

World Communion, Hebron Heritage, Protestant Heritage

By Frank Wyche, Pastor

Things will be a little bit different this year when we observe Heritage Sunday at Hebron on Oct. 11.

Because of the renovations under way in the Kitchen, we will not have our usual covered-dish luncheon for Heritage Sunday. Instead of asking folks to bring food to the event, the church will provide a lunch of "lighter fare" including sandwiches and other foods, to be served on disposable plates. We will still have plenty of food, so please plan to join us after worship for this special time of food and fellowship!

Other special events in October include World Communion Sunday on Oct. 4; receiving the PCUSA Peace and Global Witness Offering (formerly the Peacemaking Offering) on Oct. 4; the CROP Walk on Oct. 11; Reformation Sunday on Oct. 25; and the final meeting of the PEP Club for 2015.

October is also the time to begin collecting for Operation Christmas Child, the Shoebox Project of Samaritan's Purse (see story on page 3). The collection begins so early because the national collection dates are Nov. 16-23. The Commitment/Witness Committee has set a deadline of Sunday, Nov. 8, for folks to contribute the shoeboxes, so that we can deliver them to our local collection point during the week of the 16th.

World Communion Sunday and receipt of the Peace and Global Witness Offering are both on Oct. 4 (see article on back page). Please prepare your hearts and minds to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, as we join Christians throughout the world in sharing communion on the same day as a reminder of our unity in Christ.

The Peacemaking and Global Witness Offering is one of four national offerings received by churches in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), of which Hebron is a member. The others are the Christmas Joy Offering at Christmas, the One Great Hour of Sharing on Easter, and the Pentecost Offering.

Twenty-five percent of the Peacemaking Offering is distributed by Hebron, and the rest goes to area, national and international mission work through Shenandoah Presbytery, the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic, and the PCUSA. Our portion has been designated to go to sup-



Sunday, Oct. 4 – *World Communion Sunday; Peace and Global Witness Offering; Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Hebron Youth, 6:30*

Sunday, Oct. 11 – *Heritage Sunday: Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m. with church-sponsored luncheon afterward; CROP Walk, 2:30 p.m.; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.*

Tuesday, Oct. 13 – *Circles 1 & 2, 1:30 p.m.*

Sunday, Oct. 18 – *Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.*

Thursday, Oct. 22 – *Session meets, 7:00 p.m.*

Sunday, Oct. 25 – *Reformation Sunday; Sunday School, 9:55 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.*

Wednesday, Oct. 28 – *PEP Club, 1:00 p.m.*

Saturday, Oct. 31 – *All Saints Eve/Halloween*

Sunday, Nov. 1 – *All Saints Sunday*

port the Central Valley Office on Youth, which serves "at risk" youth in our area.

The CROP Walk in Staunton will also be Oct. 11, beginning downtown at 2:30 p.m. Hebron has traditionally had a number of folks participate in the event, both as walkers and as financial contributors.

Reformation Sunday will be Oct. 25 this year. The Protestant Reformation is historically considered to have begun on Oct. 31, 1517, when Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses to the church door of the Wittenburg Cathedral.

Reformation Sunday is observed on the last Sunday of October each year. It isn't always the Sunday closest to Oct. 31, because All Saints Day is Nov. 1. So the last Sunday of October is Reformation Sunday, while the first Sunday of November is All Saints Sunday.

Presbyterian and Reformed churches trace their histories to the Protestant Reformation, specifically to the writings and theology of John Calvin (1509-1564).

Please join us in participating in all of these special events and activities, and look forward to even more in November and December!

Pastor Frank

Minutes For Regular Session Meeting Held August 20

The Session of Hebron Presbyterian Church held its stated monthly meeting on Thursday, Aug. 20, at 7:00 p.m. Minutes of the meeting were approved at the Sept. 24 Session meeting and are printed here:

Present: Elders Hannah Bush, Lorrie Dean, Allen Martin, Jim McGavock, Joann Weikert, Mike Fallin, Clerk of Session Robin Moyer, Moderator Rev. Frank Wyche; and Treasurer Mike Ruleman. **Excused:** Elders Tom Cook, Doug Trimble, Jan Kitts, and Anita Tuttle. **Absent:** Ross Shull, Scott Martin, David Obenschain, and Martha Sieck.

A quorum being present, the Moderator opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with devotions from Ephesians 3:14-21.

Clerk's Report: Session approved minutes of the Stated Session Meeting of July 23, 2015. Session also approved the removal of Sondra Moore from church roll following her death on Aug. 5, 2015.

Treasurer's Report: Handout was provided by Treasurer Michael Ruleman with a detailed Report of Fund Balances as of August 20, 2015. The general fund continues in the red at (-\$30,710.07). The total in our checking and savings stands at \$147,796.30.

Presbytery Matters: The next meeting of Shenandoah Presbytery will be Saturday, Aug. 22, at 9:00 a.m. at Massanutten Presbyterian Church in Penn Laird. Anita Tuttle will be Elder Commissioner. Alternates will be Elders Martha Sieck and Hannah Bush.

Old Business: Everyone was reminded of the Highland Augusta Mission Community Elder Summit to be held on Nov. 8, 2015, at Second Presbyterian Church in Waynesboro, VA.

Committee Reports

Christian Ed (Scott Martin, Jim McGavock): Scholarship Sunday was Aug. 9. Back to Sunday School Brunch has been canceled due to kitchen renovations. All Sundays for Junior Church have been filled: 1st Sunday, Tracy Mayer; 2nd Sunday, Donna Moyer; 3rd Sunday, Hebron Youth; 4th Sunday, Scott and Julia Martin; and 5th Sunday, Robin Ruleman.

Commitment/Witness (Mike Fallin, Robin Moyer, Martha Sieck, Scott Martin): Committee's next meeting will be Sept. 2 at 6:00 p.m. Mike Fallin reported on the HAMC meeting on Disaster Preparedness. The new Scout Hut sign was displayed one Sunday during Lemonade on the Lawn.

Congregational Ministries (Mike Fallin, Martha Sieck, Joann Weikert): Contact by cards, calls and visits continue to the homebound. Next committee meeting will be Sept. 9 at 6:30 p.m.



Fellowship/Service (Lorrie Dean, Robin Moyer, Doug Trimble): No report.

Personnel Committee (Hannah Bush): Committee requested help from Fellowship/Service Committee with reception for Luis Gonzalez on Sunday, Aug. 23 during Lemonade on the Lawn. Session approved the resignation of organist Luis Gonzalez effective Sept. 1. Substitutes are being scheduled to play piano and organ. Hannah handed out a copy of the job description and proposed advertisement for a new organist. Session approved an appreciation gift of \$500 to be given to Luis.

Property (Tom Cook, Allen Martin, Jim McGavock, Doug Trimble, Anita Tuttle): Hannah handed out a list of ongoing projects. Energy audit is on hold until a problem with bats in the Education Building is resolved. A bat venting and exclusion project was approved by Session and at a cost of \$7,525, including materials, labor, and a 3 year warranty.

Stewardship (Hannah Bush, Allen Martin, Ross Shull): No report.

Worship (Jan Kitts, David Obenschain, Joann Weikert): Guest preachers are scheduled for Aug. 30 and Sept. 6 in Pastor's absence.

Cemetery (Tom Cook, Jan Kitts, Anita Tuttle): No report.

Pastor's Report: Bible Study on the book of Romans continues on Friday mornings. Pastor is working on the newsletter so that it will be available for pick up at church on Aug. 23. Pastor changed his vacation dates by one day from Aug. 23-Sept. 7 (announced last month) to Aug. 24-Sept. 8. This will not affect preaching schedule. He will be back in the pulpit Sept. 13. He will back in the office Sept. 9 instead of Sept. 8. Rev. Reed Hopkins of Loch Willow has agreed to provide pastoral service as needed while Pastor Frank is away.

New Business: Nominating Committee needs to con-

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Hebron Again Supporting 'Operation Christmas Child'

Hebron will again participate in "Operation Christmas Child," often known as "The Shoebox Project." Our church collection deadline will be Sunday, Nov. 8.

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. Appropriate items are listed in this article, and also in the green brochure which will be included with the shoebox the church will provide. After they are acquired, the brochures and the



shoeboxes will be 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. 16-23, so we are asking that any shoeboxes given by Hebron be returned to the church by Sunday, Nov. 8. 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 early deadline will allow Hebron time to pack shoeboxes, or buy enough to fill partially filled boxes.

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 sharpeners, 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; out-of-date hard candy, 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.

Aug. 20 Session Minutes

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vene. There was also a discussion on whether to reduce the number of elders serving on the Session, but no action was proposed.

The next Stated Session Meeting is scheduled Thursday, Sept. 24, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

The blessings and prayer concerns of the congregation, friends, and relatives were shared by Session for corporate and individual prayer. The meeting was adjourned with prayer by the moderator at 8:10 p.m.

CROP Walk Will Be October 11

The Staunton CROP Walk will be held on Sunday, Oct. 11. CROP Walk is an annual event sponsored by Church World Service to raise money to fight hunger at home and around the world. Different communities hold CROP Walks at various times, and Oct. 11 has been chosen for Staunton this year. CROP Walks are sponsored by religious groups, businesses, schools, and other organizations. Please see Robin Ruleman or any member of the Hebron Youth Group if you are interested in contributing or participating this year. The 4-mile walk in Staunton will begin at 2:30 p.m. at the Central United Methodist Church downtown. You can join the walkers, or you can sponsor them with a donation.

Presbyterian Women News

The Presbyterian Women held their first meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 8, after holding their annual *Celebration of Life* memorial service on Sept. 1.

The meeting of Circles 1 and 2 included the first lesson from the 2015-2016 Horizons Bible Study, *Come to the Waters*. If you have not picked up your copy of the study booklet, copies are on the table under the clock in the hall of the Education Building.

A \$500 gift was recently received in honor of Shirley Shomo. The Women of the Church voted to purchase a new refrigerator, with a freezer, for the kitchen in honor of Shirley, since she enjoyed being the kitchen so much, including preparing meals and keeping everything organized. Louise McGavock and Barbara Moyer will work with Hebron's Property Committee to determine the best location for the new refrigerator in the newly renovated kitchen.

The Presbyterian Women hosted the Shiflet Reunion in August. Their hard work and delicious food produced \$527.12. The women voted to divide the money equally among four local organizations: Meal in a Bag Program, Verona Food Pantry, SACRA, and the Salvation Army. Many thanks go to everyone who assisted with preparing the food and hosting the meal, which made these donations possible.

Addresses for New College Students

Hebron members Conor Cahill and Lynne Moore, 2015 graduates of Buffalo Gap High School, received Hebron Youth Scholarships on Aug. 9 and began college. You can write them at:

Lynne Moore
P.O. Box 5790
Radford, VA 24142

Conor Cahill
Radford University
University of Mary Washington
UMW Box 1211
1701 College Ave
Fredericksburg, VA 22401-4661

Kitchen Renovation Continues

Work continues on the renovation of Hebron's Kitchen, thanks to the Property Committee. Tom Cook and Robert Christian have upgraded plumbing fixtures and electrical outlets before new countertops were to be installed, Tim and Lori Malcolm have been painting, and Fred and Brenda Smiley replaced the ceiling tiles.

It is anticipated that the Kitchen will be functional by Heritage Sunday on Oct. 11, so the Fellowship/Service Committee still plans for a fellowship meal to be held following Morning Worship that day. But since plates,

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
Meredith Arneson	9
Alex Brown	13
Joan Wright	13
Tammy Moyer	14
Nancy Cook	15
Dennis Hewitt	18
Lorrie Dean	19
Mike Fallin	19
Keyser Kirtley	19
Bobbie Kennedy	22



Birthdays & ANNIVERSARIES

Elaine Wyche	24
Linda Brown	26
Michaela Kennedy	28
John Ott	30

Very special birthday wishes to: Junior Hewitt who will be 87 on the 3rd; Nancy Cook who will be 87 on the 15th; and Jake Ott who will be 89 on the 30th.

Congratulations to: Dick and Jean Miller who will have been married 58 years on the 19th.

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.

PEP Club Meets Sept. 30, Oct. 28

The PEP Club (People Enjoying People) will meet Wednesday, Sept. 30, at 1:00 p.m. at the Golden Corral restaurant in Waynesboro. Master Gardener Anita Tuttle will present a program on composting. Everyone is invited to join us for this "dutch treat" event.

The PEP Club's last meeting of the year will be Oct. 28. Plans for the location and program in October will be decided at the Sept. 30 meeting.

utensils, cutlery, and serving dishes have not been unpacked and cleaned, we will not have a covered-dish meal as we traditionally do. Instead, the church will provide all the food, which will be served on disposable plates. (See article on Page 1.)

In addition to working on the Kitchen, the committee has continued maintenance and repairs on our facilities and grounds. Special thanks go to Duane Dean and Tom Cook for taking down the light fixtures and utility poles on the ballfield. Thanks also go to Boy Scout Troop 122 for removing the lights and poles from our grounds.

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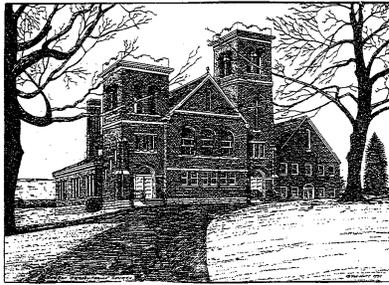
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Sunday School 9:55 A.M./Worship 11 A.M.

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 Ministries available to all ages
 Sunday Services:

Sunday School, 9:55 A.M.

Morning Worship, 11:00 A.M.

Youth Group, 6:30-8:00 P.M.

Bible Study: Friday, 10:00 A.M.

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World Communion Sunday and Peace/Witness Offering Oct. 4

Hebron will participate in World Communion Sunday on Sunday, Oct. 4, joining churches of different denominations throughout the world in celebrating the Lord's Supper.

On Oct. 4 we will also receive the Peace and Global Witness offering of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) (formerly the Peacemaking Offering). Twenty-five percent of the offering stays with Hebron for local distribution. The Commitment/Witness Committee has designated the Central Valley Office on Youth (serving "at risk" youth) to receive the 25% to be dispersed at our discretion. The rest goes to Shenandoah Presbytery, Synod of the Mid-Atlantic, and the PC(USA) for regional, national, and international mission projects.

Contributions will be accepted throughout the month. You may use the Peace and Global Witness Offering envelopes in the vestibules, 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 "Peace and Global Witness."

World Communion Sunday began in the Presbyterian Church in 1936, with Presbyterian churches in the United States and throughout 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 Presbyterian Church (USA) is a member) adopted the observance, and commended it to the many Christian denominations throughout the U.S. and the world; since then, many denominations have joined the observance.



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