



THE CHIMES

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THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FLOYD

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It's hard to believe that summer is coming to a close, and it is even harder to believe that I have been your pastor for almost a year now. As they say, "Time flies when you're having fun." And actually, that is very true in my case. Not that every moment of being a pastor is fun, but it has been such an honor to be a part of this wonderful community of faith! I have been made to feel so welcome, and my life has been so fulfilled as I have shared in the joys, the sorrows, and the challenges of your lives.

Some have asked how I ended up in Floyd. It is quite simple, really. God called me here. As the members of the Pastor Nominating Committee can tell you, it all came together when we were first introduced to each other. It felt right! For me, it was a matter of taking that next step of faith, and I was confident that God was calling me to this place! I was reminded of Jesus calling his first disciples. It says in the Gospel of Matthew that Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee when he saw Simon Peter and his brother Andrew. Jesus said, "Follow me." He didn't say, "Follow me and you will immediately understand what I have in store for you in a new place." He didn't say, "Follow me, and all of your anxieties about the future will cease." And certainly Jesus didn't say, "Follow me and I will make your life easy." But for those of us who have experienced God's call on our lives, the mere invitation to follow Jesus is enough. We know it is what we must do. It is the greatest honor we can receive. And it feels right!

As we enter into the next year of our lives together, let us rejoice and thank God for the privilege to be followers of Christ. Together, we can make a difference in the world!

With love and gratitude,

Pastor Bob

PRAYER SHAWL KNITTING

The 1st & 3rd Mon. of each month from 6:30-8 pm in the fellowship hall. Beginners are welcome!

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

Every Wednesday morning at 7:00 am in the fellowship hall. For more information contact Mark Allen.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS FOR 2017

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 and consider leaving them 3 weeks, as they keep very well when refrigerated. Blue Ridge Florist on West Main Street will deliver to the church for \$5.00. You can also use wild flowers from your yard or garden. Thank you.



PRAYER CONCERNS

Susie Vest – Skyline Nursing Home
Molly Koon – recent cancer diagnosis
Mrs. Glenn Wood-- cancer
Donna Hayden
Cathy Sagebiel – upcoming surgery
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
Grady McKnight – hydrocephalus
Stephanie Dickerson White – heart issues and blood disorder
Caytie Rupe—autoimmune hepatitis
Janie Blanchard -- recent cancer diagnosis
Norman Hylton – cancer
Barry Smith – lung cancer
George Peters – multiple injuries from a fall
All in harm's way

September Greeters

September 4 – John and Joanne Sholar
September 11 – Charles and Gay Streithof
September 18 – Larry and Molly Koon
September 25 – Aaron and Anne Vaughan

If you are unable to be a greeter, please swap dates with someone else on the list. You are responsible for arranging a replacement.

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

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.



ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY POTLUCK

On September 11, we will remember the anniversary of the Presbyterian Church of Floyd with a potluck after worship. Offerings collected at that time will be donated to the Presbytery of the Peaks Two Cents-a-Meal program.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

September 2 – Betty Howard
September 3 – Gayle Cantrell
September 5 – Judy Sweeney
September 13 – Perry Whitlock Jr.
September 14 – Anne Vaughan
September 16 – Nancy Conduff
September 19 – Mark and June Allen
September 20 – Mark Allen
September 21 – Chuck Streithof
September 26 – Aaron and Anne Vaughan
September 28 – Joey Conduff
September 29 – Beth Willoughby, Mark and Sherri Femrite



FOOD BANK DONATIONS

Please remember to **donate food to our local food banks**. We have two collection tubs in the narthex: one for Plenty! and the other for New River Community Action. Canned vegetables or fruit; dried beans, rice, peanut butter and virtually, any non-perishable food items are accepted. The tubs are emptied as they fill up. These organizations play a huge role in feeding our hungry neighbors.



BIBLE STUDY

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

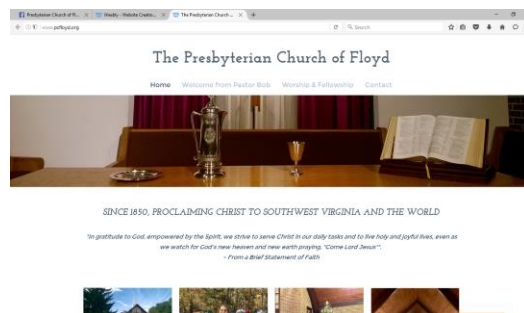


PUNCH ON THE PORCH COMES TO AN END . . .FOR THIS YEAR

Summer is almost over and so is "Punch on the Porch" for this year. I would like to thank you for your donations to the "noisy bucket". It paid for all the ingredients, cups and punch, plus the left over of \$75 and loose change. This will go to the Presbyterian Woman's treasury and will help fund their mission projects and activities. It is a challenge every week to make good cookies - with or without raisins, and is enjoyable. Thank you again,
Most sincerely,
Jan



NEW WEBSITE



I am thrilled to announce The Presbyterian Church of Floyd now as a new & improved website. Please take a few moments to look it over and let me know if you have any suggestions and/or comments. I welcome your feedback, so don't be shy. Our website is and always will be a work in progress. **Please note:** the web address has not changed. You can still access our new site at www.pcfloyd.org.

Blessings,
Jodi

