

The First Presbyterian Church of Lewisburg

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August Sunday Worship Time: 9:30 a.m.

Greetings!

At this writing, I am completing two months as your Interim Pastor. I am delighted to be in your midst and thankful for the opportunity to serve here.

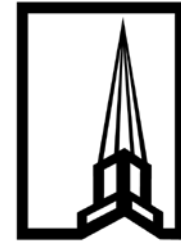
As a college student at Bucknell in the 70's, I was blessed by the ministry offered at First Presbyterian. The pastor and congregation were very welcoming. Students were nurtured in their faith and many went on to become Ordained Pastors and Christian leaders.

I felt called to the ministry while at Bucknell. This directive from God led me to Seminary, service as a Campus Minister, Associate Pastor, Sr. Minister and Interim Pastor. In each setting, I've valued the opportunity to preach God's message and offer Pastoral Care to His people.

I look forward to getting to know you and learning about your interests and giftedness. I have experienced welcome and support as I have returned in a new capacity, and I anticipate an exciting and rewarding time of ministry together.

Blessings,

Pastor Barb



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Upcoming Events

August 2

7:00 p.m.: The Fuller Center
Cyclists Presentation

August 9

7:00 p.m.: Himmelreich Author's
Night with Daniel Shayesteh

August 12

6:30 p.m.: Talent Show & Ice
Cream Social

Ushers This Month

John Troxell

David Thomas

John Tirpak

Joshua Tirpak

Jonathan Walz

Ray Walz

Greeters

August 5- Dave Reid

August 12- Darryl & Janine Fisher

August 19- Randy & Kathy Storm

August 26- David & Marcia
Thomas

August Birthdays & Anniversaries

August Birthdays

2 Chloe McSween, Thomas Rathburn

4 Riley Dyroff, Laura Graver, Rebecca Mignot, Lucas Winner

6 Matthew Jones

7 Tim Cavanagh, Dan Cavanagh, Mark Reif, Ann Roll

8 Thomas Gresh

9 Abigail Eschbach, Christian Gallagher, John Walsh

11 Pastor Barb Yorks, Barb Schmidt

14 Ariel Cooper, Nancy Curran, Avery Mast, Audrey McSween

15 Carley Shaffer

16 Lamar Bruckhart

18 Pat Samuelson

20 Keith Kunkel

22 Sammy Miller, Ann Miller, Connie Moore

23 Kim Gilger, Drew Milner

24 Emyrson Papson

25 Samuel Gill, Kerry Shutt, Sally Vogel

26 Ryan Kraus

28 Patty Apple, Garrett Brown

29 Rick Stancavage

30 Keay Hathaway

31 Nathaniel Reid

August Anniversaries

2 Jason & Sarah Friedberg

4 Richard & Peg Erdley, Matt & Ashley Kalcich

5 Tom & Mary Lou Rich

6 Donald & Nancy Steckel



In the Community

Dinner By The River-

August 2- Jordan

August 9- Miller

August 16- Beaver UMC

August 23- Temple/ Torretti

August 30- Lewisburg Alliance

New Address

Jim and Pauline are now both settled in their new home in Virginia. Their new address is:

Jim & Pauline King

1419 Shirlton Road

Midlothian, VA 23114

(phones remain the same)

August Anniversaries (continued)

- 7 Michael & Jackie Mast
8 Matthew & Wendy McTammany, Steve & Kristen Mebius
12 Seth & Judith Ziegler
14 Wayne & Marilyn Gaver
15 Jim & Patty Apple
17 Clint & Karen Shurtliffe
19 John & Jessie Walsh
23 Ralph & Peggy Starkey
25 David & Anne Goehring, Bill & Phil Moore Sr., Dave & Paula Young
26 Brent & Ashley Papson, Seth & Vickie Ziegler
29 David & Marcia Thomas
31 Bart & Linda Shaffer



Nursery Volunteers:

- August 5: Wagner Family
August 12: Jarrett Family
August 19: Volunteer Needed
August 26: Temple Family

Kids Church Volunteers:

- August 5: Carolyn McSween
August 12: Carolyn McSween
August 19: Volunteer Needed
August 26: Carolyn McSween

We want you to be included in our new pictorial directory! Stay tuned for more information and sign-up days and times. In the meantime, if you're interested in being on the committee to help oversee this process, please contact the Church office at 570-524-4419 or info@first-presby.org.



Meeting Reminders

August 13

7:00 p.m.: Christian Education Committee Meeting

August 20

7:00 p.m.: Session, Deacon & Trustee Meeting

Summer Lemonade

August 5- Church Choir
August 12- Youth Group
August 19- Personnel Committee
August 26- Stewardship Committee



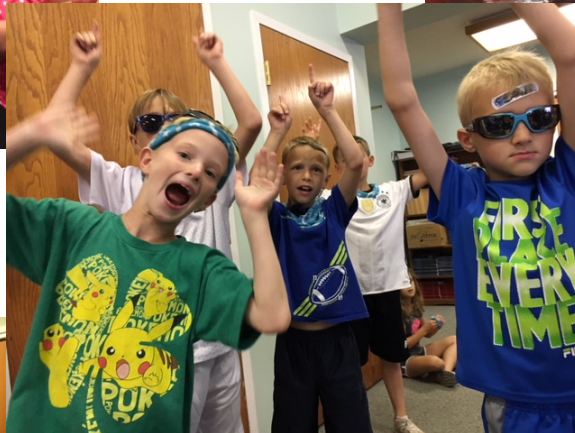
THE Talent SHOW

Sunday, August 12th at 6:30 p.m.

With so many talented folks in our midst, this all-church event is sure to be the highlight of the summer! Show starts at 6:30 p.m. As if that wasn't already a good time, there will also be an **ICE CREAM SOCIAL** after the show! Come and enjoy the show and some sweet treats!



Vacation Bible School (June 11th-15th)



R.B. Winter Family Picnic (July 19th)



First Presby Youth Newsletter

Both Fuel and Refuge are going strong every Sunday. Fuel meets from 5:00 to 6:30 and Refuge runs from 7:00 to 8:30. With our middle schoolers, we have just finished up a series called the "Right Habits", looking at what habits do we develop that bring us closer or farther from Christ. In Refuge, we just finished up our series on Discipleship before we went on the mission trip. Making disciples is hard work, but the last thing Jesus commanded us was "Go out and make disciples" so it must be pretty important.

Our programs like Harry Potter Movie Marathon nights (so far 5 nights have taken place) and Saturday brunch at Street of Shops is going great. The movie nights were planned to be me and 3 other high school students watching Harry Potter, but that first night turned into 18 students and a new tradition. We also have begun High School Guy's wing nights every Thursday at the Lewisburg Hotel. And don't forget to stay tuned for the beginning of pre-school chocolate chip pancake breakfasts this September!

Our high school mission trip was *incredible*. We took 17 high schoolers and 4 chaperones to Elizabeth City, NC where we worked in crews of strangers that became family on a variety of projects – from deck building to roof repair to painting to pulling dead birds out of central AC units. We really did it all down there. The theme for the week was GRIT, focusing on the spiritual grit of Peter. Peter is an incredible biblical character – not just because Jesus says "On this rock I will build my church" – but because, like so many of us, sometimes Peter is right on the ball walking on water with Jesus and a minute later he's sinking.

Our own grit was challenged and grown throughout the week, not just by working in driving rain, mud, muck, and some more disgusting situations that I care to name – but by the talks each night looking at Trust, Grace, Love, Forgiveness, and Surrender. I could write 15 pages about everything that we – including myself – learned that week, but to spare you an hour of reading, let's just say that it truly is an awesome God we live for.

Please be praying for our games - that they are full of fun and laughs; our time together - that it can continue to build strong relationships based on Christ; our lessons - that they reach each student in their own walk with Christ and leads a vibrant relationship with Christ. Finally, please pray for your kids and the students themselves - for their school day, sports, activities, family life, and personal, mental, and spiritual health. Thank you!

God Bless!

****And enjoy some pictures from our Mission Trip on the next page****

Matthew Rishell – Youth Director



*Please note that moving forward we will be transitioning to an email-based newsletter in an effort to reduce costs and be more environmentally conscious. If you would still like to receive a hard copy via postal mail, please notify the Church office at 570-524-4419. Hard copies will also be available for pick-up from the Church in the entry near the Christian Education Wing as well as in the back of the sanctuary.