



October



Greetings in the name our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ – the One who redeems, restores, renews, refreshes, recreates, resurrects and revives! Revival – we’ve been talking much about it lately! But hopefully, as the people of God, we are doing more than talking about it. Hopefully, we are seeking it by first seeking His Face.

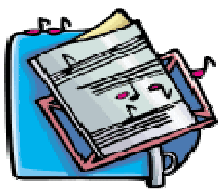
Have we considered what possible barriers there may be that are preventing revival from coming? “Perhaps the greatest barrier to revival on a large scale is the fact that we are too interested in a great display. We want an exhibition; God is looking for people who will throw themselves entirely on God. Whenever self-effort, self-glory, self-seeking or self-promotion enters into the work of revival, then God leaves us to ourselves.” (Ted S. Rendall)

“If our goal is revival, we will be quite unbalanced when it comes. If our goal is God, we will be able to walk with Him calmly and steadfastly through years of waiting and through the joys and victories of a season of refreshing. Christ crucified and risen is not only the Door, and the Way, but the End also. It is our personal relationship to Him which counts more than anything else. Oh, the need for men and women who know their God! The Church of Christ will only arise militant, triumphant, an ‘exceedingly great army,’ when individuals get rightly related to God.” (Nancy B. Morris)

“If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and will heal their land.” (2 Chron. 7:14). Are we responding to His call – publically ... privately ... passionately ... purposefully ... **prayerfully?**

Lord, revive Your Church and begin with me,

Pastor Chris



MUSIC DEPARTMENT NEWS



I have always been interested in the heritage of Christian hymnody. In many churches today, however, hymnals are not used and the words to all the music is shown on a screen. While this method does free you from holding a hymn book I think it also deprives worshippers from being aware of facts about the hymns being sung. Hymnals not only include the author of the text and composer of the music but often each hymn has a *tune name*. These *tune names* are often related to a location, a person, or words from the text and there is always a listing of these names in the back of hymn books. Recently our opening hymn at both services was “How Great Thou Art” - tune name ‘O Store Gud’ which is Swedish for ‘O Mighty God.’ This hymn is a favorite of many people in churches all around the United States but an interesting fact about this song is that the words are from a poem written by a 26 year old Swedish minister (Carl Boberg) in 1885 and was first sung to an old Swedish melody. It did not achieve much fame at first and it wasn’t until many years later that an English missionary, Stuart Hine, modified the melody and words and used it in his journeys in Russia. Eventually Dr. Edwin Orr heard the song being sung in India and decided it would be a great song to use at a conference he was attending in California. He contacted Mr. Hine and the song was copyrighted in 1953. The next year George Beverly Shea received a copy of the song and he used it during a Billy Graham Crusade in Toronto, Canada. “How Great Thou Art” made its debut in New York during a 1957 Billy Graham Crusade and the rest is history.

The words of the original poem by Boberg literally translate as: *When I the world consider / Which Thou has made by Thine almighty Word / And how the webb of life Thou wisdom guideth / And all creation feedeth at Thy board. Then doth my soul burst forth in song of praise / Oh, great God, O great God!*

When you get a chance I hope you will take some time to look through our hymnal and consider the great heritage we have in the songs of the church. Many of them tell a story about the past and the great faith of those who have gone before us as well as offering praise to our God. Whether you are looking for classical hymns, gospel hymns, inspirational choruses or praise songs they can be found in our hymnal.

Blessings! Pam



PRAYER & PRAISE SERVICE WILL BE

OCT 9TH AT 6:00PM

We welcome our preschool & afterschool students to a new year full of fun and excitement.



CHILI/BEAN/SOUP LUNCHEON TO BE HELD SUNDAY, OCT. 2nd

Mark your calendar now to attend this luncheon to be held immediately after 11:00am church service on October 2nd you don’t want to miss this! Everyone is welcome!

We will be needing volunteers to bring soup, beans, chili, cornbread or dessert. Watch for the insert in the church bulletin to sign up. Any questions call Sherry Claar (727-1601). Invite a friend or neighbor.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Oct. 2 Bean Soup, Chili Luncheon 12:15pm
- Oct. 9 Prayer & Praise 6:00pm
- Oct. 23 Brazillian Luncheon with Special guests Enoc & Cristina, Open Arms Foundation 12:15pm
- Oct 23 Session 6:00pm
- Oct 26 Trunk or Treat following Family Night Dinner



Pantry Needs

Greetings from the

pantry

Our numbers are ever growing with needs of food and toiletries items and cleaning supplies. This is a list of some of the items we are running low on.

Thank you for your continued support through donation and prayer.

Carol Buck Director
304 421 4860

Rice sides, cereal, and oats/oatmeal

All types canned meat (Treet, canned chicken, tuna)

Canned vegetables needed: greens, pinto, kidney, navy, peas, carrots, pumpkin

Dishwashing liquid and toilet paper

Again...Thank you for your support



Women's notes



We will be meeting Tuesday Oct 11th .

Will be meeting Monday Oct. 17th. At Hanna Bowman's home.



2011 Christmas Baskets.

For those interested in receiving a Christmas Food Basket this year, sign-ups will be held Tuesdays at the Food Pantry, St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 405 B Street, St. Albans, and 10:00 AM to Noon on Wednesdays at Christ's Kitchen, also at St. Mark's Episcopal Church.



It's time for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes! National Collection Week is November 14th-21st. Watch for additional info in upcoming bulletins...any questions, call Toni Sayre 304-727-6895.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT KITCHEN CREW SCHEDULE

- Oct. 5th Pam Johnson & Laura Cottrill
- Oct 12th Pam Johnson & Hannah Bowman
- 3 Oct 19th Judy Clingenpeel & Linda Means
- Oct 26th Joyce Ryan & Bob Wilson



PATSY'S CAKE

- 1/2 cup nuts
- 1 box yellow cake mix
- 1 small box instant vanilla pudding
- 4 eggs
- 1 cup water
- 1/2 cup oil
- Few drops vanilla

Icing/Glaze

- 1 stick butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup water
- Few drops vanilla

Grease tube pan and place nuts in bottom of pan.

Combine cake mix with instant pudding, eggs, water, oil and vanilla. Beat 3 minutes. Pour into pan. Bake at 300 degrees for 60-70 minutes.

Icing/Glaze

Melt butter, add sugar water and vanilla. Boil 3 minutes. As soon as cake comes out of oven, prick with meat fork and slowly pour the mixture over the cake while still in pan.

Wait one hour before turning out onto plate.

Submitted by "Joanna Rhoads"

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WALK AGAINST HUNGER

To the Church and friends of the St Albans area

Greetings!

It is time for us to make preparations for the 22nd annual St Albans Walk against Hunger. In the past 21 years the walk has help raise over . The money raised will help give people hot meals, a place to stay, a utility from being turned off and food to take home to their families. The date for the walk has been set for **Sunday, October ??? at 2:00 p.m.** starting at the loop parking lot.

The proceeds are divided between Christ Kitchen, St Albans Food Pantry, Jericho House and St Albans Care and Share. We realize that many of our Churches, businesses and individuals already support these agencies. With winter coming and area jobs leaving these agencies are feeling the stress of trying to keep up with the needs within our community. You can help support these agencies and their work in a number of ways. The best way to help is to have someone in your congregation or organization organize a group of walkers that can participate by obtaining sponsors. Even if you would just mention the Walk in your bulletins, newsletters, company meetings, from the pulpit and place bulletin boards flyers up would be very helpful. Please encourage people to come out and Walk to end hunger in St Albans.

All donations should be made by check and made out and sent to

ST ALBANS WALK AGAINST HUNGER
 C/O Dot Finn, Treasurer
 1097 Highland Dr
 St Albans, WV 25177

Thank you for your continued support In Loving Memory of Clarence Williams

Carol Buck St Albans Food Pantry Director 2010 Walk for Hunger coordinator 304 421 4860



**Service Learning Project
Give 2 the Troops
Ready to Get Involved**

A few weeks ago Pam Johnson and Julie Lukowski met with our Wednesday Night Kids and talked about their sons' military careers. Both mothers are very proud of their sons. We were told about the military activities that both Chris and Ben are involved in. We found out that both Chris and Ben went to pre school at Riverlawn and grew up in our church. We also found out that Chris likes "fast break" candy bars and Ben loves to run. Both Moms shared with the children, the love that their sons' have for the Lord. The children got a chance to "know" our tow soldier's before they start to pack their boxes. The Wednesday night kids are also creating patriotic posters, have you noticed how hard they are coloring and painting pictures. We will put a poster in each box.

Now we need your help. We are planning to pack four (4) boxes one for Chris (Army), Ben (Marine), Drew and Taylor Reed's Uncle Lance (marine) and a fourth package for a soldier serving in Iraq. Here is a list of the most needed and requested items by our troops. You can visit the web site at www.give2thetroops.org. to get the complete list of items and what cannot be sent:

- Beef Jerk/Slim Jims
- Instant Drink Mixes (Gatorade, Kool-aid, Crystal Light)
- Protein Powders
- Coffee, Hot Chocolate Packets
- Tuna in foil pouches (no cans)
- Liquid Hand Sanitizer (travel Size)
- Body Wash
- Batteries "AA", AAA" and "C"
- DVD Movies (New or used-recent releases)
- Xbox Games (New or Used)
- PS2 Games (New or Used)
- Portable CD Players/head phones

We will have a place in the Gym where you can place any items you would like to provide. If you prefer to leave the shopping to us, monetary donations can be given. Please place in the memo section of your check: Troops Package



Prayer Concerns

The McLaren family; Bill & Nancy Young; Ali Lipscomb; Rob Kelly; Bill & Janet Young; Jane McKinley; Jane Lothes' aunt Edye & her sister Kathy Barnes; Jan Owens ; Sally Murray; Doc Ranson; also remember those serving in the military.



After Church Fellowship

Oct. 2	8:45am	Gierch's
Oct. 9	8:45am	Linda Means
	11:00am	Janice/Don
Oct. 16	8:45am	Betty Wilson

Come join us for lunch after the 11:00am service on October 23, featuring food from Brazil, prepared by Cristina K. Hernandez, missionary with the Open Arms Foundation.

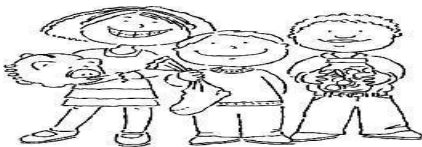
Cristina and her husband Enoc will be here on the 23rd to share with us what is going on in Colombia.

The session has approved this luncheon as a fundraiser event for the Open Arms Foundation and for the Hernandez family. We are suggesting a donation of \$10 per person for the lunch, but any and all donations are greatly appreciated. Upon request, you will receive a receipt for your donation.

Please let us know that that you are planning to attend by calling the church office (304)727-8872 or RSVP to Barb or Jim Recknagel. Thanks for your support of this important ministry.



- 1 Bill Michael
- 3 Janet Brubaker
- 5 Greg Sayre
- 6 Chris Johnson
- 8 Renee Rawlings
- 10 Sandy Mandeville
- 11 Dave Monday
- 12 Joe Wehrle
- 13 Linda Monday
- 14 Paul Dollison
- 16 Hannah Palmer
- 19 Joyce Pittard
- 24 Hazel Pritchard (90)
Mary Emmett
- 27 Emma Rose Cavender
- 29 Sherry Nestor
- 30 Butch Herndon



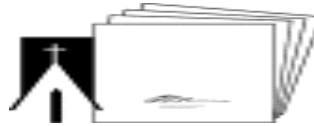
TODDLER NURSERY

- 2nd Sherry Claar
- 9th Becky Sutphin
- 16th Gayle Michael
- 23rd Lucy Suchy
- 30th Carline Dodrill



Junior church

- 2nd Beckie Croghan
- 9th Debbie Roberts
- 16th Nikole Kilbert
- 23rd Susan Bryan
- 30th Joanna Keller



ELDERS

- 2nd Ron Spradling
- 9th Connie Campbell
- 16th Randy Dodrill
- 23rd Barb Recknagel
- 30th Steve Wilson

VISITATION SCHEDULE



- 2nd Mary Reppert 727-3274
- Connie Campbell 727-8786
- 9th Bill Bryan 545-2455
- Randy Dodrill 722-3134
- 16th Emma Rose Cavender 727-4577
- Pat Croghan 552-8302
- 23rd Nancy Young 727-2463
- Barb Reckangel 727-0418
- 30th Betty McAdam 727-8362
- Steve Wilson 722-4475



BUILDING SECURITY

- 2nd Howard Paxton
- 9th Greg Sayre
- 16th Dick Campbell
- 23rd Dennis Emmett
- 30th Pete Lukowski

AFTER CHURCH LOCK UP



- OCTOBER** Emma Rose Cavender
- NOVEMBER** Betty McAdam
- DECEMBER** Marry Reppert