

***September Good News 2023***

**Our ministry vision for the Virginia Annual Conference is *“to be disciples of Jesus Christ who are lifelong learners, who influence others to serve.”***

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**From Pastor Adam**

**“Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.”**

*-* (Psalm 25:4)

I write this article on the first day of school at VES. There are old and new faces – young people with the look of readiness for a new adventure. There is something in the air that says “the days of learning have begun.” Isn’t it interesting that we have grown to assume that learning ends the first week in June and picks up again in August with the start of the academic year? Yet the biblical tradition teaches us otherwise. It suggests that we are always and continuously growing in the knowledge and love of God. In the life of the Spirit, there is always a new discovery about the depth of God’s love, the breadth of God’s faithfulness, the reliability of God, and the peace of mind that comes in and through guidance of God’s commandments. In some sense, we are always “in school” as we journey with Christ in faith, and as we go, the Church becomes our classroom. The Psalms convey this sentiment as the word “teach” appears within them 32 times and the word “learn” another six times. Clearly, learning is a rich part of the Christian experience. So, what are we learning today? It’s a question worth our consideration.

God bless you my friends,~ Adam

Circle News****

The Wesleyan Group …We will meet on Monday, September 11, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., at the home of Ann Robbins.

The Merry Marthas Circle We will resume on Thursday, September 28th, with our Pledge to Missions meeting at 10:00 a.m. Any woman in the church not currently in a circle is welcome to join us. We nearly always go out to lunch!

~*Judy Robertson*

*Mission Memo*

The months of July and August our Park View Mission Cart contained 80 lbs of food

and 130 lbs of hygiene products. The mission was grateful for our support.

For September we will continue to collect canned vegetables and fruit. Also hygiene products, dish liquid, and laundry detergent.

Thank you to everyone who supports this outreach mission.

~*Linda Jessen & Mission Committee*

**Food Cart...September**

Canned vegetables & fruit, hygiene products, liquid dish detergent, and shampoo. *No* ***“baked goods”*** *!* *Place donations in the grocery cart, located in the Commons*.



**The choir** will be singing on Sunday, September 10 & 24, and will be rehearsing

at 10 AM. We will sing familiar hymns so please come join us!

*~Heather Wilson*, Director of Music

***Park View Clothing ~ Housewares***

Needed: Anything in housewares you can donate: clean sheets, clean towels, dish rags, dishes, coffee mugs, glassware, and so forth. Bring items to church and Linda Jessen will take to the mission. Bring items to church, **Monday—Thursday**, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Spain Travelog Lunch/Program**



On Sunday, September 10th, after church service, we will have a lunch, followed by a travelogue on Pastor Adam's trip to Spain. Money from our Fellowship Fund will be used to provide pork BBQ from County Smoak, with coleslaw, baked beans, and buns. Beverages and dessert will also be provided. There are sign-up sheets in the bulletins so we can get an idea of how many are coming.  Deadline for signing up is Sunday, September 3.



*Camp Meadowlark sends a “BIG” thank you to everyone at Chestnut Hill for the use of facilities during July.*

To the Chestnut Hill United Methodist Church Family…First of all thank you for allowing us to use the fellowship hall for Becky’s birthday celebration on this day. Second a big thank you to the members that prepared food, worked in the kitchen, and helped with clean-up. Also thank you to Judy Robertson for working with Kathie, Cindy, and I on making this event such a huge success. Fifty-six people signed the guest register. Some couldn’t come because they lived a long distance away from Lynchburg. Rebecca and I are so fortunate to have such a loving, caring church family. Also thanks to Monica for putting an invitation in the monthly newsletter and also on the June calendar. There were plenty of food and fellowship.

Yours in Christ, ~*Tucker & Rebecca Cole*

**September Birthdays**

4 Jimmy Blunt 24 Hannah White

Adna Fainter 26 Jessah Klein

5 Shirley Johnson Sharon Mayhew

8 Monica 29 Beverly Franklin

Campbell Chet Walker

9 Mintcy

Maxham

11 Robert Hicks

12 Clarissa Clarke

14 Robert Elium, Jr.

15 Jody Underwood

18 Robert Bennett

Sarah Stables

19 Thomas Evans

21 Naomi Levin

22 Eleanor Maxham

23 Mary Walker



**September 2023**

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| ***Sunday*** | ***Monday*** | ***Tuesday*** | ***Wednesday*** | ***Thursday*** | ***Friday*** | ***Saturday*** |
|  | | | | | **1**  10:00am Homeschool | **2** |
| **3**  9:30am Sunday School  10:30am Worship | **4 *Labor Day***  **Church Office Closed** | **5** | **6** | **7** | **8**  10:00am Homeschool | **9** |
| **10**  9:30am Sunday School  10:00am Choir Rehearsal  10:30am Worship  11:45 am Lunch/Travelog Program | **11**  7:00pm Wesleyan Group | **12**  6:30pmHomeschool Game Night | **13** | **14** | **15**  10:00am Homeschool | **16** |
| **17**  9:30am Sunday School  10:30am Worship | **18**  5:30 pm Staff-Parish Committee  6:30 pm Finance | **19** | **20** | **21** | **22**  10:00am Homeschool | **23** |
| **24**  9:30am Sunday School  10:00am Choir Rehearsal  10:30am Worship | **25** | **26** | **27** | **28**  10:00am Merry Martha's Circle | **29**  10:00am Homeschool | **30** |



1 Pat Short

2 Nancy Lee

Emily V.

Fernandez

3 Michael McGlothlin

6 Kirsten Bell

Tim Crist

Dennis Tolley

7 Kenny Busic

Cheryl Powell

9 Owen Stinnette

Jeremey

VandeBogart

11 Landen Glass

12 Camden Mason

14 Wade Ware

16 Burton Brooks

Terry Palazzi

Anne-Elaine Tiller

17 Suzanne

Marshall

Blake Phillips

18 Sharon

Rickmon

19 Connie Yost

20 Erin Ecklund

21 Steven Kinzer

22 C.O. Bell

25 Frankie

Hardwick

28 Jacqueline Busic

Cheryl Thomas

29 Wes Robbins

Ricky Smith

31 Robert Baunach

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| **Those Who Serve~September**  **GREETERS:**  September 3 ~Maggie Musgrove  September 10 ~Jane White  September 17 ~Mary Walker  September 24 ~Dan Robertson  + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +    **GOOD NEWS** is published monthly for members and friends of Chestnut Hill United Methodist Church. Send articles to the church office by the 15th of the month. **(Subject to change.)**  + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +  **“The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand forever”.** –Isaiah 40:8 | **Our Church Financial Picture**  Through the end of July 2023  General Operating Funds:  Needed to meet our 2023 Budget $ 196,989.00  Needed to meet our budget to date $ 114,910.00  Actual receipts to date $ 94,751.00  Shortage to meet budget to date $ 20,159.00  Actual expenditures to date $ 93,381.00  Overage to meet expenses to date $ - 1,370.00  Joy In Missions Funds:  Our Giving Goal for 2023 $ ..9,600.00  Needed to meet our goal to date $ 5,600.00  Actual receipts to date $ 7,035.00  Special Offerings\* (not budgeted):  Received to date $ 7,170.00  Dispersed to date $ 6,890.00  \*Christmas, Easter, Annual Conference,  World Communion, etc.  **2023 Joy In Mission Donations**  To date, the following amounts have  been paid to the missions indicated.  Budget Spent  1. Missionary Covenant Relationship $1,000 $ 500  2. Park View Mission, Food for  Families $3,000 $1,760  3. Society of St. Andrew $1,000 $ 500  4. Adult Care Center $ 500 $0  5. Blue Ridge Area Food Bank $ 1,000 $ 500  6. Daily Bread $ 500 $ 250  7. Free Clinic $ 500 $0  8. Good Neighbor $ 500 $0  9. Habitat for Humanity $ 500 $ 250  10. UMCOR-Non-Administrative $ 500 $0  11. Undesignated $ 600 $0  Thank You for Your Generosity |

**March 2022**



January 2022

**2022**



**April 2022**

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**Monday-Thursday~**9:00 am—3:30 pm

**Friday~**9:00 am-1:00 pm



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***CHESTNUT HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH***

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