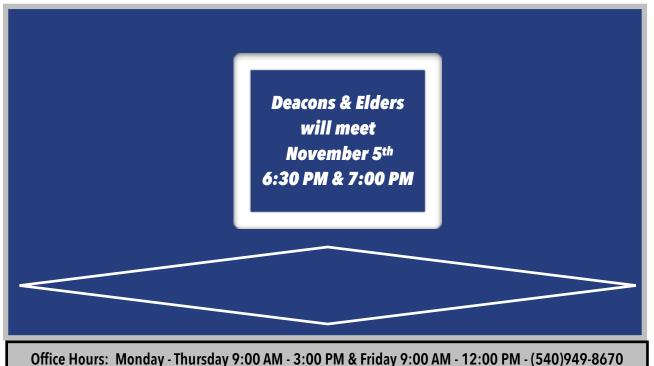




OUR MISSION: Pointing People To Jesus

OUR VISION: To build disciples of Christ that will develop disciples of Christ and to be a church that is pursuing God, extending compassion and building community.



Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM & Friday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM - (540)949-867 E-Mail: <u>office@westwaynesboro.com</u> Website: <u>www.westwaynesboro.com</u> YouTube: West Waynesboro Church of Christ Facebook: West Waynesboro Church of Christ





Harvest Dinner Wednesday, November 20th @ 6:30 PM

A special evening to bring your favorite Thanksgiving dish to share with your church family and friends.

If you can help with set up and clean up, please sign up at the Mickey Center.

*Please indicate what you will bring on the sign-up sheet. *We need 3 people to bring a turkey.



Operation Christmas Child Shoebox www.operationchristmaschild.com

All the materials you need are available on a table in the lobby. Drop off your shoebox gifts in the church lobby. <u>NO LATER than Sunday, November 17th</u>.

Since 1993, more than 220 million boys and girls in over 170 countries have experienced God's love through the power of simple shoebox gifts from Operation Christmas Child. Samaritan's Purse works with local churches and ministry partners to deliver the gifts and share the life-changing Good News of Jesus Christ.



The church office will be closed on Monday, November 11th for Veteran's Day & Thursday, November 28th & Friday, November 29th for Thanksgiving!



Vision Leak

Ever since the pandemic, there has been a declining trend in the American church. Whether it's the increased availability of online services or the lack of interest on attendees who were already falling out of the habit of regular church attendance, the church is in decline. And yet, I can't help but grin from ear to ear every Sunday morning as I watch this faithful congregation come walking through our doors. To see your beaming faces and be greeted with hugs and kind smiles is truly a highlight of my week. I wish there was a way that I could bottle up that experience and give it away to the world.

I believe that loving connections are one of the primary attractions to being part of a church body. And though we can't put it in a bottle, we most certainly can extend that love outside the walls of West Waynesboro. There is a lyric from the song, "Garden in Manhattan" that says, "You might be the only Bible a person ever reads." What a powerful and challenging idea. As disciples we strive to be witnesses for Christ. This is why we are called "Christians" - little Christs. Jesus is also called the Word in John 1:1, "In the beginning was the Word.". The gospel message we find in our bibles is a textual embodiment of Christ himself. So how are you doing at being more than a witness, but rather being the "only Bible a person ever reads"?

I guess the best way to answer that question is to know what God's word says. More than just being a nice person, we should strive to obey the commands, walk as Christ, speak truth in love, and extend a hand to those in need. And if you are the only Bible a person will read, don't hide yourself in the drawer of a Motel 6. (I'm not disparaging the Gideon's; many souls have found Jesus because of their little bibles.) But even the Gideons had to knock on doors, enter rooms, and find the dark and lonely places.

I pray you ask the Lord HOW and WHO you can point to Jesus today. Then I pray you ask Him this tomorrow ... and the next day ... and every day until He calls you home.

"Pointing People to Jesus" - This is how we impact God's kingdom.

Member's Moments

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family.

Thanksgiving is not just about turkey and pumpkin pie. It's about counting your blessings throughout the year and looking back at wonderful deeds the Lord has done for you. Be thankful for everything. For everything created by God is good and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, for it is made holy by the word of God and prayer. Many of us experience renewed hope and faith during the Thanksgiving holiday because we turn our eyes to what is most important, the Lord and family. There is little room to worry or complain when your heart is filled with gratitude. Set aside time to thank God and reflect on the blessings surrounding you. May this special day in November be a reminder of all the good things God has given us. Lysa TerKeurst

"If there was ever a secret for unleashing God's powerful peace in a situation, it's developing a heart of true thanksgiving."

Ephesians 5:20 Always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Jim Kitchen

Pastor Herb



Whether you are just deciding to follow Christ or have been following Christ for years, if you have never been baptized, baptism is for you! If you would like to take this next step, come forward during the invitation at the end of the service, email <u>office@westwaynesboro.com</u>, call the church office or indicate your desire on your connection card.



Stay Connected! Sermons, updates, newsletters and more can be found on westwaynesboro.com



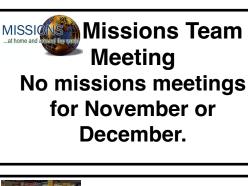
Have A Prayer Request?

Requests As a church, we would love to join with you in lifting up your request or concern to our Great God! If you have a prayer request, you can call or email the office, or let us know on the back of your Connection Card. Note: If you would like it shared with the church, please check the box, "I would like this prayer request printed on the weekly prayer list."



Ladies Bible Study All Ladies Are Invited! This group meets on

Thursdays, from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.They will begin a 4 week study titled "When God Comes Down" on November 14th. Books are available for \$10. See Cathy Miller to get your copy ASAP.



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PANTRY

Helping Hands Food Pantry Our food pantry

is open every 2nd

& 4th Monday from 9:30-11:30 AM.Donations can be placed in the bin, located by the restrooms. **Suggested donation for November is Stove top, Gravy, cake mixes** & icing.



Caring Connections-Grief Support Group

Will meet on Wednesday,November 13th @ Kathy's @ 1:00 PM. Questions? Contact Judy Forehand @ 540-241-0839.



Love Inc Meeting/Lunch Sunday, November 17th @ 12:00 PM

Everyone is invited to learn about Love Inc and how to help out our community.



Prayer Meeting Wednesday,November 6th @ 10:30 AM & 5:30 PM

Please join us for our prayer meetings on the 1st Wednesday of every month at the church.

Prayer Breakfasts

Men will meet @ Golden Corral Saturday, November 9th @ 8:00 AM. All men are welcome! Ladies will meet @ Panera Bread Saturday, November 9th @ 9:00 AM. All ladies are welcome!

Nominations For Church Officers

If you would like to nominate a member for a church office, submit all nominations to an Elder, by **NO LATER than November 3rd**. All nominations must be submitted in writing and signed by the submitting member.



Faith Promise Mission Commitments Thank you to everyone who

made a Faith Promise Missions Commitment for 2025. Total committed is \$30,140.00!

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November

Serving in November:

PREPARING COMMUNION Jim & Susie Kitchen

USHERS Ron Johnson & Tim Simpson

GREETERS

Ron & Lois Johnson

NURSERY (Infant - 2)

November 3rd: Mary Donna Beardsworth & Norma Hayes November 10th: Brenda Billings November 17th: Penny Critzer November 24th: Drema Rickard

WEE WORSHIP/CHILDREN'S CHURCH

1st Sunday - Bev Hite 2nd Sunday - Mary Motley 3rd Sunday -Tina Critzer 4th Sunday -Kelly Gurkin

COMMUNION SERVERS <u>Team 2:</u> Dick Moyer, Ron Ball, Jeff Gurkin, Mike Harlow, Tim Simpson, Roger Slack

Newsletter Preferences

This newsletter can be picked up at the Information Counter/Mickey Center in the church lobby, viewed on the church website or received by email. To receive by email, contact the church office or indicate your desire on your Connection Card. Sunday School 9:15 AM Worship 10:30 AM Office Hours Monday - Thursday 9-3 & Friday 9-12 WEST WAYNESBORO CHURCH OF CHRIST 2212 CORTLAND ST. WAYNESBORO, VA 22980 Phone:(540)949-8670 Email: office@westwaynesboro.com Website: WWW.WESTWAYNESBORO.COM



