

PASTOR APPRECIATION SUNDAY

If we have hardened our hearts or ignored your leadership, blessed Creator, remove our resistance to your guidance as we bask in the power of your Spirit.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude: **“Great is Thy Faithfulness”**
-Thomas Chisholm/William Runyan

Welcome and Announcements

*Greeting Our Friends, New and Old

*Opening Hymn 543: **“The Family of God”**
(Today’s hymns are in the **BROWN** hymnal.)

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| Children’s Story | Charlene Lester |
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Children may leave for Children’s Church

Our Morning Prayers:
Sharing of Prayer Requests
Moments of Silent Prayer
Moments of Spoken Prayer
The Lord’s Prayer (using “sins” and “those who sin against us”)

*Hymn 552: **“Plenty of Room in the Family”**

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings to God

Musical Offertory: **“Sweet Song of Peace”**
-Robert Hughes

Offertory Response: **“God is so Good”**

Scripture Reading: **Gospel of Mark 12:28-34** Cathy Keith

Message: **“My Neighbor, My Self”** Pastor Jack Lowe

*Hymn 544: **“The Bond of Love”**

*Congregational Benediction: **“Bind Us Together”**
(Please find the words on the projector screen.)

*Postlude: **“I Sing The Mighty Power of God”**

* Indicates we stand in worship, if able.

The soul should always stand ajar, ready to welcome the ecstatic experience.

-Emily Dickinson

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| All the People of God | Ministers |
| Rev. Dr. Jack Lowe | Pastor |
| Mrs. Betty Lou Carter | Director of Music |
| Mrs. Charlene Lester | Organist |
| Mrs. Melanie Graffeo | Pianist |



“In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications ...”
(Hebrews 5:7, NRSV). We, too, have come to pray and ask for God’s help and guidance. Let us unite our hearts as **brothers and sisters before the Lord. Everyone is sincerely welcomed.**

A **nursery** is provided during Sunday School and worship service for infants and toddlers. We invite pre-school and younger elementary children to join us in **Children’s Church** during the worship service. Ushers will be glad to assist you in locating these rooms.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR LAST WEEK:

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| Gifts: | | Sunday School | 60 |
| Offering | \$2,137.10 | Contemporary Worship | 19 |
| | | Traditional Worship | 95 |
| Needed per week for budget \$3,471.86 | | | |
| Flowers | \$8.00 | | |
| TOTAL ALL GIFTS: | \$2,145.10 | | |

ACTIVITIES FOR THIS WEEK:

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| <i>Clergy Appreciation Day</i>  | 8:30AM | Contemporary Worship |
| | 9:30AM | Church School |
| | 10:30AM | Traditional Worship |
| | 11:30AM | Pot Luck Dinner to Celebrate our Pastor and Family |
| | 5:00PM | Women's Bible Study |
| Monday | 5:30PM | Aerobics |
| Wednesday | 9:00AM | Busy Bees |
| | 5:30PM | Aerobics |
| | 7:30PM | Bible Study |
| Thursday | 7:00PM | Choir Practice |
| Friday | 5:00PM | Fellowship Hall reserved |
| Saturday | 9:00AM | Prayer Group |
| | 6:00PM | Trunk – or – Treat |
| Next Sunday | 8:30AM | Contemporary Worship |
| | 9:30AM | Church School |
|  | 10:30AM | Traditional Worship – Service of Prayers and Anointing |
| | 5:00PM | Women's Bible Study |



PLEASE **PRAY** FOR:

PLEASE ADD TO YOUR PRAYER LIST:

Estelle Vinyard, Otha Huff, Fred Driver, Margie Hash, and Lawrence Wilkerson

PETERS CREEK CHURCH PRAYER REQUEST:

Pray for our Middle School class as they prepare to assist in the worship on November 5, National Youth Sunday of the Church of the Brethren. And pray for the safety and education of all students in elementary and secondary schools of our country, as well as their teachers and administrators.

DISTRICT PRAYER REQUEST:

Pray for Melissa Q. Thompson, a member of the Beaver Creek Church in Floyd County, Virginia, who began as Coordinator of Financial Services at the Virlina District Resource Center on August 15th. Let us be ready to serve Christ, one another and those whose lives need transformation.

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-IN MEMBERS:

Leon Epperly, Sr., Jessie Harris, Anna Belle Plunkett, Katie Rhodes, Dot Richardson, Phyllis Smith, Tom & Muriel Turner, and Mary Yarbrough

VOLUNTEERS:

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| Greeters | Today | Merle and Rose Heckman |
| | Next Sunday | Trimmy and Betty Lou Carter |
| Acolytes | Today | Jordan Keith |
| | Next Sunday | Sam Cosgrove |
| Ushers | Today | Craig Snyder, Wes Boone, Ray Clark, and Richard Wright |
| | Next Sunday | Graffeo, Walters, Carter, and Keith |
| S. S. Nursery | Today | Christi Halverson |
| | Next Sunday | Philip Casteel |
| Worship Nursery | Today | Roxanne Spencer and Julie Dotson |
| | Next Sunday | Karen Fabrie and Brenda McDonald |
| Children's Church | Today | Linda Pulz and Tina Lowe |
| | Next Sunday | Kathy Otey |
| Scripture Reader | Today | Cathy Keith |
| | Next Sunday | Sue Lawrence |
| Children's Story | Today | Charlene Lester |
| Deacon's | October | Ray and Pam Clark |
| Sound Technician | October | Mike Smith |

TRUNK – OR - TREAT THIS WEEKEND! Join us **Saturday, October 28th** at **6:00PM** for our annual Fall Festival. Come enjoy lots of treats and loads of fun.



You may begin decorating your trunk at 5:30pm. Please have your trunk decorated by 6:15PM.



The Busy Bees clothing drive continues through October. Please remember to label your boxes and bags and place under the steps in the basement. The Salvation Army will pickup all items by November 1st.

Information about Virlina District Conference to be held November 10 and 11, 2006 at the Franklin Heights Baptist Church, Rocky Mount, Virginia is available from Pastor Jack. Meal reservations are due by November 1.



Project WARM is in full swing. For information on how this service works and how it began, pickup a brochure located on the narthex table. Please contact Dickie Lester for more information or visit

www.projectwarm.com/Salem.htm.

Immediately following worship today there will be a special potluck lunch **celebrating Pastor Jack, Lorna and Tina**. Join us for great food, fun and fellowship and spend some time with our Pastor and his family. Thank you Lowe Family for all you do here at Peters Creek.



All invited to the reception honoring **Jeannette Patterson** on Sunday, **November 5th** from 3:00PM – 5:00PM. Join us at Williamson Road CoB to celebrate Jeannette's 38 years of faithful dedication to The Virlina District.

Pastor Jack and Lorna Lowe invite you to a ceremony **honoring** their daughter, **Tina**, for achieving the Gold Award, the highest award in Girl Scouting, on Monday, **October 30, 2006** at **7:00 PM** at Peters Creek Church of the Brethren. Please join us for this special night for Tina.



POINSETTIAS! Order forms for poinsettias will be available in the bulletin next Sunday, October 29th. This year the cost per Poinsettia will be \$16.50. There will also be an order form in the November *CONNEXION*.