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PASTOR NOTES FOR AUGUST 2021—A Month of Thanks for a Great Year

Dear Buckingham Family,

As August rolls out, so does our gratitude for God and for all of you! It has been a year since we've moved here to begin our new life in ministry with you. And what a year of blessings it has been!

In no particular order:

- Monthly decisions have kept us safe from COVID
- We've brought the family back into full in-person worship
- We've maintained our online presence and planned for future improvements
- We've moved the 9 AM service to its new home in Kortright chapel
- We've welcomed new members into the life of our family
- New ministries are blooming (like the prayer shawl group and CHOAS)...
- ... and tried and true ministries continue to inspire us (like S'MORE TIME, YOUTH GROUP and our monthly MISSION support for local and national needs)
- Our elected leaders (Session, Deacons, Trustees) along with our committed committees serve with love and sound decisions for the life of our church
- Our weekly Bible study is thriving as a source of learning and growing in faith together
- Our Men's Breakfasts are back in action as men gather in fellowship
- And the Congregational Life Committee is feeding us in body and soul...
- ...and they'll soon be doing so from a renovated kitchen with all the bells and whistles!

We are so grateful for these and so many more blessings. We are grateful, too, for the good care the manse has received from the Trustees - from repairs to the AC and microwave to a new floor upstairs and new paint on the deck and porch. Thank you for making our home a beautiful place to live.

Most especially - we are thankful for the new friends we've made with all the saints here at Buckingham Presbyterian Church! YOU are ALL the lifeblood of this church and together - with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us and working through us - we will continue to grow and thrive. For those who are new - welcome! We are so glad to have you plugging in with our church. For those who have been around a long time - we thank God for you and your lifetime of commitment! And for those who may still be wondering if it's time to come back into the fold - we would love to see you and greet you with the open arms of Christ's love.

Let's GO Buckingham - Let's Go! God is leading us and we're only just getting started!

All our love,
The Piedmontes (Pastor Mark, Aimee, Lucas, Sam, Jersey and Frankel)



CHRISTIAN ED

Playground!!!

If you have not seen it yet the big playset is installed!! Thank you to all those who donated to help make this happen. The kids are loving playing on it on Sunday mornings. Up next, we will add a wood boarder and playground mulch along with a fence and a small tree line across the back of the playground.



C.H.A.O.S

(Christians Hanging Around On Sundays)

The CHAOS Crew has been hard at it this summer with fun devotional nights and family night outs!

The devotional group meets once a month for grades 3rd-6th, all are welcome to join! The next one is August 8th at 4:00 with the devotional being on "Wrong Direction". Help spread the word to all those kids in this age group by inviting any kids and grandkids to attend! August 22nd, 4:00 all are invited to a night of kids having the opportunity to serve adults!

The kids are hosting a night of adult BINGO and dinner for all!





S'MORE TIME VBS



So far this summer the kids have learned the story of David and Goliath and Jonah and the Whale. We have had a wonderful turn out each time of 25-28 kids with their families. The next one will be on July 30th on Queen Ester. August 13th Stevenson Church will be heading up the night with Pastor Ron giving the message and story along with crafts and games. August 27th will be St. Paul's with Father Michael. Everyone has enjoyed participating in this Ecumenical Summer Series of VBS.



COME ONE, COME ALL!!!! Help us celebrate our kids and bless their backpacks! August 29th 11am, Worcester County Athletic fields, Berlin baseball fields playground. This will be an ecumenical service celebrating the end of our summer VBS series as well as a blessing of the backpack service to bless our children before they head off to school! Hamburgers, hot dogs, sides, and drinks provided.



MISSIONS

across the street & around the world

Thank you to everyone who helped donate the baby bottles filled with change for the month of August. Mission was able to donate \$650 to help with the COVID in India with all the donations given. We also donated \$650 to missionaries Tracy and Wilson on the ground in Nepal helping with the Covid crisis, these are friends of Tammy Nickel. A large bin of dog treats, toys and food collected from our Blessing of the Pets and congregation along with a check for \$250 was donated to US Kennels.

For the remainder of the summer, we will be collecting school supplies for children in need in our community! Stay tuned as we hope to have a church wide community outreach day to go along with this mission project! In the meantime you can help by bringing in those supplies!!!!

8/5— Grayson David

8/13—DOROTHY Warren

8/18—PATRICIA Arthur

8/27—KARLA Davis
DANA Tull



8/23— Fred & CAROL Neal



Sunday, August 1st
Sunday, September 5th
World Communion
Sunday, October 3rd
Sunday, November 7th
Sunday, December 5th



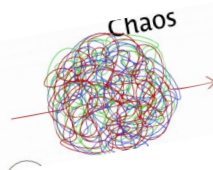
GROUPS TO GROW YOUR FAITH—

We have so many ways to join in and grow your faith!!

⇒ Join in for an **Adult Bible Study** on Thursday evenings from 6-7:30.

⇒ Our **High School group** meets on Wednesday evenings from 5:30 -6:30 with dinner, lesson, and games. They are planning a few summer outings! They always welcome help with food or leading this group in their devotional for the evening!

⇒ Our **CHAOS (Christians Hanging Around on Sundays) Crew** (Grades 3rd—7th) will meet



twice a month on Sunday afternoons from 4-5:30. Check the calendar and schedule for dates and to see activities! Once a month will be a hands-on team

building group devotional and the other will be a full family (church family included) fun afternoon! Everyone is welcome to join.

⇒ **S'more Time with Jesus** is a church and community outreach night on 2nd and 4th Fridays throughout the summer. This summer our S'more Time with Jesus nights will be VBS style. Each night we will have burgers and hot dogs, bible story, crafts, songs and games. Other churches in our area have been asked to join for a *Vacation Bible Summer Camp Out* theme. Anyone who would like to help with one night or several nights are invited to come help wherever you feel called!



Mission Donation to U.S. Kennels



A Note from Historian Lynne Murray

Dear Buckingham Friends,

To continue with my findings on Newspapers.com a very old article from the *Baltimore Sun* on Saturday, 24 November, 1849 mentioned our mother church (1706) in Rehobeth, Maryland. Listed under the title *Accepted*, this was the paragraph: *The Princess Anne (MD) Herald says that the Rev. Mr. Vallandigham has accepted the call of the Presbyterian congregations at that place and at Rehobeth.*

The article at right from the *Democratic Messenger Berlin* news on Saturday, 5 September 1894 states that Rev. Robert H. Hoover will preach at Buckingham the next day.

The last paragraph discusses a sermon in Berlin by Rev. C. Grise. He is Reverend Doctor (D. D.) Charles A. Grise that filled several Delmarva pulpits, most notably our neighboring Stevenson Methodist. Rev. Dr. Grise is of interest to us because of his many other ties to Berlin. My family's home prior to my father's death is known as the Dr. Charles A. Grise house. The Late Victorian structure has been restored and is located on the corner of William St. and Graham Ave. The short cross street between Graham Ave. and Franklin Ave. is Grise Street. The sketch below by Dr. Nancy Sawin was made for her 1978 book *Between The Bays* and is from a back yard perspective. Dr. Sawin's personal guide to historic homes was Ruth McCabe Cropper, the maternal granddaughter of Rev. Grise.



Rev. Robert H. Hoover, now of Pennsylvania, will preach in the Buckingham Presbyterian Church to morrow (Sunday).

Mr. Hackerman has come back to Berlin and opened a new store on Main street. Mr. Mott Cropper is clerking for him.

Master Willie Franklin left Berlin last Wednesday for New York to attend his school. His many friends miss him very much.

Most of our townsfolks that have been sojourning at Ocean City this summer are coming home again. These cool days are most too much for them down by the sea.

Miss Grace Pitts, Miss Eva Squires, Miss Mary Jones, Miss Mary Henman and Mrs. Tucker all went down on Tuesday to attend the convention of the W. C. T. U. in Snow Hill.

Rev. Mr. McFarland went up to Georgetown last Saturday to preach for Rev. C. Grise. Mr. Grise preached a fine sermon for him here, and raised eleven hundred dollars for the church in Berlin. That is quite a good sum and speaks well for old Berlin.

In 1883, while pastor at Stevenson, Dr. Grise noticed many burials taking place in farmland that was plowed over and forgotten. Feeling the need for a public cemetery, he approached the Trustees and loaned the church money to purchase five and a half acres outside of town. This area became the present Everygreen Cemetery on Assateague Road.

Dr. Grise personally planned Evergreen's layout and the first burial took place in 1884. Dr. Grise (1856-1907), his wife Mary, and two of his daughters are buried at Evergreen.



Kathleen (Kathy) Adele Jenkins Eschenburg, 71, passed away in her home in Royal Palm Beach, Florida on her birthday, July 10, 2021, after beating the odds against challenging health conditions for more than 20 years. Her four adult children were at her bedside. Her doggie was in her lap. Her sister and one of her nephews, Steven Jenkins, were at the foot of her bed. All seven grandkids were playing outside, each having been able to say good-bye. Family and friends were filtering in and out. It was as perfect as it could be. 100% Pure Love.

Born in Arlington, Virginia, Kathleen returned to her true-blue Eastern Shore of Maryland Hickman roots, where she married her life partner, Richard (Dick) William Eschenburg Sr., by whom Kathleen was predeceased after 19 years of marriage. Also predeceased by her father Erroll Ralph Jenkins, mother, Mary Lou Jenkins Stevens, and brother, Erroll D. Jenkins {husband of Kathy Jenkins}. She is survived by her brother Daniel Edward Jenkins and sister Judith Jenkins Beck; her

eldest daughter Dana Eschenburg Perez of Royal Palm Beach, FL {wife of Carlos D. Perez} and three grandchildren Danilo, Stella, Cora Perez; her son Daniel Eschenburg and two grandchildren Bianca and Scarlett Eschenburg of West Palm Beach, FL; and her two youngest daughters, Ashley Eschenburg of Paris, France {compagne of Shayan Khazaei of Tehran, Iran} and Mary Colleen Eschenburg {wife of Paul Lopez} and two grandchildren Nicholas (Nico) and Camila Lopez Eschenburg of Cuenca, Ecuador.

Kathleen was a historical romance novelist and avid reader. She was also a cocktail waitress, gym teacher, basketball coach, Eastern Shore hospitality maestro, end of life caretaker, homemaker and all around laugh generator. She never turned a stray away, the four-legged type as well as the two-legged type, once they crossed her doorstep either on their own accord, or via one of her family members, they were "adopted" and could stay as long as they wished. A trait she acquired from her husband. A never-ending learner, Kathleen was an expert at bestowing unconditional love, deep kindness and profound wisdom to those closest to her. She was the family's walking encyclopedia and matriarch who walked to the beat of her own drum. She was a remarkable woman who bestowed her knowledge upon request, was content to be a wallflower yet thoroughly loved an engaging conversation. She encouraged her children's thirst for adventure, self-expression, compassion and travel, including "Getting the Hell out of Dodge." She was the perfect mix of iconoclast, wisdom and kindness; the level to which her family can only hope to achieve one day. She was most thankful to have been gifted the time to watch her family grow (and equally thankful to have had her own clean and kid-clutter-free home during her final years). While endeavoring to teach her grandchildren the love of reading, she dotingly conceded, readers are quite possibly born, not made.

Kathleen's bright, easy laughter was a family treasure that will continue to live on through her children and surviving family.

The viewing and services will be held at Palms West Funeral Home in Royal Palm Beach, Florida on Thursday July 15, 2021 at 5:30pm. To virtually attend Kathleen's memorial service, please contact the family. Donations can be made on Kathleen's behalf to Coastal Hospice & Palliative Care (2604 Old Ocean City Rd, Salisbury, MD 21804). She will be cremated and her ashes will make stops in Paris, France; Cuenca, Ecuador; the beaches of Florida; back home to Ocean City, Maryland as well as in Arlington, Virginia; but most importantly, she will finally return to rest at her husband's side to their shared gravestone in Berlin, Maryland.

"Love doesn't die with death. Love is like liquid; when it pours out, it seeps into others' lives. Love changes form and shape. Love gets into everything. Death doesn't conquer all; love does. Love wins every single time. Love wins by lasting through death. Love wins by loving more, loving again, loving without fear."

— Kate O'Neill

In Memory of Frederick F. Moore

Berlin - Frederick F. "Freddy" Moore, age 84, of Berlin died Thursday, July 22, 2021 at home in Berlin. He was born in Snow Hill, MD and was the son of the late Clayton H. and Edna (Webb) Moore.

Freddy retired from Worcester County as a Heavy Equipment Operator. He was a member of Buckingham Presbyterian Church, AMSA and the Loyal Order of the Moose. Freddy also served in the Army National Guard.

He is survived by one daughter, Tammy M. Barton and husband Chuck of Berlin; a brother, Clayton Moore Jr. of Selbyville; a sister, Dorothy Hastings of Berlin; and two granddaughters, Tayler Barton-Adams and husband Jon and Olivia Barton. He is also survived by his beloved boxers, Bella and Holly.

A viewing was held on Monday, July 26th from 5pm to 7pm at Bishop-Hastings Funeral Home in Selbyville. A graveside service was held at 11am on Tuesday, July 27th at Buckingham Presbyterian Church Cemetery in Berlin.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Madeline W. Moore on February 7, 2021 and a brother, Floyd Moore.

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to Coastal Hospice, P.O. Box 1733, Salisbury, MD 21802.

(Note: The Gram Editor regrets that this obituary did not make it into the printed copy of our newsletter.)

**"For death is no more than a turning
of us over from time to eternity."
~William Penn**

The thoughts and prayers of the Buckingham Presbyterian Church congregation are with friends and family at this time. I was so glad to have met Freddie once COVID restrictions had lifted. I only wish I could have gotten to know him better! What a wonderful guy with a great wit and a bit of a twinkle in his eye. He shared with me his love for our church and the many memories that he and Madeline shared together as committed members and neighbors. His most cherished memory was the many chicken dinners held in years past when the whole community came together for food, fellowship and lots of laughs. May Freddy enjoy the feast that the Lord had prepared ahead of time at the table where he and Madeline and others now dine together in heaven. May we all be blessed by our memories of them and with our hope in eternal life with Christ. - Pastor Mark



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1 Communion Sunday	2 Share & Care 6:30pm	3 Session 6:30pm Nat'l Night Out Henry's Park 4-7pm WYFS 9am-4pm	4 WYFS 9am-4pm HS 5:30-6:30pm PASTOR AWAY	5 WYFS 9am-4pm PASTOR AWAY	6 PASTOR AWAY	7 Peach Festival 11am-4pm PASTOR AWAY
8 Rev. Kerry Shull in the Pulpit CHAOS 4pm—Devotional & Island Creamery trip	9 Share & Care 6:30pm	10 Men's Breakfast at Rayne's Reef 8:30am	11 Pastor Hrs. 10am-3pm HS 5:30-6:30pm	12 WYFS 9am-4pm Bible Study 6-7:30pm	13 Pastor Hrs. 10am-Noon	14
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29 CHAOS 4pm—Blessing of the Backpacks & games	30 Share & Care 6:30pm	31	<p>"It may be hard for an egg to turn into a bird: it would be a jolly sight harder for a bird to learn to fly while remaining an egg. We are like eggs at present. And you cannot go on indefinitely being just an ordinary, decent egg. We must be hatched or go bad." — C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity</p>			