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Wings of Faith

Cloverdale Church of the Brethren

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October 2016



- October 1 - 32nd Annual Heritage Day Festival at Camp Bethel
- October 1 - District Young Adult Activity: Corn Maze
- October 2 - World Communion Sunday - Love Feast 6 pm at Cloverdale
- October 4 - Commissions 6pm; Church Board 7pm
- October 8 - Grabbing the Oar - District Spiritual Retreat at Camp Bethel
- October 9 - Dementia & Spirituality 2pm at Daleville CoB
- November 5 - Christmas Bazaar
- November 11-12 - District Conference at Grandin Court Baptist
- November 20- Church Council meeting

Cloverdale October 2016 Calendar

Sunday School 9:15am

Sunday Worship 10:30am

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
						1 Thrift Shop 9am-1pm Heritage Day!
2 World Communion Sunday Love Feast	3	4 6:00pm Commissions 7:00pm Church Board	5 Family Night 5:45 pm Bible Study 6:45pm  Jr. Choir 6:45pm	6 TOPS 5:30pm	7	8 Thrift Shop 9am-1pm
9 4:45p Troop 25	10	11 Gospel Choir 6:30pm	12 Family Night 5:45 pm Bible Study 6:45pm  Jr. Choir 6:45pm Choir 7:30pm	13 TOPS 5:30pm	14	15 Thrift Shop 9am-1pm
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30	31 					

Our Church Mission — We seek to learn from Jesus Christ how to live, and to share with all people the good news of God's love, whole-heartedly and humbly, prayerfully and peacefully.



Church Servants for October



Greeters

- 2 - Marjorie Snider
- 9 - Maynard & Joyce Harris
- 16 - Ed & Peggy Stoots
- 23 - Lenny & Susan LaRose
- 30 - Kenny & Janie Entsminger

Nursery

- 2 - Glenna Eubank
- 9 - Rita Foster
- 16 - Barb Nelson
- 23 - Glenna Eubank
- 30 - Kim Brown

Thrift Shop

- 1 - Nancy Walters & Vickie Murray
- 8 - Marjorie Snider & Sharon Dillard
- 15 - Joyce Harris & Debbie Phelan
- 22 - Peggy Stoots & Anne Garber
- 29 - Nancy Walters & Lois Flora

Deacons on Call

- Lenny & Susan LaRose
- Michael & Lillian Beahm

Altar Decor:
Barb Nelson

Opening of Church
Greg Gibson

October Birthdays

- 1 - Thelma Kyle
- 1 - Janet Neighbors
- 7 - Annette Taylor
- 9 - Paul Reavis
- 13 - John Baker
- 13 - Larry Mann
- 13 - Marjorie Snider
- 13 - Clara Nelson
- 20 - Tom Gulick
- 20 - Reggie Wallace
- 27 - Sue Crumpacker
- 31 - Lois Flora

Happy Anniversary!!

- 20 (1984) - Kevin & Kris Bertholf
- 27 (1990) - Michael & Lillian Beahm



Ushers:

- 2 - Roger Reed, Michael Beahm, Kenny Entsminger, Maynard Harris, Reggie Wallace, Paul Reavis, & Johnnie Criner
- 9 - Roger Reed, Michael Beahm, Maynard Harris, Carolyn Heath, Rick Naff, Walter Nelson
- 16 - Roger Reed, Michael Beahm, Kenny Entsminger, Maynard Harris, Carolyn Heath, Rick Naff
- 23 - Roger Reed, Michael Beahm, Kenny Entsminger, Maynard Harris, Carolyn Heath, Walter Nelson
- 30 - Roger Reed, Michael Beahm, Kenny Entsminger, Maynard Harris, Reggie Wallace, Paul Reavis, & Johnnie Criner



Special Acknowledgements

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Cloverdale Congregation,

Your "Bus" will be a warm and welcome reminder of my year as moderator and of the wonderful Church family where I first learned to know the Brethren. Thank you so much! Yours in Christ, **Andy Murray**

From the Thrift Shop...Heaven Sent

Our Women's Fellowship is big on "thank you." When the Thrift Shop opened 7 years ago, in December 2009, we ended up sharing a space (a table to be exact) with the ushers who count money each Sunday. That table is the first thing our customers see; thus, we try to keep it both attractive and purposeful. Sometimes we forget to "clean it off" when the Thrift Shop closes on Saturday. We apologize for this oversight. There are several times a year when the table looks especially pretty, and the ushers have graciously allowed us to display the merchandise undisturbed. Merchandise on display often sells during the week. We will definitely continue being gracious and thankful as we share a common table. "Thank you", also, for all the donations that come from our church family. These donations are at the very core of our existence. Being good stewards of the monies made by the Thrift Shop is very important to us. The ability to raise these monies would not be possible without all the cooperation we receive. Thank you very much!

Marjorie Snider

A big hug and thank you to Cloverdale Childcare for giving lots of excellent children's books to our church library. It will take some time to get them all sorted, processed, and shelved, but they can still be checked out. Just write your name(first & last), the title, and the date checked out in the library log.

Thanks, Peggy Stoots

Keeping in Touch:

Zachary Reed

Box 516

APO, AE 09898

Johnnie & Pat Criner now have cell phones only:

Johnnie: (540)588-9479

Pat: (540)598-7320

Cloverdale CoB, Virlina District, & Camp Bethel News & Events

World Communion Sunday Love Feast: Brothers and sisters from the Cloverdale, Trinity and Troutville/New Bethel congregations will gather at Cloverdale for a 6 pm service on Sunday, October 2.

Council Meeting Report Deadline

Our yearly council meeting is scheduled for Sunday November 20th! **Please have your reports to the church office by November 1st!** This will allow Tasha time to assemble the packets and distribute them ahead of time so everyone will be prepared for the meeting! Thank you!!!

Christmas Bazaar

Our Christmas Bazaar, sponsored by the Women's Fellowship, will be held on Saturday, November 5, 2016. The hours are from 8:00am until 2:00pm. We are looking forward to a fun-filled day for both the vendors and the patrons. Come early and enjoy a breakfast of sausage gravy and biscuits. We will have 29 tables of beautiful and exciting crafts...including several new ones! Also, our Thrift Shop will be in full operation! Late morning you will be able to take a break from shopping to enjoy a delicious lunch prepared by Roger Reed. Enthusiasm and fellowship run high on this particular day. I encourage you to put this date, November 5, 2016, on your calendar. Come and support the talented artisans who are participating in the Bazaar! Most importantly though, your support allows us the opportunity to carry on with the main focus of our "Fellowship" and that is the continuation of a sound outreach program. -**Marjorie Snider**

FALL CAMP BETHEL WISH LIST: Digital cameras or a "GoPro" video camera, LCD projector, working mini-van and pick-up truck, LED light bulbs(75-100W equiv), donations for camper scholarships, new furnishings in the New Cottage, and repairs to floors of the Ark Pond, new(in-the-box bike helmets and/or horse helmets, canoes, kayaks, paddles and new lifejackets, brooms, dust-pans, backpacking supplies and/or tools, and box fans. Please bring any of these items to the camp office porch(or tractor shed!) at any time you can. Donations to Camp are tax-deductible. Thank you!

32nd HERITAGE DAY FESTIVAL, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

Camp Bethel's 32nd Annual Heritage Day Festival will be held on Saturday, October 1. Please plan to participate and help in this vitally important fund raiser for Camp Bethel. Tell your friends, too! Further information is available at www.CampBethelVirginia.org/events.html, and from Cloverdale's Witness & Social Action Commission.

CONNECT - YOUNG ADULT ACTIVITIES - OCTOBER 1 AND NOVEMBER 11

Spooky Corn Maze will take place on Saturday, October 1, 8:00 p.m. at 1815 Mountain View Church Road, Blue Ridge, Virginia! Carpooling from Peters Creek Church of the Brethren is available at 7:00 p.m.

An Ice Cream Social will take place on Friday, November 11, following the Worship Service at District Conference. The social will be held in the Fellowship Hall at the Grandin Court Baptist Church, 2660 Brambleton Avenue, Roanoke, Virginia. For more information contact Alli or Scott Yinging at (540) 915-4722 or <allicat90@gmail.com>.

WEST VIRGINIA FLOOD OFFERING STANDS AT \$45,755.32

61 congregations in Maryland, North Carolina, West Virginia and Virginia have contributed \$45,755.32 to the West Virginia Flood Offering as of September 20, 2016. \$30,000 of this has already been distributed through the West Virginia Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD). This includes the \$500 gift from Cloverdale Church of the Brethren's Women's Fellowship, for which the district is most grateful. Any additional personal contributions should be sent to the Virgina District Board, West Virginia Flood Offering (Acct #33506), 3402 Plantation Road, NE, Roanoke, VA 24012 prior to October 7.

GRABBING THE OAR: NAVIGATING THE STORM AND THE CALM - OCTOBER 8

This spiritual retreat will be held on Saturday, October 8, 2016 in the House of Pillars at Camp Bethel. This retreat, led by the members of the Spiritual Retreat Development Committee, will use imagery related to being in or out of the boat with Jesus. **Filled with scripture and song, the event will:**

- **ENCOURAGE** us to look honestly at our lives;
 - **INVITE** us to step out onto the water to walk with Jesus
 - **INSPIRE** us to continue the adventure of our faith, all the while following the wisdom of always keeping our eyes on Jesus. The presenters will be, Carol Elmore, Allen Lenker, Tom Powers, Becky Rhodes and Patricia Ronk.
- Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and the retreat will start at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 3:00 p.m. The registration cost is \$20.00. A flyer with registration form is available from the District Office by e-mail at virlina2@aol.com.

Dementia and Spirituality -Daleville Church of the Brethren will offer a training in *Dementia and Spirituality* on Sunday, October 9, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. This class will address types of dementia, the prevalence of some of the most common types, how these disorders impact the individual, and tips for assisting persons with dementia and their families. The goal of the class is to help persons understand what dementia is and to have tips for how to help our congregation members.

Who should attend: Pastors, Deacons, Sunday School teachers, anyone who would like to have more insight into the disease process and how to assist our members with dementia to continue be active participants in our congregations. The speaker is Heddie Sumner, BSN, RN. Heddie has 20+ years of working in the aging field, with Certificates in Advanced Dementia Care from the Turner Geriatric Center at University of Michigan. This class is free. To register call 540-992-2042 or email the Daleville Church of the Brethren at dalevillecob@ntelos.net.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE - NOVEMBER 11-12

The 2016 District Conference will be held November 11-12 at Grandin Court Baptist Church, 2660 Brambleton Avenue, Roanoke. The theme is "Step out of the boat; the Lord is calling!" from Matthew 14:22-33. The conference officers are J. W. Rhoades - moderator, Tim Emmons - moderator-elect, and Charlene Lester - clerk. More information and registration forms will be coming in the weeks ahead.

THANK YOU FROM EMMA JEAN WOODARD

Being away from home, needing to go to the Emergency Room, and having gallbladder surgery were not what I had planned for our vacation. Nevertheless, the ER visit and surgery took place at the Princeton Community Hospital in Princeton, West Virginia. I was blessed that everything went well with the laparoscopic surgery and I was able to return home the day after surgery. Many persons have expressed concern. Thank you for the prayers, cards, and expressions of care during my recovery.

Pastor Patrick's Page(s)~~

... they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves. Genesis 3:7 NRSV

... and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Revelation 22:2 NRSV

October arrives. In the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia, we await the gradual turning of the tree leaves from green to brilliant reds and yellows and oranges and purples, before they wither and brown and fall to the ground. Many eyes will delight in the parade of colors. Many young hearts will delight in piling and playing in the leaves. God's gift of creation continues to give and give.

Perhaps the two most familiar occurrences of leaves in scripture are the two cited above, one near the beginning of the Bible and the other near its end. In Genesis 3, we are given the story of Adam and Eve and disobedience in the garden of Eden. In Revelation 22, we are given a picture of the end-time holy city, with the river of the water of life running through it, and on each side of the river the flourishing, fruitful tree of life, which continues to give and give. I encourage you to re-read these and surrounding chapters.

God provides Adam and Eve all they would ever need. Yet, they come to consider this not enough. There is a desire for more- more to possess, more to control. They reach to seize what they believe God has withheld, what is not theirs. They misuse their freedom. Their story is ours.

The leaves in Genesis 3 are used as part of a feeble cover-up. Adam and Eve are caught, humans crossing into God-territory. They try to hide their blatant exposure behind a handful of foliage. God is not fooled, just as God is never fooled whenever we try to deny or cover over our thinly-veiled efforts to be lords of our own lives or of the lives of others.

Transgressions have consequences. Life will not be the same as before for Adam and Eve. Their actions have distorted the gift God has given, And yet, God continues to give and give. What happens next launches God's ongoing, determined, grace-filled project to draw a disobedient people back into relationship. Before Genesis 3 ends, God provides more suitable clothes for the rougher road ahead, protective garments of skins for Adam and Eve. Leaves are meant for the trees.

Or are they?

The leaves of the tree of life are meant for healing, Revelation 22 says. Whereas the Eden story includes deception, disobedience, denial and distortion, none of that remains in the end. Where the wills of the holy city's inhabitants at last are perfectly aligned with God's will, there is this picture and proclamation of health and happiness and holy hopes realized.

Between these two scenes in the human story comes the greatest revelation of God. In the life and teachings, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God's project to win us to God's way reaches its pinnacle. Sinners are transformed into citizens of the holy city. Leaves once used for hiding our lives are transformed into leaves meant for the healing of human life and history. God continues to give and give. We are created to receive and to share.

So, let the autumn leaves delight your senses. More than that, may we let this work of God's creative beauty reach deeper to remind us of our place in the Biblical story. Let us ask God if there is any futile cover-up we continue to try in our lives, which instead we need to let fall to the ground. And let us pick up God's always-in-season, life-giving project of healing, piling mercy and love all around.

In Christ our hope,

Patrick

Reminder: Following the birth of the new Starkey baby, Pastor Patrick will have 2 weeks of family leave. For caregiving needs during that time, please contact our deacons.

Prayer List Policy: Due to limited bulletin space, we clear the prayer list at the end of each month. If you wish to have your prayer request continue, please contact the church office to have it placed on the list for the next month. Thank you!

Remember These As You Pray: Ruth Joshua and all the abducted Nigerian girls and families.



Elda Alls	Ruth Bishop	Bowman Family
Doris Jean Brannen	Thelma Byrd	Deel Family
Margaret Fleshman	Norman Flora	Pam Ford & Zach
Geraldene Garvey	Dottie Hale	James Hill
Arnold Humphreys	Robert & Janet Murray	Glenn & Mary Naff
Carole Reavis	Ginger Roberts	
Audry Rogers	Dot Stanley	Betty Walker

Blaine Arnold (Shawna Burkhardt's father) - cancer diagnosis

Freddie Ballard - Pat Hill's friend

Maisun Gibson (Glenna & Norma's 9 yr old great nephew) kidney problems

Dawna Jennison (Patricia Jennison's daughter) prayers for strength and peace

Pam Mayo (Carolyn Heath's daughter) car accident

Wyatt McGuire (Sue Crumpacker's grandson)

Virginia Lewis (Doris Kent's friend) thyroid cancer

David Shumate (Virgina District Executive Minister) - continues recovery

Cora Sosebee (Dot Stanley's great granddaughter) MRI for seizures

We remember the life, celebrate the faith, and pray for the loved ones of Alta Robertson & David Dooley, Jr. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

District Prayer Calendar

October 2, 2016

Pray for the Pleasant Dale Church, near Fincastle in Botetourt County, Virginia, that celebrated the 100th Anniversary of their meeting house on September 11. Let us give thanks to God for the vision of those who saw the possibilities in their day, for the faithfulness to respond during the intervening years, and for the ongoing call to mission and ministry that is before us.

October 9, 2016

Pray for Zachary R. Hatcher, who completed ten years of pastoral service with the Mount Bethel Church in Botetourt County, Virginia on September 30 and continues his faithful service. Let us give glory to God for the manifold gifts of the Spirit bestowed upon Christ's church.

October 16, 2016

Pray for Loyce Borgmann, Assistant Director of Client Relations of the Brethren Benefit Trust in Elgin, Illinois. Let us pray with appreciation for those who work quietly and without notice, but whose work is necessary for the advancement of God's reign.

October 23, 2016

Pray for Musa Mambula, International Scholar in Residence at Bethany Theological Seminary in Richmond, Indiana. Let us pray that God will lead us to hear the joys, concerns and experiences of persons near and far with a sympathizing ear.

October 30, 2016

Pray for the ministry of the Red Hill Church in Roanoke County, Virginia, as they celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their sanctuary and addition on November 6. Let us pray that God would enable us to minister creatively in every place and situation.

Happy

Halloween

