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Field Notes:

"Come on in, the water's fine!"

Seedlings Summer VBS 2024 is right around the corner! We will welcome children ages 4 to 10 for four nights, June 10 - 13 from 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM. Our theme for this year is "Wade in the Water!" Families can easily register their child on the church website. The most important things you can do right now are spread the word and pray for our ministry, volunteers, and the families that will participate. There are of course other ways to help too - check the table outside the church office to sign up! If you have any questions let me know.

We will need volunteers to do the following:

- to assist with decorating (and undecorating)
- to cook, set up, and clean up meals (see Mary Linda to sign up)
- ♦ 2 volunteers (per night) to serve as greeters each night
- ♦ 2 volunteers (per night) to lead art projects (Monday & Wednesday night)
- ◆2 volunteers (per night) to lead simple science experiments (Tuesday & Thursday night)
- ◆2 volunteers (per night) to help supervise recreation outside

Grace & Peace,

Pastor Loren



WEEKLY/MONTHLY OFFERINGS

Mon: Monday Manna in your inbox
Tues: Bell Choir Rehearsal 6 PM & Choir Practice 7 PM
Wed: Women's Circle 10 AM (2nd Wed)
Thurs: Son Salutations 9 AM FB Live Session meeting 7 PM (1st Thurs.)
Sat: Seedlings Storytime 10 AM (1st Sat)
Sun: Adult Sunday School 10 AM & Worship 11 AM
1st Sunday of each month: Communion
2nd Sunday of each month: 4¢ a Meal Offering

Birthdays

AVERY PATTERSON - May 1 BEN PINER - May 3 MARY PEDERSEN - May 6 LINDA BEARD WOOD - May 9 MARY LINDA WOLFE & BROOKLYN JARRELL - May 10 **GERMEL CHISHOLM - May 12** JORDAN BURKS & CARLEIGH PEDERSEN - May 14 CHRIS PATTERSON - May 17 AGGIE STERRETT - May 20 SANDY McLAUGHLIN - May 21 **KEMPER MITCHELL - May 22** MIKE SANDRIDGE - May 29 OLIVER ENGLEMAN, HENRY HARRISON, & JELISA WOLFE - May 30 RYDER O'CONNOR - June 1 RAY BROWN, PAUL BIRD III, & **BEN BROWN - June 2** JOHN PEDERSEN - June 3 MARYLYNN BROWN & PATSY CROSBY - June 6 HELEN PEARSON - June 7 **ROBERT WHIPPLE & TARA CHISHOLM - June 8**

Anniversaries

PAUL & JORDAN BIRD - May 21





















Easter 2024

PRAYER CONCERNS Linda Jean Lunsford (back surgery recovery) • Weekday Religious Education Program • All who are homebound, in nursing homes, & their caregivers • Our Nation, Leaders, & Military

Names will be published on the prayer list for 2 months, unless requested to remain longer. Please contact the church office to add names to the prayer list.

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE - May 15: Submit items for the June issue to Kimberly (call 540-348-5881 or email newprovchurch@gmail.com).

CEMETERY FLOWERS: Mowing season is here. The Cemetery Trustees ask that you remove flowers and all other decorations from the cemetery.



PENTECOST is on Sunday, May 19. Everyone is encouraged to wear their brightest flamecolored attire, red, orange, or yellow!

MOTHER'S DAY/FATHER'S DAY OFFERING: On Mother's Day, an offering will be received to support the Sunnyside Communities Fellowship Fund, which provides financial & personal resources for residents who can no longer fully pay their way. This year you may contribute by indicating your intentions on your check memo or envelope.

SUNDAY FUNDAY VOLUNTEERS:

May 5: Pam Burks; 12: Marguerite Guilford; 19: Danielle Wolfe; 26: Julie Sandridge

STEWARDSHIP MEETING: Sunday, May 12 following worship. Members are invited and encouraged to attend!



MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 27: The church office will be closed in observance of Memorial Day. Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who have died in service of the United States of America. In traditional observance, the flag of

the United States is raised briskly to the top of the staff and then solemnly lowered to the half-staff position, where it remains only until noon. It is then raised to full-staff for the remainder of the day. The half-staff position remembers the more than one million men and women who gave their lives in service of their country. At noon, their memory is raised by the living, who resolve not to let their sacrifice be in vain, but to rise up in their stead and continue the fight for liberty and justice for all. The "National Moment of Remembrance" resolution was passed on December 2000, which asks that at 3 p.m. local time, for all Americans "To voluntarily and informally observe in their own way a Moment of remembrance and respect, pausing from whatever they are doing for a moment of silence or listening to 'Taps'." (Source: usmemorialday.org)

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LITURGIST SCHEDULE:

May 5: Barry Chewning; 12: Isabelle Chewning; 19: MaryLynn Brown; 26: Bruce Patterson

June 2: Sandy McLaughlin; 9: Marguerite Guilford; 16: Mary Linda Wolfe; 23: Isabelle Chewning; 30: MaryLynn Brown

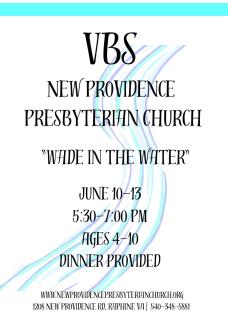
July 7: Bruce Patterson; 14: Sandy McLaughlin; 21: Marguerite Guilford; 28: Mary Linda Wolfe

August 4: Barry Chewning; 11: Isabelle Chewning; 18: Bruce Patterson; 25: MaryLynn Brown



Historical Marker Dedication April 14, 2024





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