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2018

### Valley Mission Meal



CHURCH

Join us as we prepare and serve the 4:00 PM meal to our brothers and sisters at Valley Mission on Saturday, October 13th.

Please, sign up to help at the

Information Counter/Mickey Center or contact Bea Benson. Thank you for all your support and

help as we love our neighbors like Jesus!



Sunday October 28th 5:30 - 6:30 P.M.

\*If you would be willing to give out candy from your trunk or truck bed, please contact Teresa Gauldin or sign-up at the Information Counter/ Mickey Center.

## The Vintage Gospel Lads In Concert



### Friday, October 19th @ 7:00 P.M.

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\* A Free Will Love Offering Will Be Received.

God Loves





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#### MISSIONS...at home and around the world!

Matthew 28:19, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,"

Jesus' instruction here in the Gospel of Matthew reminds us that it's not only important to invest in missions locally in our own community, nationally in our own country and globally throughout the world, but that we have been called to live lives that are on mission. To live life on mission is to not only financially and prayerfully support missionaries and mission organizations that are doing Great Commission work, but it's also to be actively involved in sharing the love of Christ and amazing grace of God. To be actively involved in living a life on mission is to serve others in the Name of Jesus, starting with the people that are around us right here in our own community. Everything we do in our church and every change that is made should always be about living our lives selflessly on mission, for the purpose of reaching people who are far from God.

Recently, at our annual Missions Emphasis Sunday, sometimes referred to as our Faith Promise Mission Rally, we were blessed by a wonderful message from the Word of God by Tavaris Taylor, Director of Alumni and Church Relations at Point University (Formerly Atlanta Christian College), one of our long time, financially supported mission partners. In addition to hearing about the ways that Point University through it's alumni and current students are making a difference in the world in the Name of Jesus, Tavaris reminded us that the world desperately needs the Church. Perhaps, more than ever, the world needs the Church, because the world needs Jesus and the reason every person needs Jesus, even though they may not even know it yet, is because, as Tavaris reminded us, Jesus makes a difference. Jesus is the most influential human being to have ever walked on this earth, but He wasn't just a human being, He was also the Son of God who came to die for our sins and make abundant and eternal life available to all who would believe. Jesus has always made a difference in the lives of those who surrender to Him and Jesus still makes a difference in the lives of broken and hurting people, living in a broken and hurting world.

I can't say thank you enough to all of you who faithfully and prayerfully made a Faith Promise Missions Pledge Commitment for 2019, allowing us as a church to continue financially supporting our current mission partners. As I shared with you on our Missions Sunday, your giving is making a difference. Your faithful giving has allowed our church to be a part of and to celebrate the 588 baptisms that took place in 2017, in churches started by Waypoint Church Partners. Your faithful giving played a major role in the three baptisms that took place in the month of August as a result of the Zimbabwe ministry of Ian & Heidi Fry. And it's your generosity that allows kids from all over the world to be educated, loved on and hear about the love of Jesus at the Mountain Mission School in Grundy, Virginia. On behalf of our church, leadership and Missions Committee, thank you, thank you, thank you!

On this most recent Missions Emphasis Sunday, the Holy Spirit of God was moving in our church, as the 2019 Faith Promise Missions Pledge Commitments totaled \$31,730.00! While this amount is slightly less than the total amount pledged for 2018, this amount is the highest amount pledged on a mission Sunday in at least the past six years, because often there are at least a couple if not more pledges that are received in the weeks following. Again, thank you!

Making HIM Known,

Chad

# YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

On Sunday, September 23rd, following our worship service, we held our called congregational meeting. The purpose of this meeting was to vote on whether or not to call Conner Dunn as the next Associate/Youth Minister of West Waynesboro Church of Christ. With a 93% approval, we voted overwhelmingly to offer this position to Conner and I'm thrilled to announce that Conner has accepted the position! Conner and his wife Crystal and their infant daughter Gwen are now preparing to make the move to Waynesboro and as a church we are thrilled to have them joining our church family, as Conner leads our youth and children's ministries. Conner comes highly and unanimously recommended by both the elders and the search committee. Tentatively, Conner's first Sunday with us will be Sunday, October 14th, although this could change based upon how the moving process progresses.



While the vote was overwhelmingly supportive of the decision to hire Conner, some have questioned the need for a youth minister. One argument was that we don't have many children, so why hire a youth minister. In response to that objection, two points need to be made: #1 In reality we actually have a good number of both teens (Middle & High School) and Elementary kids. It sometimes seems that we don't because they all seem to have a different level of commitment, which motivates some to be very involved and some much less so. Knowing this to be true, we could accept that reality, do nothing and continue to see our youth program move in the wrong direction. Instead, the leadership of our church has prayerfully decided that a youth minister is needed, in order to build up the program by building relationships so as to increase the involvement of the young people already connected to our church. The hope is, that with Conner leading and coordinating our youth program, that over time not only will our young people become more involved, but they will also draw their friends in. #2 Even if we had very few young people, to say that we don't need to hire a youth minister, is basically a vote to stay the same and continue down the path of decline and eventual death. The next generation is the future of the church, but it is very much also, the present of the church, as young people bring life and energy into a body of believers. If we don't do something to reach them and to build up their number among us and have someone to lead in that area, we will find it nearly impossible to grow the church and reach voung families.

Finally, we all need to be reminded, that while we believe that God has led Conner to us and that he will be a valuable asset in the ministry of our church, he is just one person. A growing, thriving youth & children's ministry takes the involvement of many, Conner will need our help. Please, be willing to step up, step in and say yes to impacting the lives of the younger generation among us. Let us all join together in welcoming the Dunn family to the family of believers at West Waynesboro Church of Christ!

As a way of welcoming them and blessing them <u>we will be "POUNDING" them on Sunday, October</u> <u>14th</u>. What is a "POUNDING"? A "POUNDING" is an old-fashioned way to help someone by stocking their pantry with non-perishable foods and cleaning supplies. "POUNDING" new ministers at WWCC has become a loving tradition.



**ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL** YOUTH GROUPS

> ENGAGE (Elementary Youth) Sundays @ 5:30 PM

CONNECT (Middle/High School Youth) Sundays @ 5:30 PM

Equip U Wednesdays @ 7:00 P.M.



EQUIP U Wednesdays @ 7:00 P.M. Study: The Life of Faith October 3rd: "Faith In Jesus" 755 Acts: 3: 11-21 October 10th: "Faith to Discern" Acts: 13: 1-12 October 17th: "Faith to Persevere" Acts: 14:8-11, 19-23 October 24th: "Faithful Seekers of the King" Matthew: 2: 1-12 October 31st:"Faith to Unite" Ephesians: 4: 1-11



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#### YOUTH CHRISTMAS PLAY PRACTICE

The Youth Christmas Play will be on Sunday December 2nd @ 10:30 A.M. If

you, your children or grandchildren wish to be in the play, you must attend practices on Wednesdays from 7-8 P.M. starting September 12th!

Questions? Contact Stephanie Grondin. 540-256-3576

\*There will not be play practice on October 3rd & 31st.



CHURCH LAWN MOWING If you would like to help with the cost of our contracted weekly mowing, the cost is \$65.00. You can place your designated gift in the offering plate or drop it off at the church office. Thank you for your aenerosity!



Faith Promise Mission

Thank you to everyone who made a Faith Promise Missions Commitment for 2019!

Total committed as of 9-16-18 is \$31,730.00. If you have not made a commitment, it's not to late. Just fill out a "Faith Promise Mission Pledge" card and drop it in an offering plate as they are passed. You can find these cards on the back of each pew, with the Connection Cards.

#### NOMINATIONS FOR **CHURCH OFFICERS** COMMITTEE

If you would like to nominate a member for a church office submit all nominations to a nominating committee member by Sunday, October 28th. The committee members are: Robbi Blackburn. Candice Harlow, Bob McCracken, and Drema Rickard, All nominations must be submitted in writing and signed by the submitting member.

Prayer Breakfasts Saturday, October 20th	PRAYER
Ladies will meet @ <u>Panera Bread @ 9:00 AM</u> . All ladies are welcome to attend! Men will meet @ <u>Golden Corral @ 8:15 AM</u> . All men are welcome to attend!	is available be services, as w week (office h PM).
Ladies Bible Study   This small group meets on Thursdays   @ 10:00 A.M. in the church Fellowship Hall.	www.west
Fall Ladies Retreat Blessings Lodge Keezletown, VA October 19th & 20th <u>The deadline to pay was Sunday, September 9th.</u> If you still need to pay, your money can be given to either Diane Spurlock or Cathy VanEpps.	Ready to ta Take the Take the Decision Ready to ta follow Christ of Christ for years been baptized, you would like come forward of the end of the s chad@westway church office of on your connect
NEWSLETTER CHANGE	

Due to the increasing cost and

continued unreliability of bulk mail, effective January 1st, 2019, we will no longer be sending the church newsletter out by U.S. Mail.

You will be able to continue to receive it by email, view it on our website or pick up a paper copy at the Information Counter/Mickey Center.

If you are a shut-in (someone who for medical reasons cannot get to the church building), you can request that a copy be sent to you by regular mail, by calling or emailing the office.



Our prayer room is located downstairs, in Room #101 and

efore and after vell as during the ours 9:00 AM - 3:00





#### ke the plunge?

re just deciding to r have been following s, if you have never baptism is for you! If to take this next step, during the invitation at service, email nesboro.com, call the or indicate your desire ction card.

Repent and be baptized every one of you,"



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.



Sunday Update

# October



Sunday School 9:15 AM

Equip U Wednesday 7:00 PM (Sept. - May)

**Office Hours 9-3** 

Worship 10:30 AM

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Meal

Saturday

4:00 PM Valley Mission

8:15 AM Men's Praver

9:00 AM Ladies Prayer

Breakfast @ Golden Corral

Breakfast @ Panera Bread

Prayer Breakfast

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Friday

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