



THE WORD

May 2019 Newsletter for the Ministry & Fellowship of Manly Memorial Baptist



**May 1st
Frank's Restaurant**

**May 8th
Lexington Restaurant**

**May 15th
Patsy Paxton & Friends**

**May 22nd
Youth Mission Trip
Fundraiser**
BBQ, Baked Beans, Macaroni
Salad and Dessert

**May 29th
Arby's Restaurant**



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



Saturday, May 11th at 12 pm children (K-5th grade) are invited to the Natural Bridge Caverns to tour and go gem mining! We will enjoy lunch after the activity. **Please let Katlyn Bradley know by Sunday, May 4th if your child would like to attend!**



A special called business meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 22nd at 6:15 pm**, to receive and the report of the Christian Education Committee & the Worship Committee and vote on changes to the Constitution.

OUT OF MY MIND

This month Manly Memorial Baptist Church celebrates its 178th anniversary. One of the many ways that God has blessed this church over the years is by supplying us with a committed group of people who are willing to serve. That remains true to this day.

Each week volunteers like you step up to pray, give, lead, teach, be a floater or part of our Hall watch, participate in worship, contribute through the AV ministry, help out in the nursery, sing in the choir, or Manly's Gospel Five, or assist with the children's choir, play hand bells, or in the praise band or lead in other times of special music.

Or you may serve on one of our various committees, as a Deacon, with the Cakes and Casserole Ministry, preparing our meals or helping with the set-up and clean-up, in missions endeavors, W.M.U, in the Joy Group, with our children or youth ministries, Vacation Bible School, or are engaged in organizations outside of our church building where you live out your Christian faith.

Reading this list of activities makes me feel profoundly grateful to each one of you who volunteer your time and talents. If you haven't heard me say it before, please hear it now, thank you for your service in the name of Jesus Christ. By what you do, and by the spirit in which you do it, you are allowing God to use you to make a difference for his good in the lives of so many children, youth and adults. And if I have somehow left you and what you are doing out – forgive me and please accept my thanks for all you do for the Lord here.

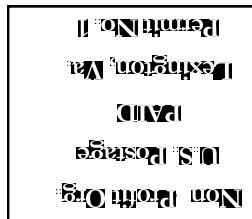
The Apostle Paul challenged us by writing "...through love serve one another." (Galatians 5:13) So if you have not had an opportunity to help out recently, I hope that you will look for a place to serve as we move into the Summer season. We currently need more people to become involved in our AV ministry. These folk make sure the sound levels are right on Sunday, record our times of worship, create our projector programs and then run them each Sunday. If you have an interest in being trained to help out in that ministry, please contact the church office or speak with Don Heckman or Thomas Smals.

It may be that you have a talent or passion in some area that I haven't mentioned and would like to explore putting it to use. If so, please contact me so that we can see where it might fit in with our ministry journey. Whether you choose to plug into something we are already doing, or start something new, I encourage you to find a place of service in our church. God can use your service, your participation, to help keep Manly a strong healthy church, now and into the days ahead.

Your Pastor,
Mike



The church office will be closed on **Monday, May 27th** in observance of Memorial Day.



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BIBLE STUDY FLOATERS

May 5th - Loretta Ballard
May 12th - Phyllis Puckett
May 19th - Barbara Heckman
May 26th - Loretta Ballard

HALL WATCH

May 5th - Patsy Paxton
May 12th - David Campbell
May 19th - David Moore
May 26th - John Wranek

OFFERTORY PRAYER

May 5th - Lee Higgins
May 12th - Youth
May 19th - Roger Williamson
May 26th - Linda Hooks

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May 5th - Cathy Wranek & Deborah Caylor
May 12th - Patsy Williamson & Wendy Higgins
May 19th - Sharon Martin & Rosana Clancy
May 26th - Linda Bond & Will Wranek

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

May 5th -
May 12th - Katlyn Bradley & Rosana Clancy
May 19th - Katlyn Bradley
May 26th - Katlyn Bradley



8th Curtis & Deborah Caylor

If you have a birthday or anniversary coming up, please share it with us!



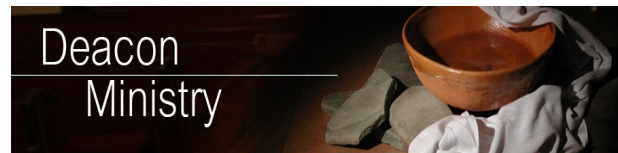
1st Scott Berger
4th Larry Bond
5th Johnna Gittemeier
6th Thomas Smals
Curtis Moore
9th Fred Vaughan
10th Lucy Wilkins
14th Harry Carter, Jr.
18th Wally Hawkins
21st Jerri Keen
24th Lannie Ballard
25th Jimmy Crowder
26th Annalee Jones
Margaret Vest
27th Carol Kirby
30th Curtis Caylor
31st Linda Bond



Thanks to all who helped with the Sunday afternoon tea at Lexington House. We had 18 residents who enjoyed tea, sweet treats and goody boxes to take home with them. They were most appreciative.

Our May project is cookies during SOL's for teachers at Central Elementary School. If you agreed to furnish cookies **please bring them to church on Sunday, May 5th**. They will be delivered on Monday, May 6th. Please see Bobbie Cash if you have any questions or would like to contribute.

Our next meeting will be **Monday, June 10th at 5:15 pm** in the Choir Room.



The deacons continue to work on ways to show God's love by helping people to make connections to God, to others in the church, and to those outside the church. We are organized around three areas that we took from the book *Scrappy Church*: an "outward deluge" of showing God's love to others; supporting our vision of a "welcoming church;" and "closing the back door," by keeping up connections within the church. We invite you to join us in prayer about our journey with God, to join us in reading the book (available in the church library), and to join us by talking with any deacon about how you can be a part of our journey. Please pray with us that we all continue to make progress on this always-important and urgent mission of showing God's love to others.



All church members are invited to sign up to serve at The Community Table on **Monday, June 3rd at 5:30 pm**. We will serve as waiters, bussers, refill providers and clean-up crew. The Community Table provides restaurant meals to everyone in the community at whatever price you can afford to pay (or for free). To find out more about the Community Table go to: <https://www.facebook.com/Community-Table-for-the-Rockbridge-Area-187278674709284/>

If you would like to be part of the Manly Team, please contact Lucy Wilkins at lwilkins@wlu.edu.



Are you new to Manly Memorial? Are you curious about how our church works to show God's love to others or about what it means to be a Christian? If you answered yes to any of these questions, you are invited to a Welcome Coffee and discussion.

Linda Hooks, chair of the deacons, will host the coffee on **Sunday, May 19th, from 9:45 - 10:45 am in the Tardy Room** across from the church office. This one-session discussion will provide some information on who we are as a church and give you a chance to ask questions and meet others. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact the church office or Linda Hooks. We hope to see you there!



Your Relay team, Lighthouse Youth Ministries of Manly Memorial, volunteer with Relay for Life because we know it makes a difference! This year Relay for Life will take place on **Friday, May 3rd, 6:00 pm at Brewbaker Field Sports Complex** (198 Wallace Street). Come by and see what each team has to offer in the way of food and entertainment!



Join us for lunch and fellowship on **Thursday, May 9th, 12:30 pm, at Pink Cadillac restaurant**. Please **RSVP** with Patsy Williamson (910-214-1106) **by Monday, May 6th**.



The praise band will play during the worship service on **Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12th** and **Pentecost, Sunday, June 9th**.



COMMUNITY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Children (4 yr. old - 6 grade) are invited to join us **July 1 - 3, at Lexington Presbyterian Church**.

Under Construction: A Habitat for Humanity VBS will engage children with Bible stories, crafts, music and stories from the community focused on Habitat for Humanity's local ministry, building and repairing safe homes for families. During our time together we will be building a special hands-on project with members of the Rockbridge Area Habitat for Humanity to auction off at the end of VBS! **Teachers and teen volunteers are needed!**

Register here! <https://smassie.wufoo.com/forms/wqwt1e718owfbq/>



Our youth and leaders will be attending Missions Connection at Eagle Eyrie July 22 - 26!

This year's theme is "Faith Fired Up" based on Daniel 3:27; and our keynote speaker is Rev. Ron Wyatt, pastor of Graceland Baptist Church. This year's schedule includes the following:

Missions: Youth and adults minister through a variety of service projects in the Greater Lynchburg Area ranging from VBS to construction to social ministries.

Discipleship: Age-appropriate learning opportunities are provided for preschoolers through senior adults.

Worship: Daily services for children, youth, and adults are highlighted by dynamic preaching, music, and missions.

Fellowship: Participants join together for an opening night picnic, a closing night ice cream social, and packing meals for the Source of Light orphanage in Haiti.

Fun: There will be swimming pool time, a talent show, night hike, bonfire, Capture the Flag, and an optional trip to Funquest for skating and laser tag!

Our next meeting will be Thursday, May 9th at 5:30 pm in the Backpack Room. Join us to find out more information or contact Lannie Ballard.



Friday, May 3rd 6:00 - 10:00 pm
Relay For Life (Brewbaker Ball Field)

Sunday, May 5th 5:00 - 7:00 pm
Dinner, Game & Bible Study

Sunday, May 12th Youth Sunday
Youth will lead the worship service
NO EVENING YOUTH GROUP

Sunday, May 19th 5:00 - 7:00 pm
Dinner, Game & Bible Study

Wednesday, May 22nd 4:30 - 7:00 pm
(Mission Connection Fundraiser Meal)
Set-Up, Serve & Clean-Up

Sunday, May 26th 3:00 - 7:00 pm
End of School Pool & Pizza Celebration
(Covington Pool & Bella's Pizza)



SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:45 am

"See No Evil" Bible Study

Injustice is all around us! It's in our world, our communities, our schools, and even in ourselves. It is easy to want to turn our eyes to avoid dealing with it, but is that really the best way to live? In this series, "See No Evil" we will take a look at the way God calls us to deal with the injustice around us. As we do, we will learn that the best way to get rid of evil and injustice is to see it— and then do something about it!

Sunday, May 5th with Molly Kay Moore
Serving starts with seeing!

Sunday, May 12th with Laura Jones
Pay attention to the injustice in you!

Sunday, May 19th with John Wranek
Change a world, and eventually, you'll change the world!

Sunday, May 26th
Breakfast and reflection on "See No Evil"
Bible Study series with BVBC Youth Group