

Beulah and Monterey eNewsletter November, 2022



NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays

11/2 – Meghan Defibaugh
11/9 – Kierstyn and Kiera Defibaugh
11/12 – Ramona Arbogast
11/12 – Jim White
11/19 - Phyllis Brock
11/24 – Anthony Warner
11/26 – Wanda Evan
11/26 – Anna Chambers

Anniversaries

11/3 – David and Amy Frayer
11/7 – David and Julia Blanchard

PRAYER LIST – Marleen Reynolds, Barbara Hevener, Mike Armstrong, Amy Vaus, Lillian and Garland Dever, Carlton Hull

Nov 6, 2022 - Daylight Saving Time Ends



Sunday, November 6, 2022, 2:00 am clocks are turned backward one hour to 1:00 am.

Sunrise and sunset will be one hour earlier on Nov 6, 2022 than the day before. There will be more light in the morning.

This Sunday we welcome Reverend Doctor Chris Scott to lead worship at both churches. Chris, a former resident of Highland County, who married Heather, daughter of Jim and Lorraine White, has led worship for us before. Don't forget to set your clock back so you can arrive on time at Beulah – 9:30 am
Monterey – 11:15 am



Help the National Honor Society and the Highland County Department of Social Services with our

Annual Holiday Food Drive!

Donations will be collected November 1st - November 18th

You may drop off donated items at any of the following locations:

- Highland High School/Highland Elementary School
- Highland County Department of Social Services
- Highland County Public Library
- The Highland Center
- The Blue Grass Post Office
- Mountain Oasis

Specific items we are requesting this year include but are not limited to: Canned Fruit, Canned Vegetables, Canned Meats, Canned Beans, Soups, Boxed Goods/Meals, Pasta, Microwavable Noodle Meals, Rice, Granola Bars, Instant Oatmeal, Cereal, Jello/Pudding Cups, Peanut Butter, Crackers, Childrens Snack Items, and Pancake Mix.

Any non-expired, non-perishable food donations will gladly be accepted and distributed to families in Highland County.

Please contact Emily Malcolm at 540-468-2199 ext. 301 with any questions.



Mark Your Calendar

November 6 – Secondary youth from both churches will meet at Monterey Presbyterian at 12:30 to plan youth services on December 4 and 18. Lunch will be provided, and pickup time will be 2:00 pm.

McDowell Presbyterian Church Dedication Service

Sunday, November 6, 2022

Celebrating our 200th Anniversary as a worshipping community
Come celebrate our past as we look forward to our future together

Worship @ 11.15 a.m.

Luncheon @ the McDowell Fire House immediately after worship

ALL ARE WELCOME (and there WILL be cake!)

TO OUR FRIENDS OF OTHER WORSHIPING COMMUNITIES: we would love it if you could send representatives to join us in worship, or failing that, a simply note of well-wishing that we might share would be greatly appreciated (you might use large print -- at 200 years old, our eyesight isn't what it once was!)

Peace and blessings to you each and all,

Rev. Beth Pyles, McDowell Presbyterian Church

November 17 – Monthly meeting of Beulah and Monterey Presbyterian Women, 1:00 pm via WebEx. They will cover Lesson 3 and the annual Thank Offering will be collected.

November 20 – Youth and adults will meet at MPC after the worship service to decorate the sanctuary for Advent, put up the Christmas tree in the pavilion and make VPAS bags that will be delivered before Thanksgiving to seniors on the MOW route. Lunch will be served to those participating in the Advent projects. See the article below if you would like to donate items for the VPAS bags.

*There will be a special congregational meeting at Beulah immediately following worship on Nov. 20 with Rev. Bill Cox moderating. The purpose of the meeting is to approve changes to the by-laws and elect elders for the 2023 to 2025 term of ruling elders.

Items needed for the Thanksgiving bags for VPAS recipients receiving Meals on Wheels.

Here are the items needed for the Thanksgiving bags to be assembled on 11/20 at MPC. Surplus items will be used in the Christmas bags. If you prefer to make a cash donation you can leave a check with Betty Gail Hiner. Designate in the comments section of your check that it is for "Advent Mission Projects".

- **VPAS** – (for holiday bags) Individually foil-wrapped tea bags, word search puzzle books, adult coloring books, clementines and/or tangerines, and Chapstick or lip balm, preferably unscented. Life Savers and other hard candies, like peppermints, are also needed. You can leave your donation in the box on the kitchen counter marked, "VPAS Donations".



Advent means "coming" and is a liturgical season where we can celebrate:
Christ has come into our world.
Christ is coming into our lives.
Christ will come again to fulfill our hope for a new world of peace and love.

ADVENT BEGINS 11/27/22

The theme for the 1st Sunday in Advent is *Hope*



When we give to the Christmas Joy Offering, we share our love with the leaders of our Church — past, present and future — who point us to God.



The Christmas Offering Joy has been a cherished Presbyterian tradition since the 1930s. The Offering distributes gifts equally to the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions and to Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color. The Assistance Program provides critical financial support to church workers and their families. Presbyterian-related schools and

colleges provide education and leadership development while nurturing racial and ethnic heritage. This has been a Presbyterian commitment for nearly 140 years. We will be collecting the Christmas Joy Offering during the season of Advent. If you'd like to contribute, please make a check out to the church with a memo of "Christmas Joy Offering," or feel free to donate online at <https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/make-a-gift/gift-info/christmas-joy/>. Thank you for your support!



The Beulah Spaghetti dinner in October was a delicious success.





The Highland FFA sales team won the bronze medal at the National FFA Conference in Indianapolis. What an honor!



The Herold family enjoyed Parents Weekend at UVA



There's nothing like celebrating your birthday with friends, especially friends that share your love for Hocus Pocus!



A joyful noise, as well as a great lunch, were enjoyed by all who attended the 5th Sunday hymn sing at Beulah last Sunday.

