

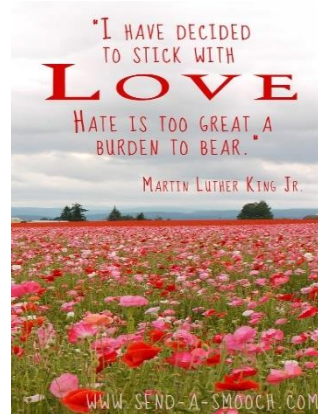


Beulah and Monterey eNewsletter February 2023

February Birthdays

BIRTHDAYS

- 2/2 - Carlton Hull
- 2/2 – Ardis Stephenson
- 2/4 - Tate Dunn
- 2/8 – Jessa Fowler
- 2/9 - Mike Herold
- 2/16 – Mary Ellenburg
- 2/21 – Kim Billingsley
- 2/21 – Joe Simmons
- 2/23 – David Blanchard
- 2/25 – Wren Cox



PRAYER CONCERNS –*Marlene Reynolds, Barbara Hevener, Mary Lou Cox, Mike Armstrong, Frieda Driver, Mike Humphries, Lillian and Garland Dever, Ruby Swecker, Carlton Hull, and those each of us hold in our hearts.*

Pulpit Supply in February

Services will be held at Beulah at 9:30 am and Monterey at 11:15 am on each of the following Sundays. The Beulah service will be live-streamed.

We are blessed to be welcoming back to the pulpit:

- February 5, 2023 Pastor Clayton Roscoe
- February 12, 2023 Jim Sherman
- February 19, 2023 Pastor Adam White
- February 26, 2023 Jim Sherman

As we have already experienced, there is always the possibility of inclement weather on a Sunday morning in the winter. A team is in place that will make the decision to cancel church, and in that event I will send out an email blast. Carol Furr will call those that aren't online. It will also be on the radio and the church website, www.beulahmontereypres.org. It may have to be an early decision if a supply minister is coming from the valley and needs to be at Beulah by 9:30. If this plan changes, you will get updated information.

DEMENTIA FRIENDS

You can make life easier for someone with dementia.

By 2025, it is estimated that there will be 190,000 Virginians living with dementia. We can make our communities more accessible for them and their care partners. Join us for this informational session to learn the five key messages about dementia, what it's like to live with the disease, and how to turn your understanding into action.

WHAT: five key messages about dementia and small ways you can make a big difference

WHEN: Feb. 16, 2023, 2:00-3:00 p.m.

WHERE: Bath Community Hospital - 106 Park Dr. Hot Springs, Va 24445

REGISTER: Visit vpas.info/dementia-awareness, or call 540.615.5341.

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

The first and third Wednesday of each month
The next group meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 1, 2023
1-2:30 PM in The Gallery at The Highland Center, Monterey VA
For more information call Kathy Solomon at (540) 468-3693
Or email kathysolomon01@gmail.com
Sponsored by Highland Medical Equipment Loan Program

BINGO!

The third Tuesday of each month
Next game is February 21, 2023 At The Highland Center, Monterey
Games start promptly at 10:30 AM.
Play until 12:30 PM followed by a light lunch.
Freewill donation for lunch.
Free to play! Prizes!
Call 540-468-2178 to reserve your seat!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Sunday, February 5 – Communion at Monterey Presbyterian.
- Thursday, February 9 – Presbyterian Women will meet via WebEx at 1:00 pm. They will be studying Lesson 5 from their 2023 Bible Study, “Celebrating Sabbath”.
- Sunday, February 12 – The annual congregational meeting will be held immediately after the worship service at Beulah.
- Wednesday, February 22 – Ash Wednesday service at Monterey Presbyterian Church. The church will be open from 5:30 – 6:30 pm for a quiet time of meditation and prayer as we prepare for the start of Lent. Music provided, as well as ashes for those that would like to receive them.



The Season of Lent

“The season of Lent is a time of prayer, fasting and self-examination in preparation for the celebration of the resurrection of the Lord at Easter. It is a period of 40 days — like the flood of Genesis, Moses’ sojourn at Mount Sinai, Elijah’s journey to Mount Horeb, Jonah’s call to Ninevah to repent and Jesus’ time of testing in the wilderness. (The Sundays in Lent are not counted in this reckoning of the time between Ash Wednesday and Easter, as every Lord’s Day is a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.) In the early church, Lent was a time of preparation for the celebration of baptism at the Easter Vigil. In many communities of faith it remains a time to equip and nurture candidates for baptism and confirmation and to reflect deeply on the theme of baptismal discipleship.” (From PCUSA.)

Once again, Monterey Presbyterian will be preparing inter-generational mission and fellowship activities for Lent that will follow a theme. Look for more information in an update to the newsletter that will go out before Ash Wednesday.



Sandie Stinnett and her sister, Lynne Barton Bier, have embarked on a 6 week trip of a lifetime to Singapore and Southeast Asia. This beautiful picture of Sandie was taken this week in Angkor Wat. The next stop on their great adventure is Viet Nam.

Stone Chambers is a new volunteer helper with preschoolers in the Highland Head Start program.

As you can see, his first week got off to a great start.



Some of you were able to attend worship at Monterey Presbyterian on December 18 which was entirely led by youth from Monterey and Beulah.

One of the highlights was the message given by Jack Herold, Anna Chambers and Mary Anne Rogers. If you weren't able to be there on the 18th, their sermon was recorded at Allegheny Mountain Radio on January 29.

Our 3 youth worked together to write about the birth of Jesus from Mary's perspective, and you will be inspired by their message.

WVLS let us post the audio to our website and you can listen here: <https://beulahmontereypres.org/monterey-youth-deliver-wvls-radio-sermon-for-sun-jan-31/>

