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December 2021 Newsletter
Burnt Factory United Methodist Church
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Stephenson, Virginia 22656
C. Steven Melester, Pastor

Our Mission Statement: SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST WITH ALL PEOPLE

"Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in heaven." -Matthew 5:16

Pastor's Christmas Message

It is truly difficult to believe that this December 25th will mark our 16th Christmas with the good and faithful disciples of Burnt Factory UMC! Melanie and I are so very thankful and so blessed to be partners in ministry with all of you. Over the years, we have experienced many changes at the corner of Jordan Springs and Burnt Factory Rds. Over those 16 years; we have faced many challenges and many struggles. We have said hello and welcomed many new faces and sadly; we have said "good bye until we meet again" to many saints of the church. Over the last 21 months, we have faced some of our toughest and divisive challenges. Pandemics, protests, protocols and politics have been trying to divide God's people. In all this time, two things have remained constant and that is your deep and abiding faith and hope in Jesus Christ and your willingness to seek His will! We are humbled and very blessed to be a small part of this faith community and look forward to where God is going to lead us in the coming year!

Melanie and I want to thank you for loving us and showing us what is possible when God's people pull together. We want to thank you for displaying what it truly means to be the hands and feet of Jesus; to truly embrace being the body of Christ. I believe with all my heart that BFUMC authentically and genuinely strives toward fulfilling the mission of the church, which is "To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

Melanie and I, along with Ben, Abby, and my mother Edna, are so grateful and so blessed that you continue to love and support us! We are truly blessed and our cup runneth over!

My entire family wants to wish your entire family the most joyous Advent season and the most excellent and wonderful Christmas! We hope that your New Year will be one of great blessing and fulfillment. We hope for each and every one of you a year filled with the love and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ! I close with one of my favorite scriptures from the Apostle Paul. This is from his letter to his beloved church in Philippi and it sums up my feelings.

"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."

God bless each and every one of you and ***Merry Christmas!*** We love you!



Pastor Steve, Melanie, Edna, Ben and Abby

Down the Worship Road for December -----

12-12-21 On the third Sunday of Advent, our wonderful Chancel Choir will be performing at both our worship services the very beautiful Christmas Cantata entitled, "Once Upon a Night" by Pepper Choplin. ***Also on that evening, our Children's Christmas program will be broadcast at 7:00. You don't want to miss it! Our children and Ms. Carrie have worked very hard to bring you this wonderful presentation via our streaming service.

12-19-21 "And He Will be Our Peace" is the sermon title for this fourth Sunday of Advent. Our text's will be Micah 5: 2-4 and Isaiah 9: 2, 6.

12-24-21 There will be two opportunities to gather for our traditional Christmas Eve candle light service. There will be a 5:00 service and 8:00 service. Nursery will only be offered at 5:00.

12-26-21 We will hold our regular worship times on this first Sunday after Christmas as we gather to praise God and be in fellowship!

Buddy Willis shares some funnies for December



QUESTION: Why don't they let players wear glasses in Football?
ANSWER: Because it's a Contact Sport!



QUESTION: What did the Hat say to the Scarf?
ANSWER: You Hang Around and I'll go on Ahead!



QUESTION: Why do Dasher and Dancer love Coffee?
ANSWER: Because they are Santa's Star Bucks!



I stayed up all night wondering where the Sun went. Then it dawned on me!



"Doctor, I think I've broken my arm in several places!"
Doctor: "Well then, don't go to those places anymore!"



I used to Love Rabbit's Soup, but not anymore; I was told it have a Hare in it!



QUESTION: Why does Santa have a very big Garden in the Summer Time?
ANSWER: So he can keep up on his Hoe, Hoe, Hoe Merry Christmas!



QUESTION: Why does Santa and his Reindeer park on the House Roof?
ANSWER: Because he was told that everything was on The House!



***Margie and I hope you all have a
MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!
Always keep Jesus with you!***



December Birthdays!



December 2	Kathy Feight
December 3	Maureen Dick Wyatt Nail
December 6	Sam Lentz
December 11	Jean Blankenship Austin Luttrell
December 12	Emily Hartman Rylee Jenkins
December 13	Rob Moss Colton Anderson
December 14	Clayton Sutphin
December 19	Angela Renner
December 21	Naomi Hahn Brantley Neff
December 24	Christian Fairbanks
DECEMBER 25-----JESUS!	
December 26	Polly Duvall
December 27	Tom Duvall
December 28	Don Duvall Dave Pool
December 29	Bonnie Henry
December 30	Melissa Clemons

Happy Birthday, One and All!

December Anniversaries!



December 6-----	Stuart & Judy Wolk
December 21-----	Jay & Anne Kackley
December 28-----	Tim & Anne Perrault

Happy Anniversary!

Have you given your email 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 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”



Here is your “Friendly Reminder” for those people who regularly send me their newsletter articles and for anyone who may have an article for the

JANUARY 2022 NEWSLETTER.

Send me your articles by...

3:00pm on Wednesday, January 5th.

I will be printing the newsletter on

Friday, January 7th.

Thanks, Charly

Congratulations to The Davis Family!

A new member has arrived!

Her name is Hannora “Nora” Rose!

She was born October 30th!



It's a Girl!

Chelsea, Alex and Charlotte are happy.

And there are two more people who are happy, too.

Grandparents,

Tom & Penny Cross!

Message to My Siblings:

In case you haven't heard, I want to tell you about our family business and its administration. Dad is the Creator, and He calls it "Life." Dad is semi-retired, enjoying the "fruit of His labor" -- but, even so, He is available for consultation at any given moment.

Our esteemed family member, the Holy Spirit, handles quality assurance/control to see that Dad's will plays out in perfection.

Me? -- My contribution to the workforce is as the Shining Example; I also explain the function of the business and how it works -- it's a wonderful outfit with wonderful benefits!

Expansion is included in our forever plan -- for that we will need help in the human resources area, letting folks know that Dad loves and values each and every bit of His creation, and apprising them of their innate and infinite potential. Working together, as One, "We got this."

We look forward to hearing from you, sooner rather than later, hopefully telling us you are willing to help out.

*Well...that's all for now, except **MERRY CHRISTMAS!***

Love from your brother -- Jesus

Written by Ruth Ann Snyder

The Burnt Factory Family welcomed new members as we celebrated the Holy Service of Confirmation on Sunday, October 31st.

Our new members are:



Christian Fairbanks

Lily Hayton

Brenden Luttrell

Colton Luttrell

Abby Melester

Samuel Nguyen

Lisa Nguyen

Rylee Repine

Gavin Tran



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10 Tips for Caregivers During the Holidays

Feeling stressed? Reset your expectations and enjoy little moments.

- 1. Focus on what is most meaningful** - As much as we'd like to create the perfect holiday experience, remember that perfection is not the goal of the holidays — meaning and joy are. There are many factors we can't control when it comes to our loved ones' health and abilities, so adjust your view of a successful holiday.
- 2. Simplify your holiday activities** - If going all out for the holidays will push you over the edge this year, remember that it doesn't have to be all or nothing. If you can't put out all of your decorations, choose a few items that are most significant.
- 3. Start new traditions** - Instead of focusing on losses and what you and/or your loved ones aren't able to do this year, try doing something new. If your care recipient has trouble getting around, drive through a holiday light display or watch a holiday concert on TV.
- 4. Adjust meals** - Food is a big part of many holidays, so it's especially difficult to think about changing mealtime traditions. But meals also require a lot of time, money and coordination. Over many years of caregiving, I found doing holiday baking and meals so exhausting that I couldn't even enjoy them. So rather than canceling holiday meals entirely, I've learned to make adjustments like these:
 - Simplify the menu. Try fewer side dishes or one dessert instead of three.
 - Split up the grocery shopping and cooking among other family members and guests. There's nothing wrong with a potluck.
 - Pay someone to cook meals at your house ahead of time or on the holiday.
 - Purchase all or part of meals at a local grocery store or restaurant — either fully cooked or ready for you to cook at home.
 - Eat at someone else's home, or at a restaurant.
- 5. Approach gift-giving more efficiently** - Gift-giving is a part of many traditions, but it can be costly and time-consuming. Try shopping online (many online stores will also gift-wrap). You can always fall back on gift cards, too. Family caregivers are often financially stressed, so it might be necessary to lower your gift-giving budget this year and scale back the number of presents.
- 6. Anticipate holiday hot buttons** - Are there holiday activities or toxic relatives that trigger stress or unhappy memories? Perhaps feelings of grief or loss overcome you at certain times of day. Do unhelpful relatives arrive for the holidays and criticize your caregiving? Maybe old family issues inevitably flare up at gatherings. It may be best to limit your exposure to — or even avoid — certain places, events, conversations or people. If you can't do that, prepare yourself. Minimize the drama; don't try to resolve problems over the holidays. Instead, try short encounters and develop quick exit strategies. Mentally put yourself in a protective bubble, letting negative energy bounce off without hurting, annoying or distressing you.
- 7. Mind your mindset** - Negative thinking actually activates your body's stress response, so steer your mind to the positives when you start down that slippery slope. Try to stay mindful, concentrating on the present moment. Think about what you *can* accomplish instead of what isn't getting done; celebrate what your loved ones *can* do, rather than dwelling on what they can no longer participate in; revel in the holiday joys you experience instead of focusing on those you bypass; appreciate the help you are receiving rather than resenting those who aren't supportive.

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8. Keep self-care at the top of the list - As caregivers, we give and give and give, and during the holidays we give even more. All that giving can leave you running on empty, with high stress levels or even full-on burnout. Be aware of emotional ups and downs, fatigue, foggy thinking, inability to sit still or the opposite – feeling frozen and unable to get anything done. These red flags have to be dealt with, but when we're busy it's easy to let self-care slip – just when we need it most. Find ways to fill your tank. Get plenty of sleep. Enjoy holiday goodies, but be aware that too many sugary treats can make your energy crash later. Be aware of unhealthy coping skills, like overeating or drinking too much. Get outside for some mood-elevating vitamin D from sunlight, or consider therapeutic lighting if you suffer from Seasonal Affective Disorder. Relax with some holiday-scented aromatherapy to soothe and boost your mood.

9. Connect with other caregivers - Other caregivers are feeling many of the same emotions you are, even when others don't understand. Connect to share your feelings and get tips for holiday survival. If it's difficult to get to a caregiver support group due to holiday business or weather, try online message boards or social media groups.

10. Ask for help - Even if you don't normally do so, the holidays are a great time to get some extra help – even a few hours can be a huge relief. Family and friends can help with holiday preparations. A personal assistant or concierge can complete items on your holiday to-do list or handle personal things like organizing mail or running errands. Ask family and friends to help with direct care for your loved ones, or try community resources like adult day care centers, in-home or facility-based respite care, or paid home health aides/caregivers.

Remember, you'll be happier if you can go with the flow and expect that there will be some delays, a crisis or two and maybe some disappointments. The bottom line is that this time is precious. Savor the moments with your loved ones and make good memories you can cherish forever.

Our next meeting will be:

Tuesday, Dec. 14th, 2021
Burnt Factory Church/Library
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 would be happy to meet during the day. If meeting in your home is easier, I will be more than happy to do so.

"When two or three people gather in my name, I am right there in their midst."
Matthew 18:20

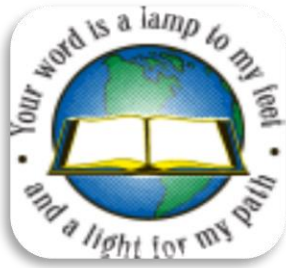
Father, thank you that you allow us to call you "Our Father." We thank you for these family relationships. Help us, Lord, to live and act as part of a loving family, offering compassion and kindness and patience to others in your name.

AMEN

Wishing you peace, love and joy –

Debbie Walker





Path Finder Ministry

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Monthly: 3rd Wednesday @ Noon
Fellowship Hall

Jesus wants his love for you to be your foundation as he walks with you through this emotion-filled season of grief. We welcome you to join us on December 15th in fellowship, comfort and support.



Path Finder Luncheon

Wed. Dec. 15th, 2021

BFUMC Fellowship Hall

12:00 Noon

RSVP: Debbie Walker

By Fri. Dec. 10th

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Please Join Us

There is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall. You may also contact me by email or phone. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. If you are not sure ahead of time, if you can make it, but on the day of the meeting you would like to come – PLEASE COME! Sign-up or not – YOU ARE WELCOME!

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.

"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





December 2021
Faith Community Nurse Article

RSV

While COVID is still the respiratory illness on everyone's mind, I want to bring your attention to another common seasonal virus that affects the airways of the lungs. **Respiratory Syncytial Virus**, or **RSV** is spread when the person who is infected either coughs or sneezes. This can spread the virus directly to someone else or it can leave the virus on a surface where it can spread to another person. After the virus gets on a person's hands, it can get into their body when they touch their mouth, eyes or nose.

Almost everyone is exposed to **RSV** before 2 years of age. Most people recover without treatment in 1 to 2 weeks. However, **RSV** disease can sometimes cause serious symptoms and complications, including pneumonia. **RSV** is the most common cause of bronchiolitis (inflammation of the small airways in the lung) and pneumonia in children younger than 1 year of age. Adults 65 years and older, adults with chronic lung or heart disease or adults with a weakened immune system are also at a high risk for severe illness from **RSV**.

People infected with **RSV** usually become symptomatic within 4 to 6 days. Symptoms of **RSV** usually include: runny nose, decreased appetite, coughing, sneezing, fever and wheezing. In very young infants with **RSV**, the only symptoms may be irritability, decreased activity and breathing difficulties.

There are steps you can take to help prevent the spread of **RSV**. If you have cold-like symptoms you should: cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your upper shirt sleeve, not your hands, wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, clean frequently touched surfaces such as doorknobs and mobile devices.

Researchers are working to develop **RSV** vaccines, monoclonal antibodies, and antiviral therapies to help protect infants and young children, pregnant women (to protect their unborn babies), and older adults from severe **RSV** infection. If you are 65 or older and interested in possible participation in a vaccine study that is being developed to prevent **RSV** disease in older adults I would be happy to give you more information.

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.





December 2021 Relay for Life Newsletter Article

As we gather with family and friends to give thanks this season, the American Cancer Society is especially thankful for you. Our team of Believers has given our time and energy to fundraise for the mission and they are grateful for our continued support.

Despite the unprecedented challenges faced in 2020, the American Cancer Society continued to advance their mission to save lives, celebrate lives, and to lead the fight for a world without cancer.

WITH OUR HELP, THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY WAS ABLE TO:

- Invest \$395 million in research grants, with many projects looking for ways to eliminate health disparities, focus on prevention and early detection, and increase access to care for marginalized communities.
- Assist 120 million people through cancer.org with the latest information about navigating treatment challenges created by the pandemic, the importance of safely resuming cancer screenings, and other cancer information they need to make informed decisions.
- Connect 500,000 callers with a cancer information specialist at our 24/7 helpline, providing them with information and support when and where they need it.
- Give 135,000 rides with a Road to Recovery driver, getting patients to medical appointments and treatments they might have otherwise missed.

We made 82 quarts of potato soup and through the generosity of the Stonewall Ruritan Club and many of you we had no expenses for this project and raised \$772.00.

Wilson, my Dad and I working with the Winchester/Frederick County Event Lead Team raised \$550.00 for our team in the 12 days of Christmas giveaways.

The website for 2022 is on the Relay for Life website. Please go on and register for The Believers team as soon as you can. We are hoping to grow our team this year. The event will be on Saturday, September 10, 2022 from 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. at the Stonewall Ruritan grounds.

While many of us spend this time of year celebrating all we have, unfortunately too many others will still hear the words, **"You have cancer."**

Lisa and I wish you all a very **Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year** and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your continued support of **The Believers!**

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

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We thank you for your support!

Theresa Gilbert and Lisa Patterson, Co-Captains



OUR MISSION IS TO SAVE LIVES, CELEBRATE LIVES, AND LEAD THE FIGHT FOR A WORLD WITHOUT CANCER.



United Methodist Women December 2021



I hope you have on your calendar the United Methodist Women meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 16, 7:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. The church is decorated and we can enjoy the beauty as we look forward to celebrating the birth of our Savior.

The Nominating Committee will present a slate of officers at our meeting. JoAnne Baker, Donna Gallagher and Martha Ludtke will make this report.

Prayer Partners will be revealed at this meeting. Praying for your person benefits you and the person you pray for. You may have enjoyed remembering them throughout the year, especially on special times of the year. If you'd like you can bring a gift to your prayer partner to this meeting or leave it in the Social Hall to be picked up after church. New names will be chosen for next year and this year's list will be revealed. Kathy Dixon will be providing this opportunity again for next year. Please let Kathy know if you want to continue to be a part of this Prayer Partner Ministry. You can e-mail her at kjdixon7@msn.com or call her at 703-407-2441. Please let her know by December 10.

At the December meeting we will be providing items that will be useful for women who are in transition. As we have done the past three years, we will collect items for The Laurel Center for a "Welcome Home Basket." Instead of doing a gift exchange with each other we will share gifts with women who are in transition. We passed around the sign-up sheet at the October meeting, but still can use more items. Gift cards are welcome for WalMart, Martin's and Target. If you'd like more information on what is needed, contact Penny Croll. You can leave your items in the Social Hall marked The Laurel Center. Hope you will be able to attend the meeting and bring them then. Thank you for your willingness to share your gifts with the women and children at The Laurel Center.

Thank you for making a pledge at our October meeting. Some have already paid and will help in donating to the organizations we usually do in December. See Anne Perrault about making a pledge for 2022. Our monetary contributions help in mission projects, and various ways we contribute to making our PURPOSE effective. With not having a very large treasury at this time, pledges are very important in helping us to do the mission projects as well as fulfilling our pledge to the district.

I'm looking forward to seeing you at the December 16th meeting. Melanie Melester will be our program leader and Jani Shope will provide refreshments. We will continue to wear masks. Continue to pray for better days ahead. God is in control. Stay close to Him. This time of Advent can bring us peaceful moments, warm memories, cherished traditions and unexpected joys. We have been given a gift! Thank you, God, for giving us Jesus, your Son!

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. – Romans 15:13

Christmas Blessings, Polly Duvall, president



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.

Our November Collections were wonderful again this year:

- For the Thanksgiving Food Drive, we collected 150 clothes baskets and 178 cans of Sweet Potatoes!! This great donation helped provide Thanksgiving meals to many families in the Winchester area.
- On the evening of our Healing Service, we collected 24 blankets, 2071 diapers, and 560 wipes. So many families were served by your generosity.

There continues to be a big need for Volunteers at CCAP:

- Our church is still packing food boxes every Tuesday from 5:30 – 7pm. We would love for you to join our team.
- Drivers are needed to pick up store donations.
- Clothing Sorters: There are openings Monday-Friday. Hours are 10am-1pm.
- Clothing House Workers: The clothing house is open Mon, Tues, and Thurs from 9-noon. Workers are needed to assist clients in the house and to maintain the inventory.

As 2021 comes to a close, please know how grateful CCAP and our clients are for all of the tremendous support our church has provided with our gifts of time, donations, and service to this vital organization.

Please contact me or anyone on the Outreach Committee if you have any questions or would like to volunteer.

*Patty Leonard
Outreach CCAP Rep*



There just never seems to be a better way to say Thank You for giving me the opportunity to serve my church as your Newsletter Coordinator.

Each year I am truly blessed to work with such great people who write such inspirational articles for us to read and who give me the freewill to format as I wish. Some add their own graphics, but usually I have the privilege to add what I feel goes with their articles. It doesn't get any better than this!

I also wish to Thank those who continue to offer words of encouragement letting me know they are pleased with how I put it all together.

God Bless, Charly



Merry Christmas and Thank you from the Outreach Committee



As we come to the last few weeks before Christmas, and as we begin our preparations for remembering the birth of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, we wanted to take a few minutes to say *"Thank you."* Thank you for supporting the many opportunities that take the love of Jesus out of the doors of Burnt Factory UMC and into the community.

You have supported many collections for CCAP by providing blankets, diapers, food, thermal underwear and other clothing items. Many volunteers have helped at CCAP by packing food, picking-up food, sorting clothing, setting up clothing and food giveaways, and welcoming clients needing help and a smile.

You have supported The Laurel Center by providing needed items such as snacks, cleaning supplies, art supplies, supplies to celebrate birthdays, flashlights, diaper genie refills and much more.

Your generous giving has allowed Outreach to continue supplying 15 weekend food bags to children at Fremont as well as continuing our support of students at Project Esperanza in the Dominican Republic. And thanks to covid restrictions being lifted, tutoring through Bright Futures has begun again at Greenwood Mill Elementary.

Your support of Relay for Life helps the American Cancer Society with their research to find treatments for cancer. It also reminds many in our congregation and in the community who are battling cancer, that Burnt Factory UMC loves them and supports them through their fight with cancer.

Your love offerings have provided financial assistance to the Byrd Family in Danville, Virginia. The Byrd family is one of the families who we helped to restore their home after severe flooding from storms. Joyce and William are currently struggling with medical concerns and bills and we continue to reach out to them with prayers, phone calls, cards and financial assistance.

Once again, during the first week of December, we are hosting a week for WATTS, by feeding and sheltering 36 homeless individuals. The love of Jesus that shines into the hearts of the homeless is shown by the hands that prepare homecooked meals and desserts and the loving hands that set up the shelter, clean the shelter, monitor the showers and welcome each guest with a smile.

You are also helping the homeless by ringing a bell for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle collection and providing food for our third Sunday meals at the Salvation Army Shelter as well as serving food at the Jubilee Kitchen. Finally, you are providing food baskets for 33 families, shared with us through Social Services, so that they may share a homecooked meal with their families on Christmas day.

We know that many of you are active in other non-profits in and around Winchester and, again, we thank you for sharing God's love so that we can make disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

God Bless and Merry Christmas,

The Outreach Committee


December


2021 Burnt Factory Church Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
United Methodist Church YOUTH Rally Saturday, December 4 th 10:00am - 5:00pm Randolph-Macon College Ashland, VA.			1 Burnt Factory UMC hosts WATTS 9:30am-1:00pm- Pastor's Office Hours December Newsletter Articles Due By 3pm!	2 Burnt Factory UMC hosts WATTS 7:00pm-Boy Scouts	3 Burnt Factory UMC hosts WATTS Printing December Newsletter	4 WATTS Ends 9:00am-Roof Wreckers 11am-4pm Salvation Army Bell Ringing- West Side of J.C. Penney Apple Blossom Mall 
5 2nd Sunday of Advent 8:30am-In-Person Worship 11:00am-In Person Worship 11:00am-Streaming Worship 1:00pm-Cantata Practice	6	7 10:30am-Bible Study Fellowship Hall 7:00pm-Bible Study Fellowship Hall	8 9:30am-1:00pm Pastor's Office Hours	9	10	11 11am-4pm Salvation Army Bell Ringing- West Side of J.C. Penney Apple Blossom Mall 
12 3rd Sunday of Advent CHOIR SINGS CANTATA at 8:30am and 11:00am In-Person Worship Services 12:30am-Emmaus Gathering 7:00pm-Children's Christmas Program (Streaming)	13	14 10:30am-Bible Study Fellowship Hall 12noon-2/4 BLT 7:00-Hearts of Grace Support Group in Library 7:00pm-Bible Study Fellowship Hall	15 9:30am-1:00pm Pastor's Office Hours 12:00pm- Path Finder Christmas Luncheon Fellowship Hall	16	17	18 9:00am-Roof Wreckers 11am-4pm Salvation Army Bell Ringing- West Side of J.C. Penney Apple Blossom Mall 
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Don't Miss the
DEADLINE!

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HOPE



First Sunday of Advent

LOVE



Second Sunday of Advent

JOY



Third Sunday of Advent

PEACE



Fourth Sunday of Advent

CHRIST



Christmas Eve

IS BORN!