe for all of us.

We went over our Living Into Our Purpose form to check off all the good things we have done since last September.

We are continuing to shop for supplies we will need when we put our Kits for Conference together next June. All the items are on sale now. Look for **SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS (70 PAGES), LOOSE LEAF NOTEPAPER (100-200 PAGES), CHILDREN'S SCISSORS (BLUNT), 2 INCH ERASERS, UNSHARPENED PENCILS, HAND HELD PENCIL SHARPENERS, RULERS AND BOXES OF 64 CRAYONS**. Bring them into the storage room in the basement near the elevator.

Missionary names and their birthdays were given out along with a fall pot holder. Enjoy the positive message as you use your pot holder. E-mail your missionary name on their birthday and let them know we are praying for them. A couple of us had heard back from the missionary we contacted recently.

The District Annual UMW meeting will be held virtually September 19th, instead of at Front Royal UMC.

We will miss the camaraderie of work, fellowship, good food and watching the crates of apples go down as we sit peeling down at the shelter in preparation for our big Apple Butter fundraiser project spearheaded by the UMMen. Oh, we'll also miss that generous check the UMMen share with our organization! Our treasury is not padded with funds as it used to be.

Our next meeting will be October 21st when we will have our Pledge Service by Anne Perrault and also a Candle Burning Service by Karen Willis. Susie Gerometta will be our hostess.

We know the Lord will provide and we will make every effort to serve those who need our help.

Blessings, Polly Duvall, president





Burnt Factory United Methodist Men

As you have already been made aware, we had to cancel Apple Butter 2021. With the COVID virus hanging around and the Delta variant creating some havoc it was in our best interest to not put our members in a position where they were not comfortable. This project is an all hands on deck event and we could not attempt to pull this off without 100% participation.

The Society of St Andrew has announced that there will be some gleaning events this year. So far they have scheduled gleaning events for September 11, 15 and 18, October 2, 9. More dates could be added at a later date. If you wish to participate in gleaning this year, you must complete a waiver. You can do this online at www.endhunger.org. You can then register for the dates that you can assist. All produce gleaned ends up on the table of those in our community that may be hungry. Gleaning is a family friendly event that usually lasts less than two hours.

The Winchester District UMMen's Bill Owen Memorial Golf Tournament will be Thursday, September 21 at Shenandoah Valley Golf Club with registration at 8:00 AM and a shotgun start at 9:00 AM. \$75 per golfer and \$100 per team. All proceeds from this golf tournament benefits Saratoga House and WATTS.



There will be a Fall Cleanup day at the SVCR Saratoga House in Kernstown on October 9 at 9:00 AM. This will be a day of general clean-up with some flower bed cleaning and shrubbery trimming.



Be on the lookout for details for our week of hosting WATTS this year during the week of November 27 – December 4.

God is good. All of the time. All the time. God is Good!

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

Steve Cunningham
President Burnt Factory UMMen

WHAT IS WATTS?



WE ARE GLAD YOU ASKED!

WATTS stands for Winchester Area Temporary Thermal Shelter. WATTS mission is to provide a same, temporary, overnight, cold-weather shelter for homeless guests at host sites in Winchester, Frederick, and Clarke Counties.

Burnt Factory is set to host the WATTS shelter for the week of November 27 – December 4 at the Greenwood Volunteer Fire & Rescue Company since we will be following the Winchester District UMMen who are hosting at that location during Thanksgiving week. It makes it easier on them and us to know how to tear down and rebuild facilities.

There will be a Sign-Up Genius link for you to volunteer. All volunteers must be 18 years or older. The Sign-Up Genius will be available in October. We are still awaiting guidance from WATTS if there will be any COVID specific regulations for this season. We will keep you informed as we become aware of what will be required for the 2021 season. Watch FaceBook and your email for future announcements concerning our week of hosting.

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

Steve Cunningham
WATTS Coordinator



September 2021 Faith Community Nurse Article

A Lesson in Kindness

I recently came across an article that spoke to my heart and I felt that this particular time in our history was the perfect time to share it.

When I was a little boy, about the age of five or six, I was spending the summer with my “Maw” at her house in Nebo. It was a miserably hot summer, not unlike the way it has been the past couple weeks this year. One day in particular, I remember sitting with her on her front steps watching a group of prisoners on the chain gang working their way from the railroad up the hill clearing brush from the road bank.

This was at the time men were truly on the chain gang. They wore striped clothes, were actually chained together, and were guarded by two men, one with a shotgun and one with a rifle. Maw talked to me about the chain gang, and how these men had done something wrong and this was their punishment. As the prisoners neared the house, Maw got up from the front steps and went inside. In a few minutes she came out of the house with a bucket of cold well water and a basket of sliced cantaloupes from her garden.

Maw walked across the front yard with her bucket of water and basket of cantaloupes to the side of the road where the prisoners were working. It was at this point one of the armed guards stopped her. She told the guard, “These men need a rest.” To which the guard replied, “No these boys need to keep working.” I remember my Maw walking right past that armed guard and she proceeded to give those men on the chain gang a cool drink of water and a slice of cantaloupe.

The guards relented and allowed the prisoners to take a rest under a big tree in Maw’s front yard. All the time I’m sitting there on the front steps watching what’s going on. As the prisoners got up from their rest, one of the men reached in his pocket and threw a fifty cent piece at my feet. From across the yard, he looked me straight in the eye and said, “This is all I have. I want you to remember me and never end up like me. Your Grandmother is the only person in this world who ever did anything nice to me.” To this day I can still see that man’s face and hear his voice.

There are two kinds of Christians in this world. One kind of “Christian” will hold their bible high, shake their fist and point their finger at the men on the chain gang and say, “God is just. You have sinned and this is your payment for that sin.” The other kind of Christian will defy an armed guard and give a poor man a drink of water on a hot summer’s day.

“When I was thirsty, you gave me a drink. When I was hungry, you gave me something to eat. When I was in prison, you visited me...”

A little kid can sure learn a lot about life just sitting on the front steps of his Grandmother’s house.

Are you like Maw and would you show radical hospitality by offering a drink of water on a hot summer’s day?

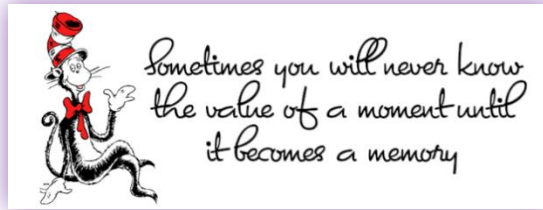
Continually **praying for your health and well-being.**

Theresa

You can reach me at any time by e-mail at tgilbert@afpdocs.com or theresahgilbert@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.





September 2021 Relay for Life Newsletter Article

Relay for Life September 10th
Stonewall Ruritan Building 4:00 – 10:00 p.m.
Survivor Dinner at 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.
Opening Ceremony 6:00 p.m.

COME ONE, COME ALL!!! All are welcome to come to the Believer's campsite on September 10th. We hope that you would join our team, but you can always just come and share a meal and walk a lap or two with us. There will be plenty of fried chicken and we just ask that if you are able, you bring a dish to share. We plan to bless our food and begin our meal at 5:00 p.m.

If you are a Survivor, we encourage you to register as such and enjoy a meal prepared just for you by the Stonewall Ruritan Club and then walk right across the driveway to join us. Please bring your own chairs.

Other food available at the event are as follows:

- Nonni's Food Truck
- Hot dogs, drinks, ice cream and popcorn from the Stonewall Ruritan Club
- Kona Shaved Ice

There will be lots of COVID safe fun activities for children.

On Sunday August 29th and September 5th, there will be decorated luminaria bags in the Narthax for you to vote on. There will be instructions there for the voting details. The bag that gets the most votes will be used to represent The Believers in the Relay wide contest on September 10th.

We will be collecting cans of food to use for weighing down the luminaria bags. Once Relay is over all of the canned food will be distributed to local non-profits. You can bring the cans to the church and we will take them to the event or please feel free to drop them off yourself at the Stonewall Ruritan Club between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on September 10th.

If you are interested in purchasing a luminaria bag for \$5.00 in memory of or in honor of someone, please contact me (540) 247-5612. I will make sure that we include your loved one.

We do not like cancer here or there. We do not like cancer anywhere!!

Please let Lisa or I know if you have any questions.

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lisapatterson423@gmail.com or (540) 664-4169

Our mission is to save lives, celebrate lives, and lead the fight for a world without cancer.

We thank you for your support!

Theresa Gilbert and Lisa Patterson, Co-Captains



PROJECT ESPERANZA

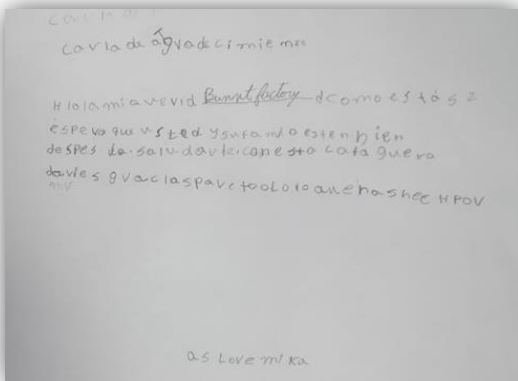
A FEW UPDATES TO SHARE FROM CAITLIN ABOUT THE SUMMER

- English camp was a huge hit this year, despite not having volunteers from the US and Canada. We had 63 campers participate over the course of 4 weeks. The older kids got their wish and went to the beach on the last day.



If we can get all of our students sponsored, we can continue with after school English club throughout the year. We're now doing a month of summer school for students who didn't have enough attendance to pass the school year, allowing them the chance to pass before school begins in September.

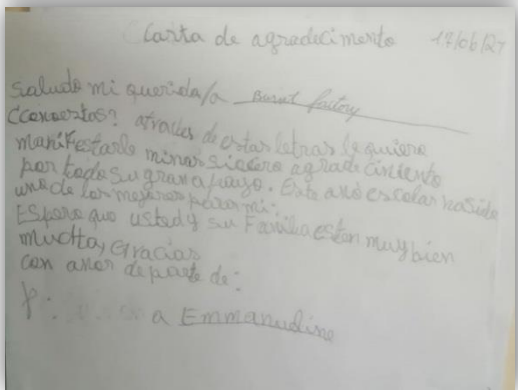
- As of 8/16 – 78 out of 250 students have been sponsored. Would you like to help Caitlin achieve her goal of having all students sponsored this year? As little as \$12.50/month (\$150 per year) can help a child attend school.
- We received thank you notes from two of the students sponsored by Burnt Factory:



Hello, dear Burnt Factory,

How are you? I hope that you and your family are well. After greeting you with this letter, I want to tell you thank you for all that you've done for me.

Aslovenmika



Hello dear Burnt Factory,

How are you? Through this letter, I want to manifest a sincere thank you for all your support. This school year has been one of the best for me. I hope that you and your family are very well.

*With love, from,
Emmanueline*

PROJECT ESPERANZA CONTINUES.....

Many of you have seen in the news the devastation to Haiti from another earthquake and tropical storm. This earthquake hit west of Port au Prince not far from the area our mission team visited (most recent visit was in 2017). Milene, who works at the Project Esperanza group home, has family in Haiti and was devastated by pictures she received from her aunt. She shared a beautiful prayer which Caitlin interpreted. (A video of the prayer has been shared on Project Esperanza's FaceBook as well as on the Burnt Factory FaceBook.)

Milene's Prayer for Haiti:

Lord Jesus, we thank you. Although everything that is going on, we always bless your name because you are big. You deserve glory in this moment. I put my country in your hands; even though they are suffering, I know your grace can cover them, can protect them. Protect everyone that is in sadness right now, everyone who has tears. All the mothers who have lost their children and the husbands who have lost their wives. Please protect everyone else. Even though some people don't have a place to sleep, they don't have food to eat, I know you are going to take care of them. You will send people into their paths to take care of them. Continue to protect the country and the people. In Jesus Name, Amen.

Thank you for your continued love, support and prayers for Caitlin and her teachers who are working in the DR to help families find a better life through education. If you would like to learn more about Project Esperanza, visit their website <https://esperanzameanshope.org/> or feel free to contact Penny or Tom Croll ptcroll@hotmail.com.

Peace and Blessings,
Penny and Tom Croll, Outreach Committee

Burnt Factory has made Project Esperanza a signature ministry of the church and generously donates \$2,250 each year to support 15 students at Level 1 so they can attend the school. If you feel led to individually sponsor a child, there are 3 levels of support:

Level 1 - *an annual donation of \$150 which covers daily lunch, a uniform shirt, and some materials.*

Level 2 - *a monthly donation of \$30 which covers daily lunch, a uniform shirt, some materials, and contribution to the teacher's salary.*

Level 3 - *a monthly donation of \$50 which covers daily lunch, a uniform shirt, some materials, contribution to teachers' salaries, and contribution to the facilities.*

<https://esperanzameanshope.org/become-a-sponsor/>



CCAP is a cooperative effort of individuals, civic groups, businesses, and religious communities in Winchester and Frederick County. They have unified to provide financial, material, and supportive assistance in a loving way. Even with the help of existing social service programs, CCAP clients are unable to meet their needs and responsibilities. CCAP's desire is to do God's work in a world where many basic human needs are simply not met.

CCAP is currently providing services Monday through Thursday from 10-1; Friday from 10-noon. The Food Pantry is open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and provides groceries, personal hygiene items, cleaning supplies, laundry supplies, pet food and litter. Clients can come once a month. The Clothing House is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9am to 11:30am. The house has clothes for all ages, genders and sizes. Clients can come once a month for clothing needs and diapers. Financial Assistance is available Monday thru Thursday from 10-1 and Friday from 10-noon. CCAP offers assistance with utility bills, rent/mortgage, and other expenses; including work equipment and other necessities as requested.

3rd Sunday Lunches. We are now delivering our lunches to the Salvation Army, Fort Collier location. Thanks Danette and Tim Heinlein for leading the team in August. We were able to share a huge amount of food with them. We delivered a lot of left-over food from our church picnic plus ham, slaw, green beans, scalloped potatoes, homemade cookies, fruit and snacks. The Salvation Army and their staff served the meals, but we expect to help serve in the near future. If you would like to help in any way with this meal in September, please contact Team leads Laine and Sean Everhart at laine.everhart@comcast.net or 540-660-1331.

Our Burnt Factory Team will continue to **pack food boxes on Tuesday nights** until the pantry can reopen to the public. We meet at CCAP at 6PM and finish by 7:15. Come join us if you can on a Tuesday night.

Current needs at CCAP:

- Gently used Men's Jeans, Shorts and Tee Shirts in all sizes.
- Gently used Men's, Women's and Children's tennis shoes.
- Adult Backpacks, Tents, Tarps, and Sleeping Bags.
- New or gently used sheets and towels.

Donations can be dropped off Monday-Thursdays 10am-1pm and 10-noon on Fridays.

Volunteers are needed in the Clothing Areas – Any hours between 8:30 and 1 would be helpful. Thanks so much to our loyal volunteers from Burnt Factory that are packing food boxes, doing pickups and drop-offs, taking the cardboard recycling and helping out in many other ways. Hope Owens has become an intricate part of this organization and runs the Food Pantry among many other things. This organization could not run without the Volunteers.

Please contact Hope Owens, Penny Croll, me, or anyone on the Outreach Committee if you would like to volunteer a few hours a week at CCAP.

Patty Leonard – Outreach CCAP Rep

FROM OUR DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S and YOUTH MINISTRIES!

NEW SCHOOL YEAR MEANS NEW CHILDREN'S CHURCH YEAR TOO!

We will start with the Gospel Project Curriculum August 29 and will start at the beginning of Genesis and go until we reach Moses! This will be a wonderful time of lessons, crafts, and activities for the children to have an amazing experience with the Old Testament. We encourage children to bring in their Bibles and a small offering each week as we learn about God through His creation!

YOUTH NEW YEAR!

We will have a Movie Night September 12 at the church shelter from 6-8 pm. Popcorn and candy provided!
God Bless, Carrie Fair

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A little girl was talking to her teacher about whales.

The teacher said it was physically impossible for a whale to swallow a human because even though it was a very large mammal its throat was very small.

The little girl stated that Jonah was swallowed by a whale.

Irritated, the teacher reiterated that a whale could not swallow a human; it was physically impossible.

The little girl said, "When I get to heaven I will ask Jonah."

The teacher asked, "What if Jonah went to hell?"

The little girl replied, "Then you ask him."

A Kindergarten teacher was observing her classroom of children while they were drawing. She would occasionally walk around to see each child's work.

As she got to one little girl who was working diligently, she asked what the drawing was.

The girl replied, "I'm drawing God."

The teacher paused and said, "But no one knows what God looks like."

Without missing a beat, or looking up from her drawing, the girl replied, "They will in a minute!"

Submitted by Sue Swimley





SEPTEMBER 2021 CHURCH CALENDAR



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>The support caregiver group, Hearts of Grace, will begin meeting again on Tuesday, September 14th, 2021 Burnt Factory Church/Faith Seekers Classroom 7:00pm.</p>			1 9:30am-1:00pm Pastor's Office Hours 6:30pm-Confirmation Information Meeting Fellowship Hall 7:00pm-Healthy Church Team-Lower Cottage	2 7:00pm-Outreach Team Fellowship Hall 7:00pm-Boy Scouts Shelter	3	4 9:00am Roof Wreckers Fellowship Hall
5 8:30am-In-Person Worship 11:00am-In-Person Worship	6 	7 10:30am-Bible Study Fellowship Hall 6:30am-Choir 7:00pm-Bible Study Fellowship Hall	8 9:30am-1:00pm Pastor's Office Hours	9	10 4:00pm-10:00pm Winchester/Frederick Relay for Life Big Event at Stonewall Ruritan Club grounds	11
12 8:30am-In-Person Worship 11:00am-In-Person Worship 1 st Class of Confirmation 6:00pm-8:00pm-Youth Movie Night-Church Shelter	13	14 10:30am-Bible Study Fellowship Hall 12noon-2/4 BLT 6:30am-Choir 7:00pm-Bible Study Fellowship Hall	15 9:30am-1:00pm Pastor's Office Hours 12noon-Path Finder Luncheon Fellowship Hall	16	17	18 9:00am Roof Wreckers Fellowship Hall
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