



The Presby

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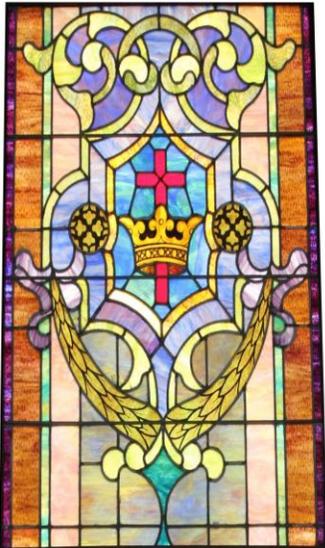
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From the Pastor

With the beginning of the New Year, we look forward to the year ahead for our church family and the many times that we will gather for worship, mission outreach, fellowship, and education activities. "Coming to Church" should be on top of our lists of priorities as we respond to our calling to, "Praise the Lord, all you servants of the Lord...Lift up your hands in the sanctuary and praise the Lord" (Psalm 134). Along with coming for Sunday School and worship on Sunday mornings, we rejoice over the many opportunities for praise through the sharing of our gifts and talents. Together, as we share God's gifts, our church becomes the community of faith that we are called to be. We "gather to be renewed" and "depart together to serve!"

The hymn, "We Are All One In Mission," (#733) proclaims this inspiring message about our varied gifts and talents:

We all are one in mission. We all are one in call, our varied gifts united by Christ the Lord of all. A single great commission compels us from above. To plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.

We all are called for service to witness in God's name. Our ministries are different. Our purpose is the same, to touch the lives of others by God's surprising grace. So every folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.

Now let us be united and let our song be heard. Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming word. We all are one in mission, we all are one in call. Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

Among those who have shared their gifts and talents, we celebrate the ministry of our Elders who concluded their terms in 2017. Join with me in a prayer of thanksgiving for Jerry Morrison and, also, for Kat McCoy, and Stan Martin who are beginning a second term of service. We thank these Elders who are serving on the following committees in 2018: Stan Martin (Property), Kat McCoy (Worship), Jim Gearhart (Stewardship and Finance), Kym Dunford (Congregational Care), Sid Crockett/Hal Absher (Mission), Ron Boone (Personnel), Beth Pulliam (Fellowship), and Sarah Angliker (Christian Education). Beth Pulliam will be the Clerk of Session for 2018. Church Growth/Evangelism will be a shared responsibility of the entire Session. Along with our Elders, there are many others who share your gifts and talents as we proclaim that, "We all are one in mission, we all are one in call." Whether you participate in the chancel or bell choir, teach Sunday School or Children's Church, prepare the flowers for the worship service, prepare food for a covered dish meal or Sunday morning fellowship, serve as the liturgist at the worship service, unlock/lock the buildings, maintain the buildings and grounds, or plan the many activities/programs of our church, everyone's participation in our ministry is important! Our calling now (2018) and always is to "let our song be heard" as we respond with the sharing of our gifts and talents.

Peace and Grace, Brad

Session Digest:

The Session meet on Sunday, December 10, 2017, for a Stated Session Meeting. Committee reports were received and discussed.

Pastoral Concerns: Ron Blevins, Beulah Bing, Pastor Bing, Joann Cannoy, Ethan Challgren, Hayden Cundiff, The family of Aiden Dawson, Nonia Gamble, Mary Gearhart, Kay Gilmer, Jim Gleaves, The family of Fred Hendrick, Carola Hider, Art Inman, Kathy McAllister, The family of Ray Rodriguez, Ernest Williams, Sr., Louella Williams, Millie Wilson, and the students and staff of George Wythe and Fort Chiswell High Schools.

Motions approved by the Session:

1. To accept the Church Financial Report as presented.
2. To welcome James Crockett Scott, son of Chris and Sarah Scott, grandson of Sid and Nancy Crockett, into the church with a Baptism to be held at the Cove Church on Sunday, December 17, 2017, at 7:30 pm.
3. To give gift of appreciation to the three staff members.
4. To accept the proposed budget for the 2018 calendar year.
5. To thank Jerry Morrison for his six years of service as an Elder for the Wytheville Presbyterian Church.

The annual congregational meeting will be held on January 7, 2018, at the conclusion of the morning worship service to receive the budget, and to vote on the Terms of Call and the Nominating Committee for the 2018 calendar year.

Next stated Session meeting is January 28, 2018 at 1:30 pm. Elder in charge for January is Kat McCoy; Hatcher Hall door Kym Dunford.

Peace and Joy, Beth Pulliam, Clerk

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Presbyterian Women:

The PW Circle 1 will meet on Monday, January 8 at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall and Circle 3 will meet on January 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Jones Parlor.

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Special Offerings:

We received \$435.00 for the Joy Gift Offering. Thank you for your generous donations!

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Flower Chart

If you would like to sign up to place flowers in the church in 2018, the flower chart is now up in the room going into the sanctuary from Hatcher Hall.

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Stuart Campbell Bible Class

The Stuart Campbell Bible Class will not meet the months of January and February. If you wish to attend an adult class, you are welcome to attend the Don Wysor Class. Sunday School starts at 9:45 AM. Bible study is an important part of our Christian growth, attend Sunday School.

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Communion:

We will celebrate Communion on Sunday, January 7 during the morning worship.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Wayne Roop	2 Brad Simpson	3 Chantel Repass	4 Grace Williams Bella Ozmar	5	6
9:45 Sunday school 11:00 Communion 12:00 Congregational Meeting Scottie Kegley	8 11:00 Circle 1 6:30 Finance Committee Jim Gleaves	9	10 5:15 Choir practice 6:30 Potluck supper 7:15 Bible Study	11 7:00 Bell Choir Heidi Pulliam	12	13
14 9:45 Sunday school 11:00 Worship Dick Martel Marty Dunford	15 7:00 Circle 3	16 Ernest Williams, Sr	17 5:15 Choir practice 6:30 Potluck supper 7:15 Bible Study Judy Walters	18 7:00 Bell Choir Agnes Davis	19 David Grubb Kathy Williams Lois Seagle	20
21 9:45 Sunday school 11:00 Worship Hal Absher	22	23 John DiYorio	24 5:15 Choir practice 6:30 Potluck supper 7:15 Bible Study Lisa Moore Betty Inman Shirley Cavender	25 7:00 Bell Choir	26	27
28 9:45 Sunday school 11:00 Worship 1:30 Session Meeting Alex Dunford <i>5 cents a meal</i>	29	30	31 5:15 Choir practice 6:30 Potluck supper 7:15 Bible Study			

