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THE NEWSLETTER OF QUAKER MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN

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## **A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR**

Grace & Peace to You my Friends,

Here we are folks...the summer days are coming to an end and it doesn't seem possible when the temperatures outside tell us otherwise. This summer has been a great summer for the children and youth at Quaker...we had our first ever Music & Arts camp and it was a blast and our youth had meaningful weeks at Massanetta Springs & Montreat...we are glad they are back and are eager to hear all about their experiences. The end of summer signals the start of a new school year. August 6th we will have our Blessing of the Backpacks in worship...please plan to be here if you are a student, teacher or school employee.

We need musical acts for the John Lynch Block Party AND we NEED LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS!! Sign up today to serve and if you have a musical act that would like to perform contact me ASAP!

Yes, we are still waiting on the sanctuary A/C. Everyone has been so patient and we hope that work will begin soon! Keep dressing comfortably for worship and just so you know the sanctuary is much cooler up front so feel free to move on down to the front row.

Love & Light Anghaarad

> There will not be a Welcome Table event in August. We will devote all our energies to the John Lynch Birthday Party.







Additional Pictorial Directory dates will be coming in August... watch for announcements in the bulletin and emails!

#### **Coffee with the Pastor**

Join Anghaarad for coffee back at Starbucks at 20186 Timberlake Road on Monday, August 14 from 10 am-Noon. Come for a Cup of Joe or tea and great conversation...this is a wonderfully relaxing time for all members of Quaker and friends.





This month **Lunch Bunch** will head to Applebee's on Candler's Mountain Road. Join us on Wednesday, August 16 at 11:30 am. We will need to give a final head count to the restaurant by Monday, August 14 so please RSVP to Sara by text, call 434-941-3349 or email her at buzzandsara@gmail.com.

#### **AFTER HOURS**



After Hours is back! Join us Wednesday, August 30 at 5:30pm at 221 Tap & Table in Forest. Come for conversation and libations!

#### Special Offering for Massanetta Springs Capital Campaign

Quaker has had a decades long relationship with Massanetta Springs Camp and Conference Center. Youth and adults have attended camps, conferences, retreats, gatherings, and trainings at this beautiful location here in our home state. Massanetta leadership has identified that improving their overnight accommodations are a must as they move into the next century of ministry to the church. To achieve this goal they have embarked on a capital campaign to build a new hotel style lodge that will meet the needs of current and future guests. The session of Quaker got a preview of this campaign and we discussed how we would support this worthwhile campaign. The session has decided to increase our annual gift to Massanetta in the budget over the next 3 years and to take up 3 special offerings each year to support the campaign. On August 20th we will hear from Quaker members who have fond memories of Massanetta and why we are enthusiastic about this new venture at the Netta, provide more details about the building campaign and collect a special offering to go directly to Massanetta.





All students, teachers and school employees are invited to be a part of this service as we pray blessings for all of you in the new school year. We will also bless donated backpacks that will go to students in need in Lynchburg area. Bring your backpack or bag and receive a blessing tag.

QUAKER MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH INVITES OUR NEIGHBORS TO JOIN US!



It is that time of year again to prepare for our next Block Party...we need lots of volunteers to make this event the success that it was last year. A sign up sheet is in the narthex...don't miss an opportunity to welcome our neighbors!



#### You May Not Know It but Adam Deyerle Is a A Poet

Our own Adam Deyerle has self-published a book of poetry that was released by Amazon this past month entitled Deyerle's Ghosts. Congratulations to Adam and if you want to check out a copy, ther is one in the office.





There will be several opportunities to reflect on our summer read book. You can attend all or just one!

August 9: 10am in the library August 14: 10am to noon at Coffee with the Pastor August 21: 10am in the Library August 23: 6:30 pm in the library August 30: 5:30pm at After Hours with the Pastor

#### Got Confirmands?

We will be putting together the next confirmation class for all Quaker youth grades 7 and above who have not been through confirmation. If you have a youth that would like to take part this year, please let Pastor Anghaarad know as she begins planning this year's class. We are hoping to partner with a couple of our neighboring churches.

#### **Dedication of New Communion Sets**

Richard realized that the travel communion sets that we owned were just not adequate for use and we really needed a travel set that could be easily taken for larger gatherings like the ones at Valley View and Bentley Commons. Lowell Milton agreed to fashion new sets out of wood and they are beautiful.He created 3 small travel sets and 1 large travel set that will serve our pastors and elders when they go to provide homebound communion for our members unable to be with us in worship. On August 6th during worship we will dedicate these new communion sets and teams of elders will put them to use after worship as they deliver communion to homebound members.



Are you interested in learning more about composting? Are you passionate about feeding the hungry?

Join us after worship on August 13 for tomato sandwiches (made from tomatoes grown in the QMPC garden), chips and a drink. We will also give information on composting and provide buckets for members to take home to start their own composting to help with the QMPC garden. Sign up in the narthex or call the church office if you would like to attend the lunch.

We have already picked and delivered over 900 pounds of vegetables to the Salvation Army and Food Bank this Spring and Summer. Join us every Monday and Thursday morning at 8 am to help pick our Garden's bounty!



#### JULY MEMORIALS

In Memory of Scott Robert Given by: Jane Bankovich Bev at University of Lynchburg Alma Cassell Sue & Doug Evans Peggy Deyerle Peggy & Jim Ferrell Fran & Kent Ford Helen Ford Jack & Beth Fyock Teresa Gillette Kathy & Bob Kaplan Virinia & James Markham Paul McWane Mid-Atlantic United Methodist Foundation, Inc. Nancy Mize Timberlake Health & Wellness Barbara Watts Andrea & David Webb, Jr. William & Jane Wingfield

#### Year to Date Financial Report (through June)

Jun-23		Monthly	Year to Date	
Revenue	\$	31,531.07 \$	190,346.83	
Expenses	\$	26,539.61 \$	168,695.38	
Difference \$		4,991.46 \$	21,651.45	

#### **Online Giving Available**

Just a reminder that we now offer electronic giving. You can give simply by scaning the QR code to the side or go to our website www.qmpc.org and click the GIVE NOW button at the top of the page to be taken to our secure site. There is a small fee involved and you will have the option to cover that fee when you give.



# August

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 10 am Bible Study on Zoom	2 11 am Centering Prayer 6 pm Pray for one another	3 8 am Garden maintenance	4	5
6 10 am Worship Communion, 2 cents a meal, Blessings of backpacks & Dedication of new communion sets	7 8 am Garden maintenance	8 10 am Bible Study on Zoom 6pm Communion at Bentley Commons	9 10 am Summer Read reflection in library 11 am Centering Prayer 6 pm Pray for one another 6:30 pm Property Committee	10 8 am Garden maintenance	NO Welcome Table this month	12
13 10 am Worship 11:15 am Lunch	14 8 am Garden maintenance 10 am to noon Coffee with your Pastor	15 10 am Bible Study on Zoom	16 11 am Centering Prayer 11:30 am Lunch Bunch at Applebee's 6 pm Pray for one another	17 8 am Garden Maintenance 3pm Communion at Valley View	18	19
20 10 am Worship (Special offering for Massanetta) 11:15 am Session	21 8 am Garden maintenance 10 am Summer Read reflection in library	22 10 am Bible Study on Zoom	23 STAR Homeschool 11 am Centering Prayer 5:30 pm Endowment Committee 6 pm Pray for one another 6:30 pm Summer Read reflection	24 8 am Garden maintenance	25	26 Presbytery Meeting on Zoom 3pm John Lynch Birthday Party
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