

The Last Quarter of the Year Is Always Busy!

By Rev. Frank Wyche, Pastor

It seems like Christmas comes earlier and earlier. Don't we all go through this every year? This year, I saw my first special issue of a magazine for Christmas in *August!*

Certainly the end of the year seems to collapse upon itself, crowding more and more activities into less and less time. (Unless, of course, you're a child in school, when the days before holidays seem to drag on forever!)

Special worship services, special offerings, and special events abound from October through December.

Here at Hebron, we will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper three times in the last three months of the year – World Communion Sunday Oct. 3, Christ the King Sunday Nov. 21, and Christmas Eve at our 10:00 p.m. service.

Mission events will include the CROP Walk in October, Operation Christmas Child (or the "Shoebbox Project") in November, and ringing bells for the Salvation Army in December.

Special fellowship events will include our covered-dish luncheon on Heritage Sunday, Oct. 10, and our covered-dish fellowship supper (or the Sunday School fellowship supper/Christmas Party) in December.

Activities at worship will include a congregational meeting will be held Oct. 17 to elect new elders, observance of Reformation Sunday Oct. 31, the Community Thanksgiving Service Nov. 24 (details to follow, but if the past calendar continues, the service will be held at Smoky Row Baptist Church, and Pastor Frank will preach the sermon), the observance of Advent for four consecutive Sundays beginning Nov. 28, and an afternoon and an evening Christmas Eve service.

We will have special offerings for Peacemaking on



Sunday, Oct. 3 – *World Communion Sunday; Peacemaking Offering; Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.; Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.*

Sunday, Oct. 10 – *Heritage Sunday, Covered-Dish Luncheon following Worship; Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.; Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.*

Monday, Oct. 11 – *Kitchen Clean-Up Day*

Tuesday, Oct. 12 – *Circles 1 & 2, 1:30 p.m.*

Sunday, Oct. 17 – *Congregational Meeting following Worship to Elect New Elders; Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.; Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.*

Wednesday, Oct. 20 – *Men of the Church supper meeting, 6:30 p.m.*

Thursday, Oct. 21 – *Session meets, 7:00 p.m.*

Sunday, Oct. 24 – *Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.; Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.*

Wednesday, Oct. 27 – *PEP Club, 1:00 p.m.*

Sunday, Oct. 31 – *Reformation Sunday; Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Hunger Offering; CROP Walk; Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; [No Youth Group tonight due to CROP Walk].*

Oct. 3, for Thanksgiving in November, and the Christmas Joy offering in December, as well as regular collections for SACRA and Valley Mission, plus many folks will try to bring their annual pledges up to date.

And then there are the secular (non-church) observances
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Heritage Sunday Will Feature Covered-Dish Luncheon and Church Timeline

Hebron will celebrate its annual Heritage Sunday on Sunday, Oct. 10. Please bring a dish or two of food and join us for a covered-dish luncheon immediately following morning worship. Beverages will be provided by the church. Join us for food and fellowship, and in-

vite friends and former members to attend.

Items of historical significance or interest concerning Hebron and its people are being collected as part of the observance of Heritage Sunday. These items (photos,
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Minutes For Regular Session Meeting Held August 19

The Session of Hebron Presbyterian Church held its stated monthly meeting on Thursday, Aug. 19, at 7:00 p.m. Minutes of the meeting were approved at the Sept. 16 Session meeting and are printed here:

Present: Elders Glenn Mader, Frank Henderson, Joan Wright, Fred Smiley, Hannah Bush, Lorrie Dean, Jan Botkin, Tom Cook, Martha Sieck, The-resa Moore, Treasurer Michael Ruleman, Clerk of Session Alan Mayer, Moderator Rev. Frank Wyche. **Excused:** Elder Jeff Simmons. **Absent:** Elder Jon Arneson. **Guest:** Richard Rathburn, Chairman of Property Committee

A quorum being present, the Moderator opened the meeting at 7:01 p.m. with prayer, followed by a devotional based on Matthew 5:43-48 from the Sermon on the Mount.

Clerk's Report: Session approved the minutes of the July 1, 2010, Stated Session Meeting as presented. Session approved a motion to move Betty G. Piner back onto the active roll. Session approved a request from Reba Edwards to transfer to Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church in Blacksburg, VA.

Shenandoah Presbytery Meeting: Elder Alan Mayer will be elder-commissioner at the Aug. 21, 2010, Presbytery meeting in Franklin, WV.

Old Business: None

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Michael Ruleman distributed a report of fund balances as of Aug. 19, 2010, and a report of receipts and disbursements since the last meeting. There were no unusual expenses noted. The General Fund stands at (- \$492.83) which is an improvement of \$2,054.90 since the last report. Session received and approved the report.

Committee Reports:

Property (Glenn Mader, Tom Cook, Fred Smiley): Session approved a committee recommendation to contract with Steve and Lisa Beechers for a five-part repair project involving preparatory work, painting, and window re-glazing at the Church, Scout Hut, and Manse, at a cost will be \$9,545. The Treasurer will draw on available undesignated funds to pay for this project. Session approved the receipt of a gift of two brass light fixtures from Frank and Margaret Henderson and agreed to pay for their restoration and installation. These fixtures will be mounted over the two front doors to the sanctuary and will be done when the Beechers have a lift here to do the painting project.

Stewardship/Finance/Memorials (Frank Henderson, Alan Mayer, Theresa Moore): No report.

Worship (Jan Botkin, Hannah Bush, Lorrie Dean): The committee is discussing an outdoor worship ser-



vice. More details will be forthcoming. A regular worship service is planned for Heritage Sunday on Oct. 10, 2010, and the committee is working on plans for Advent and Christmas Eve worship services.

Cemetery (Alan Mayer, Jan Botkin): Chair Alan Mayer reported on the burial of Carl Trayer, Jr., on July 9, 2010, and Deborah Trayer on Aug. 12, 2010.

Christian Education (Lora Turnage, Hannah Bush): The committee distributed a report of its Aug. 15, 2010, meeting. Session approved the committee recommendation to use the *Uniform Adult Bible Study Series* by Smyth & Helways Publishing for the Adult Sunday School Class. Session approved the use of *Mayberry Comes to Church* video and discussion series for use in the Junior/Senior High Sunday School Class. Session approved Sunday School Teachers for 2010-2011 (all previously approved) and authorized the Commissioning of Sunday School Teachers during morning worship on Sunday, Sept. 12, 2010. The committee has met to discuss the guidelines for the Scott Hickey Memorial Fund; they have made some changes to the guidelines and will present them to the Hickey family.

Commitment/Witness (Martha Sieck): Chair Martha Sieck distributed a report of the Aug. 16, 2010, committee meeting. The report highlighted both current and planned activities. Of special note was the Sept. 11, 2010, Big Tent Event at Massanetta Springs Conference Center coordinated by Shenandoah Presbytery and the Presbyterian Women of Shenandoah Presbytery.

Congregational Ministries (Fred Smiley, Jon Arneson, Glenn Mader): Chair Fred Smiley reported that the committee is continuing with various activities. The new church picture directory has been completed and distributed to families, and the committee is discussing a Hebron History CD.

Fellowship/Service (Joan Wright): No report.

Personnel (Jeff Simmons, Tom Cook, Theresa Moore): Interim organist Luis Gonzalez will continue as organist through the end of August. Beginning in

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News from Aug. 21 Presbytery Meeting

Highlights of August 21, 2010, Meeting of Shenandoah Presbytery at Franklin Presbyterian Church, Franklin, WV.

Actions of Shenandoah Presbytery:

- Increased amount required for cash reserves from \$50,000 to \$200,000 in Standing Rules;
- Elected Larry Mayer (Hebron) to class of 2011 on Nominating Committee;
- Approved 2010 Terms of Call for Installed Pastors;
- Approved the report of the review of 2009 session minutes;

Postponed action until November meeting on a request for a Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program (PILP) Loan for Shepherdstown.

Reports and information shared from:

GA Commissioners and YAAD: written and oral reports;

Council: a task group will be planning how the Presbytery will prepare for and vote on actions from the 219th meeting of the General Assembly; and another group named to examine the future possibility of reducing costs in providing Presbytery offices and in meeting expenses;

Budget & Finance: received record of congregational giving through June, 2010, and the 2011 Preliminary Budget; concern was expressed regarding the weak economy and as a result B&F is committed to use up to \$50,000 from reserves for the 2010 and 2011 budgets;

Committee on Ministry: The committee recommended, "recognizing the ongoing economic conditions within our country, the COM urges churches to strive to provide a 2% compensation increase for their pastor(s) for 2011 for the stability of their ministry." Other actions taken: Approved CIF for Associate Pastor, 1st Waynesboro, and for Burnt to elect a PNC; transferred Susannah Tulloch to Presbytery of New Castle and James (Bill) Moore to Presbytery of Eastern Virginia; dissolved pastoral relationship between Jan Owen with Buffalo Gap and Craigsville (Frank Wyche is interim moderator for the sessions of these two churches), and Lee McDermott with Buckton; approved CLP Contracts for Ray Fitzgerald and Larry Miles for Parish of Shenandoah; approved Stated Supply contract for Bobby Spurgeon for Parish of the Pastures, Temporary Supply contract for Betty Jean Young for New Providence, and Interim Contract for Jan Owen for Tinkling Spring; gave permission to labor inside the bounds for Rev. Fritz Desire; received triennial visit reports; appointed PNC liaisons for Mt. Olive, Buffalo Gap and Craigsville and CLP mentors for Judy Hensley and Isca Mitchell; added Marcia Jaureguizar and Lee McDermott to the Pulpit Supply List.

Thanks From Grady And Erin

(Grady and Erin Phelan were married in March after having met while serving internships with Polyface Farms, during which time they attended Hebron. This summer they sent the following note to the church.)

Dear Hebron Family,

Thank you so very much for all your love and support as we start this new journey together. We are so happy to have been there with all of you as our love grew. The framed picture you sent us of the Stonewall Brigade Bandstand is beautiful and a sweet reminder of all of you and our first un-official date. Meredith, you did a wonderful job of capturing the beauty. We love you all, Grady and Erin Phelan.

Professional Development: On March 4 -5, 2011, at Massanetta Springs a retreat will be led by Rev. Cynthia Rigby, Austin Presbyterian Seminary; grants have been given for continuing education to clergy, CLP's, educators, and musicians.

"The Big Event" scheduled for Sept. 11 at Massanetta Springs was promoted, including opportunities for worship, workshops and mission fair.

Moffett for Mission: Tomahawk Presbyterian Church received the grant to assist in purchasing equipment for a Youth Praise Band.

Partnership with Ethiopia: Annual Banquet to be held Friday, Oct. 15, at Warrenton Presbyterian Church.

World Wide Ministries: The committee met with Hunter Farrell on staff in Louisville, KY; the *Catch the Mission Spirit* and *Mission Crossroads* booklets were highlighted, plus a reminder of the \$2.00 per member giving to support missionaries

Committee on Preparation for Ministry: Shawn Hevener has been assessed ready to receive a call; recommend Becca Siddle move to candidacy (she will come before Presbytery at a later date); and request for prayers for four individuals taking ordination exams

Church Development Committee: A Task Force appointed to dispose of the property for Stone's Chapel has begun working, and the sale of a portion of the Kearneysville property to the WV Department of Transportation is being reviewed.

Presbyterian Campus Ministry is gathering names of Presbyterian students attending JMU, Bridgewater and Blue Ridge; developing the Wednesday night programs, worship and meals; and is planning for Collegiate Conference at Montreat following Christmas and an alternative spring break trip to Nashville, TN.

The next stated meeting of Presbytery is Nov. 9 at Massanetta Springs Conference Center.

For more information on presbytery meetings, contact Pastor Frank or see the presbytery's internet webpage at: <http://www.shenpres.org/>

Hebron Again Supporting 'Operation Christmas Child'

Hebron will once again participate in "Operation Christmas Child," often known as "The Shoebox Project." This year, the Sisters in Christ Circle will be assisted by the Hebron Youth Group in packing shoeboxes for delivery to needy children around the world.

The Commitment/Witness Committee decided that the church will once again provide the boxes, and members are asked to give the contents, or to make financial gifts to buy materials and/or pay for postage.

Now is the time to shop for a child by filling a shoe box with appropriate items listed in the green brochure which is included with the shoebox. The brochure and regular or plastic shoeboxes are available in the Session



Room and vestibules.

Use the instructions in the flyer on what types of gifts are needed (see list later in this article), and how to label the box for a boy or girl, and the appropriate age category.

National collection week for this project is Nov. 15-22, so we are asking that any shoeboxes given by Hebron be returned to the church by Sunday, Nov. 14. You can bring your filled shoebox to the church office anytime, or bring it to church and put it on the floor by the Communion Table on any Sunday morning.

The cost of mailing a shoebox is \$7 again this year. If money is not given for mailing, the church will cover the costs as mission giving. If you wish to pay for your own box or for others, or if you wish to give so that the church can buy more materials to go into gift boxes, please write a check payable to Hebron Presbyterian Church with "Operation Christmas Child" or "Shoebox Project" on the memo line, or you may put cash in the collection plate. If you give cash, please do not use your regular offering envelope; put it in a different envelope, or attach a note so that the church treasurer will know that the money goes to this mission project.

GIFT SUGGESTIONS

TOYS: small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoes, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky®, etc.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring books, picture books, etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS: toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.

OTHER: sunglasses, socks, flashlights (with extra batteries), lollipops, hard candy, mints, gum (please double-bag all candy), ball caps, T-shirts, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches.



A PERSONAL

NOTE: In a separate envelope, you may enclose a note to the child and a

photo of yourself or your family. (If you include your name and address, the child may write back.)

DO NOT INCLUDE: used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snowglobes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

Thank you for sharing in bringing joy to children around the world this Christmas.

CROP Walk Will Be Oct. 31

The CROP Hunger Walk – ending hunger one step at a time – will be Sunday, Oct. 31, and, as usual Hebron will participate.

If you are unable to give your contribution to a walker, you may give it or mail it to the Hebron treasurer, Mike Ruleman. Be sure to note that your donation is for the CROP Walk.

Some 2,000 communities across the country take part each year including different ages, faiths and backgrounds. Why walk? Hungry people in developing countries typically walk as much as six miles a day to get food, water and fuel. CROP Hunger Walks help fight hunger and poverty locally (25% of money raised in this area is given to SACRA) and globally. One out of every seven people in the world is hungry. Each day 16,000 children die from hunger-related causes – one every five seconds. More details later in the bulletin.

Just \$72 can provide emergency food supplies for a family of five's needs for a month.

Upcoming Cub Scout Activities

Cub Scout Pack 122, sponsored by Hebron, will hold a Flag Retirement Ceremony on Oct. 12 at 1:00 p.m. at Beverly Manor Elementary School in association with the Daughters of the American Revolution.

The Pack will be collecting food on Sunday, Oct. 17, at the church. Boxes will be in the vestibule for contributions, and your support is appreciated.

6 *Presbyterian Women Decide Budget, Upcoming Activities*

The first meeting of Circles Nos. 1 and 2 got off to a good start on Sept. 14 with a good attendance and introduction to the book of Revelation. Hilda Dundas opened the meeting with scripture and prayer. As the ladies had met in July to discuss the plans for the coming year, little business was necessary.

Hilda announced that it had been suggested the ladies might enjoy meeting in the homes of members once in a while and that we might have a salad lunch before the circle meeting sometime. The only decision that was made was that we would go if we were invited, and it was thought we should pursue the idea of having a salad lunch later. Would this increase our attendance? Let us know what you think.

The Men's Supper will be served by the Sisters in Christ Circle in September, and by Circle No. 1 (Peggy Hewitt's) in October.

Maxine Carpenter told of her plans in selling raffle tickets at \$5 each for the opportunity to win a beautiful quilt. (More details are on Page 3 of this issue of the *Hebron Herald*.)

Meredith Arneson was thanked again for a "job well done" on the *Celebration of Life* memorial program Sept. 7. She advised that additional copies of the program and a CD are available for any who would like a copy; just call Meredith, 337-8097.

Pastor Frank presented a very interesting and informative summary of Revelation clearing up a lot of misconceptions. Many commented after the meeting that they felt they finally knew something about Revelation. In Lesson One we learned what an apocalypse is; who John, the author, is; how he introduced himself; and his urgent vision written in code to the struggling churches in Asia Minor (now Turkey) in the Roman Empire.

Corrections to PW Directories

Please make the following corrections to the Presbyterian Women's Directory:

- Mary Margaret Clifton's telephone number is 886-3227;
- Theresa Moore's telephone number is 886-8582; and,
- Add Betty Piner to Circle No. 1 (Peggy Hewitt's) and her telephone number is 337-2212.

Confirmation Class Planned

A Confirmation Class will be offered this fall for anyone wishing to become baptized or to join the church.

The class will be held during the Sunday School hour. A starting date will be announced later. Contact Pastor Frank for more information.

October Birthdays And Anniversaries

October birthdays are:

Mike Dundas	1		
Eugene Underwood	1		
Brenda Smiley	2		
Brogan Cash	3		
Junior Hewitt	3		
Zachary Smiley	3		
Geneva Mader	7		
Meredith Arneson	9		
Alex Brown	13		
Joan Wright	13		
Tammy Moyer	14		
Nancy Cook	15	Bobbie Kennedy	22
Rachel Brown	17	Elaine Wyche	24
Dennis Hewitt	18	Linda Brown	26
Lorrie Dean	19	Curtis Wood	27
Mike Fallin	19	John Ott	30
Keyser Kirtley	19	Skip Harmon	31
Gene Tuttle	21	Kaleb Zwart	31



Birthdays & ANNIVERSARIES

Very special birthday wishes to: Junior Hewitt who will be 82 on the 3rd; Nancy Cook who will be 82 on the 15th; Rachel Brown who will be 89 on the 17th; Gene Tuttle who will be 83 on the 21st; Curt Wood who will be 82 on the 27th; Jake Ott who will be 84 on the 30th; and Skip Harmon who will be 80 on the 31st.

Congratulations to: Dick and Jean Miller who will be married 53 years on the 19th; Gene and Janet Tuttle who will be married 55 years on the 22nd; and Skip and Bobbi Harmon who will be married 55 years on the 29th.

Reminder: If you have been omitted from our birthday list, or if you know of someone who should be included, please call the church at 885-1648 with the information, as we don't want to miss anyone.

Resources for Bible Study on Revelation

Pastor Frank led the Bible Study on Revelation at the Sept. 14 meeting of Circles Nos. 1 & 2, covering the Introduction and Lesson 1 of the Horizons Bible Study book, *Journeys through Revelation: Apocalyptic Hope for Today*.

In addition to giving tips on how to read Revelation and how to interpret many of the signs and images presented in the book, he showed two brief videos by the author of the book, Rev. Dr. Barbara A. Rossing.

These videos can be viewed online at the Presbyterian Women's "YouTube" channel at the internet web address:

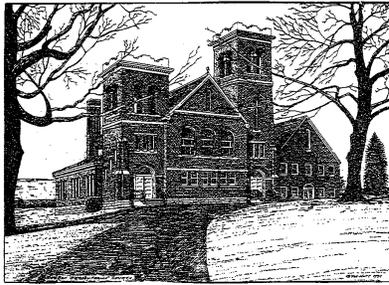
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Sunday Services:

- Sunday School, 9:55 A.M.
- Morning Worship, 11:00 A.M.
- Youth Group, 6:30-8:00 P.M.
- Bible Study, 7:00-8:00 P.M.

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OCTOBER

World Communion Sunday and Peacemaking Offering Oct. 3

Hebron will participate in World Communion Sunday on Sunday, Oct. 3, joining churches of different denominations throughout the world in celebrating the Lord's Supper. Please prepare your hearts and minds to receive the sacrament.

World Communion Sunday is also the day we receive the annual Peacemaking Offering of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Twenty-five percent (25%) of the offering stays with Hebron for local mission work, such as SACRA, Valley Mission, New Directions, etc. The rest goes to Shenandoah Presbytery and the denomination for other missions regionally, nationally and internationally.

Contributions will be accepted throughout the month. You may use the Peacemaking Offering envelopes provided, or you can write on your regular envelope or your check memo line that you wish all or a portion of your gift to go to Peacemaking. Thank you for participating in this outreach of the Commitment/Witness Committee.

World Communion Sunday began in the Presbyterian Church in 1936, with Presbyterian churches throughout the United States and the world all observing the sacrament of the Lord's Supper on the same Sunday.

For many years it was called "Worldwide Communion Sunday." In 1940, the Federal Council of Churches (a forerunner of the National Council of Churches, of which the PC(USA) is a member) adopted the observance, and commended it to the many Christian denominations throughout the U.S. and the world.

Today World Communion Sunday is observed on the first Sunday of October, serving as a tangible as well as a symbolic reminder that all Christians are members of the one Church, the body of Christ in the world.



Sunday, Oct. 3, 2010