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West Waynesboro Witness



New Sermon Series
Begins Sunday, August 7th

Deacons & Elders will meet
August 2nd
6:30 PM & 7:00 PM



Sunday, August 7th @ 8:45 AM - 9:15 AM
Hosts: Lewis & Margaret Gurkin

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End of Summer Bash

Make plans to join us for this community event.
Be sure to invite your family and friends,
Saturday, August 20th from 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM
for a great time of food, fellowship and fun.

Church Picnic

@ the Dunlaps
Wednesday, August 24th @ 6:00 PM - ?

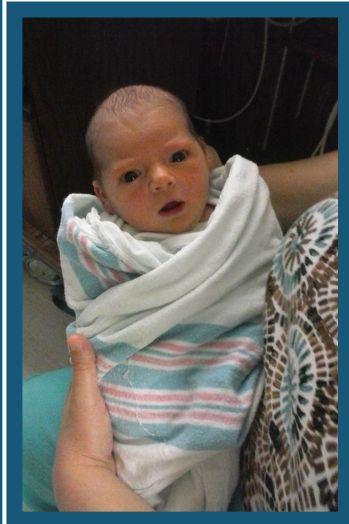
Pool will be open.
Bring a swimsuit, a covered dish, lawn chairs and your favorite lawn game! Get directions at the Mickey Center/Information Counter.

CHAD'S CHAT

Chad Grondin, Sr. Minister
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In the New Testament of the Bible, James 1:27 says, "Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after **orphans** and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world." (Emphasis mine) As we look to begin a new month, I want to take a moment to thank you and encourage you for trying to live out this verse with God's help. Specifically, I want to highlight two areas, where many of you have made a difference, as you strive to embody James 1:27, in your Christian life.

First, as I write this article, we are wrapping up our "Christmas In July" outreach, to benefit the kids at the Grundy Mountain Mission School in Grundy, Virginia. Some of these kids are literal orphans, while others have come to Grundy, because for whatever reason, their parents are unable to care for them. The Christmas gifts and cash donations which will be used to purchase Christmas gifts, that you have so generously provided, according to the way God has blessed you, will be delivered to Grundy within the next couple of weeks and will then be placed in a warehouse, so that the kids of Grundy will have Christmas blessings come Christmas morning. While the final numbers have not yet been tallied, it appears that we as a church have provided Christmas gifts for close to 40 Grundy kids. That is wonderful and such an amazing embodiment of James 1:27. A BIG thank you to all who gave!



Eliana Nichole Grondin

Secondly, also as I write this, I am in the process of continuing to get back to a normal schedule, which includes the adjustment to now being a family of four. As you probably know by now, Stephanie and I recently returned from Georgia, where we had been for about two and half weeks. Far from a vacation, we were there to adopt and take home, a gift from God, our precious daughter Eliana Nichole. This time away from you our church family was not easy and it was stressful at times, but it was also an incredible blessing. The name "Eliana" by the way, means, "my God has answered." Stephanie and I not only believe this wholeheartedly, but we have seen God answer so many of ours and your prayers, not only during the time we were in Georgia, but also leading up to that time. I cannot thank you enough for allowing us to be gone during this time and for all the acts of love you have shown me and my now family of four. On behalf of all of us, thank you, thank you, thank you for all of your prayers, encouraging words and acts of kindness. We appreciate each and every one of them and each and every one of you. Your love, support and encouragement of us during this entire process is another embodiment of your commitment to James 1:27.

Thank you for striving to have a "pure religion," as you continue to develop a growing relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ, that seeks to make a difference in the world, by showing love to ALL people.

Growing Together,

Chad

ANDREW'S ANTICS

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Well, the summer is almost done, but there have been quite a bit of activities that we have done. Like going to a baseball game, going to the movies, going to church camp and vbs. All of these things are good, but there is one thing that we need to do most of all and that is keep our eyes on Jesus and not the events that we are doing as a church. The church is a good place for fellowship and fun, but if we don't focus all of our attention on Jesus, then we are just going to be a place where people come to hang out, like a club. We don't want or need the church to become that, we want to be a powerful force in the community, reaching the lost and saving them from an eternal death.

This year at camp the theme was FIXATED. That was the word that was mentioned the most in all of the preaching, small groups and even during some of the free time. This word means, to fix; make stable or stationary. This is what we need to do when it comes to focusing on Jesus. We need to have a fixated gaze on him that we never lose sight of what we are looking for in the end. One of the boys in my cabin had a really cool way of putting this word, he said another definition for this word was, locked on. How cool is that? For a middle school boy to say something like that and actually mean it. In a way though, this is a really neat way to look at it. Just like a fighter pilot locks on to his target before dropping a bomb, we need to lock our eyes on Jesus and never look away, even though the world may want us to.

The verse that was used was Hebrews 12:2 which says, "looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God." This verse explains Jesus' mission when he was here on the earth. He died on the cross, was shamed while he was on the cross, but now he is sitting at the right hand of God vouching for each and every one of us before God. I for one am glad to have someone like Jesus that we can always turn to in the good and the bad times and just thank him for everything that is going on in our lives. I hope that during this school year everyone will FIXATE their gaze on Jesus and look to him in everything that is going on in our lives.

Youth News

Elementary &
Middle/High School
Youth Groups



We will be returning to our
regular schedule Sunday,
August 7th

We will meet on Sundays
from 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM.

Remember to invite your friends!

Family Sunday - August 28th
No Children's Church.
All children, except Nursery &
Wee Worship, are to remain
in the Sanctuary.



Youth Council Meeting
TUESDAY, August 16th @ 7:00 PM



Youth Pool Parties

@ the home of
Richard & Cathy VanEpps
26 Forest Creek Lane
Waynesboro, VA 22980

(Infant-5th grade) - Sat., August 6th from
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

(6th -12th grade) - Sun., August 7th from
3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Families of the youth are invited to come.



Coming up in September

Richmond Squirrels Game
Saturday, September 3rd
Game time is 6:05 PM, and we
will be leaving the church building at
3:00 PM. Tickets are \$10 each. Please
give money to Andrew when you sign-
up.

A big
thank you
for all your
help and support.



I would just like to say a huge thank you to all
of you that helped out with VBS, whether it be
actually helping during the week or bathing
the week in prayer. We could not have pulled
off this awesome week without all of you.

-Andrew

Sunday School Promotion



On Sunday, August 21st, youth that
are moving into a new age group
will be promoted during the service.
On Sunday, August 28th, all youth
will go to their new classes.

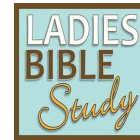


Youth Ministry Shirts

We have 180 Student Ministry shirts still
available, if you would like to purchase one,
please contact Andrew.

What's Happening

Ladies Thursday Morning Bible Study



We will begin our morning study on
Thursday, September 8th at 10:00 AM,
in the church fellowship hall.
We will be studying Galatians.
Please, see Carolyn Fitzgerald to
order your workbook.

KeenAgers Tuesday, August 16th



We will be going to Sherando
Lake for a picnic. Meat will be
provided. Please bring a side
dish. We will be leaving the
church building at 10:30 AM,
if you would like to carpool.



Ladies Fall Retreat Blessings Lodge Oct. 14th -15th

Registration is Now Open
Cost is \$85

Please sign up at the
Mickey Center/Information Counter.
If you have questions,
please contact Diane Spurlock.



Valley Mission Outreach

Join us as we prepare and serve the
4:00 PM meal to serve our brothers and
sisters at Valley Mission **Saturday,**
August 13th. Contact Bea Benson to find
out how you can help or sign up at the
Mickey Center/Information Counter.

**Thank you for all your support
and help as we love our
neighbors like Jesus!**

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST



Saturday, August 20th @ 8:15 AM
All men are invited to join us
at Golden Corral.



Ladies Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, August 20th @ 9:00 AM

All women are invited to join us at Panera.



Free Daily Devotional Books
The current quarter of the "Our Daily
Bread" devotional books are available
at the Mickey Center/Information
Counter. For a daily blessing from
God's Word, pick one up and enjoy!



CHURCH LAWN MOWING

If you would like to help, sign up at the
Mickey Center/Information Counter to mow
or contract out a week for lawn mowing.
Cost is \$55.00 to contract out a week. The
office will call for you to arrange that.

August

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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Who's busy in August ?

Preparing Communion

Cathy VanEpps

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION

Jim Hayes

USHERS

Lyle Fitzgerald

SECURITY

Paul Gochenour

WEE WORSHIP 1 (Ages 2 & 3)

Brenda Taillon & Mary Moyer

WEE WORSHIP 2 (Pre-K & Kindergarten)

Taylor Johnson & Lisa Moneymaker

GREETERS

Carrie Leeson & Sarah Hall

IN THE NURSERY

7 Sunday School Debbie McCracken
Worship Amy Emerson & Katilyn Duggins

14 Sunday School Debbie McCracken
Worship Karen Beegles & Susan Gochenour

21 Sunday School Debbie McCracken
Worship Ashley Gauldin & Teresa Gauldin

28 Sunday School Debbie McCracken
Worship Donna & Paul Crosby






CONNECTION CAFE

Lewis & Margaret Gurkin

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.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Camp Rudolph Wilderness Extreme Grades 9th - 12th	2 6:30 PM Deacons meet 7:00 PM Elders meet	3	4	5	6 3:00 PM Youth Pool Party Infant - 5th grade 
7 8:45 AM Connection Cafe 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 3:00 PM Youth Pool Party Grades 6th - 12th  	8 9:30 AM Food Pantry 	9 8:00 AM Augusta County Schools Start 7:00 PM Missions Meeting 	10	11	12	13 4:00 PM Valley Mission Outreach 
14 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 5:00 PM Elementary & Middle/High School Youth  	15	16 10:00 AM Deadline for Newsletter Information 10:30 AM Keenagers 7:00 PM Youth Council   	17	18 8:00 AM Waynesboro City Schools Start 	19	20 8:15 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast @ Golden Corral 9:00 AM Ladies Prayer Breakfast @ Panera Bread 4:00 PM End of Summer Bash 
21 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 5:00 PM Elementary & Middle/High School Youth  	22 9:30 AM Food Pantry 	23	24 6:00 PM Church Picnic at the Dunlaps Annual Picnic 	25	26	27
28 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 5:00 PM Elementary & Middle/High School Youth  	29	30	31	