

The Quaker Quill



October 2019

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WELCOMING ALL, SERVING CHRIST, TRANSFORMING LIVES

WOW! Summers are usually a slower time and pace, but things have been busy here at QMPC. If you have not seen the list of accomplishments and projects completed on the board in the Narthex, check it out. One of the most exciting things is that we elected the PNC. Please be in prayer for them. God is definitely at work and there is a wonderful spirit of joy, hope, faith, creativity and a willingness to serve.

October looks to be equally filled with important events in the life of the church. Confirmation classes will be held for the youth and continue until early December. On October 4 we will be hosting a gathering of pastors from throughout the Lynchburg area sponsored by the local Quaker Friends. We will experience a Quaker worship service in the Meeting House followed by fellowship in the Fellowship Hall.

October 6 is World Communion Sunday and we will also be enjoying a spaghetti dinner followed by bingo as a fundraiser for the youth.

The Management of Chronic Diseases Class continues until October 9.

Terrific Tuesdays begin October 15 at 6:00 PM for dinner, Bible Study, Homework for kids and an intergenerational activity. Help is needed to prepare simple dinners and to assist the children with

homework. Please sign up on the sheets in the Narthex.

October 20 the Session has approved a Congregational Meeting to elect elders for the class of 2022. The children and youth choirs will be singing that day and we will have a music appreciation for the various choirs with refreshments following worship.

Reformation Sunday is October 27 when we remember and celebrate our heritage as reformed believers.

I know that life outside the church is busy as well. My prayer is that all of us will make worship and service a priority in our lives as we seek to Welcome All, Serve Christ and Transform Lives through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Blessing on each of you and thanks for all you do!

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SESSION MEETING

Highlights from the September Session:

- Building use was approved for the following:
 - *Neighborhood Watch Meeting
 - *Humankind Dinner
 - *Bells of the Blue Ridge Christmas Concert
- Property Task Force reported the top projects to begin with. Motion approved.
- Property Task Force requested and were approved to use \$300 from Memorial Fund for more storage tubs
- An update on the Capital Campaign was given.
- Christian Ed reported 27 kids attending Youth Group, 54 people attended Sunday School on Rally Day, and 43 on subsequent Sundays.
- Missions was approved to apply for a grant from Two Cents A Meal to go towards the Haiti Mission Trip
- Stewardship Campaign will begin November 3.
- Nominating Committee reported slate for Class of 2022 Elders. The Congregational meeting to elect them will be on October 20.
- PNC reported a salary range for the new pastor. It was voted on and approved.
- Session moved into Executive Session to vote and approve the renewal of Nancy Dawson's contract from Nov. 1, 2019 to Oct. 31, 2020.
- Nancy Dawson reported on Terrific Tuesdays and requested assistance with meal and home-work help for kids.
- Next Meeting is October 20, 2019.

September Gifts & Memorials

Gifts Given in Memory of Judy Leslie

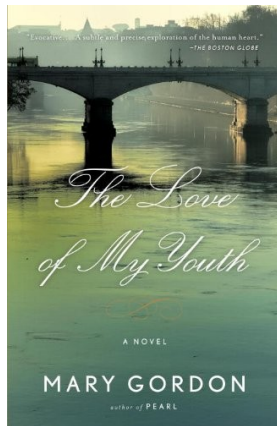
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 Peggy & Norris Deyerle
 Michael & Joan Mary Brady
 Charles & Phyllis Mayer
 Carolyn & Bob Eubank
 Shirley Morris
 Phyllis Webb
 Doris Daniel
 Jack & Ginny Kerr
 David & Andrea Webb
 Jane Hollis
 Joe & Judith Collins
 Mr. Mrs. Franklin Harris
 Sarah Lou & Murray Garbrick & family
 Cecile Parker
 Samantha & Jordan Spence
 Floyd Franklin
 Owen & Sarah Guise
 Pat Bevington & Roger Kelly
 David & Carol Snowman
 Charles Park
 Bette Piccolo
 Bob & Maureen Lockridge
 Mary Ogle T Cudd
 Bill & Sharyn Behnke
 Janie Roark
 Ron Moyer
 Erica Bottoms
 Norm & Marilyn Loges
 Bob & Kathy Kaplan
 Mark Sihlanick
 James & Carol Ann Terry
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 Sarah & Jim Garrett
 Reuben & Carolyn Womack
 Mr. & Mrs. Gerald V. Gragg
 Ms. Frances Gragg
 Mr. & Mrs. Todd Reynolds
 Mr. & Mrs. Mark Gragg





Book Club

We will read *The Love of My Youth* by Mary Gordon during October. We will get together to talk about what we have read on Thursday, November 7th at 10:00 a.m. Join us! Even if you haven't read the book, you can find out who comes to book club and see what goes on. Depending on the topic, the interest the characters in the book evoke, the writing, and on the extra topics that come up, we meet for one to two hours and enjoy our time together. Everyone is welcome to join us! For any questions contact Linda Jennings at 525-5423 or by email at lcjenn805@gmail.com.



Young at Heart October 24

Young at Heart is Thursday, October 24th at 11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Our program will be Nancy Dawson speaking on "Questions I Have Always Wanted to Ask God". Soooo, mark your calendars for October 24, it is sure to be a great program!!! Lunch again is BYOL - beverages will be provided. Cost is \$2.00 per person. Come join us - bring a friend or two. Happy Fall and in the meantime, enjoy the summer like temperatures.

Lunch Bunch Time Change

Join us at The Neighbors Place for lunch on Wednesday, October 16th at our usual time of 11:30 a.m. The Neighbors Place is in Wyndhurst at 104 Paulette Circle. Anyone is welcome to join for a fun lunch with good food and plenty of conversation. Please let us know if you can come by contacting Linda Jennings by Monday, October 14th by calling 525-5423 or email lcjenn805@gmail.com.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Calling All Knitters and Crocheters!

Reminder: Our first meeting for the year will be on Wednesday, October 16, 2019, at 10 am. Bring what you are working on, and any new patterns you may have. It will soon be time to distribute our "stuff" to area organizations so bring anything you have finished over the summer. Hope to see some new faces - we need all the help we can get!



Capital Campaign Update

Welcoming All, Serving Christ, Transforming Lives; our mission statement is full of action verbs. As we start our capital campaign "Blessing God's House" our mission statement and these verbs are in the forefront of our minds. When we as a congregation live out our mission statement those actions transform "God's house into a Home". The money raised in this campaign will help us repair, maintain, and improve our Church (God's house). This will improve our ability to welcome all so they might serve Christ and have their lives transformed.

The Property Taskforce confirmed the order of the top 17 projects and on 9-22-2019 the Session approved the priority of the projects as funds become available. The projects and the order is as follows: 1. Drainage 2. Gutters 3. Windows and Doors 4. Downstairs Heating and Air Conditioning 5. Electronic Signs 6. Outside Kitchen Entrance 7. Entrance Railing 8. Air Quality in Senior Pastor's office 9. Flooring for CE's office 10. Interior Painting and Staining 11. Surge Protection & Lighting 12. Security Upgrade 13. Sound System Upgrade 14. Remodel Downstairs Bathrooms 15. Humidifier for Sanctuary 16. Pest Proof the building 17. Repave Upper Parking Lot.

As of September 25, 2019 we have received 50 pledges, amounting to \$179,935 and have received of this pledged amount \$85,050. To complete all 17 projects costing greater than \$250,000 to transform "God's house into a Home" we need all the members of our congregation to support the Capital Campaign to complete these goals. Pledges made will allow us to commit to all 17 projects. Your pledge is not due now but can be given all at once, on a weekly, monthly or biannual basis. The QMPC Capital Campaign runs from 9-15-2019 to 3-29-2020.

**Yours in Christ,
Capital Campaign Committee**



Fellowship NEWS

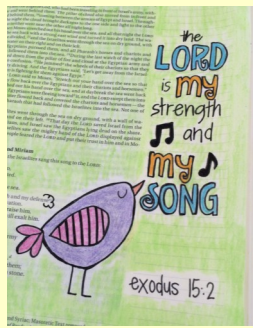
Fall is here, although the temperatures sure don't reflect it! The Fellowship Committee has a lot of gatherings planned for the next few months. We'll celebrate our Music Ministry in October plus we'll have our usual cake & beverages to celebrate Reformation Sunday on October 27. November 24 is our Giving Thanks Dinner and December 15 is the Candlelight Service and Buffet.

As always, we could use some extra hands. Check for sign up sheets, beginning next month, for ways you can help with the Giving Thanks Dinner and the Candlelight Buffet.

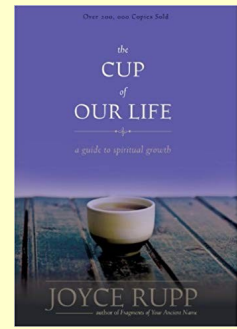


Welcome New Choir Members!

The Chancel choir is excited to announce two new members, Hattie and Jacob (Jake) Elder. Both are alumni of University of Lynchburg. Hattie is the Choral Director at Staunton River Middle and High Schools and Jake is the Band Director at Staunton River Middle and High. We welcome them to QMPC!



TERRIFIC TUESDAYS



Beginning Oct. 15 and meeting every Tuesday through Nov. 19

Evening Schedule:

- Dinner 6:00 - 6:20 (love offering)
- Intergenerational Table Activity: 6:20-6:35
- Travel time: 6:35 - 6:40
- Bible Journaling or The Cup of Our Life
- Book Study: 6:40 - 7:25
- Kids 6:40 - 7:25 (Homework/Game Time)
- Closing 7:25 - 7:30



So, What is Bible Journaling?

Bible journaling is an exciting way to engage with Scripture. It can transform the way you spend time in the Word and it all begins within the margins of the Bible or in a separate journal.

With Bible journaling, you will find a creative and fresh approach to the age-old discipline of Bible reading. With pen in hand, you can visually capture Scripture, meditate on God's Word and memorize the text. Some choose to journal as an expression of private devotion, others journal as an act of worship and there are even some who consider it a creative outlet that can be shared.

No matter what your purpose for Bible journaling, the beauty of the movement is this: it doesn't require a skilled artist. All that matters is that you're willing to experience God and His Word in a creative way.

All supplies will be provided.

The Cup of Our Life is

available to anyone seeking a more intimate and disciplined life of prayer. Joyce Rupp, the bestselling Catholic woman writer today, illustrates how the ordinary cups used each day can become sacred vessels that connect readers with life and bring them into closer union with the Divine. She explores how the cup is a rich symbol of life, with its emptiness and fullness, its brokenness and flaws, and its many blessings. There are daily devotions for six weeks, which will be discussed every Tuesday.

PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE TO LET US KNOW YOU WILL BE ATTENDING SO WE HAVE ENOUGH SUPPLIES AVAILABLE.



Rally Day not only marks the beginning of a new year of Sunday School, but also the beginning of children and youth activities. This year we welcome 8 new youth to our Youth Program and we couldn't be more excited. We now have 10 BIG children, 8 Jr. High and 8 Sr. High meeting on Sunday evenings. We can't wait for you to meet this group.

SPAGHETTI LUNCH &
B I N G O
 FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Cost \$10.00 per person

(This includes lunch and 1 pack of
 Bingo Cards)

This event will be hosted by the Youth Group to help raise money for Summer Youth Retreats.

Children's Choirs !

All kids are invited to join either the Cherub or Melody Choir this Fall. The Psalmist tells us to "Come make a joyful noise unto the Lord" and we plan to do just that!



The Children's Choirs will sing in worship on October 20! ALL REHEARSALS prior to that will be at 11:15 a.m. with BOTH Cherub & Melody Choirs together with Ms. Helen.

MISSIONS

Churches for Urban Ministry Fruit Sale 2019

It is that time of year again when we order citrus fruits through CUM. The funds from this project go toward supporting ministries like Camp Timothy, the Food Pantry, Grow and Give community garden located in a neighborhood downtown Lynchburg and other projects that help provide physical, intellectual, emotional, and spiritual growth for children in the Lynchburg area.

Order forms are available in the narthex; please take one.

Take note of the top highlighted selection that allows you to purchase a box that is donated to the Lynchburg Area Food Bank for families in need during the holidays.

Important things to know are:

- All orders must be pre-paid
- Make checks payable to 'Churches for Urban Ministry'
- **Sunday, November 3rd** is the last day to turn in your order and payment

Fresh Picked **Tree Ripened Fruit For Fundraising!**

ORDER NOW! While they are *Fresh* and in Season!

Fresh

NAVEL ORANGES

Seedless and Sweet Eating Orange

"Large Box" 4/5 Bushel

\$ **37**

3 64 to 88 Oranges, Approx. 40 lbs.

2/5 Bushel "Half Box"

\$ **24**

4 32 to 44 Oranges, Approx. 20 lbs.

America's Favorite!

RED GRAPEFRUIT

Seedless, Sweet and Juicy

"Large Box" 4/5 Bushel

\$ **37**

5 36 to 48 Grapefruit, Approx. 40 lbs.

2/5 Bushel "Half Box"

\$ **24**

6 20 to 28 Grapefruit, Approx. 20 lbs.

NEW!

MIXED CITRUS BOX

A combination of 3 all time favorites!

All Citrus & All Good!

16-20 • Seedless & Sweet Mandarins
18-20 • Sweet Navol Oranges
6 • Juicy Red Grapefruit

2/5 Bushel

\$ **34**

16 Approx. 20 lbs.

2-Layers
(Full layer Navol Oranges on bottom)

#1 SELLER!

MANDARIN CLEMENTINES

Seedless, Sweet and easy to peel!

"Large Box" 1/2 Bushel

\$ **42**

1 85 to 140 Mandarins, Approx. 23 lbs.

1/5 Bushel "Family Size Box"

\$ **28**

2 32 to 50 Mandarins, Approx. 8 lbs.

Kids Favorite!

ORDER NOW!

Churches for Urban Ministry Fundraiser

Attention Kroger Shoppers!

Time for the annual Kroger Plus card rewards Renewal

Yes, we do have to re-sign up for the Kroger Plus card community rewards each year. If you signed up last year, please do so again. In the last year, starting September 2018, we have been awarded over **\$240**. If you have not signed up, please take this opportunity to join the 15 households that have. These funds go towards supporting our Haiti missions trip efforts.



Why do my members have to re-enroll every year if they were already participating? Kroger Community Rewards will be evaluated each year as we continually work toward improving our program to ensure that we offer the best option for our customers and nonprofit organizations. Re-enrollment gives each organization an opportunity to refresh their membership by spreading the word to new members and keeping the previous members informed of any changes to the program.

**01-Jun-2019 to 31-Aug-2019,
15 Households donated \$83.95**

**Thank you, thank you, thank you QMPC. Let's keep this going.
Signing up for this does NOT affect your gas rewards program.**

Our assigned a NPO (Non-Profit Organization) number **HH690**.

Visit <http://www.kroger.com>, under **Savings & Rewards**, select **Kroger Community Rewards**

- If you have NOT signed up your Kroger Plus card online before, you will need to create an account which requires some basic information, a valid email address and your Kroger Plus card. Give it a 24 - 48 hrs and then try to enroll.
- You can also call Kroger customer service. **Make sure you have your Kroger Plus card handy because they will need the number on the back of the card.** 1-800-KROGERS (1-800-576-4377) and select option 3. Tell the agent you want to enroll your Kroger Plus card in the community rewards program. Specify that your rewards go to **Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church NPO # HH690**.
- If you have signed up your Kroger Plus card online before, once logged into your Kroger account, search for **Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church either by name or HH690** and then click Enroll.



If you do not have a Kroger Plus card, please go to the customer service desk at any Kroger and they will help you get one.



Brook Hill Farm Mission



Brook Hill Farm, a non-profit horse rescue organization, exists to provide rehabilitation focused services and safe haven for unwanted horses, as well as offers a therapeutic riding program for personal growth and equine education for the community.

Sept. 10, 2019

Dear Quaker Presbyterian Church,

We want to thank you again for your past donations to our programs! Your continued support means so much to our organization. 100% of your donation went directly to helping the horses and our programs – we cannot thank you enough!



You generosity is what helps to make us successful, helping at-risk youth learn coping skills to help them with emotional disabilities. These youth are given the opportunity to bond with our rescue horses with backgrounds similar to their own, in order to heal together, and work towards high school graduation. I am enclosing some letters from the youth to see what an impact you are making.

Again, thank–you for your past generous support! We would love to come to one of your meetings to give you an update on all that is happening at the farm!

Jo Anne Miller

Jo Anne Miller
Executive Director



Haiti Shoe & Sock Challenge Ongoing

Let's help stock our Haiti elementary kids with shoes & socks!

They need dress shoes for kids in K through 6th grade, sizes 5-12. **For the guys:** BLACK leather shoes (or fake leather, no canvas) and navy blue socks.

For the girls: BLACK flats, (NO patent leather, canvas, or heels). They can have a buckle and white socks with lace.



Thank You QMPC!



Sept. 2019
Dear Church,
Again you have blessed us with supplies!
Thank you all for caring + supporting Brook Hill Farm.
Sincerely,
June & the BHF Family



October

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 10 am S.R. Writers 10 am Chronic Disease Workshop 11am Centering Prayer	3 10 am Book Club 3 pm Communion at Valley View 4:15 pm Quakers use meeting House 7 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	4	5
6 Spaghetti Dinner & Bingo	7 10 am Art Class 7 pm PNC Meets	8 9 am ROMEOs 10 am Bible Study	9 10 am Chronic Disease Workshop 11am Centering Prayer	10 7 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	11 10 am Lynchburg Retired Teachers General Meeting	12
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20 Kids Choirs Sing 11:15 am Confirmation Class Congregational Meeting 7:30 pm Session	21 10 am Art Class 7 pm PNC Meets	22 9 am ROMEOs 10 am Bible Study 6 pm Terrific Tuesdays	23 10 am Chronic Disease Workshop 11am Centering Prayer	24 11 am Young at Heart 7 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	25	26
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Weekly Sunday Schedule:

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
5:00 p.m. B.I.G. Youth
Cherub Choir

5:45 p.m. Youth Supper
6:15 p.m. Melody Choir
Jr. & Sr. Youth Fellowship