

September 2016

Older Adult Conference

The annual Older Adult Retreat in the Presbytery of the James will be very different this year. The Association of Retired Ministers, their Spouses, or Survivors; and The Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries Network, two denomination-wide groups, will be holding a joint conference, October 11-14 in Richmond. The program is too extensive to list in our newsletter, but the details are posted on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. This will be a great opportunity for learning and sharing.

Taste of the Mountains

Be sure to stop by the MPC table at the street fair on September 3. We will be in the same spot as the past few years, in front of the War Memorial Building. If you can help to host our booth for a one hour period that day, please sign up on the sheet in the Fellowship Hall.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL and CORPORATION MEETINGS

On Sunday, September 25, the Congregation of Madison Presbyterian Church will meet at the close of morning worship for the purpose of electing two Elders to serve on the Session in the Class of 2019. The Nominating Committee, elected in 2015 to serve two years is made up of Tom Rees, Moderator, Nancy Preston, Frank King, Art Pearson, Berta Storey and Gwenn Wohlfelder. They will present nominees for election. Nominations from the floor will also be in order, providing the nominee has agreed to serve if elected. Please be in prayerful preparation for this important occasion.

The Corporation of Madison Presbyterian Church will also hold its Annual Meeting that morning. Any business needing to be transacted will be announced by September 18.

Madison Presbyterian Church

Pastor: John Storey
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Worship: 10:00 a.m.
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Monday — Thursday 8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

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September Foods of the Month

Single Household: Single serving size canned vegetables, fruits, meats and soups with pop-up lids. Packs of pudding and jell-o 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!



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Schedule

Presbyterian Women Circle Meetings Begin on Sept 14th

PW circle meets from September through May on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 10 AM in the Tack Room. Please consider joining PW Circle, if you are not already involved. We gather for about an hour for fellowship, Bible study and sharing of prayer concerns. This year's study is "Who is Jesus?: What a Difference a Lens Makes". Study books for this year are available in the PW room in the Sanctuary Building.

Sign your name on the sheet provided so we will know who has received their book. We will order additional copies if the supply runs low. We hope to see you there on September 14th.

Berta Storey

Important News from the Green Team: Upcoming Drinking Water Testing Clinic

Many of us living in the beauty of the Blue Ridge Mountains rely on wells for our water, and, few of us realize when we get a drink of water there may be invisible unknowns in our sweet tasting, clear drinking water. To allay any concerns, there will be a Drinking Water Testing Clinic at the Madison American Legion Hall on Thrift Road in Madison, Tuesday, September 6, 2016 6:30p.m. The cost is \$45.00 and includes testing for selected chemicals and potentially harmful bacteria. One would normally pay \$200.00 or more at a commercial water testing laboratory.

The clinic includes three meetings for residents of Greene, Madison, and Orange counties:

First meeting is the Kickoff Meeting, Tuesday, September 6th, 6:30 p.m., American Legion Hall, Madison where participants will receive a water sampling kit with information about how to collect water samples.

Second meeting is the Sample Collection Meeting, Wednesday, September 28, 6:30 p.m. Participants will return their samples to their respective extension offices in Greene, Madison or Orange. The collected water samples will be sent to the Biological Systems Engineering Water Quality Lab in Blacksburg for analysis. It takes about four weeks to analyze and report the results.

Third meeting is the Follow-Up and Interpretation Meeting, Wednesday, November 2, 6:30 p.m., American Legion Hall, Madison. Test results will be released to each participant, the water test results will be explained and information will be provided about possible treatment options to consider. Participant information is kept strictly confidential.

For more information, and, to register call Clare Lillard, 540 672 1361 or email at: Lclare4@vt.edu. Also, check the Green Team bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

Thank You

Your support of the school collection for Presbyterian Children's Home of the Highlands was awesome and much appreciated. Fortunately I was able to find a free ride for the box of school supplies and saved the shipping fee. I will be keeping you appraised of the needs and actions of PCHH. There will be other times when we may need to step up again to help this much needed ministry.

Thank You Bobbie Carroll



The envelope in the back of the box also contains several donated gift cards for unforeseen needs as they arise.

Special note to all kids! Sunday School begins September 11th.

We will begin Sunday School on Sunday September 11th with a fun surprise!!! Join us for an introduction to what we'll be doing this year as well as catching up on all the travels and fun over the summer months. As you know with school, it helps if you're always present. Not only do we miss your smiling face but you miss the opportunity to learn more about your God and how to follow Him. We look forward to seeing you on the 11th.

Christian Education Team