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BUCKINGHAM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR Easter Season is the Right Time to "practice Resurrection"

During the season of Lent, we as a church had an opportunity to reflect on our spiritual condition and struggles as we enter 2019 and a hopeful period of transition. I was excited that some of our spiritual exercises and conversations helped people identify the burdens of negative emotions and past experiences that they had been carrying. Before we pray for healing, we must first understand what ails us. No doubt others will continue to identify what ails them in the coming months, but we made a great start during Lent.

Now that we are in the 50-day season of Easter, we turn as a church to the theme of Resurrection and rebirth. If you look closely, you can see God fostering Resurrection everywhere you look. I see the Resurrection of friendships, marriages, hope, and family ties. During Easter, we want to lift up this theme. One particular issue that I would ask everyone to pray for is division among our membership. I have found that church members can easily slip into a critique of other people's actions in the past or into a displeasure regarding how other people practice their faith. In the last 10 years there has been a number of deep conflicts within the church, so hard feelings are to be expected. But I am praying that this Easter Season we pray for a Resurrection in the church's sense of unity. Buckingham's diversity does not have to be a source of discord and bitterness. On my part, I will do my best to foster unity by lifting up the positive things that are happening in the church. I am asking each and every member of the congregation to visualize and pray for unity. This will require seeking healing from God for some of the ways you might have been wronged in the past. Despite the difficult work it takes to forgive and heal, we are still believers in Resurrection, and that makes all the difference in the world.

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Events, Reports, Notices, & Stuff

FAMILY NIGHT

Tuesday, May 14, 2019 @ 5:30pm

Pork Barbeque

Cole Slaw, Baked Beans and more

Strawberry Trifle for dessert!





Easter Flowers 2019



Lucille Brown

Memory of Elizabeth & William S. Hudson

Susan & Hugh Cropper

Memory of Dorothy Taylor

The Gubosh Family

Memory of Michael X. Gubosh & Mary Smith

Richard & Cheryl Holland

Memory of Roland & Etta Powell and Edward L. & Nadine Holland

Lynne & Teresa Murray

Memory of Mother: Dorothy Taylor, Gran: Mae Taylor & Aunt Mary Louise Taylor Lynch

Fred & Carol Neal

Memory of Loved ones

Honor of our Children & Grandchildren

George Jr. & Glen Phillips

Memory of Mark Hammond & George Phillips III

Charlon M. Pruitt

Memory of John Q. Pruitt and Milton & Irene Moore



6th — BRADLEY Black

8th — CHASE Porter

12th — DEBORAH Cook NANCY Powell

14th — CHARLES Townsend

15th — MADELINE Moore

16th — Amy Holland

24th — MATTHEW Trask

25th — CHERYL Holland

CECIL Tull

28th — CAROL Rose

31st — JACOB Gaddis



1st — JAMES & SUE Mallory
LARRY & TAMMY Nickell

6th— RICHARD & PEGGY Jones

7th — DAVID & CINDI Pruitt

29th—Hershel & CAROL Rose

May Missions

The focus of May Missions will be on our youth at Buckingham Presbyterian Church. Several of our active youth are working toward a goal of attending Camp Occohannock on the Bay in Virginia this summer. Three persons from our youth team already plan on attending. Our focus is to help them or others who are interested to raise the funds so that they can have an experience of a lifetime. To assist with the fund raising, a Youth Car Wash will be held on May 25th from 10-2 in the Buckingham Presbyterian Church parking lot. For those not able to attend the car wash or wanting to support this mission separately, we will make available Special Offering envelopes throughout the month for donations to our youth group. For additional information about the summer camp or our youth focus, contact Lindsay Ashton.



COMMUNION will be held on the following date:

Pentecost—June 9

Upon request, Communion will be offered to

house-bound members of our congregation.

Please advise a member of Session, or the

Church Office if this service is desired.





MEN'S BREAKFAST

Tuesday, May 7, 2019

@ DeNovo's in Ocean Pines
8:00am

Bring a friend!

What better way to start your day then with good food, fellowship and the Lord!

Women's Lunch Bunch

Meets Wednesday

May 08, 11:30am @ IHOP

West Ocean City

For further information, contact Evelyn Warren at 410-641-2109



Christian Education Report

As I reflect on April, I think wow what a month very busy with many great family activities!! Thank you to everyone who helped put the activities together and participated in them. Families were invited by the Spiritual Formation Class, to watch the Pilgrim's Progress on April 5th. The film was a wonderful way for children to see how many times in life we are tested, but to keep God as your focus and keep going. I am looking into the Family Devotions which is being published to go along with the film and book. We are trying to start a family type of service or faith group for the summer. The Christian Ed committee joined forces with the Mission/Deacons committee to collect PJs for a local girl, Brianna and her family, as they are collecting them for the Casey Cares Foundation. We had a movie and PJ party on April 12th. Before the movie night the committee put a package together for Brianna and her family to be able to participate in the movie night wherever they may have been that night, home or up the road for doctor visits. I received a thank you note from her mom as well as a picture or her and her brother with their pillows stuffed with goodies, which is hanging on the board in the hallway. Thank you to everyone who helped prepare for our Easter celebration, donating candy, stuffing eggs, hiding eggs, and preparing food for all to share.

As we look ahead there are several events planned as well as several in the planning progress. We will be participating in the Cricket Walk on April 28th at 12:00. We will be meeting up at Hooters on the boardwalk, where the walk begins. Following the walk food will be provided at Hooters or anyone can join up for pizza. To go along with the walk and other outings the Christian Ed committee has stepped up to design t-shirts for the church and have them printed. Shirts cost \$12 for adults. If you would like to purchase a shirt please see Lindsay or any Christian Ed committee member. The youth will receive one free of charge! On Friday, May 3rd we will be having an outdoor family worship service followed by an outdoor movie, weather permitting, at 6:00pm. Chicken Salad, chicken quesadillas, chips and drinks will be served. On Saturday, May 25th the youth group will be holding a car wash from 10-2 to raise funds for their summer camp, see more information in the Mission section. There will be a combined service on Sunday, June 2nd at 10am, during this time there will be a special Sunday School recognition for those who have attend Sunday School throughout the year. We will be reserving a section for our church, at the Shorebirds Faith and Family night on Saturday, June

8th at 6:35pm. Tickets must be purchased ahead of time to get them at a discounted price of \$11 each. Please let Lindsay know or sign up on the board if you or your family would like to go. If anyone has ideas for getting our youth and families together throughout the summer please share and as always feel free to invite friends and families to any event!!!



OUTDOOR FAMILY WORSHIP



& MOVIE

May 3 @ 6:00pm

Chicken Salad, chicken

quesadillas, chips and drinks will be served.

YOUTH FUNDRAISER

MAY 25th, 10AM-2PM

Help raise money for our kids to go to summer camp and get your car clean



at the same time. For all the details see the mission section.

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For the Samaritan Shelter

Spaghetti Dinner



May 18, 2019
4-7:00pm
Salem United
Methodist Church
500 2nd Street
Pocomoke City, MD 21851

What can I do for you? Part I

During Spiritual formation, besides discussing the book Pilgrims Progress, we have been mulling over Rev. Zuber's question of, "What can I do for you (the church)" and "What do you need?" The following is an attempt to answer that question.

What Do We Need?

"Healing". When a church loses a pastor, is loses its leader, among many things. That is difficult enough, but when a church loses a beloved Pastor, (as we lost Matt) not only does it lose its Spiritual leader, but it loses a friend, a family member, a mentor, a counselor and a confidant. With this kind of loss, the church can lose its **Soul**. Its **Heart**. Its **Spirit**. The congregation can become "sick" with grief. Suddenly, unexpectedly, they find themselves walking in on a Sunday morning, looking at an empty pulpit and each other, wondering, what do we do now? How do we find comfort when the one we have looked to for comfort is no longer there? How do we get "better"? We may have felt the need to step back, "take a breath". Many of us are tired - emotionally, spiritually and physically. Last year we not only suffered the death of Matt, but many of us buried parents we had been caring for. Lost spouses and siblings. Lost children and friends, all in the space of a year with too many funerals to attend, too many empty seats at the table. Stresses from work and family life, church responsibilities piled upon that, trying to keep the church going, searching for an interim pastor, all these events take their toll. Is it any wonder we are tired? In need of healing? Helping us to get "better' is something Reverend Zuber can do. In him, we can find a new friend, a new family member, mentor, counselor and confidant. Look to him to help with healing. He is only as far away as your hand reaching out to him. And BREATHE!

Submitted by Karla Davis for Spiritual Formation

A Note from Historian Lynne Murray



You may be interested to learn that at a congregational meeting on September 7, 1803 the proper name given to our congregation was the *Presbyterian Congregation of Buckingham*.

That is the corporate name by which we are still known today.

1803 On December 11. 1951 church trustees review the Articles of met to Incorporation and again stated that the corporate name and the name of the congregation would continue to be known as the *Presbyterian Congregation of Buckingham*. They did, however, specify the name of the church building would be Buckingham Presbyterian Church. The trustees also discussed the election of officers and the scheduling of an annual meeting. Seven trustees attended this meeting at the Presbyterian Manse, a large home still located at 203 North Main Street diagonally across from Taylor House Museum. The house is now yellow and in my memory was much larger from the street end; it was definitely white and may have had a wrap around porch. Some of the trustees at the meeting, or their family names, may be familiar to you. Those seven men were: Calvin P. "Jack" Pruitt, William S. Hudson, Ralph Bunting, Lawrence L. Cutright, Sewell C. Cropper, Calvin E. Quillin, and Milton R. Trader. I was ten years old in 1951 and remember all of them quite vividly.

Jack and Alma Pruitt owned the Berlin Dairy Queen, located in the shop on Main Street where Island Creamery is today. Jack Pruitt was a realtor, and Alma Pruitt was guidance counselor at Stephen Decatur High School for many years. William S. Hudson was a pillar of our congregation and I was in his adult Sunday School class; he is remembered by a brass plaque located in the sanctuary. Some of you will certainly remember Ralph Bunting, he was the father of Susan Bunting Rencher. Lawrence Cutright was married to Julia Burbage Cutright, a sister of John Howard Burbage, Sr. Sewell Cropper lived on Route 50 in a now dilapidated farmhouse on the right just before you get to Home Depot. Calvin Quillin was the brother of Rosealee Quilllin James and Eunice Quillin Sorin. Eunice donated the Women's Diagnostic Center at Atlantic General Hospital. Milton Trader was often in evidence as he lived on a street behind the church. These church families represent a long line of members dedicated to the *Presbyterian Congregation of Buckingham*.

Happy Trails, Lynne murray476@mchsi.com



Elizabeth W. Lynch, age 94, of Berlin, MD, passed away on Monday, April 8, 2019. Born April 14, 1924 in Campbelltown, MD she was the daughter of the late Tom and Ella Williams. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, William Ennis Lynch. Surviving is her daughter, Beverly Rae Lynch, of Painter, VA, son-in-law Tom Smith and granddaughter Ella Smith. Also preceding her in death, were her brothers, James, Milton, and Calvin Williams. There are many nieces and nephews including a special great nephew, Dr. Sean Williams.

Mrs. Lynch was a 1941 graduate of Buckingham High School, and had worked for the Worcester County Board of Education as a teacher's aide. Elizabeth was a devoted member of Buckingham Presbyterian Church in Berlin, MD. She treasured her family and friends more than anything.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			Spirit Form. 6 CHOIR 7	AA 8 National Day of Prayer	3 Outdoor Worship & Movie	4
5 CINCO MAYO	6 ACG 6:30	7 Men's Brfst. 8:30 DeNovo's SESSION 6	8 Women's Lunch Bunch 11:30—IHOP Spirit Form. 6 CHOIR 7	9 AA 8	10	H
Happy Mother's Day	13 ACG 6:30	Family Night 5:30 TRUSTEE 6:30	I 5 Spirit Form. 6 CHOIR 7	16 AA 8	17	18
19	20 ACG 6:30	21	22 Spirit Form. 6 CHOIR 7	23 AA 8	24	25 Youth Car Wash to fund Summer Camp
26 Sons of Thunder 9:00am Last Day of Sunday School	27 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED ACG 6:30 MEMORIAL DAY	28	29 Spirit Form. 6 CHOIR 7	30 AA 8	31	hello

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VISION STATEMENT

We are a community of disciples,

Who honor all people,

Care for those in need,

Share the hope we receive from Jesus Christ.