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September 2023 Newsletter

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Ice Cream Social

BACK TO SCHOOL ICE CREAM SOCIAL & GAME NIGHT

Friday, September 8th from 6:00-7:30 pm.

All ages are welcome!

This is a time to socialize, play group games, and celebrate the start of a new school year with an ice cream buffet!!

Sunday Worship Services

8:30am & 11:00am

Join us!



William Becker - son of Stan & Rose Becker; **Cora Decound & Tyler** - granddaughter & grandson of Richard & Eliza Wright; **Capt. Kyle Price & Major Christopher Price** - grandsons of Jane Price Skipper; **Sergeant First Class Matthew Johnston** - son-in-law of Bev Miller; **Capt. Alex Symons** - son of Jim Symons; **Michael David Nickerson; Matthew & Jeremy Dennis, Jason Yeager** - sons & friend of Heather Dennis

Prayer List

Our Community ~ Our Nation ~ Our Military ~ People of Ukraine ~ First Responders
 People of Hawaii, Ed Gates, Harry Stemple, Judy Neal, Joan Gillions, Tom Fletcher, Doug & Teresa Irving, Patti Grace, Steve & Sharon Rice, Bill Creager, Betty Riley, Tom & Nancy Hughes, Charles Lee, Curtis Sampson, Frank Elliott, Dave Reeves



Join us Sundays at 9:30am in the Education Wing.



SEEKERS - Join us, Sundays at 9:30am in the Seekers Class for faith-building lessons! We watch recorded shows highlighting dynamic pastors, and draw on the teachings of class members as well!

EXPLORERS CLASS resumes on Sunday, September 10th. We will continue with *Who is the Holy Spirit*, the forgotten Person of the Trinity. A study of the third Person of the Trinity throughout scripture, as taught by Dr. Sinclair B. Ferguson. Join us at 9:30am.

September

FLOWERS

- 3 - OPEN
- 10 - OPEN
- 17 - Jim & Cheri Bennett
- 24 - OPEN

USHERS

Margaret Nost, Laura Reeves
 John Brauer

SACRISTY PRAYER

Sandy Jordan

COMMUNION STEWARD

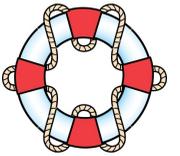
Tammy Crandall

ALTAR GUILD

Judy Werner



LifeLines!!!



LifeLines begins Monday, September 11, and our verse will be Philemon 6! Join us throughout September and October in the Seekers Classroom. We begin promptly at 5:30pm for our one hour study of scripture. Remember...Scripture Is Your Lifeline!

Stewardship FLASH



Stewardship is a journey of personal growth! How have you been practicing stewardship thus far in 2023? Have you found new ways to

serve in our church or community? What are they? Have you examined your own faith journey? What have you discovered? Have you considered the Fruit of the Spirit (mentioned in each month's newsletter) as they relate to your role as a steward? Which ones did you choose to develop?

Good stewards are intentional in every way they respond to God! They diligently consider how their prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness honor and glorify our Lord. Why not consider writing your Personal Stewardship Mission Statement for 2024? We'll take a closer look at that exercise in the October newsletter!

Lunch 'n Laffs - Join us at the Golden Eagle Grill Fri., Sept. 8th at 12n. All are welcome. RSVP to wjudy7845@gmail.com or



call 804-480-9108 on/before Sept. 7th.



BIRTHDAYS

- 3 - Bryce Rosalia
- 7 - Sherry Ketner
- 9 - Anita Lee
- 11 - Michael David Nickerson Jr.
- 11 - Samantha VanDyke
- 12 - Pat Stewart
- 14 - Carole Fletcher
- 14 - Beau Nickerson
- 17 - Wallace Lewis
- 20 - Kevin Chapman
- 21 - Rick Kahler
- 25 - Stan Becker
- 25 - Eliza Wright
- 29 - Ken Thompson

ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 - Rick & Barbara Kahler
- 9 - Robbie & Betsy Crowther
- 9 - Frank & Lucy Martin
- 20 - Roger & Brooks Stewart
- 22 - Bill & Marilyn Creager
- 27 - Birt & Penny Cory
- 28 - Bruce & Barbara Watson



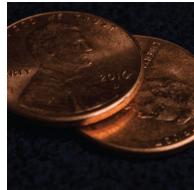
NewsLetter DEADLINE

The deadline for the October newsletter is **September 11th**. Please be sure to turn in all articles/pictures on/before this date.



Women's Circle will meet on Tues., Sept. 12th (one week later than normal due to Labor Day) at 10am. Our speaker will be Cindy Balderson, V.P. & Development Director/Healthy Harvest Food Bank. All members & friends of the church are invited to come & learn more about the food bank, what they're currently doing and what new plans are in the works.

Keep Saving Your Pennies (and other money, too)! The noisy offering for the Heifer Project will be coming to KUMC this fall!



Dear Women's Circle, Thank you for your gift of health and hope. Thank you for your prayers for this ministry and for your financial support. Together we are 'Gleaning America's Fields and Feeding America's Hungry. Your support is what makes this vital ministry possible. Chelsey Vohden , Director of Church Relations, Society of St. Andrew



Year to Date: July 2023

Budget Income \$155,903 Designated Receipts \$9,155
 Budgeted Disbursements \$170,456
 Designated Disbursements \$10,960
 YTD Budget Income \$193,718 YTD Budget Expenses \$193,727

Thanks for your continued generosity!

If you have any questions please contact Virginia Craig, Finance Chair (804)761-3953.



Looking Forward: CHARGE CONFERENCE DATE

October 29, 2023 2:30 to 4:30PM

Kilmarnock United Methodist Church will be the host church for Northern Neck Cluster Churches on Sunday, October 29th, 2:30 to 4:30PM. So we need to call committee meetings to prepare our reports. Committee chair persons need to get their request in to our Finance Committee for our 2024 Church Budget by September 28th.

Our Pastor's Discretionary Fund is Low

The pastor's discretionary fund is a designated fund (not a budgeted item), for helping the poor and needy in our community. The money given to this fund is distributed by our pastor for emergency financial aid. We receive requests from the LINK (a local agency specifically for giving financial counseling, help, and hope to the people in Lancaster County.) You may give to this fund by writing a check to KUMC and on the memo line write Pastor's Discretionary Fund. Thank you for your generous donations!



**FROM OUR
PASTOR**



FALL GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS are now open for registration.

These groups help participants explore their reactions to loss within a trusting and confidential environment. Participants learn about the grieving process and develop strategies for coping to begin to integrate this change in their lives. **The grief support group will meet at KUMC on Tues. @ 1:00pm from Sept. 19-Dec. 5.** The Warsaw group will meet Mondays at **Rapp. Church of Christ @ 5:30pm, Sept. 18-Dec. 4.** The groups are free and grant funded by the Robert B. Lantz Foundation, but registration is required/requested. The groups are facilitated by a licensed professional, clergy member, or trained facilitator. To learn more and to register, visit thebaycenter.org

Starting a Ripple Effect

Shortly before his death, 80-year-old farmer Hody Childress asked his daughter to continue a practice he'd quietly conducted for years: taking a \$100 bill to a local pharmacist on the first of every month. For years, Childress anonymously came to the aid of neighbors in Geraldine, Alabama, who couldn't afford medications. "Don't tell a soul where the money came from," he instructed store owner Brooke Walker. "If they ask, just tell them it's a blessing from the Lord."

Thanks to the farmer's generosity, Walker could fill prescriptions for about 24 uninsured or underinsured people each year. "I was honored he allowed me to do that," she said, "and it really encouraged me to do the same in my life."

Childress wasn't wealthy but "always gave what he could," said daughter Tania Nix. "I think he felt like he couldn't not give," she added. "Giving that way, that just got on his heart." After word spread about Childress' generosity, other people were inspired to perform stealth outreach and a fund was established in his name.

A man in Oklahoma who shares Childress' surname said a story about the farmer caught his attention. They're probably not related, he wrote, but he'd feel proud if they were. "A man like that surely tried to follow the example of Jesus," the Oklahoman wrote, and "[his] story inspires me to be a better man."

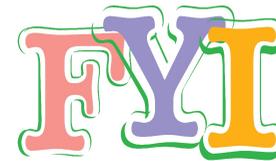
—adapted from The Wired Word



Current and past Outreach Committee members celebrated Betty Riley's 95 th birthday, July 21 at Kilmarnock Inn. Many great memories & stories were shared. Around the table Betty



Riley, Patti & Rob Grace, Lucy Martin, Jo & Dick Manson, Alice Cottrell, Virginia Craig, Judy Werner. Not pictured: Joe & Barbara Suplita & Laura Reeves.



• FOR YOUR INFORMATION •

The Last Special Called Annual Conference in the Virginia Conference to consider local Church Disaffiliation under Paragraph 2553 of the Book of Discipline is scheduled for **Saturday, October 7, 2023 at 9 a.m.** via Zoom webinar.

More information will be forthcoming in September 2023 on the Conference Website homepage, via clergy and lay member emails, and directly at <https://vaumc.org/ac2023oct/>

Joanie & Brad Perry of Alabaster Grace Ministry shared their talents with the congregation on Sun., Jul 23rd while Pastor Penny was on vacation. Brad delivered the sermon and they both provided music for the service.



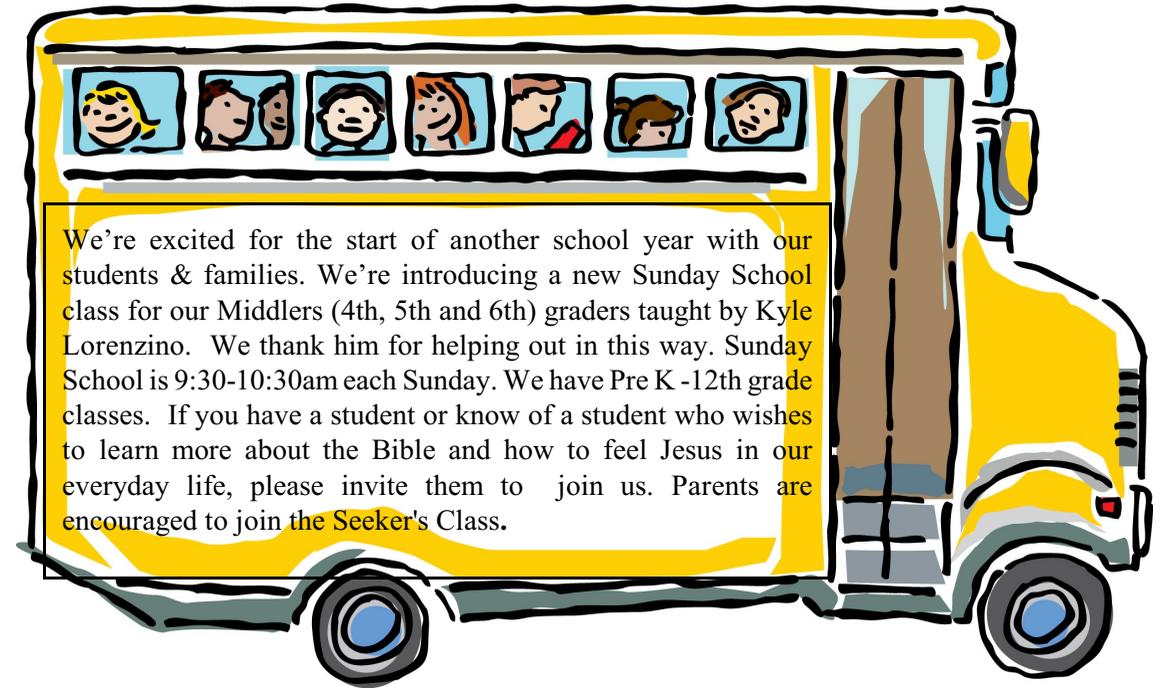
Thank
You!



Judy Werner played the piano for our hymns!



CHILDREN & YOUTH PAGE



PARENT MEETING - Sun., Sept. 10th at 12:15p(after church). Child care will be provided. We will be discussing the needs and wishes of our families. We want to hear from you and see what you want to see, programs you wish to see offered, activities to host and missions to take place as we grow this year in Christ's purpose for us. Please bring your calendars and plan to be there.



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FALL COMMUNITY BINGO POT-LUCK DINNER - Our Youth will host this so be on the lookout! More details to come!! We are hoping to feature this in October.



SUNDAY WORSHIP <i>with us</i>	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3 Communion Food Bank Sunday 8:30a & 11a Worship 9:30a Sunday School	4 Office Closed Today LABOR <i>Day</i>	5 10-12n Knitters 6:30p Grief Grp	6 6:30p Choir	7	8 12n – Lunch ‘n Laffs Golden Eagle Grill 6p-7:30p IceCreamSocial & Game Night	9
10 8:30a & 11a Worship 9:30a Sunday School 12:15p Parent Meeting 12:30p F’ship Hour	11 Newsletter Deadline 10a Prayer Group 5:30p LifeLines 5:30p Handbells	12 10a – Women’s Circle 10-12n Knitters 6:30p Grief Grp	13 6:30p Choir	14 5:30p E-Giving Mtg. (Seekers)	15	16
17 8:30a & 11a Worship 9:30a Sunday School 11a Worship	18 5:30p LifeLines 5:30p Handbells	19 10a Trustees 10-12n Knitters 1p Grief Grp	20 6:30p Choir	21	22	23 
24 Commitment Sunday 8:30a & 11a Worship 9:30a Sunday School	25 5:30p LifeLines 5:30p Handbells	26 10-12n Knitters 1p Grief Grp 230p Comm. B’d day Pty	27 6:30p Choir	28 2024 Budget Requests Due to Finance Com.	29	30

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