

# The Opequon Spirit

"Prayerfully Equipping Disciples of All Generations to be Christ's Hands, Heart and Feet in the World"



## August 2017

### WORSHIP AT 10:00 AM ONLY

#### Sunday, 8/6

##### Pre-Service Concert—9:45 am

Romans 9:1-5, Matthew 14:13-21

Sermon: "The Opportunity of a Lifetime"

Communion, CCAP Offering,  
Blessing of the Backpacks

#### Sunday, 8/13

##### Hymn Sing 9:30 am

Romans 10:5-15

Dr. Thomas Rhyne, Guest Preacher

Church Picnic 5:00 pm at the Pitcock Shelter

Open Door Worship 6:00 pm

#### Sunday, 8/20

Romans 11:1-2a; 29-32, Matthew 15:10-28

Sermon: "The Loyal Minority"

#### Sunday, 8/27

Romans 12:1-8, Matthew 16:13-20

Sermon: "Place Your Life Before God"

4 Cents a Meal Offering

Motel Ministry following Worship

### PRE-SERVICE PIANO CONCERT

Sunday, August 6 at 9:45 am



Beautiful and  
Inspirational Music from the  
Stage and Screen. Includes:

*Somewhere Over the Rainbow*

*You'll Never Walk Alone*

*Climb Every Mountain*

*Ashokan Farewell*

*I'll Walk with God...and more*

### MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT

Tuesday, August 1

Devotions—6:45 p.m.

Fellowship Ministry, Mission Ministry  
and Worship Ministry meet  
at 7:00 p.m.

### COLLECTING FOR CCAP



### FRUIT DRINK BOXES

### BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>

During 10:00 am Worship

All young people are invited to bring their backpacks to worship to receive a special blessing as a new school year begins. We encourage school teachers, staff and administrators (bring your tote bags and carry-ons) of all ages to be present, as well, as we include you in our circle of blessing.

### STAFF SCHEDULES THIS MONTH

Carole Witt----- August 13-17  
Vacation  
David Witt----- Through 8/27  
Sabbatical Continues

## JUST THINKIN'



What do David Witt and Sam Malone have in common? No, it is not the hair style. It's not the smile

or the voice. Both David Witt and Sam Malone oversee places "where everybody knows your name...and they're always glad you came."

Years of conversations with Christians of all ages and stages has led me to believe that among the most important steps toward making a visitor feel welcome is our initial greeting. We all understand that visitors need to be acknowledged, welcomed, given a bulletin and helped to find a seat, but are you aware of how closely many visitors are watching how we greet each other?

When Bill and I first "stalked" Opequon PC, we sat in the pew and watched how people in the church reacted to each other. It was such fun to see the differing personalities and how comfortable they were as they entered the church. One might guess that we would have been more intentional about this than other visitors, but one might be wrong. Extended family, vacation visitors, and church shoppers have all told me that the atmosphere they feel and hear as they enter either makes them happy to have come or turns them off almost immediately. Whoda thunk? It seems that the sermon, worship leadership, and music share importance with that first, critical, emotional reaction.

Thank God, that first welcome is something Opequon is very good at. For months, Bill and I referred to OPC as "that neat church," It was and is a real descriptor for this congregation. Now, of course, we refer to Opequon as "our church," no further descriptor needed.

I realize that with two services and rapid church growth we might not always know every single name, but the "glad you came" shines through. We are glad to see each other before worship. This time truly represents the gathering of the body of Christ. At Opequon, passing the peace

(another critical emotion marker) is obviously more than a quick nod or insider greeting, yet it lacks the "feeding frenzy of friendship" chaos. Everyone present is included, no matter the age. The greeting is genuine, something to be enjoyed, not a duty to be avoided when possible. As visitors, we were included but not deluged by Opequon's welcome.

The other thing that impressed us as visitors was that it takes a while for people to leave the church after worship. There are conversation going on all over the place, and not all of them are in the parking lot! Things are being planned, sure, but lots of folks are just being friends. You/we even pull strangers into our conversation-groups. Do you have any idea how welcoming that can feel? It made us want to come back

After all, "making your way in the world today takes everything you've got. Taking a break from all your worries sure would help a lot.... You wanna go where people know, People are all the same. You wanna go where everybody knows your name." (Gary Portnoy, "Cheers Theme")  
In Christ,

Tracie

## HYMN SING

**Sunday, August 13 at 9:30 am**

Have a favorite hymn from your youth? Maybe a song you sang at Sunday School? Feel free to suggest it for our annual summer hymn sing. Maybe it's in our new hymnal—maybe it isn't. You tell us what it is and we'll try to find it and prepare for all to share it together.

Use the form included on the next to last page of this newsletter or pick up one from the chest in the Sanctuary. Leave the form in the basket at the back between the sanctuary doors on, or before August 6.



## **A MESSAGE FROM THE VISIONING TEAM**

Have you ever looked in a crystal ball? I have. I saw swirls and bubbles - nothing else. I was about 12 and I was very disappointed. Finding a real vision for the future, it seems, takes more digging.

A diverse group of Opequon folks have begun to engage a visioning process that we hope will help the congregation discern where God would have us use our time and talents over the next few years. This work group has been meeting regularly, trying to discover what to ask, whom to ask, and how. We have spent time discussing who we are as the Opequon congregation, how we can describe the many things we do as the Opequon Presbyterian Church, and how members of the congregation, visitors, and our community are impacted by our presence here. It is a daunting task.

Obviously, a small group cannot, by itself, begin to determine the future of our church. We need much broader input. A true vision process needs to hear from each member of the congregation and from some people outside of the church, as well. We will, over the next months, be asking committees and other groups a series of questions designed to help us gather basic information. This information will be prayerfully discussed and digested. And then????????? Some things may change; some may not. In any case, this church will keep moving forward, wherever God may decide forward should be. It's not a Mission Study, it is not fortune telling, it is a check-in that will help lead us into God's future for this church.

## **RECYCLING PROGRAM IS BACK IN OPERATION**

Our recycling program is in full operation. There are blue containers scattered throughout the building. These are marked for paper, plastic or aluminum. Please note, these are NOT for trash! Pour leftover coffee into the nearest sink and dispose of the cup in a waste basket. Used bulletins can be returned to an usher for recycling. If you have questions,

please contact Bill Burslem 540-667-0172, or Bill Hopeck 540-542-0506.



## **THE HOT, HOT DAYS OF SUMMER (Is your pledge up to date?)**

With the hot days of summer already here, we are reminded of vacations, picnics, swimming and other relaxing times. BUT, the expenses of Opequon Presbyterian Church still continue even while we are enjoying God's wonderful creation.

Please help us continue to meet expenses by ensuring that your pledge payments and contributions continue through the summer months while we are gone or occasionally miss attending Sunday worship services. Pledges and contributions can always be dropped off at the church office or mailed to the church. You can also use your financial institution's bill pay option and set up weekly or monthly payments.

The Stewardship & Finance Team thanks you for helping keep the activities and mission of OPC going all summer long.

## **OLDER ADULT HAPPENINGS**

In this summer month, "be like the flowers and turn your face toward the sun". Let yourself feel the warmth of sun for a moment. Welcome to August and the 'dog days of summer' as life moves on. As the month unfolds, the Older Adult Ministry Team will meet on Monday, August 7 at 9:30 am in the Bageant Room. It will be great to be back together after having a month off. Any older adult is invited to join us as we gather in a cool place for discussion and planning.

Happy Days this month gathers on August 9 at noon in the Fellowship Hall, beginning with a covered dish lunch. Following lunch, a guest speaker from Faith in Action, (a

local organization of Winchester/Frederick County) will share a special presentation. Enjoy an afternoon in a cool place with other friends. If you are able, please bring a roll of paper towels to go towards our Motel Ministry outreach.

This month's Lunch Bunch at TVOR (when some staff members join the OPC residents of TVOR) will be Wednesday, August 23 at 11:30 am. It is always a highlight to share lunch, a devotion and conversation with these treasured folks.

### THE LATEST IN LOGOS

Have you heard that we are about to embark on our 20<sup>th</sup> year of LOGOS? Hopefully you have! We are SO excited about our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of LOGOS and we have been talking about it for some time now. At a recent LOGOS Leadership Team meeting, we all thought about this 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary by sharing 'How old we each were 20 years ago!' That gave us even more perspective on how magnificent it is that we can celebrate 20 years of LOGOS at OPC! LOGOS is a midweek MIRACLE as all ages come together for holy hilarity, faith lessons, worship experiences, and recreational thrills. LOGOS has been described as *a midweek lift*. The atmosphere each week is contagious. You are welcome to stop by and 'catch' the spirit! LOGOS is open to K-12<sup>th</sup> grades, with particular plans for various age groups. The new LOGOS year begins on **Wednesday, September 13** with "Genesis Night" as the opening theme. Other themes this coming year include: "Marshmallow Mania," "Tacky Tourist Night," "Just Dance Night," and "Bring a friend to Mustache Night." LOGOS is a tremendous place to be on Wednesday evenings! Brand new Bible class materials are planned for the LOGOS youth including "When Christians Get It Wrong," and "HAPPY? What is it?". Registration is EASY and is open through August. We offer EXPRESS registration and the fee remains at the ROLLED BACK price of last year! Stop by the LOGOS REGISTRATION table in the Gathering Area any time this month and

complete the one-page registration form. One half of the fees are due at registration and the other half may be paid later. Take a moment to consider how LOGOS can benefit your family!

GO LOGOS! 😊

### SUMMER ADULT SUNDAY MORNING CLASS

The Sunday morning adult class continues this month, using the materials from Feasting on the Word. The class meets each Sunday morning in the Bageant room at 8:45 am. This study is being facilitated by many various leaders. This class is open to all adults. Topics this month include the story of "Feeding the 5000," "Stepping Out in Faith," "Reconciliation," and "Responding to God." It will surely be a terrific journey through the class sessions this month. God is not packed away for the summer, HE is ever present each day. Discover what God wants you to learn!

### CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

With the beginning of a new school year upon us, many things begin anew at OPC. One of these beginnings is a new Confirmation Class that embarks on a journey through nine months of class sessions as well as additional enriching experiences. Confirmation is typically for 8<sup>th</sup> graders and runs September through May. The invitation to participate in the Confirmation experience is open to any 8<sup>th</sup> grade or older youth. **Parents and prospective students are invited to a Confirmation Orientation on Sunday, August 20, 11:15 am in the Bageant Room.** Highlights of the confirmation experience and beneficial information will be outlined for you. Leaders of the confirmation class this year are **Pam Bayliss, Carole Witt, and Joel Witt** along with mentors of the students. We look forward to meeting with families at the Confirmation Orientation.

## NEW WORM PLANS FOR SEPTEMBER



WORM—that stands for **W**orkshop **R**otation **M**odel. We will begin our 4<sup>th</sup> year of this model for the Sunday morning educational time with preschool-4<sup>th</sup> grade children (note the change in age). The way it works, children rotate to different workshops over a period of weeks to experience Bible stories and themes through various engaging approaches such as ART, DRAMA, COOKING, MUSIC, STORYTELLING, GAMES, SCIENCE, and more! Each week is new, fresh and different. Leaders of workshops during past years have shared most positive comments about the whole approach from the excellent lessons and activities to enjoying different ages of children from week to week. Themes for the upcoming fall will include “Let’s say it in Sign Language”, “Mystery Trip Mornings”, and “I Spy” with workshops of art & games, cooking & drama, storytelling and more! It is exciting to be amid all the workshop activity on Sunday mornings at 9:45. WORM begins on **Sunday, September 10**, after the **Rally Day** morning activities! There is so much in store for the children!



### INFO FROM PATTY KLINEFELTER, OUR FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE

#### Heart Attack Warning Signs

True or False? The answer key is on page 9.

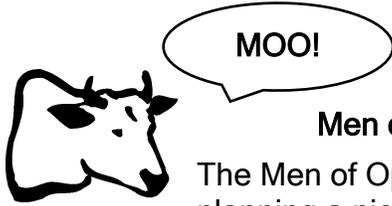
- T or F 1. Most heart attacks start slowly with mild pain or discomfort.
- T or F 2. Often people seek treatment quickly because they know what is happening
- T or F 3. Few heart attacks involve discomfort in the center of the chest that lasts more than a few minutes, or goes away and comes back.
- T or F 4. Symptoms of a heart attack may include stomach pain.

- T or F 5. Other signs of a heart attack are shortness of breath, cold sweat, nausea, lightheadedness, fatigue, vomiting, weakness, indigestion or palpitations.
- T or F 6. If you think you are having a heart attack it is okay to wait 10 minutes to see if the pain goes away.
- T or F 7. If you suspect you are having a heart attack it is ok to drive yourself to the hospital.
- T or F 8. Signs and symptoms of a heart attack in women may be different of less noticeable than men.
- T or F 9. Symptoms women may experience may include absence of chest pain or vague chest discomfort, no radiation of pain, back pain, heaviness of arms, lightheadedness, epigastric burning, nausea and vomiting, feeling flushed, clammy skin, unusual or unexplained fatigue.
- T or F 10. Often people affected aren’t sure what’s wrong and wait too long before getting help.



#### God-Loving Opequon Women

Opequon women have been having some grand summer time happenings from gathering at Packs for ice cream to having dinner out at Umberto’s last month. It has been perfect for the summer! This month we will gather on Tuesday, August 8, 7:00 pm at the church for a “WOMEN’S BUNCO NIGHT” as we stay cool indoors and enjoy this easy, yet tremendously fun game together. Women are asked to bring a new ‘tea towel’ or ‘pot holder’ as your ticket to play. After the grand prize is awarded, all remaining tea towels and pot holders will go to supply our church kitchen with some much-needed replacements. You are in for an evening of fantastic fun and friendships as we play the game around the tables!



### Men of Opequon

The Men of Opequon are planning a picnic on Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, at the Pitcock Memorial Shelter beginning at 6:00 pm. The meal will be catered by Mission BBQ. More details will be shared via email and the bulletin.

### HIKE WITH MIKE

If you enjoy the great outdoors, you will enjoy sharing it with like-minded church family members. On Saturday, August 26, we will hike Big Schloss. This is a difficult hike, so please wear comfortable shoes with good ankle and arch support and bring water, snacks and a lunch. We will car pool from the OPC parking lot leaving at 8:30 am. Please register by the Thursday before the hike by contacting Mike Butler at [mbutler57@outlook.com](mailto:mbutler57@outlook.com) or 540-533-1239.

### WOMEN'S LECTIO DIVINA TO BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER

It's a NEW WAY TO READ THE BIBLE! Reading the Bible is something with which most of us are familiar, but do we really think about how we read and respond to Scripture? How deeply do we allow ourselves to be impacted by it? Contemplative Bible reading or Lectio Divina, is an ancient method of approaching scripture.

SAVE THESE DATES -September 16<sup>th</sup> and October 21<sup>st</sup>! Please join us in Classroom 2 at 8:00 am for one hour. Starting in November, the Women's Lectio Divina will meet on the first Saturday of each month. The scripture reviewed will be the gospel lesson for the following Sunday. If interested in participating, please contact Edwina Johansen at [ejohans@gmail.com](mailto:ejohans@gmail.com) or 540-247-4835.

## YOUTH NEWS

There is a very special event this month, the first ever SUMMER MIDNIGHT GLADNESS! What a fantastic way to spend a summer evening with the whole mix of fun for you, service for others and so much in between. The Summer Midnight Gladness event is Friday, August 4, 6:00 pm at the church. Dinner will kick things off and then loads of outdoor fun is planned, plus a trip to Packs for ice cream treats. Later in the evening after the sun has gone down, the trip to Walmart will occur for you to purchase school supplies for Orchard View Elementary School. The funds for this project were raised during VBS week when the youth held a Car Wash one night. Summer Midnight Gladness will wrap up at midnight. Rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join this great event.

## COMMUNITY GARDEN NEWS

The garden is truly a sight to behold. Green, lush and fully alive—we've harvested almost 95 pounds of vegetables for the food pantry. Now that our cucumbers are being harvested, we need pickle making volunteers for LOGOS. Please let us know if you can help.

This year we set a goal to convert six of our garden plots into wicking beds and we are happy to report that those are now fully installed. Wicking beds use about 50% less water than a conventional bed and it's also more difficult for weeds to become established in the beds because the surface soil is drier.

To recruit more volunteers our garden leader, Robin Owens, has been speaking about our mission at the local Rotary Clubs. If you know of an organization that would be interested in hearing from us, please let Robin know. We do have a group of 20 youths from the Shenandoah University Theological Camp coming to help us for a few hours next week. A small group of middle school girls from Abundant Life Youth group has signed on to help for a couple of hours as well.

We are always in need of folks to water the garden. If you'd like to partner up with someone to do this, let us know. You can easily sign up by going to the church website. Look

for the Sign-Up Genius icon located on the first page of the site. For more information, contact one of the gardeners on call:

**Robin Owens**

[robinowensopcsession@gmail.com](mailto:robinowensopcsession@gmail.com)

**Joelle Cafaro** [drhealer@gmail.com](mailto:drhealer@gmail.com)

**Dana Kelly** [davedana@comcast.net](mailto:davedana@comcast.net)

### REASONS TO JOIN THE CHOIR

- You never have to worry about what to wear on Sunday mornings.
- You have excellent seats AND a reserved seat on all major holidays—including Christmas and Easter!
- From your advantageous seat you can see who's sleeping in the congregation during the sermon.
- The minister is nearly always looking the other way.
- No auditions or solos required!
- People who are involved in music live longer and are healthier.
- Serving the Lord—making a joyful noise—considering all He does for us, it's just a little giving back to Him!

Join us Wednesday evenings beginning August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm for choir. We rehearse every Wednesday in the Sanctuary. We sing for worship every Sunday at 8:30, 11:00 am or both! New members are always welcomed! Join the choir...science shows it will make you feel better. For more information contact Susan Homan [srh1305@verizon.net](mailto:srh1305@verizon.net) or 540-664-8781.

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

On Pentecost Sunday, we welcomed the following persons into the membership of Opequon Church:

**Joe, Cheryl, Rachel, Hannah Burton (Joseph)**

**Paige Clark**

**Bill & Jodi Deck (Wyatt)**

**Ann Denison**

**Cameron Ritter**

**Reagan Tibbs**

Welcome to the Opequon family!

### WHY NAMETAGS?

Opie says, "You are very special. Your name is very special. God knows who you are and will call you by name.

We also want to call you by name!" Wearing your nametag is a great courtesy to those who are new (like our Parish Associate, Tracie Martin), visiting, or just have a bad memory for names. It also gives people a chance to start connecting folks especially those who attend worship at a different time than you. If your nametag has wandered off or needs to be refreshed, please print your name on the "Nametag Needed For" clipboard which is found on top of the nametag table. Thank you for helping to make our church a place of welcome.



### WE'VE MOVED!

**Ross & Lauren Metheny**

35 Holly Park Lane

Apartment 121

Lexington VA 24450

### LOVERS OF LANDSCAPE NEEDED

Carolyn Rutherford has volunteered to help with gardening needs on the church grounds. She would like to form a small group of like-minded individuals to be part of this opportunity to serve God and His church by playing in the soil. If you think you might be interested or would like more information, please contact her at 540-327-1553 or [crutherf@su.edu](mailto:crutherf@su.edu).



### CARD SHOWER

for

**Donna Coffman's 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

Donna is an Honorably Retired Teaching Elder in Shenandoah Presbytery. Our Opequon Family have been praying for Donna, Terry and their family for many years as she has lived

faithfully with a rare bone cancer. Her birthday is August 4<sup>th</sup> and her family is having a Card Shower for her. Please address your card to: Donna Coffman c/o Heather C. Daniels, 3421 Bennyfield Court, Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526. Mail to arrive by August 3<sup>rd</sup> so that Heather can gather them all together and present them to Donna as one big SURPRISE!! Thank you for helping to make this a special time for Donna.

### NOTES OF GRATITUDE

God has truly blessed us with loving and caring friends at Opequon. Ray and I are so grateful for the meals, prayers, and cards after my surgery in April. We rejoice in God's goodness.  
Patricia & Ray Ferguson

Dear Session of Opequon,  
Thank you for allowing me to share worship with you on July 16<sup>th</sup>. It was a blessing. May the Holy Spirit continue to guide you.  
Rev. Nancy Meehan Yao

Many, many thanks to all of the Opequon congregation for the cards and especially prayers as I recover from the broken shoulder. the sling is gone and I hope to be driving soon. You are the best!  
Tracie Martin



- 1 Nancy Brown
- 3 Parker Weiss, Mary Everhart,  
Kendrick Green
- 4 Cheyenne & Sydney Burton
- 5 Peter Schieve, Hilda Zalonis
- 6 Kristin Blake, Patricia Ferguson
- 7 Jackie Boyd, Shiloh Ervin, Scott Hicks,  
Steve Vess
- 8 Gail Crane, Garrett Hodgson,  
Melissa Moses
- 9 Joe Reid, Tonia Sweeney
- 10 Paige Clark, Nancy Newman, Pam Orndorff,  
Frances Pitcock, Cameron Ritter,  
Ina Walker

- 11 Glenn Kochel
- 13 William Heavner
- 14 Judy Knechtel
- 15 Chris Frye, Jeff Kraemer, Laurie Yost
- 16 Dawn Frye
- 17 Robyn Ervin, Joe Knechtel
- 18 Paul Clark
- 19 Barbara Agreggaard
- 20 Caroline Hoxton
- 22 Joshua Batcha
- 24 John & Sarah Carter
- 25 Melody Daggett, Erin Donovan, Mike Usa
- 26 Shirley Brumble, JoEllen Delamatta
- 27 Lynn Metheny, Clair Shiley
- 28 Bob Weidele
- 28 Richard Lloyd
- 30 Joyce Griffiths, Joe Lingo



- 1 Dave & Dawn Arnoldy,  
Richard & Norie DeHaven
- 2 Greg & Johanna Abell
- 4 Gary & Cindy Sousa
- 5 Joe & Judy Knechtel
- 7 Tim & Melanie Heishman,  
Steve & Sandy Vess
- 9 Matt & Lydia Gomez Green,  
Marlin & Katherine Newhouse
- 10 Robert & Ina Walker,  
Dick & Sandy Widell
- 12 William & Pat Heavner
- 14 George & Jeanne Schember,  
Mike & Susanna Shade
- 18 Shep & Nancy Campbell,  
Drew & Shaw Paterson
- 19 Shawn & Aimee Connors,  
Parker & Cathy Plumb
- 20 Jim & Jeanette Baccary
- 21 Jason & Jill Call
- 22 Dave & Laurie Yost
- 28 Matt & Kristi Cooper
- 31 Jerry & Lynn Metheny

## SERVANTS IN MINISTRY

### Acolytes

6 Breanna Daggett  
13 Grace Morgan  
20 Jonathan Lightcap  
27 Noah Cutrona

### Beadles

Betty Chicklo or June Malone

### Greeters

6 Debbie & Bill Bender  
13 TBD  
20 Becky Proctor  
27 TBD

### Hospitality

6 Lisa & Bill Frye  
13 Jack Drumheller, Heide Mohler  
20 Debi Hodgson, Annemarie Matthews  
27 Martha Fulton, Betty Ganoe

### Liturgists

Allison, Chip, Joshua or Kristin Blake

### Nametags

Week 1 Pat deButts  
Week 2 Dulcie Reed  
Week 3 Martha Fulton  
Week 4 Kail Barbe

### Ushers (Head usher in bold)

6 Cheyenne & Sydney Burton, Jim Butler,  
Breanna Daggett, Annemarie Matthews,  
**Travis Morgan**  
13 Jason Hathaway, Kyle Homan,  
Grace Morgan, Emma Roark,  
**Bill Robinson**, Sydney Sardelis  
20 Jason & Lucan Brown, Brady Cooper,  
**Andy Homan**, Jonathan Lightcap,  
Joel Witt  
27 Noah Cutrona, Vern Gamble, **Bill Hopeck**,  
Alex Sardelis, Reese Tibbs



## CHURCH PICNIC

**Sunday, August 13  
at 5:30 p.m.  
Pitcock Shelter**

**Open Door Worship with  
PS 150 Follows**

We're providing the hot dogs, condiments, beverages, and all the paper products, as well as eating and serving utensils. Plus ice cream sandwiches!

Please bring a salad or side to share.



### Answer Key

1 T, 2 F, 3 F, 4 T, 5 T, 6 F, 7 F, 8 T, 9 T, 10 T

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
June 2017

<b>EXPENSES</b>	2017 Budget	Net Expenses Current Month	Net Expenses Year to Date	Budget Balance Remaining
Administrative Ministry	391,344	33,248	197,893	193,452
Christian Education Ministry	13,850	1,395	3,406	10,444
Congregational Care Ministry	1,400	0	28	1,372
Evangelism Ministry	2,600	0	645	1,955
Fellowship Ministry	3,000	172	1,244	1,756
Mission Ministry	47,000	3,088	19,807	27,193
Worship Ministry	5,800	453	2,102	3,698
Capital Expenses	115,025	9,584	57,503	57,522
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>580,019</b>	<b>47,939</b>	<b>282,628</b>	<b>297,392</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		Current Month	Year to Date	
Envelope Offerings		60,608	275,698	
Loose		261	2,163	
<b>Total Operating Income from Offerings</b>		<b>60,869</b>	<b>277,861</b>	
<b>Adjustments to Income (YTD)</b>				
Checking Account Interest			133	
Transfer from Building Fund			0	
Room/Facility Usage			500	
Wedding Fees			375	
Manse Rental Income (Net)			913	
<b>Operating Income After Adjustments</b>			<b>279,782</b>	
<b>Expenses (YTD)</b>			<b>282,628</b>	
<b>2017 Operating Balance as of June 30</b>			<b>-2,846</b>	

We want to share the news...we are BURSTING with WOOHOOS!

*Sunday School Year Kick-off/Rally Day Morning  
September 10<sup>th</sup>—9:45 am—Memorial Sanctuary.*

Theme: **“GET in GEAR for the NEW YEAR!”**

We will gather for a while, maybe cause some commotion in the aisle,  
take a token treat and then head to classes—SWEET!

Come join this wonderful congregation-wide celebration.

**AUGUST 2017**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	
<i>LOGOS Registration All Month! Use Express Registration—See the display in the Gathering Area</i>		7pm Fellowship, Mission & Worship Teams Meet	9:30am Staff Meeting		WATTS Bake Sale Drop Off 5pm WATTS Happening in Old Town 6-10pm Midnight Gladness	8am Men's Lectio Divina
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
8:45am Adult SS Class 9:30am Pre-Service Concert 10 am Worship, Blessing of the Backpacks, Communion, CCAP Offering	9:30am Older Adult Ministry Team 7pm PS 150 Rehearsal 7pm Visioning Team	7pm GLOW	12pm Happy Days	7pm Visioning Team		
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16 Newsletter Deadline</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
←←←← 8:45am Adult SS Class 9:30 Hymn Sing 10 am Worship 5:30pm Church Picnic 6:30pm Open Door Worship	←←←← 6pm Shenandoah Valley Chorus 6pm MOO Picnic@ Pitcock Shelter	Carole Witt on Vacation 7pm Session Meeting	⇒⇒⇒⇒ 9:30am Staff Meeting	⇒⇒⇒⇒		8am Men's Lectio Divina
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
8:45am Adult SS Class 10 am Worship 11:15am Confirmation Orientation	7pm WATTS Board Meeting 7pm Visioning Team	6pm Highland Food Pantry 6:30pm WATTS Operations	11:30am TVOR Lunch Bunch 6:30pm Choir Practice Resumes			8:30am Hike with Mike
<b>27 David's Sabbatical Ends</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		
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My favorite hymn/praise song is:

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Hymn # \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable)

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**LOGOS FUN FEST!**  
 ... an event for all LOGOS families,  
 LOGOS Staff, anyone interested!  
 Sunday, August 27, 11:15 am  
 in the Fellowship Hall  
 Lunch will be served.  
 We will be highlighting the upcoming  
 year of LOGOS doings.