



THE SPOTLIGHT

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WHO IS THIS KING?

Royal Servant...Rejected Friend...Risen Christ!

Sunday, May 8th
at 11:00 a.m.
in the sanctuary.

Composed by Lloyd Larson and Joseph M. Martin, "Who Is This King?" explores the confusion of those who witnessed the life and ministry of Christ:



Was Jesus the Messiah or a fraud?
Full of power and might or peace and love?
King or servant?
Crown of thorns or crown of glory?

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OUR COLLEGE GRADUATES

Aubrie DeVier-Scott

is graduating from the University of Virginia on May 22nd with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and a Bachelor of Arts in Spanish. Aubrie will be living and working in Harrisonburg for the summer/fall while applying to nursing schools (programs start next summer).

Hannah Leigh

graduates from William and Mary on May 15th with a degree in International Relations with a Marketing minor. She writes, "My future plans are still up in the air, but I'll let you know once I know!"



Kaci Foster

has earned a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from King College and receives her diploma on May 7th. Kaci will be the nurse at Camp May Flather this summer, the Girl Scout camp in Augusta County.

Katie Anderson Baldwin

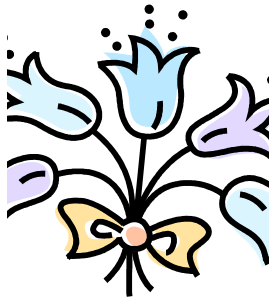
graduates from James Madison Univ. on May 7th with a Bachelors Degree in Social Work. She begins work on her Masters at Virginia Commonwealth Univ. in June.

Committee Meetings:

- *Resource: Monday, May 9th 7:00 p.m. at the McQuilkins' 107 Milestone Ct. Bwater*
- *SUPER TUESDAY, May 10th 6:15 p.m. at church for Member Care, Mission, Education and Spiritual Life*
- *Session: Sunday, May 22nd at 4:00 p.m. at church*

MEMBER CARE

Meets @ 6:15 Tuesday, May 10th



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PRAISES

Meg Oldman and Ben Gardner will be married at BPC on Saturday, May 14th at 3:00 p.m. The whole church is invited and if you haven't signed the "RSVP" poster on the kiosk, please do so ASAP. Meg writes: "Exciting news: Ben and I just bought a house in Indiana, PA! As of May 31st (or at some point in June, depending on when we make it up there) we will have a new address! It is:

PRAYERS

The family of Catherine Blair

- 8 year-old cousin of Nancie Lambert who lost her battle with cancer;

Ray & Pat Mundsinger & family

-on the death of their son, John, from cancer;

Grady Jones & family

- on the death of his father on Easter day.

TLC List—Show Some "Tender Loving Care"

May 1 ~ Ray & Pat Mundsinger – on the loss of their son, John

May 8 ~ send a card to a "Special Lady"

May 15 ~ Kaci Foster - graduating from King College

May 22 ~ Ben and Meg Gardner - Newlyweds!

May 29 ~ Joe Crockett for the many way he gives to the life of the church

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Meets @ 6:15 Tuesday, May 10th



REVELATIONS & RAPPORT

~ **Lunch Bunch** meets Wednesday, May 18th at 10:30 a.m. Study lesson #8 and call Sally the Tuesday before to order your lunch.

~ **Book Group** is meeting too late in April to make the "press" so watch the bulletin for their next book and discussion date/place.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Youth Sunday School Classes will be on summer break from June to August. We want to take this space to thank all who have provided spiritual leadership this past school year:

Will Canter, Emily Heatwole, Alison McElroy, & Judy Rees.

Thanks, too, to Adult Class Leader Tom Mizell

And Reading! Please take advantage of the publications provided for enhancement of your faith and knowledge:

- **These Days** - a daily devotional available in both regular and large print. They are in the narthex;
- **Presbyterians Today** - a monthly magazine to take, read and return. They are on a podium near the adult classroom.

MISSION

Meets @ 6:15 Tuesday, May 10th

SUMMARIES

~ **Blood Drive** - we thank everyone who participated - donors of food and the "gift of life." We had a great turn out and 22 units were collected. Special thanks goes to Joan Atkins and Betsy Glendye for coordinating the event.

~ **The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering** received on Easter Sunday totaled \$517. Thank you!

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Like all of you, the church receives numerous requests for donations each week from other organizations. Sometimes they find the circular file (like at your house) but other times we carefully consider the group doing the asking, its goals, and how they mesh with our mission at BPC.

Your Session has approved the *occasional* promotion of these requests. An appeal will be shared on a Sunday morning and a free-will offering received that day only. Keep your ears, eyes and hearts open!

2¢-a-Meal

Sunday, May 8th

25% to
Bridgewater
Inter-Church
Food Pantry

75% to
Shenandoah
Presbytery
Hunger Action

SPIRITUAL LIFE

Meets @ 6:15 Tuesday, May 10th

Beginning June 5th and ending August 28th our Summer Sunday Schedule is Worship at 10:00 a.m.

Thank you to everyone who enhanced our Lenten observances and Easter celebration:

- The Glendyes for hosting the Sunrise Service
- Our Acolytes
- All who contributed to the Flower Cross
- Emily & Gracie for sanctuary additions
- The Choir
- Maundy Thursday dinner hosts
- Ushers, Greeters and Nursery workers for their faithful service.
- YOU - worshipper!



Worship at Wildwood Park

June 5

9:00 Breakfast

10:00 Worship

Bring a dish to share and your favorite lawn chair!

Lectionary for May 2011

1: Acts 2: 14-32;	Psalm 16;	1 Peter 1: 3-9;	John 20: 19-31
8: Acts 2: 14a, 36-41;	Psalm 116: 1-4, 12-19;	1 Peter 1: 17-23;	Luke 24: 13-35
15: Acts 2: 42-47;	Psalm 23;	1 Peter 2: 19-25;	John 10: 1-10
22: Acts 7: 55-60;	Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16;	1 Peter 2: 2-10;	John 14: 1-14
29: Acts 17: 22-31;	Psalm 66: 8-20;	1 Peter 3: 13-22;	John 14: 15-21

COMMUNITY NEWS

Auxiliary Luncheons begin Wed., May 4th. Served at the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren from 11:00-1:00. Proceeds benefit the residents of Bridgewater Home through Peaceful Living Training for 2nd Floor Nursery Care & Gardner Wing (the memory units.) May's menu: Pork BBQ (vinegar sauce) cole slaw, baked beans, fruit salad & cake. These are always terrific meals!

OFFICE NEWS

- ◇ *Kerry is on vacation* May 4 through 8 (Kaci's graduation).
- ◇ *Summer Office Hours* begin June 6th. Monday - Thursday 9:00 until 1:00. Closed Fridays.
- ◇ *The Church Office will be closed* on Friday May 6th. Sally's mother is having her heart shocked (cardioversion)



*Next Newsletter Deadline is **Monday, May 23.** PLEASE, I need your feedback on this new layout!*



Shenandoah Presbytery meets Tuesday, May 10th at Charles Town Presbyterian Church, West Virginia. Jim Enterline will be our elder representative.

The Officer Nominating Committee Election Process

Soon, we will constitute the Church Officer Nominating Committee. It is a fairly routine procedure, but I want to highlight the early process. After the Session chooses a particular Sunday, there will be a Congregational Meeting, the expressed purpose being the election of a Nominating Committee. It will be publicized for two weeks.

On that particular Sunday, the Congregational Meeting will be called to order. We will pray, and then, we will pass out ballots with the names of all of the eligible members on it. The congregation (that would be you) will circle three names of individuals you feel that are able to perform a stated task, which is to secure names of persons willing to serve as officers of Bridge-

water Presbyterian Church. Please prayerfully consider your choice, looking at the gifts and talents and connections that each individual has with the congregation and church.

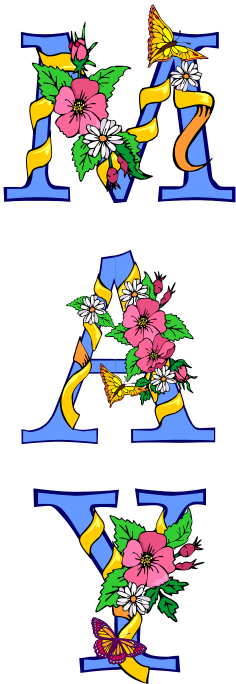
The ballots will be cast, and collected, and elder representatives and the Clerk of Session will count the ballots, developing a list of potential candidates ranked by number of votes cast in their name. Then the selected elders will call them in order until three individuals accept the Nominating to serve. The church will be notified of who is on the Nominating Committee, which will be three individuals chosen by the congregation, and two elders of the class rotating off of the Session. These five will be our Nominating Committee, and they will

begin the task of securing three nominees for the office of elder and one for the office of trustee.

I ask that when you see the announced date of the Congregational Meeting, you add that process to your prayers. I also ask that you begin to listen to see if God is asking you to serve, either as a member of the Nominating Committee or even as an elder. Or perhaps God is asking you to affirm gifts and talents in another individual, so pray for them, and share your vision with them at some point in time.

And thank you for being a part of this wonderful ministry here at Bridgewater Presbyterian Church.

Rev. Kerry Foster, Pastor
Bridgewater Presbyterian Church



Date	Ushers	Greeters	Acolytes	Nursery
1	David Rees Steve Humphreys	Tommy & Betsy Glendye	Kyle Eichlin	Cheryl Burke & Steven
8 <small>Mom's day</small>	Karen Leigh & a Glendye	June White	Lauren West	Judy Rees & Alex McElroy
15	David McQuilkin Bev Carver	Gary & Mary Kay Adams	Katie McElroy	Merrill Simon & Sarah
22	Merrill Simon Gracie Florence	David & Judy Rees	Kendal West	Alison McElroy & family
29 <small>Memorial Day</small>	David Rees Dana Eichlin	JC & Carla Enterline	Austin Walker	Emily Heatwole & Sarah Simon

Flowers - All Sundays are available. To share flowers call the church office or sign the poster on the information kiosk in the fellowship hall. We love homegrown blooms, too!

A Note from the Pastor

I hope that this past Easter season was wonderful for everyone. I am so thankful for the hard work that so many of you have given to this congregation and church this Lenten Season and Easter Sunday worship. Rather than thank you all individually, which means I could miss one or two of you and that would not be right, I will recall highlights for me.

The Choir. Just Awesome! The Lenten Candle Liturgy, Liturgists and Acolytes. It was a wonderful reminder of how Lent does play out for humanity. Palms for Palm Sunday. Being 'green' and celebrating that wonderful entry into Jerusalem by Christ our Lord. Maundy Thursday. Sharing meals in the home of some of our own, and sharing The Meal with all of us gathered in one place. A wonderful event. Gathering in a member's yard to greet the sunrise and trying to capture the joy of that first Sunrise Service. The sanctuary and sharing time with all of you each Sunday, and realizing how many folks it takes to prepare, perform, and clean-up after every worship. So, for everyone who made these things happen, a heartfelt thank you from your pastor.

So, what do we do next, now that Easter is over? Well, there is a lot still to do. We have events planned for special days, we have worship every Sunday, Wildwood is coming, the end of the school

year is fast approaching, and summer is just around the corner.

And there is one other event we need to prepare for: Our Nomination Process!

Now, don't everyone stand up and cheer, and also, don't everyone stand up and leave either! This next 'event' for us is so vital. Simply put, Joe Crockett, Elizabeth Englekings, Cheryl Burke, Merrill Simon, Jim Enterline and Emily Heatwole are looking to you all for help. As am I. So, here is the deal.

We will staff our Nominating Committee as is your custom here. If you feel called to help out, let us know. But, more importantly, I am asking you all to think about serving as an elder. Bridgewater Presbyterian has a long history of elders serving just one term, and then rotating off. I am so impressed with that, for that tells me there is a strong conviction that leadership is shared and is a sacred duty, and so many of you hold to the notion that bringing new leaders keeps the church's vision clear and not stagnant. Yes, there have been exceptions, and I am hopeful that we can keep these exceptions few.

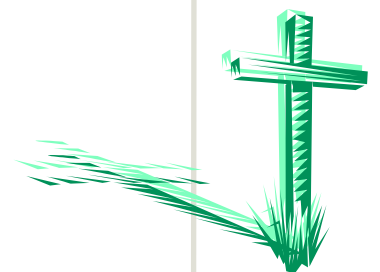
When you ponder this question of serving, think back to our Easter Season and what Easter and Resurrection means to you. I know of so many talents out there, and this is such a wonderful place to bring talents and gifts to share

with everyone. If you like being in worship, if you like the fellowship meals, if you like working with younger folks, if you like to plan worship services, if you are good at taking care of things, then you have talents that Bridgewater Presbyterian needs.

It may be that you do not feel led at this time to bring your talents and gifts to the office of elder. But you may see in another member those gifts and talents, so I ask that you approach them, and ask if they have ever thought of serving as an elder, or coming back to serve again. What I would suggest as you determine whether you are being called, or if you see something special in someone else, that you take time to pray about it, to give it some thought. If the Spirit continues to nudge you, think about how active you, or they, are, right now in church. Do you see them often - worshipping, fellowshiping, cleaning up, teaching, talking to others? In short, are they (or you) already active in the whole life of the church? If the answer is yes, perhaps the Spirit is already at work in them (or you!). So, for now, begin to pray, and begin to think of the model of leader that we have just celebrated is, and that is a servant leader, not an emperor.

Happy Easter everyone!

So,
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do
next,
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RESOURCE

Meets @ 7:00 Monday, May 9th at McQuilkin's



Church Attendance

March 6	45	April 3	55	
March 13	55	April 10	66	
March 20	68	April 17	71	
March 27	60	April 21	34	<i>Maundy Thursday Worship</i>
		April 24	78	

The Church's Finances

-prepared by Bev Carver, Disbursement Treasurer

Account Balances - as of April 21, 2011

Operating	\$18,233.81
Special	\$42,839.78
Payroll	\$ 20.12
Tax	\$ 499.45
Certificate of Deposit	\$25,310.02
<small>(matures 6/24/11)</small>	
New Covenant Mutual Funds..	\$564.83
<small>(portfolio value ending 3/31/11)</small>	

Offerings for April

Cumulative for the month	\$35,024.38
Target for the month	\$37,842.00
Amount under	\$ 2,817.62
Benevolence to Presbytery as of 4/24/11	
Cumulative target	\$ 1,872.00
Cumulative giving	\$ 1,721.00
Amount under	\$ 151.00

CAMPUS MINISTRY—THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Our students really appreciated being remembered during exam time. Thanks, also, to all who contributed to the PCM meal on April 27th.



May

- 4 Katie McElroy
Kendall West
- 7 Jacquelyn Gamble
- 8 Louise Newell
- 9 Woody Atkins
- 12 Suzanne Mizell
Aubrie DeVier-Scott
- 18 Lois Thompson
- 22 James Enterline
- 25 Dana Eichlin
- 26 Isaac Edwards
Miriam Eichlin
- 29 Joe Price

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Sally Smith, Editor

Pastor: Kerry Foster

The Session

-Class of 2011-	-Class of 2012-	-Class of 2013-
Betsy Glendye (Member Care)	Cheryl Burke (Mission)	Elizabeth Engleking Clerk (Christian Education)
David McQuilkin (Resource)	Joe Crockett (Mission + Spiritual Life)	Jim Enterline (Mission)
Ed Sonifrank (Resource)	Merrill Simon (Building & Grounds)	Emily Heatwole (Spiritual Life)

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 <i>2nd Sunday of Easter</i> 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship	2	3 6:00 TOPS	4 Auxiliary Lunch <u>11-1 @ COB</u> 6:30 Scouts 6:45 Choir	5	6 Office closed	7
Kerry gone May 4 - 8						
8 2-C-A-MEAL 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship CANTATA <i>Mothers' Day</i>	9 7:00 Resource @ McQuilkins'	10 <i>Presbytery @ Charlestown WV</i> 6:00 TOPS SUPER TUESDAY	11 6:45 Choir	12	13 Wedding rehearsal 6:00 p.m.	14 <i>Oldman- Gardner Wedding 3:00 p.m.</i>
15 <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i> 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship	16	17 6:00 TOPS	18 10:30 Lunch <u>Bunch #8</u> 6:30 Scouts 6:45 Choir	19	20	21
22 <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i> 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 4:00 - Session	23 Newsletter Deadline	24 6:00 TOPS	25 6:45- 8:00 Choir Last one 'til fall!	26	27	28
29 <i>6th Sunday of Easter</i> 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship	30 	31 6:00 TOPS	June 1 Auxiliary Lunch <u>11-1 @ COB</u>	June 2 Ascension of the Lord	June 3	June 4
JUNE 5 Worship @ Wildwood 9:00 Breakfast 10:00 Worship	June 6 Begin Summer Office Hours 9:00 to 1:00 Mon. - Thur.	June 7 6:00 TOPS	June 8	June 9 F.H. Reserved	June 10 Office closed	June 10
FH=Fellowship Hall; S=Sanctuary; JL=Journeyland; O=Office; COB=Church of the Brethren. All meetings held at the church unless otherwise noted.						



*Worship at
Wildwood Park
June 5*

9:00 Breakfast

10:00 Worship

*Bring a dish to share and
your favorite lawn chair!*

Invite family, friends & neighbors

**SAVE THE
DATE**



Tuesday, June 21

*Picnic in the
parking lot*

*Pentecost Sunday
June 12*

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