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Dear friends,

The season of Lent is always an interesting journey in my life. I have experienced it in so many different ways over the years. In my days of youth

in the Carbondale Presbyterian Church in PA, Lent always had special services each week, and Holy Week was a special time with guest speakers from Palm Sunday to Maundy Thursday. On Good Friday, we had a noon to three p.m. service filled with the seven last words of Jesus and special music by the protestant church choirs. Everything was designed to build up to the crescendo of Easter!

Other traditions have been an important part of the season in other places where I have worshiped and served. Weekly early morning matins, small group prayer, and Bible studies; so many different ways of preparation that I can't even name them all! But the one element that always stays the same by how it always changes, is when we celebrate Easter.

The technical answer is that we celebrate Easter on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the Spring equinox. All that means is that it never hits the same date two years in a row, ever! But, I like that! I love the fact that every Easter is a little different. I have led Easter sunrise services where there was snow piled high and deep all around us. Other Easters, we haven't even needed an overcoat!

I think the joy of an ever-changing Easter is that it means the surprise of the resurrection is always going to be there. We can never really grow complacent or fully comfortable with it! The nature of Easter Sunday should always surprise us at least a little bit as we ponder the meaning of the one who conquered death for us!

I am looking forward to the continuation of this journey to the surprise of Easter, and I hope you will walk alongside me as we travel toward the day of resurrection.

In Christ's love,





Member News

Directory Updates:

Our sympathies go out to Jan Fadeley and family on the death of her husband, Walt on March 14. They will have a private burial in the future. Please pray for Jan and her family.

Our sympathies go out to Sharon Gaston and Sue Coulter on the death of their father, William McCartney on March 12. Please keep these families in your prayers.

Craig Brewster's address is 8035 Sherwood Crossing Place, #103, Mechanicsville, VA 23111. His phone number is 804-467-3166.

Sam Patterson has a new address. It is: 252 Hyrne Drive, Goose Creek, SC 29945.

Fran and Larry Hansbrough have gotten rid of their land line. Larry's cell phone number is 804-393-1042. Fran's cell phone number is 804-305-6728.

Donna Hohman's email address has changed. It is now dohohman16@gmail.com

Norm Ballmer, Jeff Blue, Linda Canyock, Becky Clark, Sam Endicott's brother-in-law, Barbara Wash, Herta Wenninger and all those who serve as missionaries abroad and those who serve our nation.





Please remember our homebound members who are unable to get to church: Ann Barlow, John Crowe, Reggie Crump, Dot Gammon, Ruth Harpster, Eva Ladd, Laverne Longest, Nancy Norment, Virginia Phipps, Helen Rigsby, Larry Rigsby, Faye

Sandridge, Tony Underdown, Jack Ward, Herta Wenninger and Sherri Woodburn. (Please update Pastor Steve or Pastor Mike in the church office as often as possible if you wish to keep your name or your loved one's name on this list.)

Special Dates

- Holy Week, April 13-20
- Palm/Passion Sunday, April 13
- Maundy Thursday, April 17
- Good Friday, April 18
- Easter Sunday, April 20
- Administrative Professionals Day, April 23



Dear Fairfield,

Grace and peace to you and yours through Jesus Christ, who makes us one. As you engage with Presbyterian ministry and mission, you too get a glimpse of God - a vision

of what God is doing around the world. And so, on behalf of your Presbyterian Ministry Engagement and Support, please allow me to express our appreciation to you, your pastor, session, and congregation for your generosity and faithfulness with the Christmas Joy Gift of \$3,679. Your church's support changes people's lives and helps others receive a glimpse of God around the world. Thank again! You are a valued partner.

Sy Hughes, Ministry Engagement Advisor

Dear Joyful Readers Circle,

Thank you very much for the wonderful care bag full of goodies! They are going to be so delicious and helpful! My friends and I will really enjoy them while we are studying. I appreciate all of the love and prayers!

Beth Patterson

Dear Fairfield Family,

A special thank you for all of the kindnesses shown to me since my accident. The flowers, phone calls, visits and food have been such a blessing to me. God bless each of you. To God be the glory!

Love, Barbara Wash

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April 25

"Why the Scars"

Fairfield PC Kids Clothes Swap

Fairfield's Kids Clothes Swap is around the corner! Bring newborn to teen clothing/shoes/accessories on a designated donation day and receive a ticket per donated item.

On Swap Day, come back with your ticket voucher on **Saturday**, **April 12**th **from 8-11am** to shop!

Drop-off/Donation Days:

Wednesday, April 9th Thursday, April 10th

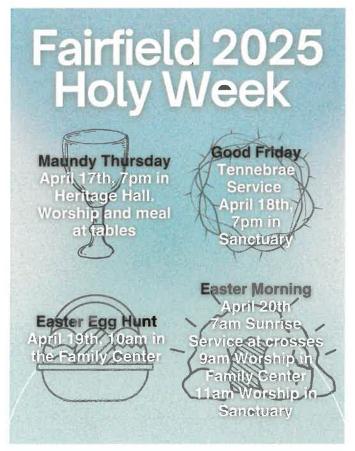
6-8pm 6-8pm

Friday, April 11th

10am - 12 noon

To ensure timely drop off on donation days, kindly come with the clothing sorted according to size for easy placement on the tables.

This event is free! Join us in this wonderful mission to our community!







As you travel with Jesus through Holy Week, don't lose heart. He is your Palm Sunday King. He will always come to you and give you the best of what he has to offer because of his humble attitude and his devotion to his mission.

When you see this Savior who personally cares for you, you

can't help but join the believers of old to give to the Lord your best and most precious treasures of your heart and life, and then to join with all believers saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!

Peter Sulzle

Greetings from your 2025 Deacons!

We are so pleased to serve as your deacons this year and would love this chance to share who we are and what we do. 2025 has been a busy year for the deacons - everyone has hit the ground running. We have broken our work, within the church, into three categories: Sympathy, Witness and Service.

The Deacons oversee many areas of service to the church and community via Blessings Socks and UFC Ministry feeding for the homeless. Homebound communion is offered administered to our shut-ins. We have a wealth of medical equipment available to assist those who find a need while recovering. Funeral Receptions, after the services, are offered for the bereaved and family. Meal trains are assembled for emergency needs. Birthday, sympathy and get well cards remember the members during times of special need, as well as our college and military family members. Extra flower arrangements are taken to shut-ins and sick on Sundays. New members, joining our congregation, are welcomed with a delicious and delightful bag of goodies. As always, our Deacons and Elders serve communion each month and greet members as they enter the church.

The Deacons are always open to exploring new areas of need within the church and community and welcome ideas and opportunities from the members. We are entertaining some additional ways in which we can make Fairfield more serving and accommodating to meet the needs of our congregation and reaching out to our visitors who may be searching for a loving and caring home church.

If you are in need of prayer, support, care, or have ideas from growing our sympathy, witness, and service as a church, please reach out to one of us. We are here to serve you and to serve alongside you.

Your Deacons: John Daugherty, Becky Clark, Myra Moore, Wray Palmore, Angela Schwartz, Anna Barrowclough, Janet Chelette, Ginny Patterson, Judie Thompson, Deborah Newcomb, Martha Houchins, Donna Richbourg, Darlene Shegogue and Richard Wood.

Mike Watson



Do you want to boost your knowledge, empower yourself to act and create a safe space for someone to open up about their mental health challenges? Fairfield is assisting Hanover's

Behavioral Health and Wellness team by providing space for several upcoming classes. Registration is required and is done by Eventbrite. Majken Whitaker is the facilitator for at least two of the three offerings and can answer any questions you may have. These classes are FREE and will help you feel prepared for discussions about these topics.

April 8th Kintsugi ACE training 9-10:45am Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) training seeks to shed light and understanding on the potential traumatic events and environments occurring in childhood (0-17). We learn how the presence of ACEs may contribute to increased risk for mental and physical health concerns in adulthood. You will discover how protective factors reduce risk for children in their lives and After the training, you will be community. empowered to take the knowledge and implement change in your community. This interactive training will utilize the Japanese art form of Kintsugi to illustrate the impact of ACE and potential for resilience and hope.

https://bit.ly/aces4825

May 13th Adult Mental Health First Aid 9:00am - 4:00pm In person session

Adult Mental Health First Aid teaches people how to recognize signs of mental health or substance use challenges in adults ages 18 and older, how to offer and provide initial help, and how to guide a person toward appropriate care if necessary. Topics covered include anxiety, depression, psychosis, and addictions.

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** There is **NO CHARGE** for this course, but participants must complete a 2 hour, self-paced online class prior to attending the Instructor-led inperson training. Your instructor will reach out to you prior to the class starting to provide you with information to complete the 2-hour, self-paced portion.**



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Spring has arrived! With it comes the pastel colors

like pinks, mint greens, pale yellows, robin's egg blue as well as their vibrant counterparts. The Prayer Shawl Ministry uses all these shades and tints as well as the neutrals to create shawls and lap robes. Each of these is prayerfully made for a yet unknown person who needs the comfort and loving care they provide.

If you would like to be a part of this ministry, we meet on the first Wednesday of the month. The next meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry is Wednesday, April 2 at 10:00am in the Barlow Parlor.

Anna Barrowclough



Men of the Church -

Join us on Tuesday, April 8th starting at 7:00am at Cracker Barrel Restaurant on Bell Creek Road for our monthly Men of the Church

Breakfast! It is a great time of fellowship and a good way to fulfill the mission statement of the church: As a Christian community, together we BELONG to God, GROW in Christ and SERVE led by the Spirit. We encourage any and all men of the church to join us. Bring a friend!

Call or email Billy Putze (804-510-8719) or billyputze@comcast.net with any questions about the Men of the Church activities. See you on the 8th!



The Fellowship Circle

llowship will meet again on Tuesday, Circle April 8th, 10:00am in the Open Door classroom. women are invited to join us for this daytime Bible study.



The Joyful Readers

will meet again Tuesday, April 8th, 7:00pm in the Heritage Hall for their monthly meeting. They will be discussing the

book "No Two Persons" by Erica Bauermeister. We hope all the ladies can join us.



The FPC Deacons met on Tuesday, March 4 at 7:00pm. Judie Thompson shared a devotional and prayer before moderating the meeting.

They spent a lengthy period of time discussing the various areas of our existing ministry, what we are doing well and additional areas to focus on within the church and community. We broke the ministry needs into three areas: Sympathy, Witness, and Service. These are areas as outlined in the Book of Church Order for Deacons.

Anna Barrowclough, Home Communion leader secured assistance for the April 6 delivery of communion to our homebound members.

We reviewed our **Card Ministry** for birthday cards, discussed sympathy cards and cards for the sick. Via conversation with Beverly Burts, she is, and wiling to continue, sending cards on behalf of the deacons to the bereaved families and all on the sick list.

Martha Houchins and Deborah Newcomb agreed to handle the 11 o'clock New Member Bags.

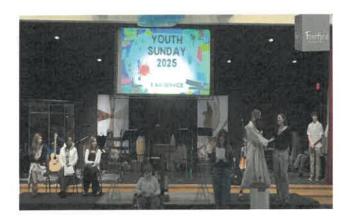
Martha Houchins and Deborah Newcomb agreed to assist Judie Thompson with funeral receptions.

We discussed Meal Trains for members in need and decided to open it to the entire church for participation when those times arise.

We decided that the flowers left over after the 11 o'clock service would be given to the Hospice Coordinator on Monday to brighten the days of those being served by them. If anyone is aware of a church member being sick or an opportunity

to share some of the flowers with Home Communion, please ask us and we would be happy to have you share that joy in ministering to them.

Judie Thompson will update the Deacon's bulletin board in the hallway. She will also prepare an introductory letter for the newsletter, acknowledging the areas of service that the Deacons are performing within the church and the community.



Youth Group Update

Let's give it up for our youth for leading a **WONDERFUL Youth Sunday service!** I know everyone was blown away by the talents, thoughtfulness, and authenticity our middle and high school displayed for us. What a gift they are!

The **Youth Group** is taking a break on April 6th for Spring Break, and April 20th for Easter. We're planning a service project for April 13th and the always popular, Amazing Race on April 27th.





The following information is from the Memorial Garden and Columbarium Committee.

The letter from the Memorial Garden and Columbarium Committee has been mailed and you should have received it by now.

We will be putting up the progress posters in the Family Center and the hall near the Heritage Hall. Each tulip represents \$10,000 toward the \$300,000 goal.

The Committee would like to honor past members who kept this church growing and thriving. We need the names and addresses of family members and friends who are not members here but would like to purchase a memorial plaque to recognize their contribution.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the committee members: Larry Hansbrough, Donna Hohman, Billy Putze, Marge Wantz or Beth Young.



"I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me even though they die, will live." John 11:25



As this year's Holy Week draws nearer, let us never forget the important events that took place during that first Holy Week. Jesus died on the cross for our sins and arose again from the dead so that we may all have life eternal.

In the church libraries you will find several books that will help us as we reflect on the importance of Jesus' resurrection and what this means for us still today. In the adult library look for He Chose the Nails, He Still Moves Stones and The Joy of Resurrection. In the children's library you will find The Easter Women, The Story of Easter and The Sunlit Morning.

Because of that first Easter miracle so long ago, let us always celebrate Jesus' resurrection with joyful hearts.

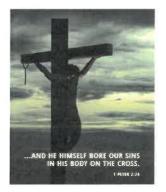
> Easter Blessings, Elizabeth Covington



Good Friday and Easter free us to think about other things far beyond our own personal fate, about the ultimate meaning of all life, suffering, and events; and we lay hold of a great hope.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

One Didn't



Three men were tried for crimes against humanity. Two committed crimes. One didn't.

Three men were given government trials. Two were given fair trials. One wasn't.

Three men were whipped and beaten. Two had it coming. One didn't.

Three men were given crosses to carry. Two earned their crosses. One didn't.

Three men were nailed to crosses. Two deserved it. One didn't.

Three men agonized over their abandonment. Two had reason to be abandoned. One didn't.

Three men knew death was coming. Two resisted. One didn't.

One, two, three men died on three crosses. Three days later, two remained in their graves. One didn't.

Author Unknown



News from Mechanicsville Churches Emergency Functions (MCEF) and the One Stop Shop (OSS)

Can't believe that Spring is upon us. Winter clothes have been culled out of the closets and Spring and Summer clothing are now on display. MCEF is not taking anymore winter clothing. Please save it for next year.

The OSS saw 134 sign-ins in February. These sign-ins represented 399 persons the households. There were 10 new clients signing up and 18 families came through for second helpings. So, if you ever wonder if your donations are helpful...YES THEY ARE!

MCEF has nominated one of our volunteers for the Spirit of Dedication award at the Hanover County Volunteerism Awards. She has been a volunteer for MCEF throughout the 50 years MCEF has been around. We hope she wins. Come to Atlee High School on April 8 to find out. The program starts at 6:30pm.

Pantry needs this month are applesauce, canned chicken, other canned meat. Your Sunday School class can have a toilet paper or paper towel drive any month.

Thank you for all you do for your friends and neighbors in Mechanicsville

Nancy Gallihugh



4/6 Angela Blue & Barbara vanSteenburg 4/13 Angela Schwartz & Nikki Glass 4/20 McKenna Blue & Marge Wantz 4/27 Anne Young & Abbey Glass

Coming Soon....



Without Jesus...

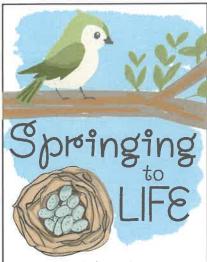
Without the risen Savior in our hearts, life is like:

- a chocolate Easter Bunny empty on the inside'
- · An Easter bonnet easily blown off kilter;
- Last year's Easter outfit it doesn't quite fit right;
- An Easter lily it soons withers and dries up;
- A bag of jellybeans sugary and sweet but lacking substance;
- An unfound Easter basket full of gifts that spoil and go to waste;
- a colored Easter egg looks great but cracks under pressure;
- The Easter bunny always hopping here and there;
- Marshmallow Peeps becomes hard when opened up;
- Easter parade a long journey with no destination;
- An unopened Easter card a message of love unclaimed.

David Patterson



Under-aged Thinking



New life defines the season of spring. Make this Easter craft that symbolizes rebirth.

What you need:

- Brown paper lunch bag
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Glue stick
- Jellybeans

What you do:

- From the bag's bottom, cut two 2-inch circles. Set aside.
- 2. From the sides, cut two 10-inch circles.
- Draw a thin spiral on each large circle and cut along the lines. Crinkle spirals gently.
- Starting at the center, wrap one spiral into a nest. Glue every few inches to hold it.
- 5. Glue one small circle to the bottom of the nest.
- 6. Repeat with the other spiral. Fill nests with jellybeans and give to a friend!



Puzzle!

First, write the word that fits each definition. Then transfer those letters to the correct numbered lines below, completing John 20:17 (NIV). Finally, unscramble the circled letters to complete the sentence at the bottom.

- 1. Water that falls from the sky $\frac{1}{1}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{4}$
- 2. Birds lay these in a nest _______ 5 6 7 8
- 3. A newly hatched hen $\frac{}{9}\frac{}{10}\frac{}{11}\frac{}{11}\frac{}{12}\frac{}{13}$
- 4. These bloom in spring $\frac{1}{14}$ $\frac{1}{15}$ $\frac{1}{16}$ $\frac{1}{17}$ $\frac{1}{18}$ $\frac{1}{19}$ $\frac{1}{20}$
- 6. Dirt mixed with water _____ 30 31 32

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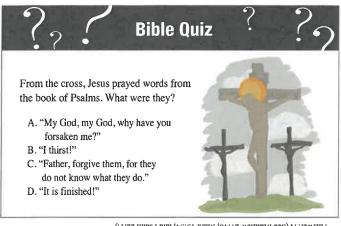
John 20:17, NIV

Jesus has __ _ _ _ _ _

Answers: rain, eggs, chick, flowers, butterfly, mud; Jesus said ... "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." (John 20:17, MIV) Jesus has risen!

April 2025

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Answer: A (See Matthew 27:46; Mark 15:34; and Psalm 22:1.)

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