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RECTOR'S CORNER

We have very much to be thankful for at Piedmont Episcopal Church. As I reflect on our annual meeting from this Sunday past, I am reminded how blessed I am to live here in Madison and to be your pastor. Sunday morning's meeting gave all the signs of a church family that works together, expresses their feelings openly, and pledges its support for the future. Among many faithful workers, I would especially like to thank Doug Mow, Senior Warden; Joe Parker, Junior Warden; Jean Kane, Register; Kay John, Dink Kreis, Jim Landolt, vestry members; Bob Nowak and Norris John co-treasurers; and Beth Roireau, audit committee chair for their hard work of administration this year. When you are a small sized church the list of administrative details to attend to are about the same as in a medium sized one, but there are just fewer people to do the work. We work hard and we get the job done thanks to big hearts and willing hands.

I am also very thankful for the ministry of all baptized people in our congregation. Historically, the Episcopal Church has exhibited primary loyalty to national and diocesan mission efforts. More recently, individual parishes have come to focus on mission efforts that are grass roots in origin and participation. More and more

Episcopalians like getting their hands dirty with the mission and ministry at home, and Piedmont Church and our sister churches of Madison County are no exception.

Piedmont Church is a church of strong Christian disciples who are willing to work and lead our church and community in efforts that foster God's love and mutual support for others. Community helping organizations such as MESA – Food Pantry & Thrift Shop, Habitat for Humanity, Rescue Squad, Free Clinic, Senior Center, Boy's and Girl's Club, Troop Support, Madison Education Foundation, Young Life, Madison home school, First Friends Preschool, SIPPP and church based Journey to Adulthood Youth Groups, Stephen Ministry and Madison Community Outreach Works (MAD.C.O.W.) all have the touch of God because of your loving concern.

Please let me offer thanks for your share in the Gospel of Jesus Christ as it is manifested in your involvement in community organizations and our own worship, Christian education, pastoral care, and administration of beautiful buildings and grounds. I give thanks in all things for the astounding love of God in your living, and in your dedication to mission and ministry. Blessings - Brad

Friends of the Library – Did you know?

Our Madison County Library will be celebrating its 75th year on Friday, March 23 at 6:00 p.m. in the Madison Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall. This year's Library Follies is being written and produced by The Rev. Kaaren Ray and The Rev. Stuart Smith with a host of youth and adults singing, dancing, acting, and just generally having a good time. The title of this year's follies is "We've Got It Covered!" There is seating for 100 people with tickets \$15.00 available at the library or from friends of the library. The program is preceded by a chili and soup supper with various breads and desserts.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion Rite I
	9:30 a.m.	First Sunday of the Month Brunch
	9:00 a.m.	Journey to Adulthood - Youth Group
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Communion/Morning Prayer Rite II
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School & nursery
Monday	11:15 a.m.	Fellowship Hour in the Parish House
	5:30 a.m.	Rite 13 Youth & Community Service Group
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Home Schooled Children – Parish House
	7:00 p.m.	Adult study group at the McDowell’s home
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	First Friends Preschool – Church – (<i>Tuesday – Thursday</i>)
	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer - Church
	10:00 a.m.	Adult Study: <u>Fingerprints of God</u> – Parish House
Thursday	11:15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist – Parish House
	7:00 p.m.	Spiritual Journaling Class – Parish House
	7:00 p.m.	Young Life Campaigners – Parish House lower level
	8:30 a.m.	First Friends Preschool - Church
	9:30 a.m.	First Friends Preschool Chapel - Church
Friday	10:00 a.m.	Home Schooled Children/Women’s Bible Class – Parish House
	10:00 a.m.	Journaling to the Self – Parish House
	6:00 p.m.	Potluck Supper (all are welcome) – Parish House
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Fellowship – Parish House
	7:00 p.m.	Piedmont Church Choir practice – Church
Friday	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer 1 st , 3 rd , 5 th
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Communion at Autumn Care 2 nd and 4 th

Regular Office hours are Tuesday through Friday from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm.



FEBRUARY EVENTS CALENDAR

Wednesday the 1 st at noon	“Freedom Riders” documentary & Potluck lunch – Schreiner’s
Thursday the 2 nd at 1:00 p.m.	Troop Support gift packaging – Parish House lower level
Thursday the 2 nd at 4:00 p.m.	Madison County Education Foundation – Parish House
Sunday the 5 th at 9:30 a.m.	Brunch hosted by Mary & Dick Moore – Parish house
Sunday the 5 th at 3:00 a.m.	Katherine Parker’s Voice Recital – Mary Baldwin College
Tuesday the 7 th at 7:00 p.m.	Habitat for Humanity monthly meeting – Madison UMC
Wed. the 8 th at 4:00 p.m.	MESA Executive Board meeting - MESA
Friday the 10 th at 10:30 a.m.	Holy Communion - Autumn Care Home
Sunday the 19 th at 10:00 a.m.	Piedmont Church Folk Choir leads music
Sunday the 19 th at 11:30 a.m.	Piedmont Church Vestry – Parish House (unconfirmed date)
Tuesday the 21 st at 10:00 a.m.	Region I Clericus – Trinity Church, Fredericksburg
Tuesday the 21 st at 6:00 p.m.	Shrove Tuesday: Palm Burning, Pancake Supper, Mardi Gras!!!
Wednesday the 22 nd at noon	Ash Wednesday Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist
Wed. the 22 nd at 7:30 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist
Friday the 24 th at 10:30 a.m.	Holy Communion - Autumn Care Home
Sunday the 26 th at 4:00 p.m.	Service of Evening Prayer at Graves Chapel
Tuesday the 28 th at noon	Madison Ministerial Association – Madison United Methodist
Tuesday the 28 th at 6:00 p.m.	MESA Dinner/Meeting – Madison United Methodist Church
Wed. the 29 th at 10 a.m.	Lenten Study: <u>The Gospel according to Mark</u> – Hebron Lutheran

PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

WE OFFER PRAYERS OF HEALING FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Paige Wilkes (Sue Brown's cousin), Stephen Griffin (Griff and Vera's son), Bernice Egbert, Janice Shanks (Cindy McDowell's friend), Larry Szczur (pronounced Caesar – Chris Straightiff's father-in-law), Martha Law (Hardie Newton's sister), Pat Price, Ruth Henken (Dave's mother), Dot Dalton, Stan & Nan Allison (Dorsey Comer's brother and sister-in-law), Kitty Edwards (Jaynie Jackson's aunt), the Rice family (Charlotte Scott's family), Elizabeth Ferrier (friend of Katherine Parker), the Mawdsley family, Danny Call (friend of the Parkers), Susan Muston, Sharon Harris (friend of Dorsey Comer), Lori Weldon (friend of the Landolt's), Chloe Hammer (Jean Kane's sister), Shelley Castell (Katie Puryear's sister) Maria Rosenberg, Jenna Angelo (Sue Brown's niece), Michael Foster (friend of the John's), Sue Vaughn (friend of the Jackson's), Reggie Hall (Barbara Straightiff's brother-in-law), Pat Porter (Kathy Henken's sister), Russell Lane (Carolyn Stanley's brother-in-law), Dreama Travis, Nicky Bourgeois (Doris Lackey's friend), Cheryl Tompkins and Janet Chrismore (friends of the Henken's), Miriam Terninko (friend of the Birkhofer's), Heather Comer, Corey Barker, Bernice Egbert (Jacqueline Mow's godmother), Carrie Gillies, Andrew Windland, Karen Vinson (Mike's wife), Alex Yowell, Ann Robinson, Kyler Imel, Donna Nettles, Jacqueline Smith, the Vannetta family, Sara Parmenter, Sara DeLaurentis (Sue Burnett's niece), Marianne Krause, Dorothy Mudd, Robert Ullrich, Jeff Yowell, Mary Haley, Patrick Fohner, Lorraine Sandifer (Vera Griffin's sister), Ruby Minick (grandmother of a friend of Kay John), Nelle Ashby (Ginger Webster's mother), Sue Lam, Joyce Smith (Joe Hilliard's niece), Betty Thomas (friend of Barbara Straightiff), Travis Beckner (friend of Ed Webster), Paul Longerbeam, Ted and Rene Hinds, Elsie Hubbell (Jean Kane's mother), and Sandra Clore (Waltine Robinson's niece).

WE OFFER PRAYERS OF HEALING AND GOD'S LOVING PRESENCE FOR FRIENDS IN NURSING HOME CARE: Jack and Martha Cornwell at the Dogwood Center in Orange, Dorothy Green (Charlotte Scott's sister), George Novak and Bea Douglas at Autumn Care.

We pray for peace and the restoration of people's safety and dignity in Japan, Zimbabwe, Sudan, Afghanistan, Haiti, Myanmar, and other parts of the globe where there is extreme suffering or injustice.

We pray for our missionaries Sarah & Gary Greenwood in Peru and for Kimberly Johnson and John Hunt as they work in Liberia.

We pray for our service men and women: Brian Mainwaring, Elmore D. Jones, James Holt, Kenneth Hahn, Justin Poage, Ashby Lyn Lamb, John Keys, Matt Gardner in Afghanistan, Paul Dixon in South Korea, and Clay Puryear at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

We pray for our presiding bishop, Katharine Jefferts Schori; our bishops, Shannon Johnston, David Jones and Ted Gulick, the churches of the Diocese of Virginia, and for our brothers and sisters in the Anglican Communion's 38 churches.

We pray for the families in Barbara's House; for the work of Madison Emergency Services Association, Habitat for Humanity, Madison Free Clinic, Literacy Council of Madison County, Boy's and Girl's Club of Madison, Senior Nutrition Site, and the Madison County Education Foundation.

We offer prayers for the family and friends of Sue Norris as they mourn her death. May she rest in peace and rise to God's glory.

We offer prayers of thanks for Ellen Searls return to full health and activity following a long illness.

We pray for our youth in college or living away: Peter Thawng Za Uk in Iowa, Haley and Nick Bader, Julia Craig, Kim Henken, Claire & Paul Jackson, Sam Landolt, Katherine and Michael Parker, Grace Pastore, Isabelle and Tori Puryear, Sui Vang, Gabby Wadel, Nathan Young and Josh Zarambo.

Prayer Partners

Please pray daily as a household or individual for your prayer partner(s) by name. During the month, please carry your prayer into action by exchanging some token of Christian love. Send them a card with your picture(s), exchange a meal, sit together during church, or visit at the fellowship hour or brunch after church. You will find your name and the name of your prayer partner(s) on an enclosed page of this newsletter.

VESTRY NOTES

The Piedmont Church vestry met Sunday, January 15, 2012 at 11:30 a.m. Highlights of the meeting include:

- January Outreach Offering – Evangelism Fund in thanksgiving for the ministry of Bishop Jones.
- February Outreach Offering – The Jackson Feild Home for Girls and Episcopal Boys' Home in Covington.
- The nominating committee reported on members who would be nominated at the Annual Meeting.
- Results of the Every Member Canvass were shared and people still to be contacted was discussed
- The Rector's Housing Statement was placed into the minutes.

PIEDMONT CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING

The time of our Annual Meeting was pushed back a week to allow the vestry and budget committee to meet. We met on the 22nd of January at 11:15 a.m. The meeting included written reports of ministry and highlights of the year, election of new vestry, and presentation of the 2012 budget. I would like to thank everyone who submitted written ministry reports for their faithful service and dedication. I would also like to thank everyone who stayed for the meeting and offered their good input and support.

One item of business was the lengthening of vestry terms to three years. Three year terms are the pattern of most Episcopal congregations and allow more time for people to function at full capacity after learning the job in the first year of service. The terms would be staggered so two of the six vestry members would be elected each year. A motion to change to three year terms was made, seconded and passed by a majority.



SUNDAY MORNING BRUNCH BUNCH

The Sunday Morning Brunch Bunch invites you to dine with them on the first Sunday of each month following the 8:30 a.m. service. You are invited to bring a breakfast dish to share and an offering for the MESA food closet. February the 5th is our next brunch. It will be hosted by Mary & Dick Moore in the parish house. Details about hosts and location for future brunches are posted on the bulletin board at the back of the church.

POTLUCK LUNCH AND FILM

You are cordially invited to a potluck lunch and showing of the documentary film "Freedom Riders" at the home of Jill & Roger Schreiner on Wednesday, February 1 at noon. Please call ahead (948-5319) to reserve a place. Seating 10 to 12.

SHROVE TUESDAY

What a happy time we have celebrating the beginning of Lent each year as we burn the palm branches from last year, bid goodbye to "alleluias," eat wonderful pancakes and sausage-egg casseroles, and break the piñata at the end. Please mark your calendar for Tuesday, February 21 at 6:00 p.m. and bring a friend. The evening will begin on the carport with the burning of your last year's Palm Sunday branches. Please sign-up to bring a dish!

ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday's Service of the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist will be offered using the burned palms from the previous night's Shrove Tuesday celebration. This beginning of a holy Lent will be Wednesday, February 22 at noon and at 7:30 p.m. It is a solemn and beautiful examination of our lives in the presence of God's love and eternal plan.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Each year we are invited to join the ecumenical Bible study of the Madison County community on the Wednesdays in Lent from 10:00 to noon at the Hebron Lutheran Church. We will meet February 29, March 7, 14, 21, 28. This year's theme is centered around the Gospel According to Mark. It is a broad theme that allows us to learn and discuss the nature of our faith in Christ.

ORAN MOR: A CELTIC JOURNEY IN

SILENCE AND SOUND

Beginning the first week in Lent and once a week for the five weeks before Palm Sunday, Kaaren Ray will lead a 90 minute Lenten Meditation Practice. The five sessions will include periods of silence, sacred poetry, Celtic chanting and reflective music and readings. Each week the focus will offer participants the opportunity to drop more deeply into the Great Mystery or as the Celts say, "the Oran Mor" (Great Melody). Days and times are needed for this series. Please share your interest in this daytime and/or evening series with time and days that are preferable for you by calling Kaaren at 917-572-0702 or e-mail at kaarpkg2000@yahoo.com.

FEBRUARY PRAYER PARTNERS

Please pray daily as a household or individual for your prayer partner(s) by name. You will find your name and the name of your prayer partner(s) listed below.

Jack & Heidi Adams	Dotty Posey
Emily Amos	Betty Pumphrey
Brian & Rebecca Bader	Hardie Newton
Robert and Dorothy Bair	Kim Pumphrey
Eve Bargmann & Joe Polin	Beau Puryear
Jeanne Bender	Colt & Katie Puryear
Jim Bernat & Debbie Ball	Kaaren Ray
Bill & George Ann Birkhofer	Jim & Pat Roberts
Neil & Barbara Breeding	Carol Robertson
Sue Brown	Chris & Jennie Robertson
Beth Burnam	Mike & Helen Robertson
Sue Burnett	Waltine Robinson
Chris & Jessica Burnside	Adele Baker & Bill Robinson
Susan Cable	Briarley Rogers
Clay Campbell	Beth Roireau
Marjorie Cave	Maria Rosenberg
Dorsey Comer	Doreen Russell
Jack & Martha Cornwell	Steve & Molly Sanford
Arthur & Bethany Craig	Roger & Jill Schreiner
Martin Croes	Charlotte Scott
David Cronk	Ellen Searls
Reggie & Helle Dale	Ann Skidmore
Spencer & Mary Chilton DeJarnette	Stuart & Lizabeth Smith
Denise Detchon	Anthony Soucek
Angela Dodson	Nick & Sherry Spencer
Celia Dollarhide	Barbara Straightiff
Jenny Edwards	Carolyn Stanley
Joan Edwards	Carl & Serena Tendziegloski
Steve & Shelby Gohn	Mary O. Thompson
Sam & Susan Good	Allison Vidal
Griff & Vera Griffin	Jim & Mary Walker
Kim Griffith	Lisa Warren
Mark & Diane Haddon	Ed & Ginger Webster
Erin Haggerty	Kavanaugh & Beppy White
Brad & Lydia Hansen	Beverly Young
Dave & Kathy Henken	Sharon Zarambo
Joe Hilliard	Dee Dee Lyon
Dona Hutchinson	Ed & Teresa Matricardi
John Hurt & Kimmy Johnson	Rich & Linda Maurer
Frank & Susan Hyland	Skip McDanolds
Brad & Jaynie Jackson	Nick & Cindy McDowell
Betty James	Brian and Margeaux McLain Majewski
Rose Jenkins	Margy McLain
Norris & Kay John	Marty & Martha Mikula
Marcela Johnson	Dick & Mary Moore
Jean Kane	Cecil Morgan
Kathe Kendall	Kathryn & Tony Morris
Larry & Susan Kennedy	LTC Doug & Jacqueline Mow
Jim & Alma Koontz	Paul Munson
Dink Kreis	Hardie Newton
Doris Lackey	George & Margaret Novak
Nelson & Carolyn Lamb	Bob & Carol Nowak
Jim & Bess Landolt	Bettie Parker
Keith & Blair Lonergan	Joe & Vickie Parker

CHURCH DIRECTORY PICTURES

We have not printed the Piedmont Church directory pictures in some time. The following is a link to the current Church picture directory:

<http://www.piedmontepiscopalchurchva.org/family>

If you would like to update your family picture, please contact Roger Schreiner at rogill@vabb.com. If you would like your family picture removed from this directory, again notify Roger. Note that this directory can only be accessed via the above link, there is no direct link from the regular Piedmont website to this directory thus offering some level of discretion.

**PIEDMONT HELPER LIST
February 2012**

	5th – Epiphany 5	12th – Epiphany 6	19th – Epiphany Last	22nd – Ash Wednesday	26th – Lent 1
	Holy Communion	Morning Prayer	Holy Communion	Noon and 7:30 PM	Morning Prayer
Acolyte	Conner Puryear	Beth Roireau	Josh Good		Sebastian Stevens
Crucifer	Millie Rice		Cameron Ludin		
Altar Care					
Chalice	Skip McDanolds		Norris John		
Lector/ Intercessor 8:30 10:00	Bill Robinson Doris Lackey & Colt Puryear Form IV	Molly Sanford Roger & Jill Schreiner Form V	Griff Griffin Joe & Vickie Parker Form VI	Volunteers Needed	Carolyn Stanley Beth Roireau & Eve Bargmann Form I
Refreshments	Roger & Jill Schreiner	Lisa Warren	Kay John & Sue Brown		Susan Kennedy
Usher	Bob Nowak	Jim Landolt	Kay John	Volunteers Needed	Eve Bargmann
Vestry Person	Kay John	Sue Brown	Briarley Rogers & Kay John		Joe Parker & Eve Bargmann
Nursery	Helle Dale	Lisa Warren & Phoebe	Jaynie Jackson		Bess Landolt

February 5th Brunch Bunch host/hostess: Mary & Dick Moore – Parish House