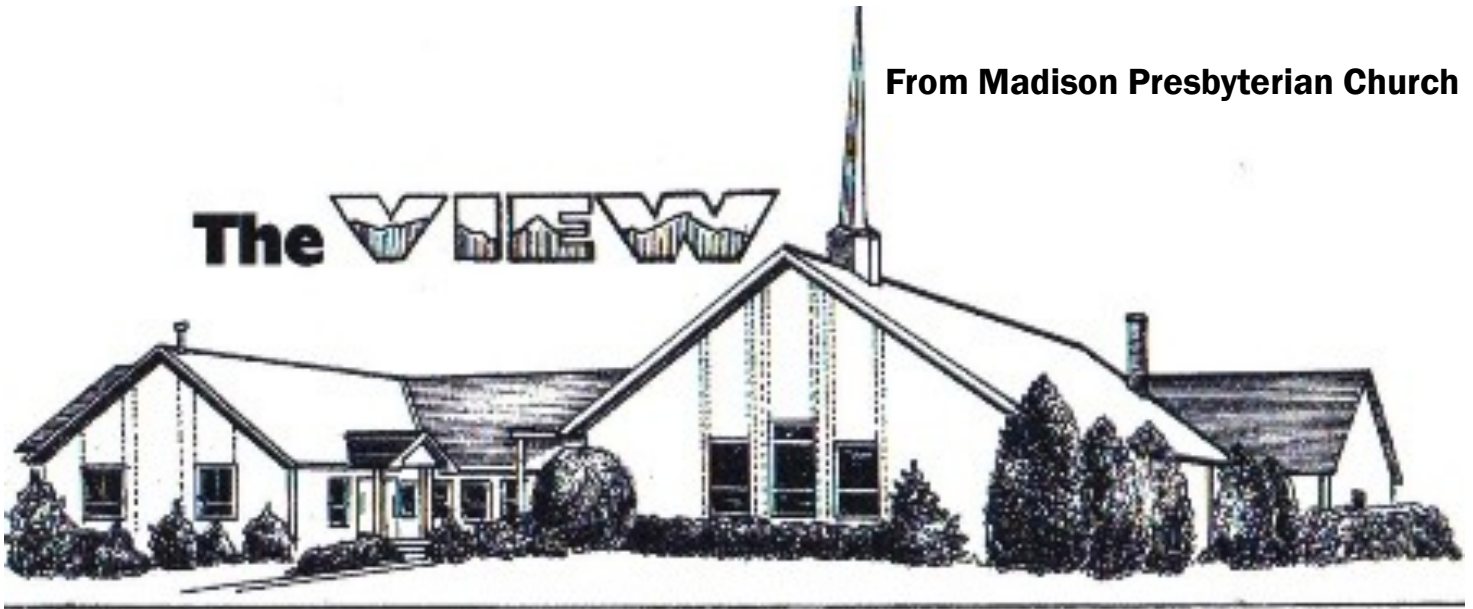


From Madison Presbyterian Church



May 2019

**May Pulpit Supply**

**May 5 Rev Tommy Nichols**

**May 12 Mother's Day Celebration**

**May 19 Norris John**

**May 26 TBA**

The Building and Grounds Team thanks the following folks for helping mow, prune and mulch the church grounds in April:

George Carroll, Valerie Cruz, Malcolm Davis, Dana Edelman, Paul Hankla, Nick and Joyce Humphrey, Allan and Mary Linda McLearn, Bill Pattie, Audrey Sarate, Sue and Sam Strahan, Heidi Sage.

The Purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

## A Sweet Gift From Berta

Dear friends,

After many years of bringing Almond Tea Cake to church gatherings, I thought I would take this opportunity to share the recipe with you. Two things you need to know:

This is not Jan Sparkman's recipe, which was much more elaborate. For one thing I remember her telling me she ground up the almonds and added them to the flour mixture. And I think she baked it in an oversized fluted pan lined with parchment. It took hours to make.

This is not "my" recipe either. Ginny McGetrick made this cake and brought it once or twice, years ago, and everyone raved about it. When I asked her for the recipe she was very reluctant to share it because it is so very easy to make and she wanted to keep that secret. But she finally relented.

So here it is, with love from Berta:

### Ginny McGetrick's Almond Tea Cake

Melt **1 ½ sticks margarine** in large bowl in microwave.

Stir in one at a time:

**1 ½ cup sugar**

**2 beaten eggs**

**1 tsp almond extract**

In another bowl combine dry ingredients:

**1 ½ cup flour**

**¼ tsp salt**

**½ tsp baking powder**

Add dry ingredients to wet ingredients and stir until blended.

(now you can wipe out the dry ingredients bowl with a dish towel and put it away – no dishwashing)

Line bottom and sides of 9" round pie plate or cake pan with foil, letting the extra foil extend beyond edges of pan. Pour batter into pan.

Sprinkle with about **1 oz. sliced almonds**.

Bake at 350 for 30-35 mins.

When cool, lift out of pan by the foil, then peel foil off.

(now you can also put the baking pan away – no washing)

Let it fully cool, or even sit overnite uncovered, to let it dry out a little so it's easier to cut.

## May is Presbyterian Women's Birthday Celebration

The theme for 2019 is "God is Faithful". The Birthday offering celebrates Presbyterian women's history of giving. It has helped fund over 200 mission projects since 1922. The projects touch the lives of women and children here and around the world. Please watch for the basket in the fellowship hall to put your offering to work for those most in need. Thank you for your continued support.

### Stewardship Team Bring-a-Friend Picnic

The Stewardship Team invites all to our annual church picnic. We will gather immediately following worship on Sunday May 19, to celebrate around our theme for the year, ***God's Promise: I Am With You.***

The team is providing beverages, hot dogs and hamburgers with all the "fixin's". Everyone is asked to bring a "pot luck" side dish or dessert

Be sure to sign up in the Fellowship Hall so the team will know how many are planning to attend, and what you plan to bring. And bring a friend!

We read in Joshua 1:9 "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; be not frightened, neither be dismayed; for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." *So let us remember God's Promise: I Am With You.*

### May Mowing Schedule

**May 2-4 Frank King & Gene Corbin**

**May 9-11 John Haines**

**May 16-18 Sam Strahan**

**May 23-25 John Quinley**

## Madison Presbyterian Church

Active Elders Serving on the Session

Class of 2019

Bill Pattie

Frank King

Bettie Berry, Clerk of the Session

Class of 2020

Kim Barnes

Sharon Weakley

Class of 2021

Bobbie Carroll

Rives Wetsel

Mike Willis



Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Worship: 10:00 a.m.

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### NEWSLETTER ITEMS

Have something you want published in our Newsletter? Please contact me by email:

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or phone 540-948-9922.

George Carroll



WEDNESDAY, MAY 4  
ROADSIDE CLEANUP

MEET AT THE  
CHURCH AT 9:00 AM.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

### MayFoods of the Month

**Single Household**—Single serving size canned vegetables, fruits, meats and soups with pop-up lids. Packs of pudding and jello cups, crackers, peanut butter & jelly and packs of raisins.

Please bring in your donations and place them in the container provided in the Narthex. Donations are then given to Madison Social Services for distribution to those in Need.

Thank you!



**Madison Choral  
Society Concerts**

**7:00 p.m. Friday , May 3  
St. Thomas Episcopal  
Orange, Va**

**and  
4:30 p.m. Sunday, May 5  
Mt. Carmel Church  
Haywood , Va  
FREE!**

***Celebrate Spring  
with the  
Orange Community  
Chorus***

**7:30 p.m.  
May 17 & 18  
Orange Presbyterian  
Church  
162 W. Main St.  
Orange, VA  
FREE!**



The Literacy Council of  
Madison County  
invites you to our

**Open House**

at our new location

**110 N. Main Street  
Suite A**

**Tuesday, May 7**

**2:00 - 4:00 P.M.**

**Ribbon Cutting at 2:00 P.M.**



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# ***Breakfast Buzz***

***Friday May 17th at 9:00a.m.***

***Humor, Laughter and Your Health***

***Join Mack Rowe as he introduces his Pun Toons cartoon characters and some fun. He likes to think of himself as the Sender of Smiles. Come let him convince you of the power of humor in your life.***

***Join us for Breakfast and Laughter!***

Save the date  
Vacation Bible School  
God's Love, Our Hands  
Sunday June 9th—Wednesday June 12th

**Mad Ridge Youth    Save the Date!!!  
Middle School Summer Conference  
July 16th—19th**

## A NOTE FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE . . .

I am working with Bobbie Carroll to coordinate the creation of the weekly bulletin with the pastor who will be providing the Sunday worship service in the future months ahead.

If you have any announcements you would like to be included in the weekly bulletin, please forward your request to myself OR Bobbie Carroll by the Tuesday prior to the Sunday Service you wish to have it appear. (Or call the church office, 948-6972, and leave a message.) If I don't receive it in time, it will not be included in the bulletin. We have to allot enough time for whomever is filling in for that Sunday service to review the bulletin one last time.

Also, if you have a special notation for flowers, please send that to me by the Tuesday prior to the Sunday Service as well. If I don't receive it in time, it will not be included in the bulletin. All that I will list is your name and "to the Glory of God."

We thank everyone in advance for helping coordinate this effort. If you have any questions, please feel free to let me know.

Thank you.

Carol Johnson