

# Circuit Writer

Dear Church Family,

In this month of giving thanks, our list of blessings is long and our list of trials and challenges short. So often though we find ourselves more focused on those areas of our life that cause us to struggle and strain than on the areas that bring us joy and contentment. For some of us, we actually squirm when we find ourselves in situations and circumstances that are not to our liking. In those times, it helps if we will enroll ourselves in the Apostle Paul School of Contentment and Blessing.

In writing to the church at Philippi, Paul tells them not to be overly concerned for him because ... *"I have learned how to be content with whatever I have. I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength."* (Philippians 4: 11-13)

When we depend on Jesus and offer ourselves to Him, it helps us to remember that in the life of faith we are not our own, we belong to God. John Wesley grasped that and he offers the following prayer as a part of his covenant service: "Lord, make me what you will.

I put myself fully into your hands:  
put me to doing, put me to suffering,  
let me be employed for you,  
or laid aside for you,  
let me be full, let me be empty,  
let me have all things, let me have nothing.  
I freely and with a willing heart give it all to your pleasure and disposal."

Praying like that will make room in our lives for trust and for gratitude which leads to thanksgiving for our many, many blessings.

With transforming hope,  
*Claudia*

**FALL BACK—MEANS TURN  
YOUR CLOCKS BACK ON  
SATURDAY NIGHT,  
NOVEMBER 5TH.**

## Thanksgiving

### **Community Thanksgiving Service:**

Our Community Thanksgiving Service will be held on Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm at Union Baptist Church located on Union Church Road which is just beyond the Quik Stop going away from Downtown Beaverdam.

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# Lay Schedule 2011

| Date                          | Nov. 6                  | Nov. 13                             | Nov. 20                        | Nov. 27                  | Dec. 4          |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Greeters</b>               | The Dougherty's         | Julie Durando                       | Rose Edwards & Barbara Gabriel | Christy & Rob Monolo     | The Pangburn's  |
| <b>Scripture</b>              | Philemon                | I John 3:11-24                      | Revelation 1:9-20              |                          |                 |
| <b>Lay Reader</b>             | Anissa Dougherty        | Janet Exline                        | Sophie Strothenke              | Martha Slayton           | DeAnn Pangburn  |
| <b>Ushers</b>                 | David & Mary Ann Stamey | Scott & Jessica Mallory             | Peggy Morris & Joe Mallory     | Angela & Jessica Mallory | The Pangburn's  |
| <b>Financial assistant</b>    | Julie Durando           | Scott Stallings                     | Carole Umbel                   |                          | David Pangburn  |
| <b>Nursery during Worship</b> | Youth as Needed         | Paytience Shaffer & Emily Stallings | Youth as Needed                | Youth as Needed          | Youth as Needed |



| Sunday   | Monday                        | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday                  | Friday | Saturday                   |
|--|-------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|--------|----------------------------|
|  |                               | 1<br>Visioning Follow Up 7:30 @ BUMC                             | 2<br>Ian Dougherty                                     | 3<br>Ed Crisp             | 4      | 5 Turn clocks back tonight |
| 6  | 7                             | 8<br>Election Day<br>WHEAT open pantry                           | 9  | 10                        | 11     | 12                         |
| 13   | 14<br>Curt & Anissa Dougherty | 15<br>Morning Bible Study @ BUMC 9:30 am<br>Ken & Virginia Jones | 16   | 17<br>Emily Stallings     | 18     | 19<br>Billie Raines        |
| 20   | 21                            | 22<br>WHEAT open pantry  | 23<br>Thanksgiving Eve Service—<br>Union Baptist, 7 PM | 24<br><b>THANKSGIVING</b> | 25     | 26<br>Brooke Perry         |
| 27<br><b>Advent Begins</b><br>Jim Dinger<br>Flo Calderon | 28<br>Alan Shaffer            | 29   | 30   |                           |        |                            |

October was a FUN-filled month for BUMCY! They put together a booth at heritage day filled with fun and fundraisers. Also, they went bowling as a lockout and have had two successful BUMCY nights during the week!

During the month of November, BUMCY will be attending Mars Hill, a youth rally featuring the band Amethyst Heart, games, food, and testimonies, on the 5<sup>th</sup>. The next BUMCY night is scheduled for November 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 pm to 8 pm. There will also be two Rent-a-youth dates in November as the youth fulfill their servants' hearts for our fundraiser. Don't forget about the two conference fall retreats upcoming: middle school is November 11-13<sup>th</sup> and high school is December 2-4<sup>th</sup>.

In Sunday school over the next few weeks, the youth will be studying the "end times" and what the Bible says about all of the rumors pertaining to the end of the world. It is important to understand the Scriptures in light of all the recent predictions. By the way, be sure to check out the new additions to the youth room; the youth were very excited and thankful for such wonderful donations of couches.

Thank you to all of those who have been supporting BUMCY through the purchasing of angels! If you have recently ordered them, they will be coming to you as soon as possible. Rent-a-youth is still in full motion! If you have a task outside/inside your house or need a babysitter, talk to Ashley about getting the youth to make it happen for you. All we ask for is a donation to go towards our future mission trips.



Grace and Love,  
Ashley Harper

*BUMCY ACTIVITIES FOR NOVEMBER*

- *Mars Hill Rally/Concert*: November 5<sup>th</sup> from 3:45 pm to 9:15 pm; **Let Ashley know by next Sunday (October 30<sup>th</sup>)** :Amethyst Heart will be leading worship. Great opportunity to be a disciple! FUN - FOOD - GAMES - MUSIC - TESTIMONIES!!
- *Rent-a-youth*: November 19<sup>th</sup> at the Stamey's from 10 am to 2 pm (Lunch provided!)
- *BUMCY night*: November 17 from 6:30-8 pm



*Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." Luke 6:38*

It is hard to believe but the Christmas season is quickly approaching. Again this year, with the help of generous hearts like yours, we can help a number of local families through donation of simple food items. When combined together these items provide a number of meals during the Christmas school break.

Look for the "food list" to begin circulating in the next few weeks.

# Rouzie's Chapel

## Dates to Remember:

Samaritan's Purse Boxes due  
 Thanksgiving Eve  
 Thanksgiving Day  
 Festival of Lights

No later than Sun, Nov. 6  
 Wed. Nov. 23, 7 pm @ Union Baptist  
 Thursday, November 24th  
 begins at Mr. B's Park  
 Friday, November 25 (Day after Thanksgiving)  
 Sunday, November 27th

First Sunday of Advent

## MISSIONS

Candy drive for children in Iraq. Please limit your contributions to individually wrapped hard candies (such as lollipops, tootsie rolls, twizzlers, etc.) and because of the heat, chocolates should be avoided. Barbara Bauserman will collect these goodies and see that they are delivered.

## W.H.E.A.T.

NEEDS both with financial donations and with the following food pantry items: boxes of any type of pasta and spaghetti sauce. These items are especially needed at this time. However addition donations, as always, of any canned meats, jelly, bread, breakfast foods, soup, Brunswick stew, ravioli and similar "meals". Dried beans and rice.

## Compassion International:

Don't forget to support Eylon and Axel, our Sunday School's adopted children by depositing your spare change in the Red Boot in the church's narthex.

## Blessing Box:

Rouzie's has a Blessing Box to collect used men's clothing in good condition and assorted toiletries that can be given to the men at New Life for Youth Ranch. Please only men's Clothing & Toiletries!

**News from the Pews**

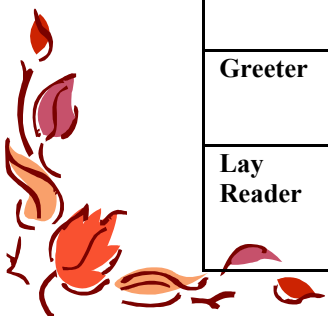


## November Birthdays & Anniversary

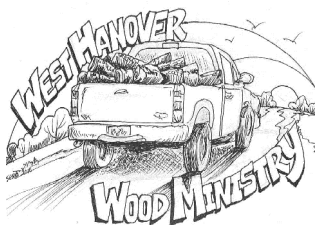
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|---------------------------------|----|
| Dalton Hawkins                  | 4  |
| Karen Roach                     | 9  |
| Ken Roach                       | 10 |
| Emily Stallings                 | 17 |
| Dave Bolden<br>& Chris Rutledge | 18 |
| Gwen Leech                      | 20 |

## LAY SCHEDULE

| Date       | November 13                | November 20          | November 27 | December 4 | December 11  |
|------------|----------------------------|----------------------|-------------|------------|--------------|
| Greeter    | Doris Davis<br>Karen Roach | Barbara<br>Bauserman | The Flint's | The Lear's | The Marsh's  |
| Lay Reader | Jim Duke                   | Barbara<br>Bauserman | Bev Duke    | Jay Marsh  | Martha Jones |



## West Hanover Wood Ministry (WHWM) Update



Cutting and splitting has been the major focus of the summer. However, our objectives are now changing to delivering wood. Fredy Calderon, from Beaverdam UMC, will be coordinating Saturday deliveries for the Beaverdam/Rouzie's families. If you would like to help deliver wood contact Fredy 804 357-5504, [axc609@gmail.com](mailto:axc609@gmail.com), or Dick Lear 540 894-9919, [rblear1@gmail.com](mailto:rblear1@gmail.com), to get on the e-mail or telephone distribution lists. You don't need a truck to help with deliveries. When the call goes out for deliveries, come to the wood yard and we will team you up with someone who has a truck. Thanks in advance for your help.

### Need Newsletter Feedback Please.....

- What part of the newsletter do you read first? \_\_\_\_\_
- Would you change the newsletter? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_. If yes, tell us how, what you would change. \_\_\_\_\_
- Would you be interested in contributing articles? \_\_\_\_\_
- Are you receiving by email? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
- Would you be willing to help with the newsletter? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you taking the time to respond. Either send your comments to [caroleu@embarqmail.com](mailto:caroleu@embarqmail.com) or put this section in the offering plate.

The editor

West Hanover Charge Conference was held on Oct. 20th. As part of the Richmond district we were blessed to meet with District Superintendent Steve Jones and the District Lay Leader, Janie Nuttall. Many thanks to both of them for traveling all the way to western Hanover County. We hope they'll be back again soon,

As is the custom during Charge conference, both churches elected their lay leaders for 2012 as well as approved a portion of their budgets. In addition, as a charge we approved a small salary increase for Pastor Claudia. We are extremely happy she and the entire Stallings family will be with us for another year.

Both Rouzie's Chapel and Beaverdam UMC continue to grow in their faith and commitment to God, the church and the community.



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Hi Girls and Boys,

Do you wonder why I always seem to have a Biblical Reading attached to this corner?

The answer is simply to encourage you to get your Bibles out and read further the exciting news that is laid out for you. Only this month, I am suggesting that you read another book that I just finished, "Let's Roll" by Lisa Beamer. It is in the public libraries if you don't want to buy it.

Now, I warn you, it is not a comedy but it is packed with so many messages that at this time of the year you will become more thankful for God, family, friends, and your blessings.

I do not have room to give you a synopsis, but will say there are heroes all around you and you won't have to look far. Heroes are not only those that serve in armed forces, police, and fire departments. Heroes not only include those that give their lives for us but they stand up for us, teach us, perform small miracles, give us something to be proud of, and love us.

Lamentations is a short book, with Jeremiah as probably one of the contributors. It was written around 586 B.C. It was written as a reminder of the fall of Jerusalem and the burning of the temple in the Old Testament. Although none of this book is quoted in "Let's Roll," there are parts of this book that remind me of its basis. Chapter 3 and verses 25,26, & 27 are prime examples.

"The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him. It is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. It is good for a man to bear the yoke while he is young."

So, be thankful for your heroes and praise the Lord.

Until next month, smile. God and JuG love you.

