

BEULAH & MONTEREY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH e-Newsletter

OCTOBER 2024



October Celebrations

Birthdays

October 7 - Thomas Moore
October 9 - Emma Herold
October 10 - Michael Bedwell & Karl Sax
October 13 - Tomi Herold
October 15 - Sally Humphries
October 16 - Beverly Bradley
October 20 - Tim Allen
October 23 - Brit Chambers

Anniversaries

October 6 - Donna Hooke and Roger Straub
October 7 - Claire and Erik Sax
October 22 - Fred and Linda Frye



The grass
withers and the
flowers fade, but
the word of our
God stands
forever.

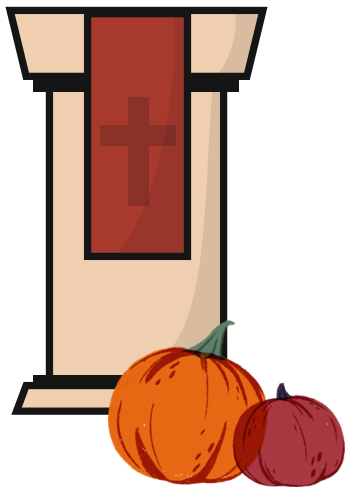
-Isaiah 40:8



Photo by Michael Bedwell, September 2024

Prayer List

Pastor Jimmy Oliff, Ken Jennings, Tim Duff, Claudia Bedwell, Miles Johnston, Cary Johnston, Herman and Ann Puffenbarger, Bill Wagner, Becky Magee, Marlene Reynolds, Barbara Hevener, Ray Mueller, Bill and Mary Lou Cox, Amy Vaus, Andrea Lewis, Bethel Crummett and Mike Armstrong



Leading Our Worship in October:

*October 6: Rev. Chris Scott
October 13: Will Cox, Lay Leader
October 20: Rev. Bronwen Boswell
October 27: Rev. David Hindman

*The Celebration of World Wide Communion Sunday will be observed on Sunday, October 6, 2024. It was adopted as a denominational practice in the Presbyterian Church (US) in 1936.

Take Note!

- The Highland County Food Pantry will have a yard sale to help raise funds during Hands and Harvest (October 11-13). It will be located on the south lawn of the Monterey United Methodist Church. If you have items to donate, please contact Patsy and Dale Simmons at 540-468-2739.
- Every U.S. household can order free at-home COVID-19 tests through a partnership between the U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services, Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response and the U.S. Postal Service. These tests will detect the currently circulating COVID-19 variants and are intended for use through the end of 2024. Each order will include four tests.

An Autumn Petition:

As summer into autumn slips,
O give me grace today
To rise and turn as summer's leaves
Draw life and strength from heavenly rays.



SHENANDOAH PRESBYTERY

A COMMUNITY OF CHRIST FOR WORSHIP, NURTURE & MISSION

How can we respond to the devastation of hurricane Helene? Shenandoah Presbytery's Disaster Preparedness & Response Team recommends following the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance model of GIVE, ACT, PRAY.

GIVE:

Send donations directly to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) online. Check: Designated to Hurricane Helene Response and mailed to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P. O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700, Phone: 800-872-3283

ACT:

Right now, Emergency Cleanup Buckets and Hygiene Kits are especially needed. Everything you need to know about kit donations, as well as assembling and shipping kits is explained on the Church World Service website. Completed kits can be taken to Church of the Brethren – Disaster Ministries Building, 1453 Westview School Rd, Weyers Cave, VA 24486. It is open Mon-Thurs, 10:00am-3:00pm. Call to schedule delivery 540-234-8555.

PRAY:

One of our best responses is prayer. Pray that through the response of the faith community, survivors and those offering assistance will be reminded of the hope that is found in Christ.

In September, church members enjoyed the final days of summer. Our youth returned to school and all their regular activities.



Anna Chambers moved to Mary Baldwin University as part of the PEG Program.



Lucy Sax started middle school as a 6th grader.



Autumn Warner (right) and her roommate settle into their dorm as freshmen at James Madison University



Mary Anne Rogers entered her senior year at Highland High School.



Jack Herold started his sophomore year at Highland High School.



Karl Sax played his bass in a demonstration with the new Allegheny Mountain Strings teacher.