

BEULAH & MONTEREY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

e-Newsletter

SEPTMEBER 2025

September Celebrations

Birthdays

September 2 - Stone Chambers September 12 - Barbara Hevener September 20 - Mark Swecker

Anniversaries

September 21 - Anthony & Laura Warner

Prayer List

Casey Ralston, Jennifer Propst, Bill Harman,
Dale Simmons, Caroline Sponaugle,
Cheyna Mason, Christy Thompson,
Kaden Wimer, Joe Simmons, Terry Bradley,
Miriam Helmen, Jane Jones,
Bobbie Jo Gardner, Carol Furr,
Wayne and Teresa Bradley,
Sarah Collins-Simmons, Patricia Donaldson,
Chris Weaver (Christy Fields' mother),
Keith Beumer, Tim Duff, Claudia Bedwell,
Miles Johnston, Becky Magee,
Ramona Arbogast, Marlene Reynolds,
Barbara Hevener, Ray Mueller,
Bill and Mary Lou Cox, Mike and Lisa Jamison,
and Amy Vaus.

Condolences to the family of Ben Schooler.

We pray for all students as they embark on another year of growth and learning.

Back to school blessing

Dear Heavenly Father,

For all the children returning to school, send your Holy Spirit as their guide and protector.

Keep them free from danger and unnecessary harm. Put our sons and daughters in the right place, at the right time, to receive your grace.

Let them learn and grow strong. May the presence of your Spirit fill their hearts.

Help us to mature as parents and caregivers.

Bless every family, oh Lord.

We entrust our children to you, dear God. Since from the beginning, they are yours to keep.

In the name of the greatest Son of all, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Leading Our Worship in September:

September 7: Reverend Chris Scott

September 14: Will Cox, Lay Leader

September 21: TBA

September 28: Reverend David Hindman



SUBSENCE SUB

Mark Your Calendars:

Sunday, September 7: Beulah will host a fellowship meal at 12:30pm on Sunday, September 7th. All food will be provided and everyone is invited to attend...Just bring yourself and a friend or two.

Tuesday, September 16: Monterey
Presbyterian will host a special two-part
'Slices and Scripture' series. All are welcome!
Come at 5:30pm for fellowship and a pizza
dinner and stay to hear the Gospel of John
read aloud. Childcare will be provided.

Questions? Contact Chris Swecker at 540-830-2016 or chrissweck@gmail.com

Tuesday, September 23: Slices and Scripture Part 2 from 5:30-7pm at Monterey Presbyterian . All are welcome! On August 27, an 8 and 10 year old were killed in <u>a shooting at Minneapolis' Annunciation Catholic School.</u>

They were shot through an open window during a Mass marking the first week of class.

Seventeen other people were treated for injuries, with the youngest victim being 6 years old.

A Litany and Prayer after the Minneapolis Shooting

For the children killed and the children wounded, for parents, families and all who grieve — **Lord, have mercy.**

For the people of Minneapolis, shaken and afraid — **Christ, have mercy.**

For healers, helpers and all who keep vigil — **Lord, have mercy.**

For our nation, trapped in the epidemic of gun violence — **Christ, deliver us.**

For courage to pursue the things that make for peace — Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Holy Savior, Prince of Peace, you wept at a tomb and gathered children in your arms. We believe you are weeping now — weeping with parents whose arms are empty, with siblings who cannot comprehend absence, with our Catholic neighbors numb with shock.

Hold the dead in your mercy.

Hold the wounded in your healing.

Hold the terrified in your tenderness.

Forgive us, God, for our numbness, our quick forgetting, our resignation to violence as "just the way things are."

Deliver us from our excuses, that we may choose the labor of peace: to protect children, to confront powers profiting from weapons and fear, to build a more just society where all your children can flourish.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Amen.



Church members enjoyed dinner and homemade ice cream at the Ice Cream Social on August 10.











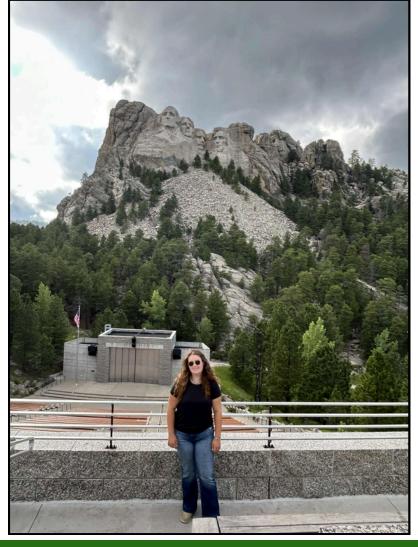
Hannah Meyerhoeffer started her college career at Averett University on August 16! She is settling in and enjoying the experience so far.

If you want to send Hannah some love from home, she can be reached at:



Averett University 420 West Main Street Attn: Hannah Meyerhoeffer PO BOX 247 Danville, Va 24541









Mary Anne Rogers enjoyed some time traveling out west before beginning Ag Education studies at Blue Ridge Community College. Congratulations go to Ava Frayer who won two first place and one fourth place ribbon at the Highland County Fair Horse Show.









Marley Hindman and Lucy Sax loved their time at art camp led by Tate Dunn at the Charles Pinckney Jones House.