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Christ Risen!
March 2016
West Waynesboro Witness

God Loves



Happy Easter

But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. – Acts 2:24

Deacons & Elders will meet March 8th 6:30 PM & 7:00 PM

Sunday, March 6th @ 8:45 AM - 9:15 AM
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EASTER EGG HUNT
SATURDAY, MARCH 26TH FROM 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Candy Donations Needed.
Sign-up to help stuff eggs at the Mickey Center/Information Counter. Invite a friend to come out for the fun!
Questions? Contact Andrew Fisher

Making A Difference

I so appreciate all of you who are using the time, talents and resources God has blessed you with to make a difference in the lives of people in our church, community and even throughout the world. Recently, during our Football Sunday worship service, I saw several visitors in attendance, as well as a few people who have worshiped with us before, but haven't done so in a considerable amount of time. I know that the reason those people were with us, is because of you and your influence in their lives. They worshiped with us because of the time you have invested in building relationships with them and earning the right to speak truth into their lives, while loving them with the love of Christ. I know that many invitations were extended to our Football Sunday worship service and that some of those invitations were accepted and that some were not, but I'm thankful for your willingness to extend the invitation, regardless of how it was received or acted upon. I want to encourage you to not give up.

Continue to build relationships with people who are far from God, continue to faithfully love these people, continue to offer invitations to experience worship with us and perhaps, most importantly, continue to pray that these people would have receptive hearts to receive. While there are many ways that we can and should be making a difference in the Kingdom of God, don't ever underestimate the difference you make in the life of a person, just my loving them, praying for them and inviting them into the Family of God. Don't ever forget the eternal difference that even something as simple and fun as a Football Sunday worship service, the wearing of a team jersey and some foam mini-footballs can make in the life of a person that God loves as much as you and I.

As I mentioned earlier, there are many ways we can and are making a difference, so I wanted to share with you, a couple of updates from missions that we partner with. Back in December, many of you gave up an hour or two from your busy schedule to make a difference in the lives of people in our community, by ringing a bell, as part of the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign. During the two days that we rang the bell, we collected \$718.65, and were part of a Waynesboro and East Augusta County campaign that brought in just over \$67,500.00.

Another way we are making a difference, is through our ongoing missions support of the Valley Mission (www.valleymission.net). Because of your faithful missions giving, we are able to make a difference in the lives of numerous people in our community. Consider the impact of these 2015 statistics:

>584	Total number of Valley Mission Residents offered Case Management services during their stay
>55,865	Total number of meals served to Mission Residents as well as members of the Community
>25,644	Total number of bed nights for the year; averaging 70 Residents per night
>41	Emergency Food Boxes provided to members of the Community who applied for assistance

Thank you for making a difference and loving people more than your personal preferences, desires and agendas!

Making A Difference Together,

Chad

Well, it's March. When this month rolls around I know that Spring is just around the corner. Spring is my favorite season because it isn't too warm or too cold. I really like the different smells that come when the weather starts to turn and get warmer and things start to grow. You know it won't be too long before you start to smell the fresh cut grass after it has been mowed, or just the fresh air after being cooped up in your house for the long and cold winter days.

Also what comes in March is one of the best sports tournaments, and that is March Madness. I know what you are all thinking, here he goes talking about sports again. But like I have said many times, that is where my mind goes when I am trying to think of something like this. But just bear with me and read to the end, I promise you won't be disappointed. During this time there are people that go all out and support their teams and paint their faces and just go crazy. I know I have said this many times since we have been ministering here at WWCC, but how come we can go all out to support our favorite teams, but when it comes to Jesus we just kind of put Him on the back burner and only call on Him when we need Him.

Jesus wants us to be all in with Him or not with Him at all, just like we are with our sports teams. Jesus does not want us to be like the lukewarm church at Laodicea found in Revelation 3:14-22. This church was the wealthiest city of the 7 that are found here in Revelation 2 and 3. But this city had a problem with the water supply because it came from a hot spring but when it reached the city the water was neither hot nor cold, it was just lukewarm. The church had become lukewarm and Jesus says that He is going to spit them out because they were not hot or cold. The believers didn't take a stand for anything and their indifference had led to idleness. Plus, by not doing anything for Christ they had become hardened and self-satisfied. And the church was destroying itself.

As Christians we can also become just like this because we think that everything is going the way that it needs to be and we don't think that we need Jesus at the moment. But in reality we need Him everyday of our lives. That is why being in the Word is important for us to do, and we need to follow what the Bible has to say. Also, with all of the things going on in the world, as Christians, we need to take a stand for Christ and tell people the truth. We can't just shove it on them, we need to do it in love and grace. So just like everyone is going to be watching the NCAA Tournament and cheering for their team or taking a stand for their team that didn't play well, we need to do the same thing when it comes to Christ! Jesus' team is the only team that I want to be on in the end!

Youth News



Elementary & Middle/High School Youth Groups

Sunday Evenings @ 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Wednesdays @ 7:00 PM (September - May)

Invite your friends and look out for special events.



*March 27th is a Family Sunday
No Children's Church.

All children, except Nursery & Wee Worship, are to remain in the sanctuary.

Virginia Preteen Convention

www.vapreteenconvention.org

Friday, April 8th and Saturday, April 9th

"Jeremiah and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, VERY BAD DAY!"

John 16:33 "In this world you will have trouble. But cheer up! I have overcome the world."

Prices: Regular - \$50 by March 20th; Late - \$60 by March 21st.



As mentioned in last month's newsletter article, we are going to be helping out with a Habitat for Humanity Project which is scheduled to begin around the end of May or early June. If you would like to help, please let Andrew know as soon as possible. There is also a sign up sheet at the Mickey Center/Information Counter. We need to let them know how many we are going to have help very soon.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JULY 25TH - 29TH

I know its only March, but VBS is right around the corner! (Well not really). Our theme this year is *Back to the Future!* So, if you would like to help, keep your eyes open for announcements and needs in the coming bulletins and newsletters. Please sign-up at the Mickey Center/Information Counter if interested in helping. Questions? Contact Andrew Fisher.



ROCK AND WORSHIP ROADSHOW SATURDAY, MARCH 12TH @ 7:00 PM

www.THEROADSHOWTOUR.COM

This event will be in Charlottesville at John Paul Jones Arena and tickets are \$10 at the door. We will be leaving the church building at 5:00 PM, so if you would like a ride, please come early. We will be back to the church building around 11:30 PM, or midnight. Don't miss this night of worship and rocking with some of the best Christian artists!



Youth Council Meeting

TUESDAY, March 15th
7:00 PM

What's Happening



Ladies Retreat

Ladies going to the "Amazing Grace" Spring Retreat need to be paid in full by Sunday, March 13th. Please make checks payable to Cathy VanEpps.



KeenAgers - Carry In Meal Tuesday, March 15th @ 12:00 PM

Mark Westebbe of Hospice of the Shenandoah will be the guest speaker. He will inform us of the numerous services offered and

conduct question and answer time. Also, he has invited a registered nurse to give extra beneficial information. Bring a guest, a covered dish and join the group in the Fellowship Hall.



KeenAgers

Tuesday, March 22 @ 8:00 AM

We are going to Lancaster, Pennsylvania and will leave the church building at 8:00 AM. The group will return Wednesday evening.



Men's Bible Study

Meets every Thursday at 6:30 PM. We are studying the book of Acts. All men are welcome to attend!



Ladies Thursday Morning Bible Study

This discussion group meets each Thursday from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM. We will be starting a new study March 3rd on Philippians.



It's a Girl!

All the ladies of the church are invited to Laura Fisher's baby shower April 2nd, at 2:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. The Fishers are registered at Walmart, Target, and Kohl's.



Equip U Wednesdays @ 7:00 PM

What you believe drives everything. The way you behave, the habits you form, the character that defines you at your core - all are driven by what you believe. So, how strongly do we "believers" believe our beliefs.

Can we articulate what we believe, and why it matters?

The BELIEVE experience helps Christians of all ages answer three significant questions:

- What do I believe?
- What should I do?
- Who am I becoming?



March 2 - Chapter 17 - Spiritual Gifts

Romans 12:4-6

March 9 - Chapter 18 - Offering My Time

Colossians 3:17

March 16 - Chapter 19 - Giving My Resources

2 Corinthians 8:7

March 23 - Chapter 20 - Sharing My Faith

Ephesians 6:19-20

March 30th - TBD

***Discussion guides are available.**

***Schedule subject to change due to weather.**



MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

Saturday, March 19th @ 8:15 AM
Join the WWCC Men's Fellowship Prayer Breakfast at Golden Corral.



Ladies Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, March 19th @ 9:00 AM

Please join us at PANERA BREAD. All ladies are invited to come fellowship.

Who's busy in March?

Preparing Communion

Carrie Leeson

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION

Clarence Coeyman & Dick Moyer

USHERS

Owen Frye & Tim Simpson

SECURITY

Richard VanEpps

WEE WORSHIP 1 (Ages 2 & 3)

Emma Houghton

WEE WORSHIP 2 (Ages 4 & 5)

Lisa Moneymaker & Taylor Johnson

GREETERS

Paul Gochenour & Susan Chappell

IN THE NURSERY

6 Sunday School
Worship

Betty Parker
Karen Beegles &
Dylan Seal

13 Sunday School
Worship

Betty Parker
Teresa Gauldin &
Ashley Gauldin

20 Sunday School
Worship

Betty Parker
Barbara Zimmerman &
Miranda Harris

27 Sunday School
Worship

Betty Parker
Angie Critzer &
Drema Rickards

CONNECTION CAFE

John Opstad & Ruby Sprouse

March

Sunday School 9:15 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Equip U Wednesday 7:00 PM (Sept. - May)
Office Hours 9-3






























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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
			1 6:00 PM Praise Team 1 Practice 7:00 PM EQUIP U 8:00 PM Choir Practice 	2 10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study 6:30 PM Men's Bible Study  	3	4	5
6 8:45 AM Connection Cafe 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 5:00 PM Elementary & Middle/High School Youth 	7	8 6:30 PM Deacons meet 7:00 PM Elders meet 	9 6:00 PM Praise Team 1 Practice 7:00 PM EQUIP U 8:00 PM Choir Practice 	10 10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study 6:30 PM Men's Bible Study  	11	12 7:00 PM Rock & Worship Roadshow 	
13 Daylight Saving Time Begins 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 5:00 PM Elementary & Middle/High School Youth 	14 9:30 AM Food Pantry 7:00 PM Finance Committee 	15 12:00 PM KeenAgers Carry In Meal/Guest Speaker 7:00 PM Youth Council  	16 10:00 AM Deadline for Newsletter Information 6:00 PM Praise Team 2 Practice 7:00 PM EQUIP U 8:00 PM Choir Practice  	17 St Patrick's Day 10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study 6:30 PM Men's Bible Study  	18	19 8:15 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast @ Golden Corral 9:00 AM Ladies Prayer Breakfast @ Panera Bread 	
20 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Palm Sunday Worship 5:00 PM Elementary & Middle/High School Youth 	21	22 8:00 AM Keenagers Lancaster Trip 7:00 PM Missions Meeting 	23 6:00 PM Praise Team 2 Practice 7:00 PM EQUIP U 8:00 PM Choir Practice 	24 10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study 6:30 PM Men's Bible Study  	25	26 9:00 AM Easter Egg Hunt 	
27 Easter 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Easter Sunday Worship 	28 9:30 AM Food Pantry 	29	30 6:00 PM Praise Team 2 Practice 7:00 PM EQUIP U 8:00 PM Choir Practice 	31 10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study 6:30 PM Men's Bible Study  			

Newsletter Preferences

This newsletter can be received by postal mail, email, viewed on the church website or picked up from the Mickey Center/Information Counter in the church foyer.

In an effort to be better stewards of God's resources, if you would like to opt out of receiving it by postal mail, please notify the office.

Winter Weather Cancellations

With the impending arrival of winter weather, we want to remind you of our procedure. If Waynesboro schools are closed on Wednesday, then all Wednesday church activities are canceled. If the decision is made to cancel Sunday services it will be posted on WHSV-TV 3 (Harrisonburg), NBC 29 (Charlottesville), CBS 6 (Richmond) and our Facebook page.