May 6, 2024



A Note from Pastor Dale

Some things on my mind today...

DENOMINATIONAL CHANGE NOW COMPLETED. After two years of working our way through denominational change and looking at new ways to be connected in ministry, I am proud to let you know that we are officially a part of the Global Methodist church. All the requirements have been satisfied, and we received official confirmation recently that our application to join the Global Methodists was approved.

MATCHING FUND GOAL MET, AND SURPASSED. We have been asking for donations to help us do two things, retire our debt, and begin funding seriously-needed upgrades to our heat and air systems in the Family Life Center and our Sanctuary. The matching fund goal, of \$50,000 has been met and exceeded. Hallelujah for that. That means that we are debt-free, and are moving towards completing the funding of the heat and air systems. If you're looking for hard numbers in this article, we simply don't have them yet, but we are working with several vendors to see which units will serve us best in our unique setting. As most of you know, the Family Life Center system is in very bad shape, and the replacement unit should be arriving and installed by the middle of June. We are continuing to look at options for the two Sanctuary systems, and are not quite as rushed to make a decision on them, as they are functioning satisfactorily at this time. I really appreciate your generous giving towards this project, and I really appreciate the work of our Trustees as they continue to make the best decision possible moving forward. You are a very generous congregation, and I am most proud of you.

MUGS AND MAGNETS, STOLES AND A SIGN. Part of our denominational change has been that we have new logos to place around the church building, and new logos to get our name out into the community. Car magnets are now available with our new logo, as well as coffee mugs drawing attention to our new name. These are placed around the church building, and we hope you'll help us spread these throughout the community. Rumor has it that new pens are on the way with our church information, and we've all seen our new logo on the choir robes. Soon, we will begin talking about a new road sign, to replace the one that currently features a good deal of duct tape, where we had to conceal our old denominational name. If you would be interested in helping us fund a new sign in memory or in honor of a loved one, please see me and we can begin dreaming a dream together.

See you Sunday. What we do here matters. Dale

From the Second Chair

When we decided several years ago to establish a Seniors Ministry at Pleasant View, we were met with great enthusiasm and excitement. The choice of a name for our group was our first hurdle. After much laughter and discussion of names such as:

Wrinkled Rascals, Giggles And Gray, Sage Squad, Senior Sunshine Timeless Tales, SALT (Senior Adults Living Triumphantly)
Prime Timers, The Incredibles, and on and on and on until

somebody finally said, "Well, we're JUST OLDER YOUTH; so why don't we call ourselves JOY." And that's how it all started. We are Just Older Youth or Joyful Older Youth – JOY. Those of us who are actively involved with this group have trouble understanding why any senior adult (50 and older) would not also want to be a part.

You might ask, "What do you do?" Well, we eat together at destinations like Farmer's Daughter, the Kitchen at Grace Meadows, Puerto Nuevo, the Black Olive at Jonesborough, Curklin's of Big Stone Gap, Daniel Boone Inn or Mike's Inland Seafood of Boone, grilled hot dogs at the outdoor shelter or roasted at the fire pit behind the Wesley House, and on and on and on.

We travel together – on short day trips to do things like shop in Pigeon Forge, visit the Big Stone Gap Museum or Bedford's Veteran's Memorial, enjoy bluegrass music at the Galax Fiddler's Convention. Occasionally we plan longer charter trips to enjoy live theater such as performances at Lancaster's Sight and Sound Theater or to tour places like No-ah's Ark in Kentucky.

And we plan together – once a year we come together as a group under the leadership of Shirley Turner and plan new adventures, such as a trip in 2024 to the world-famous Storytelling Center in Jonesborough, TN, to hear renown teller of hilarious yarns, Don Davis.

These are the things that just bubble to the top of my memory tank in a very few minutes; there are many, many more memories we've made together and many yet to make. How does one join this group? Just simply add your name to an event sign-up sheet in the church Narthex and show up to get on the bus (or drive along behind.) We very much want you to join us. We'll look for you.

AND DID I SAY WE EAT TOGETHER?

Blessings, Barbara

May 2024 Newsletter



Children's Ministries

@ Pleasant View Church

Excite Picnic

On Wednesday May 15 at 6pm, we will gather for our annual picnic celebration. What are we celebrating? A year of learning about God, new friends, memory verses learned, and a lot of fun. Everyone is invited and encouraged to bring a picnic food to share.





Sunday:

- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11am Kid's Worship

Wednesday:

6pm Excite!

May 15: Excite Picnic Last Excite Night 6pm at Shelter

May 22,23,26: Picture Dates for Church Directory

June 9-14: Camp Bays Mountain

June 24-27: Scuba VBS 6-8pm Mon-Thurs

July 15-19: Agape Week

Aug: Backpack Blessings

Aug 4: Children Ministry Team Meeting at noon

Aug 11: Back to School Bash

Camp Bays Mountain

We are headed to camp June 9-14. I will be at camp that week as the Minister in Residence. If you are registered for camp, please check to insure all your forms are completed. There are still several opening for campers. If you are interested call the camp office at (423) 349-8401. We are going to need some help driving the van to camp. If you could drive one day, talk to Katherine.



Scuba VBS

VBS is June 24-27 from 6pm to 8pm at Pleasant View Church. We will be diving into friendship with God. Scan the QR to register online. Yes



■ we need volunteers! Talk to Katherine if you would like to help.

Text Alerts

For mobile reminders and updates, text @pvckids to 81010.



WINGS AT PV

<u>W</u>e gather as women walking in faith and working together <u>In</u> the light of the immeasurable, <u>N</u>ever-ending love of our Lord Jesus Christ. We live in <u>G</u>ratitude for God's goodness and gifts of grace and salvation; <u>S</u>eeking always to honor him and to serve others by lifting them as on eagles' wings wherever we can.

We have an exciting couple of months ahead! Here is what has:

Already Happened!

Our monthly meeting was held on **Tuesday, April 2nd**. It was an exciting evening with members of the Heart House in Belize delivering an inspirational and heartfelt message to our women. There are several opportunities for our WINGS group to be a part of their mission, including "adopting" a specific child and fulfilling physical needs as well as emotional needs through cards, letters and gifts. We look forward to sharing these opportunities with our congregation as we more fully develop these plans. **Happening Now:**

The Children's Advocacy Center has sent us their "wish list" of items needed for their new child forensic medical program that will be starting up in the next 60 days. The program will provide specialized medical exams for child abuse victims in an outpatient setting, rather than these children having to go through the stress of being admitted to the emergency room. The items needed for the program include: soft fleece throw-sized blankets that will accommodate children from toddler through teens, new underclothes (Boys size 3T to Men XL, Girls size 3T to Women's XL). This includes tshirts for boys and sports bras for adolescent and teen girls as well as briefs. Socks, sweat pants and sweat shirts – again boys and girls from 3T to XL. The following are general supplies used for all of the CAC's programs: playdough, fuzzy long pipe cleaners, boxes of 8 count colored pencils, boxes of 8 count markers (all sizes), 8 oz. cases of bottled water, Capri Sun bagged drinks and individually packaged snacks (goldfish crackers, gummies, granola bars, cookies. A box for donated goods will be in the narthex. We will be collecting items during the months of May and June. The Bristol Regional Medical Center has expressed a need for baby/toddler board books for their pediatric patients. A bookcase will be set up in the narthex, beginning this Sunday and we will be collecting these books during the months of May and June.

<u> Happening Soon:</u>

We hope to share some exciting news in the June newsletter as our group contemplates the many opportunities to take on more new endeavors including assisting with the many needs of the Isaiah House and Mended Women in the upcoming months.

Please join us every first Tuesday of the month in Room 804 at 6:30 pm, Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 7th. We would love to have you come as WINGS continues to "Soar in 2024"!

"But, those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint." Isaiah 40:31

Cathy Matthews, President, WINGS at Pleasant View

Food Pantry Items Needed for May

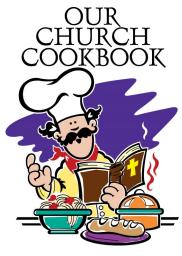
Pinto beans (15 oz. cans)

Pork 'n Beans (16 oz. cans)

THANK YOU!!!

Food Pantry Team





Reminder:

WINGS of PV

have wonderful cookbooks on sale for \$10.00. They would make excellent Mother's Day gifts!

Good Time Fellowship May Meeting

We will eat at Sweet Ed's in Glade Springs on Monday, May 13. We will leave the church at 10:45 am. Please contact Kathy at the church office and let her know if you are coming by Wednesday, May 8 by noon.

Pleasant View Cups and Car Magnets

Out in the hallway outside of the sanctuary and on the counter in the kitchen are car magnets and cups that we are asking a donation only for. The money you donate will go to more work on the shelter. **Also coming are fountain pens. Please place your money or check in the basket. Thank you!!





Units of Study:

Week 1: How it would be to live in the Sea?

Week 2: Mother's Day

Week 3: Program Practice/Program

Week 4: School's Out for Summer!

Nursery Rhyme:

Mary had a little lamb

Reminders:

- Please send in RSVP totals for our end of the year program/picnic by Friday, May 10th. This will allow us to plan accordingly.
- Thank you for being a part of Pleasant View Preschool and allowing us to watch your child(ren) grow during the school year. We have enjoyed lots of fun things. We hope you have a great summer!

Important Dates:

5/1- Dance Party

5/3- Picnic Snack

5/5- Tuition is due

5/6- Pizza/Ice Cream Party

5/6- Pie Mr. Dave Day

5/12- Mother's Day

5/17- Last day of school

5/17- Program @ 10am Picnic to follow

May Birthday's:

5/18- Theo

Summer Birthdays:

6/9- Leon

6/11- Hudson

6/11- Kendyll 7/14- Kason

6/26- Elowyn 8/7- Parker

Contact Info:

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Remind App:

Remind.com/join/nmeado