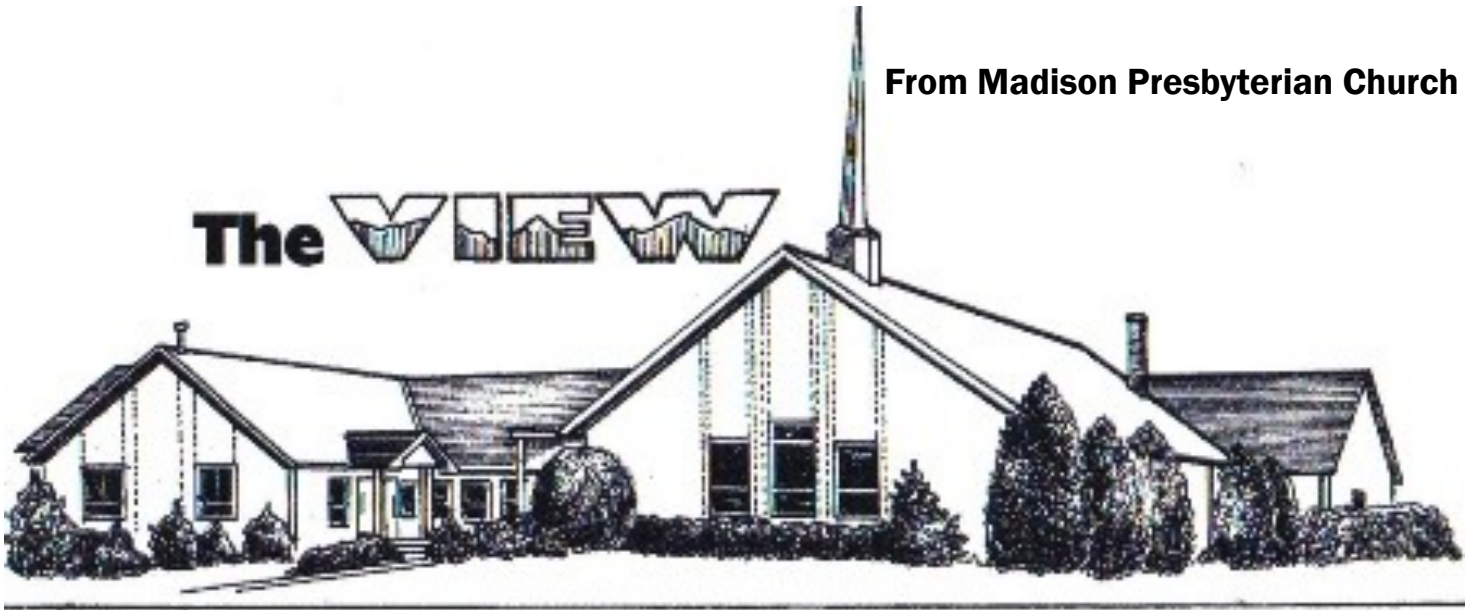


**From Madison Presbyterian Church**



From the Pastor

September 2018

**ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL and CORPORATION MEETINGS**

On Sunday, September 23, the Congregation of Madison Presbyterian Church will meet at the close of morning worship for the purpose of electing three Elders to serve on the Session in the Class of 2021. The Nominating Committee 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 16.

**Taste of the Mountains**

Plan to come out to Main Street on September 1 for the Taste of the Mountains. The Outreach Team will be hosting our booth 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, or call Kim Barnes at (434) 962-0916 or email at [lyonhart38@aol.com](mailto:lyonhart38@aol.com)

## September Green Team News

The Green Team has two special educational offerings for the congregation and community this month:

### **Light Pollution**

Most of us are familiar with air, water, and land pollution, but did you know that light can also be a pollutant? The inappropriate or excessive use of artificial light – known as light pollution – can have serious environmental consequences for humans, wildlife, and our climate. On Friday September 21, our very own Bettie Berry will be the speaker for Breakfast Buzz, on the topic of Light Pollution.

### **Quarry Gardens Tour**

On Saturday, September 29, join us for a private group tour of The Quarry Gardens at Schuyler. We will meet at church at 8:30 AM to drive to Nelson County, and tour from 10:00 to 12:00. This site was America's largest soapstone quarry at its peak in the 1920s. It was abandoned in the 1970's; the property then served as a community dumpsite for about a decade. In 1991 the 600 acre site was purchased by a couple who have gradually restored a 40 acre portion into a beautiful public garden with lakes and Blue Ridge views. We will spend about 1/2 hour in the visitor center, then walk the grounds with a tour guide who will teach us about native plants, quarry ecology and the history of soapstone mining in Virginia. From their website: "*As a natural site, the Quarry Gardens have no paved surfaces. Trails are covered in wood chips. There are places where cliffs drop directly into the quarry pools; there are no fences... The site may not be suitable for children under six. The main trail is just under a mile in length. There is a 60-foot difference in elevation, made somewhat easier to navigate by 163 rock stairs. (This is not a place for flimsy shoes, strollers, pets, or loose children.)*" Be looking for a sign-up sheet soon. We can take up to 15 people.

In other news, be sure to check our bulletin board in the fellowship hall. In August the team visited the Waste Management facility in Manassas where Madison's recyclable materials are sent, and we met with Jack Hobbs, our County Administrator, to better understand the what, how and why of recycling in Madison County. We have prepared a display which will hopefully provide helpful information for the recycling efforts of our church and community. Please ask us if you have further questions.

Berta Storey, Green Team Leader

## Madison Presbyterian Church

Pastor: John Storey

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

Church Office Hours: Monday — Thursday 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

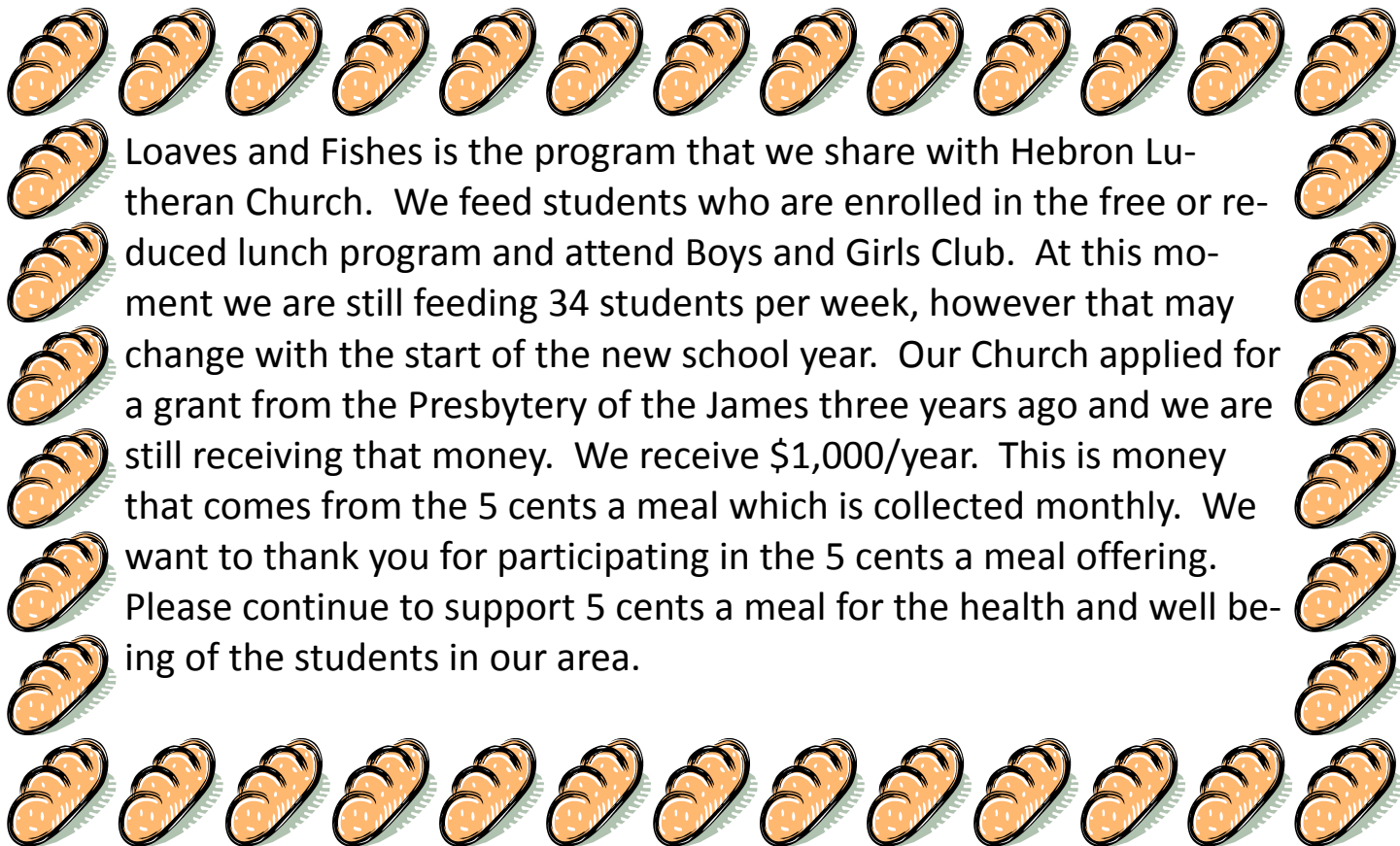
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Loaves and Fishes is the program that we share with Hebron Lutheran Church. We feed students who are enrolled in the free or reduced lunch program and attend Boys and Girls Club. At this moment we are still feeding 34 students per week, however that may change with the start of the new school year. Our Church applied for a grant from the Presbytery of the James three years ago and we are still receiving that money. We receive \$1,000/year. This is money that comes from the 5 cents a meal which is collected monthly. We want to thank you for participating in the 5 cents a meal offering. Please continue to support 5 cents a meal for the health and well being of the students in our area.

### **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!





# ***Breakfast Buzz***

***Friday September 21st***

***9:00 a.m.***

Bettie Berry will present a program on  
Light Pollution.

Join us for food, fellowship and facts.



## **September Mowing Schedule**

**Aug 31-Sept 1 Frank King & Gene Corbin**

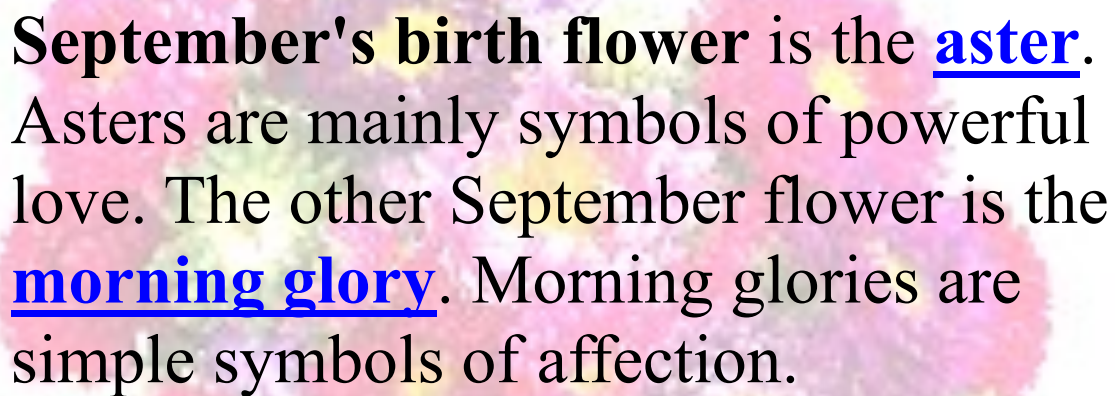
**6-8 Volunteer**

**13-15 Bill Pattie**

**20-22 Bill Pattie**

**27-29 Frank King & Gene Corbin**





September's birth flower is the aster. Asters are mainly symbols of powerful love. The other September flower is the morning glory. Morning glories are simple symbols of affection.

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