



Teays Valley Presbyterian Church



# The Valley Viewer



**AUGUST**

2019



## Pastor's Point of View

Greetings Friends!

Can it be? Is it possible that the summer is almost over? Say it ain't so!



As I write this we are about to finish up with our Summer "Engage" Program. Three of the four programs in the books. We purposefully chose a non-threatening, relevant topic that we hoped would reach many people in our community. The adult program was based on a video series by Kirk Cameron, who interviewed different experts on a variety of related topics. It was practical as well as informative. The lessons contained Scripture and practical exercises for parents to do with their children. I think those who came found it interesting. Good resources were also offered for more help and information.

Emily Perks, our Director of Children and Youth Ministries, found a program for our Youth entitled, "Better Than One", about building relationships and what it means to be a friend. We wanted to incorporate a mission project into the program to help our youth understand the importance of serving others and Bob Hansen came and talked about Recovery Point one night to the students.

Emily designed a creative and fun program around that same theme for our younger children. They even played water games outside! I think the adults were secretly a little jealous they didn't get to participate! 😊

Each evening began with a "Kid friendly" dinner that everyone enjoyed. We were blessed to have a gifted and dedicated group of volunteers who prepared the tasty meals and cleaned up afterward. We even ate on real dinner plates instead of paper plates!

One of the goals of the meals was to give parents and grandparents a break from fixing a meal and to help build relationships with people of all ages. We tried to design this program with everyone in mind and to be able to fellowship with one another.

We were certainly blessed with a good set of volunteers who helped with everything and many thanks go to those who made it possible!

We advertised on Facebook, put up posters around town and promoted it at church through emails and announcements.

We knew we were trying something new and different but felt it was worth a risk. We hoped that by meeting once a week over a period of a month, we could build some relationships and create some new habits with people in our community. We believed we had a well-thought out plan and were prepared for something new and exciting.

We didn't reach all our goals. The problem was few people took advantage of our offer! Maybe it was due to the summer slumps and vacations, maybe we didn't communicate well enough what we were trying to do, whatever the reason, we didn't achieve all the goals we were after, but I believe it was still worth a try as we continue to wrestle to find new ways to effectively reach out into our community with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Maybe you have some thoughts about this. Emily and I would be glad to hear from you. We would also like to thank the many people who gave of their time, talents and treasures to make the program possible! I appreciate each of you!!!

As we enter the Fall schedule, remember the importance of attending Sunday School and Worship, and look for details about our Fall Festival. I hear Batman and Bat Woman will be making an appearance in the Batmobile!

Enjoy the rest of your summer! Hope to see you in church and bring a friend!

Your Pastor and friend,

*Kyle*

## From Ms. Emily...

All good things must come to an end and as we say goodbye to the lazy days of summer, it is time to turn our attention to the excitement of a new season in the life of our Children & Youth programs and in the life of our church.

Beginning in August, we are implementing **new curriculum** for our Sunday School Small Groups called: Digging into the Heart of God!

This program brings a fresh approach to growing a lifelong relationship with God. As kids explore God's character throughout the Bible, God transforms them from the inside out. Kids discover what it means to reflect the heart of God in everyday life.

This curriculum is designed to adapt and grow as our program does and is as much fun for adults to lead as it is for kids to follow!

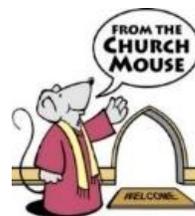
In the coming weeks, I will be looking for **Children's Ministry Team** members who would like to become part of this journey with our young ones. Be sure to find the sign-up sheet in the narthex and leave your name and email address, so that I can provide you with more information about the programs and you can decide which one interests you the most.

There will be opportunities to serve during Children's Worship (formerly Children's Church), Sunday School Small Groups, Youth, & more!

I also want to take this time to invite everyone to join our preschool families on **Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> for our 2019-2020 OPEN HOUSE** celebration! Each year before school starts, we invite families – past, present, and future, into our classrooms to meet our teachers, participate in fun activities, enjoy refreshments, and learn a little bit more about our school. Bring your kids, grandkids, or just yourself and join us in welcoming these new children and their families into our church family.

Of course, if you have any questions about any of our Children & Youth programs, please don't hesitate to ask!

Blessings, Ms. Emily



**Happy August Everyone ....** Where did our summer go? I can't believe it is almost

time for school to begin again !!! The good parts are Football Games, both college and

professional and my boys coming to

my house "Shutter Stadium" to watch them with

their mother, brother, wives, daughter and a son or two ... good treats and most of the

time pizza! According to the old farmer's almanac,

August was named to honor the first

Roman emperor (and grandnephew of Julius Caesar),

Augustus Caesar (63BC- AD 14)

... It is time for another poem from JDH's book ....

Entitled "August"

Corn tall in the garden ... golden tassels blowing in the

breeze ... tomatoes ripening on

the vine ... the sweet smell of new mown grass. Warm

tranquil afternoons ... the cat

dozing in the shade ... marigolds, zinnias, and four

o'clocks iced tea, lemonade, and

popsicles. Sandy shores dotted with shells and

footprints ... my name scrawled in the

wet sand ... washed out to sea by a meringue topped

wave. The tide in and out ... with

clocked precision and regularity ... walking the beach

in moonlight, cool swells breaking

on the shore ;.. Caressing sunburned ankles. Summer is

quickly passing

Shorter days and cooler evenings ... anticipation of

autumn, the season of full maturity,

with color splashed foilage ... and breath 0- taking

beauty.

THANK YOU LORD FOR AUGUST ....

I feel like I want to add more to my "thank you Lord" ...

summer, fall, winter, spring,

summer, morning, evening, night, sight, smell, feel,

hearing, speaking, walking, etc. I

guess I could go on and on, but I better leave room for

someone's thoughts ...

remember, a random act of kindness, goes a long way,

Much love the CM

### 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.

# AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>28</b> 9:00 AM <u>Sunday School</u> 10:00 AM <u>Worship Service</u>	<b>29</b> 6:30 PM <u>Boy Scouts</u>	<b>30</b> 6:00 PM <u>Engage - Raising Your Kids in a Social Media Generation</u>	<b>31</b> 6:30 PM <u>Chancel Choir Rehearsal</u>	<b>1</b> 1:00 PM <u>Member Care Ministry Team</u> 6:30 PM <u>Discipleship Ministry</u> 6:30 PM <u>Girl Scouts</u> 6:30 PM <u>Shawnee District Committee Meeting (Scouts)</u>	<b>2</b> 9:30 AM <u>Van to Cupboard</u>	<b>3</b> 2:00 PM <u>Emily Perks' Baby Shower (Family)</u> 
<b>4 COMMUNION</b> 9:00 AM <u>Sunday School</u> 10:00 AM <u>Worship Service</u>	<b>5</b> 6:30 PM <u>Boy Scouts</u> 6:30 PM <u>Evangelism Ministry</u>	<b>6</b> 7:00 PM <u>Hannah Circle</u>	<b>7</b> 6:00 PM <u>Leaps and Bounds Open House</u> 6:30 PM <u>Chancel Choir Rehearsal</u>	<b>8</b> 6:30 PM <u>Girl Scouts</u>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> 9:00 AM <u>Sunday School</u> 10:00 AM <u>Worship Service</u>	<b>12</b> <u>Newsletter Articles Due</u> 6:30 PM <u>Boy Scouts</u> 6:30 PM <u>Mission Outreach Ministry Team</u>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 6:30 PM <u>Chancel Choir Rehearsal</u>	<b>15</b> 6:30 PM <u>Boy Scouts Roundtable</u> 6:30 PM <u>Girl Scouts</u>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18 Bucket Brigade</b> 9:00 AM <u>Sunday School</u> 10:00 AM <u>Worship Service</u>	<b>19</b> 6:30 PM <u>Boy Scouts</u> 6:30 PM <u>Worship Ministry Team</u>	<b>20</b> 11:30 AM <u>Owls</u>	<b>21</b> 6:30 PM <u>Chancel Choir Rehearsal</u>	<b>22</b> 6:00 PM <u>Session</u> 6:30 PM <u>Girl Scouts</u>	<b>23</b> 8:00 AM <u>Putnam County Schools Developmental Screening</u>	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> 9:00 AM <u>Sunday School</u> 10:00 AM <u>Worship Service</u>	<b>26</b> 6:30 PM <u>Boy Scouts</u>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 6:30 PM <u>Chancel Choir Rehearsal</u>	<b>29</b> 6:30 PM <u>Girl Scouts</u>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>

# Christian Community Cupboard: Canned Soup

The Christian Community Cupboard would appreciate donations of **canned soup** during August.

Thank you for your donations to purchase hot dogs and buns in July. We were able to purchase 205 packages of each and gave them out during the days we worked at the Cupboard. The families we served were very grateful for our addition to the food they received.

Thank you also to those who volunteered to work at the Cupboard. The Christian Community Cupboard depends on our church to help staff the Cupboard during the year. Your help is really appreciated!

Our church will once again provide volunteers the first two weeks in December, so mark your calendars and plan to join us.

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304-757-7369 or 304-546-7369

## **CHURCH EVENTS / NEWS**

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### **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.

### **Evangelism Ministry Team**

Please mark your calendars for the 2019 **FALL FESTIVAL** planned for **Sunday, October 6 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm**. The Evangelism Ministry Team will be planning and organizing this annual Fall event at TVPC. The team plans to follow a similar schedule as the past three years. Each year there have been more visitors, so the team is hoping for a large crowd joining us.

Batman is planning a return visit to the festival, and he is bringing his friend, Wonder Woman...arriving in the Batmobile. Batman enjoyed talking to so many of our visitors and is excited to introduce Wonder Woman to everyone. They are scheduled to be with us from 4:30 to 6:00 pm that day.

There is a lot of work to plan and carry out the festival. Many of our TVPC ministry teams help with the activities. Team member or not, everyone in the church family is encouraged to help with the work in planning, preparing, and hosting the event. If you would like to help with this Evangelism community activity, please speak with Bob Hansen or Pastor Kyle.

The Evangelism Ministry Team will be planning and talking more about the **FALL FESTIVAL** at their August meeting, Monday, August 5 at 6:30 pm in the Gathering Room. Anyone with interest in helping, is invited to attend the August meeting.

### **Mission Outreach Ministry Team**

The Mission Outreach Ministry Team is planning an **Ice Cream Social** at the Manor on **Thursday, August 15 at 6:30 pm**. This is always a popular activity for the Manor residents. Team members bring the ice cream, toppings, and some homemade cookies.

It is a fun evening with sweet refreshments and even sweeter...time for fellowship with our friends at Teays Valley Manor. Anyone who would like to join the Mission Outreach Ministry Team members with this activity, please plan on joining us. You may speak with Dianne Harrah if you have any questions.

**School days** will be here before we know it! The Mission Outreach Ministry Team is planning their annual help with back-to-school supplies for two county schools this 2019-2020 school year. Over the past several years, our church has "adopted" every elementary, middle, and high school and provided for their many school needs, including clothing, personal hygiene items, backpack and school supplies, and also food items for the "weekend backpack" missions.

Last school year, we donated 160 individual packets of oatmeal each month to George Washington Elementary in Eleanor. This was supporting the

Eleanor Presbyterian Church mission each Friday, of sending a backpack of food home for 40+ students. Our help and support were very much appreciated by that church and the school, so the team decided to once again collect oatmeal during the school year.

Team members also want to help one high school and decided to work with Winfield High School during this school year. We will contact the high school counselors once they return to school and determine their needs for this school year.

## Hannah Circle



All women are invited to join us for an evening of Bible Study, refreshments and fellowship. Our next meeting is August 6<sup>th</sup>.

## 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.



- 08/21 Chris & Jennifer Allman
- 08/22 Kyle & Chris Key
- 08/29 Greg & Nancy DuVall

## BIRTHDAYS

- 08/03 Rebecca Hodges
- 08/04 Greg DuVall
- 08/06 Jimmy Conaway
- 08/07 Mike Jarrett
- 08/09 Tyler Cobb
- 08/10 Claudia Moody
- 08/12 Nancy Hill  
Linda Chafin  
Max Burchett
- 08/15 Jessica McNeely  
Megan Barthelmess
- 08/16 Cathy Zekan
- 08/17 Ray Stringer  
Jaxon Dick
- 08/19 Larry King

- 08/19 Najie Lowe
- 08/20 Carole Federer  
Nica Burchett
- 08/21 Chris Allman
- 08/28 Julian Harrah

## Recent Prayers



- ETHEL BARKER and Family
- ALICE BROYLES —healing
- JIMMY BURGESS – heart issues
- LINDA CHAFIN – Health concerns
- BEN & TINA COBB – Praise the Lord for answered prayer, praying for a quick recovery
- CAROLYN DAVIS – Health Concerns
- MICHAEL HENSLEY – treatment
- NANCY HILL – recovery
- JESSE SCHRADER – treatment for tumor
- CHRIS KEY - recovery
- CATHERINE KING –various health problems
- COLT LANDIN – grandson of Bill & Helen Stevens
- MARK NEWMAN
- ELIZABETH SCHUSTER – asking for strength
- STU SCHWALM – Marci's dad, back pain
- SHARON SHREVE – asking for strength and guidance
- PAYTON SOWARDS
- BILL STEVENS – recovering from pacemaker surgery
- RAY and BARB STRINGER
- JEAN SUMMERFIELD AND FAMILY
- SANDY WALKER
- DORIS WALL – cancer (Sandy Walker'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)

# Putnam County 2019-2020 School Calendar

July 2019				
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September 2019				
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October 2019				
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December 2019				
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**July**  
4 - Independence Day

**August**  
22 - First Day for Students

**September**  
2 - Labor Day  
26 - No School for Students (PL)

**October**  
2 - Two hour early out for Faculty Senate  
24 - End of 1st nine weeks

**November**  
11 - Veteran's Day  
25-29 - Thanksgiving Break

**December**  
20 - Two hour early out for Faculty Senate  
23 - OSE Day (schools closed)  
24-31 - Christmas Break

**January**  
1 - New Year's Day  
2 - OSE Day (schools closed)  
15 - End of 2nd nine weeks/1st semester  
16 - No School for Students (CD)  
20 - Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday

**February**  
5 - Two hour early out for Faculty Senate  
27 - School dismissed 3 hours early (PL)

**March**  
23 - End of 3rd nine weeks

**April**  
1 - No School for Students (PL)  
6-10 - Spring Break  
30 - School dismissed 3 hours early (PL)

**May**  
12 - Election Day  
25 - Memorial Day celebrated

**June**  
3 - Anticipated last day of school  
4-9 - OSE Days  
19 - West Virginia Day observed

Report Cards Distributed

January 2020				
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February 2020				
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March 2020				
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May 2020				
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June 2020				
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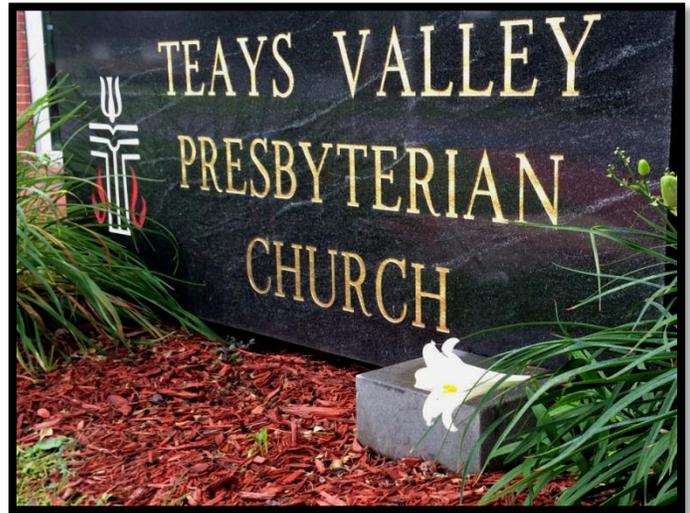
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**Mondays at 6:30 pm**

**Praise Team Practice**  
**Wednesdays at 5:30 pm**

**Women's Bible Study**  
**Wednesdays at 9:00 am**

**Chancel Choir**  
**Wednesdays at 6:30 pm**

**Girl Scouts**  
**Thursdays at 6:30 pm**

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