



VILLAGE CHAPEL
PRESBYTERIAN

“THE VILLAGER” – AUGUST 25, 2021

What’s in a name?

Frederick Buechner, presbyterian pastor and writer and gentle sage, died on August 15th. I will miss his wisdom.

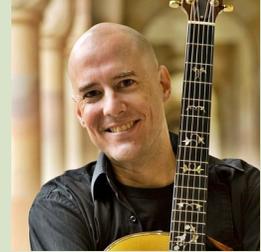
He wrote, “[My name] is pronounced Beekner. If somebody mispronounces it in some foolish way, I have the feeling that what’s foolish is me. If someone forgets it, I feel that it is I who am forgotten. I can’t imagine myself with any other name — Held, say, or Merrill, or Hlavacek. If my name were different, I would be different. When I tell somebody my name, I have given [them] a hold over me, that [they] didn’t have before. If [they] call it out, I stop, look, and listen whether I want to or not.”

As classes begin again, teachers will be learning the names of their students; young students will be learning how to spell their names and older students will be reminded that names carry weight.

Here at the church, I will try to greet each of you by name; try to learn and remember the names of visitors; try to treat those who come knocking on our door asking for help as if their name as a child of God is important. I hope you will too!

The Presbytery of WV’s
Nurture Committee
invites you to hear

David LaMotte



in concert at Bluestone

Saturday, Nov. 19th, at 8 PM

The cost for the concert is \$25.

The cost for the concert and lodging at Bluestone with Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast is \$70.

David LaMotte is an award-winning songwriter, speaker, and writer. He has toured in all 50 states, as well as five continents. For more, see <http://www.davidllotte.com>

Worship Notes

You are invited to prepare for worship during August and September by reflecting on these scriptures:

- Aug. 28 Luke 14:1, 7-14
- Sept. 4 Philemon 1-21
- Sept. 11 guest preacher Sallie Daugherty
- Sept. 18 1 Timothy 2:1-7
- Sept. 25 1 Timothy 6:6-19



Copies of Todd’s sermon are available on the church’s website: www.vcpresby.org

ONC update!

The Officer Nominating Committee has been working hard — meeting each week throughout the summer to pray and discern who God might be calling to serve as an elder in the class of 2025. The plan is to present a slate of nominees to the congregation on Sept. 4th, with information about each. The Session has called for a meeting of the congregation on Sept. 18th for the purpose of electing elders. As always, our polity allows for nominations from the floor.

That meeting will be followed by a meeting of the corporation, as required now that we are incorporated. The main purpose for that meeting will be to elect a new president of the corporation to serve for the 2023 calendar year.

The four new elders elected will then begin a series of classes to prepare them to serve, starting on Sunday, Sept. 25.

Please keep this whole process in your prayers!



Have you picked up your VC T-shirt yet?

You’ll need one on September 4th!

At their August meeting, the Session voted to invite the congregation to wear their Village Chapel T-shirts on September 4th, Labor Day!

If you haven’t already picked up your shirt, they are in the classroom across from the church office.

If you haven’t bought one yet, there are a few left (in limited colors/sizes) for only \$15! You can pay Leslie (cash or check).



**RALLY DAY
2022**

BUILDING FAITH

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2022
10 AM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**FAITH-BUILDING ACTIVITIES
FOR ALL AGES**

COLLECTING TOOLS FOR WVMAW*

DRILL BITS T25 WITH STAR (MOST NEEDED!)

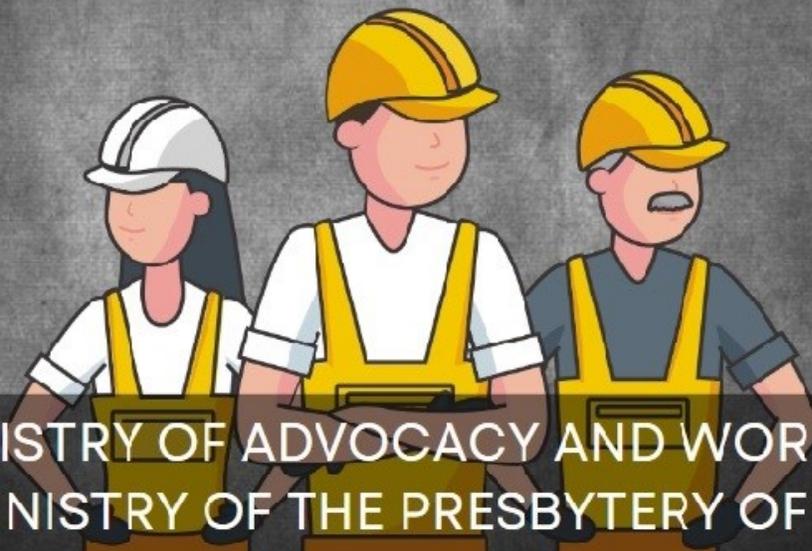
2.5 AND 3" DECKING SCREWS (TAN) WITH STAR HEAD

10 INCH TABLE SAW BLADES

JIG SAW BLADES (VARIOUS SIZES)

RECIPROCATING SAW BLADES (VARIOUS SIZES)

SPEED SQUARES TAPE MEASURES WORK GLOVES



***WV MINISTRY OF ADVOCACY AND WORKCAMPES
A MINISTRY OF THE PRESBYTERY OF WV**



THANK YOU!

Our Village packed and collected 38 backpacks for the children at Mary Ingles Elementary School!

NEW Office Hours beginning Sept. 6th

**Mondays: 8:30 - 11:30
Wednesdays: 8:30 - 11:30
Thursdays: 9:30 - 12:30**

*Leslie will also be available remotely
Wednesdays: 12:00 - 3:00
Thursdays: 1:00 - 4:00*

LABOR DAY



**Monday, September 5th
Office Closed**

The Prayer Walk for September will be on the 24th!

We will meet at the church at 10 AM and walk the neighborhood — praying for our neighbors, including those members who live near the church.

Village Cares Box

During COVID we added non-perishable food to the Village Cares box on the corner to help our neighbors. They need your help again! Please donate items to the church or put a few in the box directly. Thanks!

STATISTICAL REPORT	8/21/22	8/14/22	8/7/22	7/31/22
In-Person Worship Attendance	67	51	47	41
Non-Pledged	\$210	\$140	\$120	\$160
Pledged Contribution	\$1,210	\$2,875	\$5,442.12	\$10,565
Miscellaneous Income	\$3,652.58	\$135	\$294.03	\$8
Total Contributions	\$5,072.58	\$3,150	\$5,856.15	\$10,733



Please remember the following people in your prayers on these dates:

September

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| 1 Nancy Wallace | 18 Tyler Zubick |
| 2 Helen Warren | 19 Heather Barry |
| 3 Betsy White | 20 John Barry |
| 4 Dreama White | 21 Hallie Barry |
| 5 Sandra Wilkerson | 22 Elaine Barry |
| 6 Adele Willis | 23 Jack Bland |
| 7 John Willis | 24 Noell Bland |
| 8 Betsy Willis | 25 Paula Bland |
| 9 Fifi Wolfe | 26 Shannon Bland |
| 10 Nicholas Wolfe | 27 Max Bland |
| 11 Todd Wright | 28 Kevin Blank |
| 12 Maureen Wright | 29 Shelby Blank |
| 13 Emily Wright | 30 Kyle Blank |
| 14 Nathan Wright | |
| 15 Heather Wroebel | |
| 16 Todd Zubick | |
| 17 Sandra Zubick | |



Prayer Chain

An important part of our caring for each other is the **Prayer Chain**.

Please let **Betsy White** (betsywhite06@yahoo.com) know of any prayer concerns you may have.

You may also contact Leslie Bremer in the church office (**304-925-7265** or leslie@vcpresby.org). Leslie will direct your prayer request to Betsy.

If you would like to be added to the Prayer Chain, please contact the office.

Toilet Paper Donations Needed!

As part of Village Chapel's Ministry to Common Grounds, we donate toilet paper for those less fortunate. The Presbyterian Women have set the second Sunday of every month the official donation Sunday for toilet paper. You can just bring your donation with you to Church and place it in the specified area at the back of the Sanctuary. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Cards for Members



We may not be able to check the prayer display in the fellowship hall each week, but we can send cards out to let each other know we are thinking of and praying for one another! We encourage you to take a peek at the prayers section of the bulletin each week or the prayer section in the left column and send a card to someone. Our Village might be socially distancing but hearts and prayers are still with each of you!



I have a plant on my desk that came with clear instructions on how to nurture it — optimum sunlight, water, and temperature. 'Wouldn't it be nice to have similar

information to help us nurture our own faith ... or that of our children or grandchildren? Well, the Presbytery of WV is providing weekly ideas for nurturing faith.

August 28 – Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost:

Read Psalm 112

"Praise the LORD." This psalm praises the righteous, who are faithful to God's law, generous, gracious, merciful, just, steadfast, and care for the poor. Reflect upon ways you are righteous, and how you give praise for the gifts you receive from God.

September 4 - Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost:

Read Luke 14:25-33

What do you think Jesus means when he says one must hate his/her life to be his disciple? How does his call to carry our own cross inform this? Jesus gives examples of "counting the cost," showing that being his disciple involves a willingness to give up everything. Is there something in your life that you need to give up in order to follow Jesus more faithfully?

September 11 – Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost:

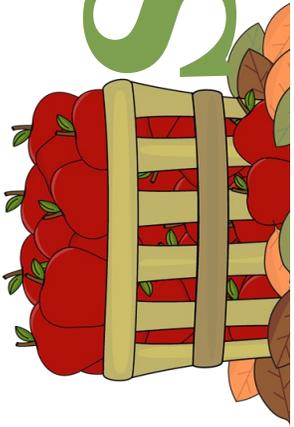
Read Timothy 1:12-17

How has God abundantly poured his strength, mercy, grace, faith, and love into your life? How has Jesus shown his "immense patience" to you? How can all of this be used as an example to share with others that they, too, "would believe and receive eternal life?"

September 18 – Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost:

Read 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Paul urges the church to pray particularly for those in positions of authority. Why do you think that is, and what are ways you could answer this plea to pray for our leaders? He shifts the focus to its proper center: our Mediator and Ransom Christ Jesus. How might we point others to him in our worship and witness that they may "come to a knowledge of the truth?"



September 2022

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

September Birthdays: 3 - Linda Meadows; 8 - Max Bland, Susie Matulis; 11 - Michael Panger, Sandra Copeland, Warren Danzer; 13 - James Powell; 14 - Sandra Wilkerson; 16 - Kendall France; 17 - Rick Skaff; 18 - Amy Parker; 19 - Cathy McClung; 20 - Payne Smith; 21 - Marshall Spradling; 23 - Ellen Ann Sockman; 24 - Don Parker, Sally Mullins; 27 - Paula Bland; 28 - Bruce King Jr.

4 11:00 AM Worship Service	5 OFFICE CLOSED	6 	7	8 10 AM PW Circle 11:30 AM Service Team 7 PM Worship Team Meeting	9 7:30 PM NA Group	10
11 RALLY DAY 11 AM Worship Service w/ Communion 12 PM Fellowship Time	12 10 AM Bridge	13	14 7 PM Stewardship Team Meeting	15 12 PM PW Luncheon	16 7:30 PM NA Group	17
18 10 AM Sunday School 11 AM Worship Service & Congregational Meeting	19 10 AM Bridge	20	21 7 PM Session Meeting	22	23 7:30 PM NA Group NEWSLETTER	24 10 AM Prayer Walk
25 10 AM Sunday School 11 AM Worship Service	26 10 AM Bridge	27	28	29	30 7:30 PM NA Group	