

The Presbyterian Church of Floyd

The Chimes

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Dear Friends,

During the fall season, I am always reminded of the harvest. Having grown up on a farm, I am well aware of the importance of the harvest in providing for the future. Using the metaphor of the farmer for the church, we eagerly sow with the anticipation of a crop to reap. It is the harvest that sustains us for the future, and it brings fulfillment and joy.

As always, I am amazed at the work and generosity of our congregation! We are involved in so many ways in our community, sowing the love of Christ and being the example of humility. And we are blessed in return. There are now activities going on in our church nearly every day of the week, and we have gained the reputation of being a welcoming community of faith. I remember my first time in our beautiful church building, and I saw the banner that hangs in the narthex. It says our goals are to 1) grow spiritually; 2) be the center of the community; and 3) share the good news of the gospel. By God's grace, I am confident that we are succeeding in all three of those goals.

Let's look forward with great hope for the new ways God is going to bless us. Let's joyfully seek new ways we can bless our community. And most of all, let's seek to grow spiritually, so that our harvest will strengthen and nourish us on our noble journey!

*"Let us not become weary in doing good,
for at the proper time we will reap a harvest
if we do not give up."*

Galatians 6:9

In the love of Christ,

Pastor Bob

A New Sunday School Year Begins!



Prayer Concerns

Susie Vest - Skyline Nursing Home
Donna Hayden
Lu Graham -- rehab
Mark Femrite - cancer
Ralph Vest - recent cancer diagnosis
Lu Graham -- pneumonia
Buddy Haney - cancer
Bailey West (Minnie's granddaughter) - recovering from a car accident
Brenda Bobbitt - cancer
Family of Elsie Graham
Shirley Sowers - cancer
Grady McKnight - hydrocephalus
Janie Blanchard -- recent cancer diagnosis
Norman Hylton - cancer
Barry Smith - lung cancer
Molly Koon -cancer
Tim Peters

All in harm's way

A new flower chart for 2017 is on the bulletin board in the narthex. If you would like to supply flowers for worship service, please sign up. Blue Ridge Florist will deliver to the church for \$5.00 and flowers can keep up to 3 weeks. You may also bring in wild flowers from your garden or shrubs.



Please welcome our wonderful Sunday school teachers:

Jodi Cromer and Marsha Peters for the elementary class...

Cy Lane (assisted by Josep Ocampo) for the junior class...

Neil Sagebiel for the senior class...

and Bob McLavey for the adult class.

Teaching youth Sunday school is one of the most fun and rewarding opportunities in our church! If anyone would like to help out this fall, see Cy Lane.

Food Bank Donations

Please remember to donate food to our local food banks. We have two collection tubs located in the back hallway, by the fellowship hall. Canned vegetables or fruit: dried beans, rice, peanut butter and any non-perishable food items are accepted. Tubs are delivered to Plenty! and New River Community Action, both of which play a huge role in feeding our hungry neighbors.



We will be participating again in **Trunk-or-treat** on October 31st, 5:00 - 7:00pm. A donation box has been placed in the narthex. Don't want to donate sweets? How about decorations such as streamers, window clings, spiders?? Use your imagination and help make this year a **SPOOKTACULAR** event for all. Also, the Junior Sunday school class will be collecting donations for **UNICEF** through Halloween. Please look for their donation box in the narthex and at the Trunk-or-Treat to help children in need around the world!

October Greeters

10/2 – Vestal Whitlock & Ralph Vest

10/9 – Kevin & Stephanie Blevins

10/16 – Mark & June Allen

10/23 – Don & Brenda Williams

10/30 – John & Betty Getgood

If you are unable to be a greeter, please swap dates with another member.

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

10/1 - Ellen Vest

10/3 – Cindy Britton

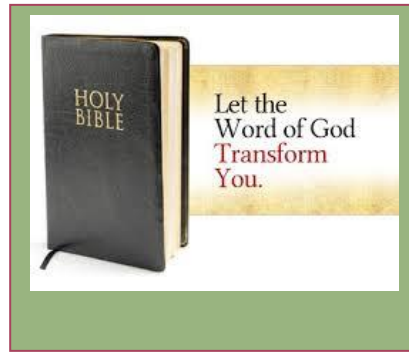
10/5 – Jim & Flo Richards

10/16 – Beth Sagebiel

10/23 – Rick & Beth Willoughby

10/24 – Laura Cantrell

10/29 – Jessica Britton
Chloe Vandervort



Bible Study

Bible study is on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm at the church. All are welcome to study Scripture and discuss short sermons from a video series. Light snacks will be served.

Citizens Dinner

The Citizens Cooperative Dinner is sponsored by the Presbyterian Ladies to raise money for charity. It will be held on Saturday, October 15th. Please see Minnie West if you can help set up, make food, serve, clean up, or bring a desert. There is a sign-up sheet located in the narthex.



Party Like It's 1521!

October 30th is Reformation Sunday and the junior class is having a Reformation party! See Cy if you'd like to help with food or anything else.

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