

Christ
is
Risen!

Teays Valley Presbyterian Church

The Valley Viewer



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2019



Pastor's Point of View

Greetings Dear Friends!

Christ has risen! Christ has risen, indeed!



These few words are some of the most hopeful words ever spoken, true words that change the eternal destiny of everyone who will believe them. Only one person has ever claimed to be God, predicted his death AND resurrection, and then fulfilled his prophecy. That person is Jesus Christ. He is the only hope for the world. Only Jesus can offer new life to everyone who will follow Him. Only Jesus is worthy of complete trust and devotion. Everyone else will eventually fail us or let us down, but Jesus never fails! His love endures forever!

The resurrection of Jesus Christ and the gift of eternal life is what we celebrate this month of April. Please join us as we celebrate this miraculous time leading up to that glorious Easter morning Worship Service with the Flowering of the Cross. What a wonderful, visual symbol of how an Old Rugged Cross on which Jesus died turns into a cross of beauty symbolizing Jesus' resurrection.

On Saturday, April 13th at 10:00 am, we are hosting an Easter Egg Hunt for our community, with crafts, the telling of the greatest story ever told and gift bags to take home. The following day, Palm Sunday, we will all be waving our palm branches as enter Holy Week and remember the amazing entrance of Jesus into His beloved Jerusalem, riding on a donkey in fulfillment of prophecy, and the wild week of ups and downs that follow Jesus' life of love.

At our 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Communion Service, we will remember Jesus' last celebration of the Passover with His disciples in the Upper Room. It is a night of reflection and remembrance as we relive that event through Scripture, the Lord's Supper and leave the service in silence, except for the sounds of a hammer driving nails into a cross, reminding us that our sins drove Jesus to the Cross, too. Please remember to bring your nails that we handed out on Ash Wednesday. Other nails will be available.

Wake up early on Easter Sunday and attend our 7:00 am Teays Valley Ministerial Association Sunrise Service at the picnic shelter at Valley Park. We will celebrate that glorious first Easter morning when Jesus rolled away the stone to reveal an empty tomb to those devoted women who came to prepare Jesus for His death. Their grief turned to fear to joy as they discovered the most amazing truth that has ever been experienced, Jesus came out of that grave, fully alive!

Our celebration Worship Service will begin at 10:00 am on April 21. Please bring a friend and join us as we relive, retell and rejoice in this wonderful good news that Christ has risen!

And finally, I have some more wonderful, good news to share! At our March 28th Session Meeting, we unanimously approved Emily Perks to be our new Director of Children and Youth Ministries! Emily grew up in TVPC and has been impacting the young children in our Leaps and Bounds Preschool for several years. She will be using her love of her Lord Jesus Christ and of children, to build a bridge from Leaps and Bounds to TVPC and help resurrect our children and youth ministries. We are blessed to begin this journey together! But Emily can't do it alone, every one of us has a responsibility to join together and use our God-

given gifts and the work of the Holy Spirit to breathe new life into TVPC! What is your role?

Another piece of good news is, with Emily, we are getting two for the price of one! Emily is pregnant and due at the end of August! Please keep Emily, the new life God is knitting together inside her, and her husband, Brandon Thornton, in your thoughts and prayers as she joins our staff. Please welcome and introduce yourself to Emily and ask how you can help her as she joins our ministry at TVPC.

God is good and I am looking forward to seeing how He is going to work in and through TVPC! Please pray for our ministry and invite a friend or family member to join us!

Happy Easter!

Kyle

CHURCH EVENTS / NEWS

Congratulations Emily Perks for becoming our new Director of Children & Youth Ministries!

Prayer Chain Request

Are you a prayer warrior? Do you feel the call? To pray for others, especially in their hour of need? Then please join our prayer chain group. Any questions? Please call Bill Hensley, 304-757-8599 Or Dianne Harrah, 304-549-0026.

SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE PLANNED...

The Evangelism and Worship Ministry Teams are planning a special Worship Service for our church and community on Sunday, April 28. Speakers and guests will be sharing their personal experiences with substance use disorder and recovery during our 10:00 Worship time. The music, scripture, and message will follow our theme, "Understanding Addiction with Hope and Grace."

Pastor Steven Little of Huntington will deliver the message sharing his personal experiences in order to help us gain a better understanding of substance abuse and the road to recovery. There will be brief 'Minutes for Mission' at the beginning of the service

offered by a person in recovery, a family member with a relative living with substance abuse, and a medical doctor who medically treats those with addictions. These guests will be available after the service to answer any questions and share more insights.

The Evangelism team is inviting a few agency representatives who are working in different capacities within our community, attempting to combat the problems associated with substance use disorder. They will be available to share their role concerning addictions and recovery and will offer literature about their programs.

Refreshments will be served following the service to welcome our guests and encourage everyone to visit and talk more, getting answers for our questions to gain a better understanding of what is presently being called a "national epidemic."

The Evangelism Team is hoping that this worship service will be an opportunity to first learn about addictions, and then help us figure out how we as a church can best reach out and help our family members and neighbors, and others who are suffering from substance use disorder.



Next TVPC Blood Drive: June 20th.

Save for the June 20th Blood Drive at TVPC. We had record donor participation our last 2 drives! We are saving lives! If you have never given, try it just once. What a great feeling you experience knowing that you may have just saved lives.

How to receive your newsletter in the future:

Contact Sara if you would like to get on the mailing list for a printed copy, even if you also receive a digital copy. Currently, the printed newsletter will be in black and white. The digital copy which will go out to everyone our email list. It will be as a Portable Document Format (PDF). We recommend either Foxit Reader or Adobe Reader to open these documents. These readers are both available at no cost. Many people may already have the Adobe Reader installed.

APRIL

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Christian Community Cupboard: Canned Spaghetti & Ravioli

The Christian Community Cupboard would like donations of **Canned Spaghetti and Canned Ravioli** during April. Please also continue to donate your plastic Kroger and Walmart bags. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Barb Davis

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Church News

Evangelism Ministry Team

Easter Egg Hunt...

Spring is here, and it is time to think about Easter and the egg hunt for our children. Several ministry teams are busy making plans for our Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday morning, April 13 at 10:00. The Discipleship Ministry Team is planning the crafts, activities and Easter message for the morning fun. The Evangelism Ministry Team is creating posters to distribute throughout the community, flyers for the local elementary schools, information on social media and in the newspapers. The Mission Outreach team will provide the coffee and light refreshments for the parents. They will also stuff the candy bags to give to the children for their eggs collected.

The Easter Egg Hunt this year is an allergy-friendly event. There will be bags of candy available for children with peanut allergies. There will also be bags of Easter trinkets available for any child who cannot have candy.

We are hoping for a large turnout from the community and would love to have everyone from our TVPC family come and enjoy the fun that morning. We will be greeting families from the community and will need the help with one-on-one attention for the little ones working on the



craft activities. Please encourage you neighbors and friends to plan on being a part of this fun, Easter activity.

A free **PARENTS' NIGHT OUT** (and Children's Night In) is planned for Friday evening, April 5th from 6:00 to 8:00. The



Discipleship Ministry Team is planning this special evening for parents and children in our church and community. There will be many activities, including crafts, games, snacks, a movie and refreshments. Parents may drop their children, ages 3-11, off at our church and then enjoy an evening without their little ones.

Anyone interested in volunteering that evening with the activities is encouraged to call Bonnie Prisk at 304-561-7766 or Karren Sparks at 304-757-6073. The ministry team encourages everyone in our church family to share the information with their family, neighbors and friends. There will be information on social media, in the newspapers, and throughout the community. Flyers will be distributed to Scott Teays and Eastbrook Elementary Schools and to our Leaps and Bounds parents. There will be extra flyers on the round table in the Narthex.



Happy Spring to All our

Friends . . . Spring has sprung, the grass has RIZ,

I know where the birdies is! If you look at my car after sitting outside a little while it gets covered with their droppings ...Oh April Showers will come our way, they bring the flowers that bloom in May, I can't sing worth anything but as I type I sing ha ha ...The OWLS went to Thai Kitchen, with Ann Miller as hostess with 16 in attendance next month Nancy Hill is hosting at Little Italy Restaurant on the 3rd Tuesday ... mark your calendars and come! We have a great time... Here are some facts from The Old Farmer's Almanac ...Easter is the most important holiday on the Christian calendar and has been observed from the earliest days; of



the Church celebrating Christ's resurrection from the dead following the crucifixion, and marks the end of Holy week, the end of Lent, and the last day of Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday). The resurrection represents the triumph of good over evil, sin, death, and the physical body. It always falls on a Sunday between March 22 and April 25. I am out of space so I better stop for now A random act of kindness is the way to go ... Luv from the CM

O.W.L.S.



All are welcome to attend OWLS functions, you don't have to be retired or old to enjoy the fellowship of Older, Wiser, Livelier, Sexier people.

The OWLS met on March 19th in the Gathering Room for the picture below. We went to the Tia Kitchen with Ann Miller as hostess and 16 in attendance.

Our next meeting will be April 16th where Nancy Hill is hosting at Little Italy Restaurant.



Hannah Circle

All women are invited to join us for an evening of Bible Study, refreshments and fellowship. Our next meeting is April 2nd then May 7th.



Charlie & Charlene Davis 04/08

Recent Prayers

ALICE BROYLES —healing
 LINDA CHAFIN – Health concerns
 BEN & TINA COBB
 CAROLYN DAVIS – Health Concerns
 CARI GREGOR – recovery from Cardiac Surgery
 NANCY HILL – recovery
 CATHERINE KING – manor resident – various health problems
 TONEY MARSHALL – Dad/In-law to Toni & Dan Harris
 MARK NEWMAN
 MARY SATTERFIELD – complications from diabetes (friend of Kim Lemons)
 ELIZABETH SCHUSTER – asking for strength
 STU SCHWALM – recovery from surgery – Marci Ingram's dad
 SHARON SHREVE – asking for strength and guidance
 PAYTON SOWARDS
 RAY and BARB STRINGER
 SANDY WALKER
 DORIS WALL – cancer (Sandy Walker's Sister)
 MARTHA WILLIAMS – health issues (Ben Vest's sister)
 PRAY for our nation and our military
 PRAY for Missionaries and Christian Refugees
 If you have a prayer request please contact:
 Pastor Kyle – [540-405-1042](tel:540-405-1042);
 Bill Hensley – [304-757-8599](tel:304-757-8599)
 Or Dianne Harrah – [304-549-0026](tel:304-549-0026)

BIRTHDAYS



-  04/01 Marci Ingram
-  04/06 Trey Cobb
-  04/09 Toni Harris
-  04/19 Sara Pemberton
-  04/19 Jessica Schrader
-  04/21 Lois Allen
-  04/21 Helen Nunley
-  04/22 Janet Jenkins
-  04/24 Becky Hayes
-  04/24 Gayle Vest
-  04/27 Chris Lees
-  04/27 Hitomi Smith
-  04/28 Kimberly Browning

Program that

Save the date!

Small Church Conference - Sept. 7

The **6th Annual Small Church Conference** will be returning to **Fayetteville Presbyterian Church** and will feature keynote speaker **Judi Slater**, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Duquesne, PA, and formerly on staff at the Pittsburgh Presbytery. At the 2018 Northeast Wee Kirk Conference, Rev. Slater offered the seminar "A New Day is Dawning: Small Church Partnerships," which was described as "Times are changing for the church, but God's Spirit is alive in some new and exciting ways with creative models of partnership ministry in smaller congregations." As the Presbytery of WV, we hope to gain new insights into how to be more effective and faithful small churches for now and into God's future.

gives tips on how to develop your property into a yard that features native plants while using less water and lists the attributes your yard needs to attract birds and other wildlife. It includes suggestions for city property, suburban property, farms, etc.

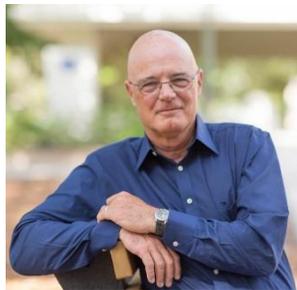
Bluestone spring events

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Festival of Faith

"Being Church Today" is the theme of this year's event, held **April 6** at **First Presbyterian, Charleston**, with keynote presenter **Brian McLaren**



speaking on "Being Church in a Time of Division." Additionally, participants can go to two or three workshops, engage in times of worship and fellowship, visit a Presbyterian Publishing Corporation bookstore, and attend a book signing by McLaren. Complete information, including a registration form, is [here](#). **Early registration and lunch ordering has ended; the cost is now \$30 per person with no lunch provided.** For more information, contact Susan Sharp Campbell at 304-645-4568 or susan_sharp_campbell@hotmail.com.



The Guys' Weekend
 April 26-28, 2019
 Bluestone Camp & Retreat

Registration and Medical Release forms are available online. Visit bluestonecamp.com and click on The Guys' Weekend link.

At The Guys' Weekend, we're committed to several things:

- To encourage men in their faith to Jesus Christ (great keynote speakers!)
- To employ our gifts in service (in particular to serve ministry of Bluestone)

Questions?? Call Mark (304) 860-8281 or email mark@bluestonecamp.com

Join us for our 11th Annual Men's Retreat, a weekend packed with great teaching, worship, work projects to improve Bluestone and plenty of laughs.

Things to Note:

- Men are invited to come up a day early to get started on the work projects.
- Youth are encouraged to attend as long as they are accompanied by an adult.



Bluestone's Spring Getaway!
 May 3-5, 2019

Come have fun, food, and fellowship with your favorite Bluestoners!!

featuring musical guest
Spencer McNair Ayscue

Adults (12+) \$80.00 Youth (4-11) \$45.00
 Children (3 and under) No Charge

Registration Deadline: **Wednesday, May 1**
 Register before April 12, and save \$5 per person

Registration forms at: bluestonecamp.com

West Virginia Wild Yards Program

Would you like to convert your yard into one that features wildflowers and attracts birds, butterflies, other pollinators, and wildlife? The Wild Yards program is a project of the West Virginia Division of



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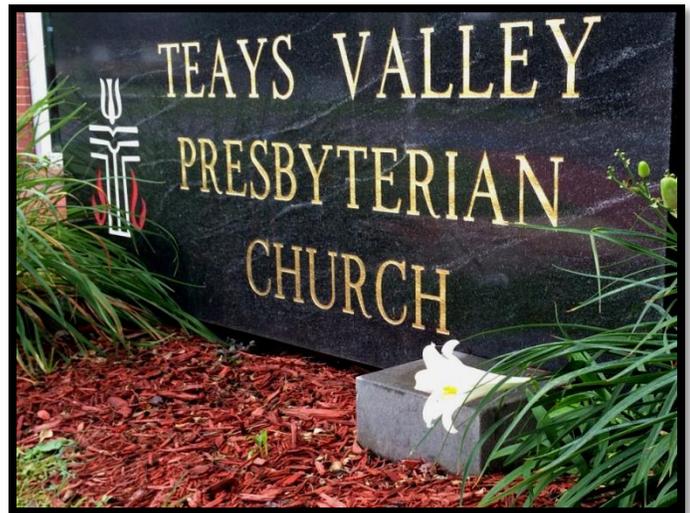
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Cub & Boy Scouts
Mondays at 6:30 pm

Women's Bible Study
Wednesdays at 9:00 am

Praise Team Practice
Wednesdays at 5:30 pm

Chancel Choir
Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

Girl Scouts
Thursdays at 6:30 pm

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