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God Loves



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



Hosts: Al & Brenda Taillon

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West Waynesboro Witness





Ordination Sunday for New Leaders -January 7th

Welcome elected leadership 2018: <u>Elders</u>: Frank Dunlap, Jeff Gurkin, Lewis Gurkin, Greg Mabry; <u>Deacons</u>: Sam Dunlap, Roger Mathias, Lawrence Motley, James Parker, Tim Simpson, Roger Slack; <u>Financial Secretary</u>: Amy Emerson; <u>Treasurer</u>: Teresa Wilt; <u>Church Clerk</u>: Angie Critzer; <u>Sunday School Superintendent</u>: Diane Spurlock; <u>Congregational Chairman</u>: Roger Slack.

May the Lord bless you with the gift of servanthood, revelation, knowledge, wisdom and understanding as you go forth in your leadership roles. May you continue to build relationships and be salt and light in the world.

Ladies Day!

Registration begins Sunday, January 7th.

Come join us for a Ladies Day of

Love and Encouragement
on February 10th from 8:15 AM 3:00 PM. Please invite family, friends,
neighbors and co-workers. Cost is
\$10 per lady. One of our service
projects will be collecting food for the
WWCC Helping Hands Food Pantry
on the day of the conference. More

details to come.

CHAD'S CHAT

Chad Grondin, Sr. Minister chad@westwaynesboro.com

New Year Possibilities

As I write this article, we are days away from a New Year! So, as we wrap up 2017 and embark on all the possibilities and yes, some challenges that 2018 holds, it would be wise for each one of us to consider what we will do personally to make the most of a New Year. How will you better yourself and our church? What steps will you intentionally take to grow in Christ likeness as a follower of Jesus? Will you choose to complain or cooperate? Will you serve or insist on being served? Will you take another step towards selfless living or opt instead for selfish living? These and many other questions like them, would be good to reflect upon, as the confetti falls and the calendar changes over to 2018.

As you hopefully consider questions like these and their relevance on your life, I want to thank you for the ways you served and made a difference in 2017. The mission of the Church is simply not complete and in some cases not possible without the involvement of every person who claims the Name of Jesus. So, whether you were a smiling face greeting people as they arrived on Sunday morning or one of the awesome heroes that invested in the lives of our young people, as part of our youth program or whether you prepared communion or a meal or served in one of the many ways that makes our weekly services possible or served our church or community in one of probably hundreds of other ways, thank you for serving and for putting others ahead of yourself.

As we enter a new year, I also want to encourage and caution us, to keep serving and making a positive impact. Let us not get comfortable or complacent and may we always remember that these are challenging times for the Church and that those challenges demand that we not rely on a business as usual approach or a tradition minded attitude that is content with doing things as we've always done them. Changing and challenging times demand that we be willing and open to new methods, that can help us to reach new people and younger people in a world that is much, much different than the world you probably grew up in. Our God and His Word never change, but the strategies we employ to share the Good News of the Gospel must constantly be evolving, because if we do not change, then our church will decline in health and vitality and eventually cease to exist.

I will close this article with an excerpt from an anonymous card that I received and shared recently during a Sunday morning service. May this testimony encourage you and remind you of the impact we are having and are called to have in our community and challenge you to have an even greater impact in the Name of Jesus Christ in 2018.

"Good day everyone. I am a female, 30 years of age. I work in a group home caring for adults with intellectual disabilities. I love Jesus and the Lord's work is my passion. On Saturday, September 16th, I was putting a television on layaway for my family. I was so excited but I knew that I didn't really have the money for this purchase. A man presenting himself as a member of this church was standing in line behind me. He humbly offered to pay for the television and I couldn't believe it! Nothing like this had ever happened to me my whole life! I thanked this man, hugged him and laughed with tears of joy and shock." -Anonymous

Looking Forward To A New Year Of Possibilities,

Chad

ANDREW'S ANTICS

Andrew Fisher, Associate/Youth Minister andrew@westwaynesboro.com

2018 is finally here, and we all know what that means don't we? Everyone will be making new resolutions, promises or whatever else they do in the new year, that they will only keep for a month or two and then go back to the way they were living before. But there are some people who do keep these resolutions because they want to change and have a healthier life.

There are many things that we can do to make our lives better, and one of them would be to make the commitment to read the Bible and pray everyday. If we do this we could learn some new things about the Bible that we may not have known before. Over the past couple of months I have been reading in the Old Testament about all of the kings and the judges, and since I love to learn more about history, this is the part of the Bible that I really enjoy reading.

One of my favorite stories in the Bible is the story of David, because he starts out as a lowly shepherd boy, who isn't really looked upon kindly by his brothers, and he is the one that ends up being one of the greatest kings in the history of Israel. The part of the story of David that I am going to share with you today is right before he goes out to face Goliath. This is found in 1 Samuel 17:20-30. David gets up early so that he can take his brothers some food and other supplies from their father, and he isn't really thinking that he is going to be fighting anyone. But as he gets there Goliath is challenging the Israelites to fight him, and they are all hiding because they are scared. But David sees what is going on and goes right to King Saul and says that he will be the one to take out the giant to save Israel.

We all need to have the boldness of David in the coming year and head into it like we are fighting a giant of our own. We need to trust that God knows what He is doing in our lives, and we need to always be living for Him no matter what is going on. I hope you all have a great New Year!



ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUPS



ENGAGE

(Elementary Youth) Sundays @ 5:00 PM



(Middle/High School Youth) Sundays @ 6:15 PM

A small meal is provided for all youth from 5:45 - 6:15 PM Questions? Contact Andrew.

*If you would like to contribute food or supply a meal, please sign-up at the Information Counter/Mickey Center.

Wednesdays @ 7:00 PM (unless there is no EQUIP U)



Middle/High School Lock-in

January 5th & 6th from 8:00PM - 8:00 AM.

Please bring an extra change of clothes, pillow, blanket/sleeping bag, and a Nerf gun, if you have one.

Please bring a snack to share and be sure to invite your friends!

Safety Response Team (S.R.T.) Training



Saturday, January 27th 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM in the Youth Room.

Anyone who would like to know more about our safety and security plans or would be interested in being a part of the S.R.T. are encouraged to attend.

Questions? Contact Roger Mathias.





Background Checks

Effective January 1, 2018, everyone who works with youth and children in any capacity, must have a background check completed.

*If you have yet to receive, fill out & return a background check form, please see Andrew ASAP.



Are You Missing Something?

If so, it might be in the lost and found located at the Information Counter/Mickey Center. Please, check lost and found to see if anything belongs to you.

On January 31st, lost and found will be cleared out, and everything not claimed, will be donated or thrown away.

Usher Meeting



Sunday, January 7th, immediately following the worship service.
This brief meeting will be in the

fellowship hall, and is for anyone who currently serves as an usher or is interested in serving as an usher. Questions? Contact Roger Mathias.

Ready to take the plunge?



Whether you are just deciding to follow Christ or have been following Christ for years, if you have never been baptized, baptism is for you! If you would like to take

this next step, come forward during the invitation at the end of the service, email chad@westwaynesboro.com, call the church office or indicate your desire on your connection card.

Acts 2:38,"...Repent and be baptized every one of you,"

PRAYER BREAKFAST

Prayer Breakfasts Saturday, January 20th

Ladies will meet @ <u>Panera Bread @ 9:00 AM</u>.
All ladies are welcome to attend!

Men will meet @ Golden Corral @ 8:15 AM.
All men are welcome to attend!



EQUIP U SCHEDULE WEDNESDAYS @ 7 PM

"AFTER THE FALL"

A climbers true story of facing death and relying on God.

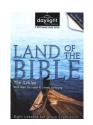
After the fall chronicles the horrific climbing accident that changed Craig Demartino's life forever. A tragic miscommunication sent Craig plummeting 100 feet off a sheer rock cliff onto jagged rocks below. Against all odds, Craig's life was spared and the only thing that saved

him from certain death was a tree. We too have been saved by a tree, the cross.

January 3rd: NO EQUIP U

January 10th: After The Fall "Rivers of Joy" (God's Mercy, Our Response)

Quarterly Congregational Meeting



Beginning January 17th: NEW STUDY

Land of the Bible: The Galilee

An 8 week DVD-based exploration of the sights, sounds, culture, history and biblical significance of Megiddo, Mount Carmel, Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee and other places you've read about in the Scriptures.

January 17th: Session #1
"Visiting Megiddo and Mount Carmel:
The Land in the Middle"

January 27th: Session #2 "Visiting Nazareth: Jesus' Village"

January 31st: Session #3
"Visiting The Lower Galilee:
Pausing To Reflect"

Our prayer room is located downstairs, in Room #101 and is available before and after services, as well as during the week (office hours 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM).

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If you miss a sermon, you can now watch it on our website.





Box Tops for Grundy Mountain Mission School

Place labels in the box at the Information Counter/Mickey Center or give to Emma Houghton.



2018 Faith Promise Mission Pledges

Thank you to everyone who made a Faith Promise Missions Commitment for 2018.

Total committed is \$32,480.00.

Quarterly
Congregational Meeting
WEDNESDAY,
January 3rd @ 7:00 PM



January

Who's busy in January?

PREPARING COMMUNION

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION

Sam Dunlap & Jim Hayes

USHERS

Gene Kline & Jeff Gurkin

SECURITY

Al Taillon

GREETERS

Brenda Taillon, Chastin & Dylan Moser

WEE WORSHIP (Ages 2-5)

Tina Critzer

CHILDREN'S CHURCH HELPER

Dylan Moser

IN THE NURSERY

7 Sunday School Betty Parker

Worship Amy Emerson &

Katilyn Duggins

14 Sunday School Betty Parker Donna &

Worship

Paul Crosby

21 Sunday School Betty Parker

Worship Barbara Zimmerman &

Miranda Harris

28 Sunday School Betty Parker Angie Critzer & Worship

Kelly Price

CONNECTION CAFE

Al & Brenda Taillon

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

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