



August Newsletter 2026

“Return to Me ”

Dear Family and Friends,

As we enter into the month of August, for many it is a time to return. It is a time for many to return to school. It is a time for many to return from vacation. It is a time for many to return to work; even a time for many to return to church. In fact, it is human nature to wander off at times and even venture out and explore other things and other places. The hope, however, is to at some point return home. Whether it be in our travels, or whether it be in our behavior, the hope is for us to return home to a place where things are familiar and a place we can call home. Very much in the same way, it is easy for us at times to venture off or even distance ourselves from God. Sometimes it is easy to drift away and become less diligent in our time with God and even our obedience to God.

The good news, however, is that God will always welcome us back and continually invites us to return. In fact, through the Prophet Zechariah in Zechariah 1:3, we read,

“Therefore tell the people: This is what the Lord Almighty says: ‘Return to me,’ declares the Lord Almighty, ‘and I will return to you,’ says the Lord Almighty.”

Therefore, always know that however far we may travel, whether in physical distance or in spiritual distance, God is always, always awaiting our return.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor John

The Presby

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SESSION DIGEST

The Session did not meet in July. The next stated meeting is scheduled for August 23.

Pastoral Concerns: Ron Blevins, Shirley Cavender, Colleen Dunford, Marion Griffin, Pastor John Langham, Katie Newland, Bill and Susan Pollard, Dorothy Repass, Ernie Williams.

Review of Calendar of Events for August:

- 7-8 – Vacation Bible School
- 8 – Abingdon Presbytery Meeting @ Tazewell PC
- 9 – Picnic @ Elizabeth Brown Park
- 16 – Cove Service
- 23 – Stated Session Meeting

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Presbyterian Women Circle Meetings:

Circle 1 and Circle 3 Presbyterian Women will not meet again until the Fall season. Please watch your newsletters and weekly bulletins for updates and scheduled meetings as the Autumn season approaches.

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Sunday School News:

The Don Wysor Adult Sunday School Class has embarked upon it's summer break. Class will resume in the Fall. Please watch for updates in your newsletter and your weekly Bulletin Announcements for further details and Class Schedules as the Fall season approaches.

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Choir:

The Chancel Choir will suspend practice throughout the summer months; however, watch the Newsletter and weekly announcements as the fall season approaches for news regarding a return to practice.

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Monthly Meetings:

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| Tuesday, August 11 th : | Finance Committee, 4:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday, August 18 th : | Worship Committee, 10:00 a.m. |
| Tuesday, August 18 th : | Church Growth Committee, 4:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall |

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5- Cents a Meal:

Please remember the **5 Cents-A-Meal offering on Sunday, August 16th** . You may bring it to the church or mail it in with your pledge. A basket will be placed in the narthex for your convenience. Please make a separate check and notate on the memo line. Many thanks for your giving.

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Cove Service:

The next **Cove Service will be Sunday, August 16th! Please plan to join us at 7:30 p.m.!** Invite friends and family to join us for an evening of fellowship, hymn singing, and an inspirational message within the walls of one of Wythe County's most historic remaining "rural churches". Hope to see you there!

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Hope Packs:

Hope Packs Assembly has been suspended throughout the "summer-break" months. Assembly of the HOPE PACKS will resume commensurate to the reopening of Wythe and Bland County School system schedules in August. Watch your newsletter for updates.

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WPC ANNUAL PICNIC:

- **Circle August 9th on your calendars!** The Fellowship Committee is sponsoring the annual Church Picnic in Elizabeth Brown Park! The Committee will furnish Hotdogs, Buns, Drinks, and paper products. Then, Hold on to your hats...! Ron Boone has agreed to whip -up some of his famous BBQ! Yummm! Please plan to come and bring a friend, a side dish, and an appetite to join us in Elizabeth Brown Park, at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday August 9th. Hope to see you there! A great time will be had by all!...Guaranteed!



Newsletter & Office Information: Please submit your information for the **September 2026 Newsletter** to the church office by **Friday, August 21st**. Your help is greatly appreciated!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 10th Sunday after Pentecost 11 A.M. Worship Service	3 Happy Birthday! Charlie Madden	4	5	6	7 VBS	8 VBS Happy Birthday! Becky Absher & Marion Griffin Abingdon Presby meet
9 11th Sunday after Pentecost 11 A.M. Worship Service Church Picnic, E.B. Park 5:30pm, Covered-Dish	10	11 Finance Comm. Meets at 4:00 pm	12	13	14	15
16 12th Sunday after Pentecost 11 A.M. Worship Service 5-Cents-A-Meal offering COVE Service 7:30pm	17	18 Worship Comm 10:00am Church Growth 4:00 F.H.	19 Happy Birthday! Allison Farren	20	21 Happy Birthday! Delores Ledyard	22
23 9th Sunday after Pentecost 11A.M. Worship Service Session Meets Happy Birthday! Bill Pollard & Rosemary Moore	24 Happy Birthday! Martha Byrum	25	26 Happy Birthday! Renee' Crockett	27	28	29
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