

Help us to open our spirits that you may come to fill us with your spiritual gifts.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude: **“Medley”**
-McAfee
-Dick and Melodie Tunney

Welcome and Announcements

*Greeting Our Friends, New and Old

*Opening Hymn 389: **“Let All Things Now Living”**
(Please find today’s hymns in the **BROWN** hymnal.)

Children may leave for Children’s Church

Receiving of New Members
Renewal of Vows
Congregational Vow #794
(Please find in the **BLUE** hymnal.)

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”)

Anthem **“Canon Of Thanks”**

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings to God
Musical Offertory: **“Amazing Grace”**
-John Newton
arr. Dick Bolks

Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading: **Matthew 25: 31-46** Mabel Naff

Message: **“When did we see you, Lord?”** Pastor Jack Lowe

*Hymn: **“Count Your Blessings”**
(Words displayed on the projector screen.)

*Benediction

*Choral Amen Chancel Choir

*Postlude: **“Adagietto”**
-Lee Rogers

*Indicates we stand in worship, if able.

Thou hast given so much to me. Give me one thing more — a grateful heart.

—George Herbert

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



“Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable” (Psalm 145:3 NRSV). It is with delight that we welcome all who have come to praise the heavenly Father. Let us befriend one another with words of warmth and love.

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 Traditional Worship service. Ushers will be glad to assist you in locating these rooms.





STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR LAST WEEK:

Gifts:

Offering	\$1,662.71
Building Fund	\$100.00
TOTAL:	\$1,762.71

Needed per week for budget \$3,471.86

Apple Butter	\$20.00	Sunday School	49
Altar Flowers	\$8.00	Contemporary Worship	9
Poinsettias	\$198.00	Traditional Worship	120
TOTAL ALL GIFTS:	\$1,988.71		

ACTIVITIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Today	8:30AM	Contemporary Worship
	9:30AM	Church School
	10:30AM	Traditional Worship
	5:00PM	Women's Bible Study
	6:30PM	Hanging of the Greens
Monday	5:30PM	Aerobics
Wednesday	12:30PM	Bible Study
	5:30PM	Aerobics
	7:30PM	Bible Study
Thursday	6:00PM	Decorating Salem Christmas Parade Float
	7:00PM	Choir Practice
Friday	5:30PM	Leave for parade line-up
	6:30PM	Salem Christmas Parade begins
Saturday	9:00AM	Prayer Group
Next Sunday	8:30AM	Contemporary Worship
	9:30AM	Church School
	10:30AM	Traditional Worship
	5:30PM	All Church Christmas Dinner



VOLUNTEERS:

Greeters	Today	Mike and Marie Smith
	Next Sunday	Olen and Lavene Hylton
Acolytes	Today	Brittney McDaniel
	Next Sunday	Amanda Cosgrove
Ushers	Today	Trimmy Carter, Joel Keith, John Montgomery, and James Cox
	Next Sunday	Clark, Mau, Wise, and King
S. S. Nursery	Today	Lavene Hylton
	Next Sunday	Kim Clingenpeel
Worship Nursery	Today	Carol Plunkett and Sandy Broughman
	Next Sunday	Ann Dyer and Carol Snyder
Children's Church	Today	Robin Louthen and Ben Louthen
	Next Sunday	Linda Pulz and Sandy Broughman
Scripture Reader	Today	Mabel Naff
	Next Sunday	Tina Lowe
Children's Story	Next Sunday	Pam Clark
Deacon's	November	Olen and Lavene Hylton
	December	John J. Showalter and Leighton Casteel
Sound Technician	November	Adam Hylton
	December	Darrell Hungate



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

PLEASE ADD TO YOUR PRAYER LIST:
Judy Mills Reimer, the Gottschall family, Harry & Dee Chambers, Ray Clark, the Virlina Disaster team at Lucedale, Mississippi, and Mike Stacy

PETERS CREEK CHURCH PRAYER REQUEST:

This week pray for Dean Mannon and Jim Kropff who have joined others from Virlina District on an Emergency Disaster Rebuilding project in Lucedale, Mississippi. May we keep all people throughout the world who are still recovering from disasters in our prayers in these seasons of Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas.

DISTRICT PRAYER REQUEST:

Pray for the Virlina District Board Retreat on December 2nd at Camp Bethel in Botetourt County, Virginia. Let us exemplify our calling as a New Testament Church as individuals and as a church together.

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-IN MEMBERS:



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

We thank each of you for the prayers, cards, calls, food, and visits at our home and funeral home during Dad's illness and death. The love and support you have "showered" on us is deeply appreciated.

With Christian Love, Olen and Lavene Hylton



Remember to order your Poinsettias! TODAY is the last day to order and pay for Poinsettias. Donations will be listed in the December *Connexion* and the December 17th bulletin.

All **CLASSES** and **GROUPS** who have elected new officers for 2007, please turn your lists into the church office. This will help in preparing the church directory. Thank You!

A vision meeting will be held on Monday, **December 4th**, at 7 PM to explore the possibility of hiring a minister of Christian nurture as an additional staff person sometime in the future. All members of the church are invited to attend and express your ideas.



The Children's Ministry Committee and the Witness Commission will host a **Parent's Night Out – Children's Christmas Party** on Saturday, **December 9th**, 4-7PM. Please call the church office, Darrell Hungate, or Linda Pulz to make reservations or to help. We will celebrate the birth of Jesus and enjoy pizza, desserts, games, crafts and a movie.

Please call the church office if you would like to have your name added or removed from the **Prayer Chain**.



Extra copies of items from last week's Council Meeting are on the table in the narthex. Please take them if you are interested.

The Worship Commission invites you to the Hanging of the Greens **tonight at 6:30PM**. We will hang the Christmas decorations throughout the church to help prepare us for the Advent Season. We will then come together for a worship service followed by refreshments. This involves the whole church family so mark your calendars and join us for this festive event.



All Church Christmas Dinner, **Sunday, December 3rd – 5:30PM**. **TODAY** is the last day to purchase tickets from James Cox. Cost per adult is \$11.00 and \$5.50 per child.

Please note, due to limited space we were not able to put the extended Prayer List in the December *Connexion*. There are copies located on the narthex table should you wish to have a copy.



The **Salem Christmas Parade** is Friday, **December 1st 6:30PM**. We will meet at Landscape Enterprises by 5:30PM to load the trailer and drive to the line-up. Come help us decorate this year's float on Thursday (11/30) at 6:00PM. This year's theme is **"FAMILY"**. Please call Darrell Hungate or Mike Smith with questions.

Please see James Cox if you would like to purchase cards and envelopes with a picture of Peters Creek church on the front.





The Worship Commission will have poinsettias decorating the church during the Christmas Season to celebrate the birth of our Lord.

You may purchase a plant and have it placed in the church as a memorial or to honor someone special. Donations will be listed in the December *CONNEXION* and the bulletin on December 17th.

You may place the order form; along with your check, made payable to Peters Creek Church of the Brethren in the offering plate; or you may give the order form and check to Carolyn Montgomery, or mail both to her at: 1104 Mountainview Drive, Salem, VA 24153.

The poinsettias cost \$16.50 each and will be triple plants, 10 to 12 blooms, with saucers and wrapped. You may pick up your plant after worship service on December 17th. If you would like to have your plant delivered to a shut-in by our deacon ministry, make a note on your order form.

Last day to order is **Sunday, November 26th.**

Poinsettia Order Form

Name _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Number of plants _____ Total Amount (\$16.50 each) \$ _____

Color: White _____ Red _____
 Pink _____ Marble _____

To be delivered to a shut-in member _____