

PRAYER CONCERNS

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Pray for the safety of all our troops.

December 22: Larry Bond, Barbara Vaughan, June Stanley Family, Gary Lewis

December 15: Andy Grose, Patsy Paxton, Lannie Ballard

December 8: Priscilla Jamison & Family (death of Don Jamison), Lib Bowyer,
Sylvia McCullough, Phyllis Puckett

December 1: Bob Smith (Clyde Keen's brother-in-law), Alice Coomer (Clyde Keen's sister)

Remember Our Shut-Ins...

At Home: Dot Fuller, Bonnie Slater, Maxine Smiley

Bright View Baldwin Park: Harry Carter

English Meadows: Dr. Charles E. O'Roark

Havenwood: Kenton Nicely

Kendal: Wilson Bowyer, Roberta Grist

Shenandoah: Peggy Lewis

The Palmettos: Joan Huff

Christmas Eve Service

It has been a Manly tradition to gather with family and friends on **Christmas Eve at 5:00 pm** for a service of carols and special music.

Bible Readings

The Bible Readings for the week of **December 23 - 27:** Monday: Psalm 98:1-3, Tuesday: Ephesians 2:4-5, Wednesday: John 3:16, Thursday: Romans 8:35-39, Friday: 1 Corinthians 13.

Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed **Tuesday, December 24 - Thursday, December 26** for Christmas.

Community Carol Sing

Sunday, December 29 at 5:00 pm Lexington Presbyterian Church will host a community carol sing.

Adult Choir

Are you interested in joining the Adult Choir? If so, now is the time! We will be rehearsing for our regular Sunday anthems and starting on the Easter cantata before long. Please contact Lucy Wilkins (wilkins.lucy@gmail.com) if you have questions.

International Mission Offering

Remember, as you give to our International Missions **Goal of \$2,500** you can choose which Baptist Missionaries and Mission projects you wish to support. Your gifts will help us reach our International Missions Offering goal. Let us generously give so that others may hear the good news of God's love!

Wise Men's Journey

You may have noticed that the Wise Men are located on a window sill. This represents the fact that they were not present for the birth of Jesus but arrived at a later time. Each Sunday they will make their way around the sanctuary until they finally arrive at the manger on **January 5**.

Cake & Casserole Ministry

Join us on **Saturday, December 11 at 9:00 am** for a time of fellowship preparing cakes for the Community Table and casseroles for those in our church and community.

Business Meeting

We will have our quarterly Business Meeting on **Wednesday, January 15 at 6:15 pm**.

Deacons Meeting

The Deacons will meet **Sunday, January 19** immediately following the worship service.

Journey Youth Weekend (6-12 grade)

Join us on the mountain at Eagle Eyrie in Lynchburg for Journey Youth Weekend, **March 13-15!** Youth will explore what it means to live as "sent" people. As Christians, our calling is to live out God's mission every day whether it's in our own neighborhood or another country. We have been sent, but what does that look like? This interactive weekend will be a time for youth to learn about what God's mission is and what that looks like in the community of faith. They will listen to the experiences of churches on mission in Virginia and begin to develop their own stories of faith within the larger church community. Barriers will be torn down. Differences and commonalities will be celebrated. We have been sent as one church with one mission. Where are we going? **A \$60 non-refundable deposit is due by Wednesday, January 29.**

Rockbridge Area Relief Association

Item of the month for December is **stuffing and mashed potatoes**. Please leave your donations in the box outside of the nursery or choir room. Thank you!

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