

Bluemont United Methodist Church Newsletter –September 2020
West Loudoun Charge (Bluemont UMC and Roszell Chapel) Rev. Pam Baldwin
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Mission Outreach

Our contributions to Loudoun Hunger Relief (our local food bank) for August was \$295 in donations.

We make a monthly contribution to the Tree of Life, they service western Loudoun County. Their Branches include Food, Shelter, Life skills, Healthcare and Relief.

Keep our missionaries in prayer. Missionary offering is the first Sunday of each month. The council voted to start supporting the Dornan's again and will continue to support Jacques Akasa, a medical bush pilot in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and a laity member of the Commission on the Way Forward.

Mark Your Calendars

September 8, 2020 – Tuesday – 7 pm – Council meeting at the church

September 23, 2020 – Wednesday – 7 pm – UMW Meeting at the church

The UMW event for providing Christmas for underprivileged children is called "Sponsor a Child" and we are asking for donations during the month of September. Your help will be greatly appreciated since we are unable to have the Bluemont Fair this year. Details are provided on a flyer you will receive at church or via e-mail.

Looking Ahead

October 10, 2020 – Charge Conference Meeting – 9:30 am by zoom

The church is holding a "Sock Drop" event during the month of October. Donations of new socks will be furnished to homeless shelters, so start now to look for good socks that are on sale. With the cooler weather on the horizon, these socks will be greatly needed. We plan to make delivery of them early in November.

Bible Studies

Monday Evenings – 7 PM – at the church – back at Roszell – discussing scripture from Sunday

Thursday Mornings – 10 AM – in the church Fellowship Hall – led by Ralph Buddenhagen – new study will be parables - **resuming October 3rd**

Prayer Concerns

David & Patsy Spring, Bud Anderson, Tracey Kline, Dean Harris, Eddie Ramsey, Mason Butts, Wilbur Glasscock, Janice Coon, Kelly Carroll, Judy Palladinetti, April Witkowski, Barbara Beasley, and Tinadawn Stratton.

CARE GROUPS: Reminder to be in touch with those in your care group. (See Winnie Kelley for your Care Group assignment). We are “the church” – 1 Thessalonians 5:11 ESV - “Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing”.

Sadly, our church recently lost two faithful and very loved members. Peggy Smallwood passed away on July 11 and is sorely missed. Peggy loved coming to church and enjoyed the music so much. She was in our choir until her health began to fail. We will always remember Peggy's great talent for crocheting and her generosity in making afghans for our yard sales and scarves for our gifts at Christmas to senior citizens.

James Allder passed away on August 3 and was a member of Bluemont UMC for many years. James wore several hats as the greeter on Sunday mornings, the usher taking collection and a member of the choir. He was also a charter member of the Men for Christ. James was our "numbers man". Any Sunday that you wanted to know what we were singing, just ask James and he could rattle off the hymn number right away! The right side of the church will never look the same without James and Peggy in their pews.

Our Men and Women in Uniform

Owen Aronhalt – US Navy, Florida, grandson of Butch and Nancy Aronhalt

Chris Baldwin – US Army, Florida, nephew of Janice Coon

Taylor Beasley – US Air National Guard, Virginia, granddaughter of Barbara Beasley and daughter of Gail and Allen Beasley

Mackie Brownell – US Army, Poland (2018-2020), cousin of Joyce Beck

Dan Hilferty – US Air Force, nephew of Rick and Judy Palladinetti

Bobby Hubbard – US Coast Guard, grandson of Teccie Denny, and nephew of Tinadawn Stratton

Margaret Milbourne – US Army, granddaughter of Jean Milbourne

Hayes Powell – US Air Force, son of Rusty and Linda Powell

Dylan Sisk, US Navy, son of Scott Sisk

David Bentley

Paul McClain

Also in our prayers: Boulder Crest Retreat, for the staff, volunteers, and guests who come to the mountains to refresh, renew and heal.

September

Happy Birthday to:	Dave Bell	September 4
	Sunnie Lampl	September 6
	Patsy Spring	September 10
	Ryan Reid	September 16
	Jackson Depoy	September 25

Happy Anniversary to:	Judy & Rick Palladinetti	September 5
	Betty & Sonny Colbert	September 10
	Ann & Paul Rose	September 11
	Jeff & Erin Corber	September 14

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