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COOKS CREEK
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Cooks Creek Courier

UPCOMING

EVENTS

Wednesday, August 17 - Come and enjoy a simple lunch of burgers & hotdogs and bring a favorite side dish or dessert to share. Following lunch we will enjoy a presentation by Jerry Gustin, a career US Army Transportation Officer. Jerry received a joint service assignment to the US Navy as the Terminal Operations Officer for the Naval Support Force Antarctica, Operation Deep Freeze. He spent 11 months at McMurdo Station on the Antarctic Continent coordinating the movement of personnel, equipment, fuel and scientific research materials to and from the United States to destinations throughout Antarctica. Please RSVP by Sunday, August 14 to the church office.

Sponsored by The Sunshine Gang

Tuesday, August 23 - All VMRC residents that are a part of Cooks Creek are invited to join us at the Strite Auditorium at 2:00 for snacks, fellowship, and Communion. See you there!

Sunday, October 2, 2022 - On behalf of the Re-Connect Sunday team, we wish to invite you, your family, friends, neighbors, current and former church members, to join us for a time to gather at worship, over lunch and to be entertained! (See more info on page 3)

Re-Connect Sunday Team



Ramblings from the Reverend

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

We have a great deal to praise God for at Cooks Creek for God's blessings flow bountifully here! Here are a few of the blessings to celebrate:

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August

 	Liturgist	SS Care	Nursery	Pre-school
7	Barret Dalrymple	Katherine Lyons	Shelley & Charlie Newman	Katherine Lyons
14	Nancy Myers	Katherine Lyons	Adonica Miller & Billy Lilly	Katherine Lyons
21	Don Myers	Katherine Lyons	Natalie & Brian Bocock	Katherine Lyons
28	Steve Smith	Katherine Lyons	Whitney & Paul Eberly	Katherine Lyons & Pam Bocock

Elders on Call: Fran Smith - 540-421-0837 and Mark Williams- 540-578-3035

If you have an urgent need and can not get in touch with Pastor Seth, please call the Elder on call.

July Attendance:

3 - SS 17 W 71

10 - SS 16 W 76

17 - SS W 77

24 - SS 11 W 81

We are also thankful for the 30-50 who faithfully watch online and listen via telephone.

Prayer Needs

- Dylan Heatwole
- Tucker-JD and Diane's grandson
- Terry & Linda Morris
- Karen Moats
- Dennis Early
- Ronald Miller
- Meredith Durham (daughter of Becky Hottel)
- Families of John Rossheim and Annie Lucas upon their passing



Church Information

Staff

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Seth Normington 540.236.2900
 Office Administrator: Martha Shank 540.567.8117
 Organist: Teresa Simmers
 Nursery Coordinator: Katherine Lyons
 Custodian: Jean Will

Session

Clerk of Session: Mark Williams
 Administration Team: Mark Williams, Brenda Moyers
 Mission Outreach Team: Terry Morris, Jeff Heatwole
 Congregational Care Team: Becky Pierce, Fran Smith
 Christian Education Team: Kate Dudley, Gerald Harper
 Property and Grounds Team: Jim Suter, Brad Miller, Ray Heatwole
 Worship Team: Don Myers, Skip Wallace

Church Committee Leaders

Youth Advisor: Kate Dudley
 Cemetery: Brad Miller
 The Sunshine Gang: Craig & Nancy Miller, Bob & Patsy Scott
 Sanctuary Decorations: Jana Miller
 Historian: Nancy Myers

Church News

Prayer Ministry

"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind."

Romans 12:2

This September we will begin our fifth year as a church praying for our children, youth, and college students. This past year 31 members dedicated time to pray and mail a card each month to 37 children and 5 college students. By taking time to pray regularly, God has blessed these families in numerous ways.

Parents who would like to be a part of the Prayer Ministry by having a church member pray for their child(ren) can email me or complete the "Parent's Consent"

form.

Church members are needed to participate in the Prayer Ministry so all our children will have someone to pray for them. If you would like to become part of the Prayer Ministry by praying for a child and by mailing a card each month, please email me or complete the "I Will Pray" form.

The "Parent's Consent" and "I Will Pray" forms are included at the end of the Courier. You can also stop by the Connect table to pick up these forms and place the completed form in the offering plate or turn it into the office by August 14th.

Let us continue to pray for our church members, Pastor Seth, Session, and those who are need-

ing physical and spiritual healing.

Heavenly Father, purify my children's hearts and minds, so their actions never come from pride, anger, or bitterness.

Help them bring to the cross their desire to do things out of selfish ambitions. I pray that they would desire to imitate you, Lord.

Help them walk in a spirit of humility, regarding others as more important than them.

Help them see the needs of those around them.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

K-Love

Blessings,

Becky

Reconnect Sunday

Make your plans now to be at Cooks Creek Presbyterian Church for a very special day on Re-Connect Sunday, October 2, 2022. We are hoping to fill the church that Sunday and need your help to do so.

On behalf of the Re-Connect Sunday team, we wish to invite you, your family, friends, neighbors, current and former church members, to join us for a time to gather at worship, over lunch and to be entertained! Thanks to connections of Becky Pierce, we will have The Dunns; Dwayne, Martha and Jerry to perform following our

luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. You don't want to miss this!

In addition, we will be introducing the church to a new video filled with historical church photos of today, 20 years ago and 40 years ago that you'll thoroughly enjoy. Be sure to attend the luncheon following worship to see this exciting production.

A sign-up sheet will be at the Connect Table in mid-August so make sure you sign up to indicate you'll be attending, as it is important that we get an accurate count of how many will be coming. Worship service will begin at

the usual time of 10:30 am with the luncheon to follow immediately after the service in the Fellowship Hall.

All are welcome to attend the Re-Connect Sunday, October 2, gathering to enjoy fellowship, friendship and good times together! See you there!

Re-Connect Team

Tom Frye Jana Miller
Bea Morris Nancy Myers
David Scott Steve Smith
Jim Suter

From the Prayer Team

As educators, parents and children begin preparing for a new school year, let us not forget to pray and learn the ABCs of scripture.

THE GOSPEL ALPHABET

An easy and fun way to memorize Scripture!

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. Romans 3:23

Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! John 1:29b

Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. James 4:8a

Even so it is not the will of your Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish. Matthew 18:14

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God. Ephesians 2:8

God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. John 3:16

Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out. John 6:37b

I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. John 14:6b

Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He sent." John 6:29

Knock, and it will be opened to you. Matthew 7:7c

Look to Me, and be saved, all you ends of the earth! Isaiah 45:22a

My grace is sufficient for you. 2 Corinthians 12:9b

Now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation. 2 Corinthians 6:2b

Open my eyes, that I may see wondrous things from Your law. Psalm 119:18

Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. John 14:27

Quicken me according to Thy Word. Psalm 119:154b

Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him. Psalm 37:7a

Seek, and you will find. Matthew 7:7b

The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. 1 John 1:7b

Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:11

Verily, verily I say unto you, He that believeth on Me hath everlasting life. John 6:47

What will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Mark 8:36

EXcept a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. John 3:3b

You are not your own...For you were bought at a price. 1 Corinthians 6:19b-20a

Zealous for good works. Titus 2:14c

Samaritan's Purse International Relief

Samaritanspurse.org

Franklin Graham, President

Ramblings from the Reverend, continued from page 1

- ◆ We had a tremendous Vacation Bible School this summer with 48 children and scores of faithful teens and adults serving them. It was a remarkable experience for all involved and we are blessed to have wonderful leadership to have made this week happen. If you didn't see the VBS wrap-up video in worship on July 24, you can view it on our [home page](http://homepage.cooks creekchurch.org) (cooks creekchurch.org) for the next few weeks. Be sure to thank our VBS crew!
- ◆ We had a blessed time at the North River baptizing two of God's chosen children and remembering and renewing our own baptismal vows. The weather was just about perfect and more than that, we felt the Holy Spirit amongst us as we departed from the ordinary and experienced the extraordinary.
- ◆ The updates to our sanctuary are going well and this is a reflection of our faithful commitment of our personal finances to the work of God in and through Cooks Creek. We have been able to replace the roof on the sanctuary and are updating the paint around the exterior sanctuary windows. These are generational investments that will free us to worship God without building issues hanging over our heads (the roof was last completely replaced in 1912, we believe!). Additionally, we have added some glass to a couple of Sunday School doors to come into compliance with the Safe Church policy we adopted four years ago.
- ◆ We have two great events to look forward to coming up: August in Antarctica on August 17 and Re-Connect Sunday on October 2. Look in the newsletter for how you can be a part of what is on the horizon!
- ◆ We continue to dream of what is possible and where God is leading us. We are planning a fellowship event at VMRC in August and discerning what the Spirit has for us for ministry with our middle and high school folks. Pray for God's leading and how God is calling you this season.
- ◆ We are blessed to be able to worship together each week in-person, online, and by mail. Our conception of how the Holy Spirit knits us together as people united in Christ continues to grow! Let us not fail to meet together in all the ways we are being called.

What blessings would you add?

God bless,

Seth



Cooks Creek Church Outreach Ministry

Keeping in Touch with Members and Friends

One of our most important ministries is to love and care for one another. All of us can participate in this by reaching out with phone calls, cards, visits and prayer. We want to remember the words of our Lord:

"Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." John 13:34



Dennis Early 2/2	Bridgewater Retirement Community 302 N. 2nd St. Room 353 Bridgewater, VA 22812	Lois Frye 10/25	White Birch Communities 847 Oakwood Dr. Rockingham, VA 22801 540-236-5918
Tom & Luanne May T 4/11 L 4/29	1235 Quince Drive Harrisonburg, VA 22801 540-476-3205	Pam Sonner 3/20	229 Emerson Lane Harrisonburg, VA 22802 540-217-0805
Jerry Miller 7/30	4463 Mt. Clinton Pike Harrisonburg, VA 22802 540-908-8316 millerhomestead@comcast.net	Terry & Linda Morris T 4/9 L 3/1	3935 Sunnyside Dr. Suite B Harrisonburg, VA 22801 540-568-8448
Pete & Ann Rhodes P 6/1	624 Erickson Ave. Harrisonburg, VA 22801 540-434-9473	Curtis Long 11/23	6868 Mt. Clinton Pike Harrisonburg, VA 22802 540-867-5127
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Mary Ann Morriss 11/11	Summit Square Retirement Community 501 Oak Ave Waynesboro, VA 22980 540-941-3157	Jimmy & Evelyn Miller J 5/31 E 4/24	1401 Virginia Ave. Crestwood, Hickory Apt. 303 540-564-6527
Jean Ratcliff 5/23	5366 Snapps Creek Rd. Singers Glen, VA 22850 540-833-6604	Mable Branner 4/3	1401 Virginia Ave. Redbud 224 Harrisonburg, VA 22802 540-564-3352

History and Other Tidbits

Ever wonder where the Courier got its beginning? Peggy Dillard, while doing research on our new upcoming Cooks Creek History Book, sent this to me to share with our congregation.....

November 1965 the Session authorized a monthly church newsletter to be distributed the first Sunday of every month and handed out at church. Stamps were deemed too expensive (\$.04/stamp) for mailing, except to shut-ins, servicemen, and church supporting non-residents. "After all, 4 cent stamps do add up, and you can come to Church and get one." Only one per family. The first issue dated November 7, 1965.

Rev. Bolls and the Moderator of the Session served in an editorial capacity with submissions accepted by anyone.

The expectation was for the Courier to expand and go beyond the Women's Newsletter.

Rev. Bolls wrote the first issue to "start the direction that the Courier will run." "It will be for and about us." "An informed Church is a healthy Church."

"Courier" came from the Latin currere, to run, and means a special messenger.

News Headlines:

Men's Memos	Women's Wanderings	Yells and Yarns from our Youth
Gideon's Letter	Church School News	Mt. Olive Council
The Lamp of Learning (those in college)		Under 50 Stars (those in military)
Calendar of Events		

Here's an amusing anecdote from one of the newsletters:

"The kitchen mice have been about to break up our Youth Fellowship. Their antics and stunts make it mighty hard on a speaker or program leader. Well, would you be able to keep a straight face if a mouse came out of the kitchen, stopped, listened, shook his head, and scampered back for another bite of Cooks Creek crumbs?"

In June of 1967 Mrs. Richard Miller agreed to serve the Church as a part-time Church Secretary. Her duties included the weekly bulletins, The Cooks Creek Courier, the Mt. Olive Christian Survey, the annual Church Roll and Organizational Chart, and other secretarial duties that would relieve the Pastor from all the typing and mimeographing.

In January 1969 money was budgeted for mailing the Couriers since many could not attend church to pick up a copy. This way "members are a much more informed congregation."

The cost of mailing in 1969 was \$0.14 cents per copy plus a \$30 annual permit fee. Yearly total cost to the church: \$63.60. Averaged to about 30 cents per family per year. "More than worth it to have information, reports, etc. into every home each month."

If the VBS team borrowed items from you, please pick them up from the table in the hallway.

Thank you!!

Food Pantry Report

Beginning Balance June 1, 2022

\$17,557.59

DEPOSITS

Individual Contributions	\$490.69
Church & Religious Organizations & Businesses	\$2350.00
Total Deposits	\$2840.69

DISBURSEMENTS

Bread	\$180.00
Hot dogs & Hamburger	\$720.05
Food Purchases to fill Bags	\$2,780.53
Eggs (Reimbursed by Mt. Bethel)	\$240.69
Milk Vouchers (Finder's Keepers 14 gal. - \$60.60 Sharp Shopper 95 gal. - \$410.46)	\$471.06
Produce Vouchers (Bananas- \$115.96, Apples- \$258.03, Grapes-\$161.53)	\$535.52
Total Disbursements	\$4,927.85

Balance as of June 30, 2022

\$15,470.43

Maybe you have noticed that our balance has been decreasing by about \$2,000 each month for the last several months. Donations have held fairly steady at a little over \$2,000 a month with January and February having larger contributions because of memorial donations. Since February, the purchases to fill the prepacked bags have been a little over \$2,000 and deposits have been almost enough to cover this. Hamburger is being reimbursed by a generous donor, and the cost of eggs, which also is on the treasurer's report, is reimbursed by the host church each month. All the food we give is food families need, not extras and snacks, etc. We are grateful that the financial support allows us to give milk and produce vouchers so that families can get these items when they need them. Some have said that produce at some other

pantries is hardly usable, and bread is sometimes molded. What we give in the name of Christ should always be good quality. The pantry expenses are just what we as individuals are seeing when we go to the grocery store: prices of everything are going up. We still have a good balance, but if costs and donations continue as they have been, we may have some difficult decisions to make in several months about the items we are able to supply. Just want you to think about these things.

The number of households served on Thursday evening was 60, with 6 indicating they were new. In addition, there were 3 deliveries on Saturday, so this was an increase of 10 this month. Approximately 1,701 pounds of food was given in the prepacked bags. We did not give toilet tissue last month because there was a short-

age in the order. That was corrected this month, so each family received a 12-count package. Cooks Creek replaced 11 fire extinguishers with larger ones, so they donated the smaller ones, all of which were still effective for several years. They were taken quickly.

We thank Greenmount Bible school for donating items after the distribution. These will be used next month. We thank Mt. Bethel for hosting the pantry this month. Mt. Olive will host the pantry on Thursday, July 28. They will provide eggs and an inspirational insert for each family.

Regardless of our income, the current economic situation makes all of us pay more attention to the increasing cost of just about everything we buy or are planning to buy.

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Food Pantry Report, Cont.

Many of us are at a stage in our lives when we look back at the past and see that we are financially better off than we were, but although we believe we are somewhat financially secure, there is still that little gnawing fear that the savings we have put aside may not be enough. A recent devotional by Xochitl Dixon (Yes, that's the correct spelling.) in *Our Daily Bread* recounts the story in II Kings 4 of a poor widow who asked Elisha for financial

help. Elisha asked her what her assets were, and her reply was that she had nothing but one small jar of olive oil. He told her to ask her neighbors for empty jars and then go into a room alone and pour the oil into the jars she had been given. Miraculously, to her amazement, the oil continued to flow until all the jars were filled. Elisha then told her to sell the oil and use the money to pay her debts and that she would still have enough left for

her use. In this story, as in so many others in the Bible, God shows us that He is a caring God who multiplies small resources when we have faith, are obedient, and gratefully manage what we do have. "When we focus on what we don't have, we risk missing out on watching God do great things with what we do have."

Bea



Sincere thanks goes out to our own Dick Travis, Gerald Harper, and Larry Hogan who filled the pulpit during Pastor Seth's vacation last month. Each one graced us with excellent messages which were entitled: "Life Is Such A Dream", "Heaven Can Wait", and "Is God The Lord Of Our Nation," respectively. We are grateful for the blessing Cooks Creek has in having members who are willing to fill the pulpit. In addition, appreciation is extended to our guest organists, Katherine Custer and Ruth Williams, who filled the church with wonderful music accompaniment. The Holy Spirit was certainly evident through the participation of each these individuals.

The Worship Team

We wanted to take the time to thank many, many people for their prayers, calls, support and kindness during a very trying time. Words can't describe how much it means that people take time from their hectic lives to think and pray for us. It has meant everything.

There's nothing in the world like opening the mailbox and finding a card with warm words and prayer, especially on the most difficult days. They are so appreciated? Bless you.

Due to God's grace and a skilled surgeon, Meredith is cancer free! We are just coping with some post operative issues, hoping they can be repaired.

Sincerely,

Meredith Durham

Becky Hottel



Superior BANANA SPLIT

Fruit and yogurt combine for this healthy take on a sweet treat.

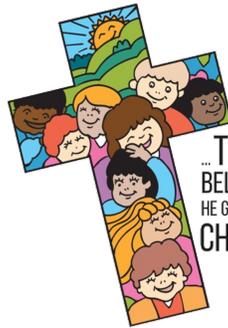


What you need:

- Bananas
- Plain Greek yogurt
- Assorted berries and fruit
- Granola
- Honey

What you do:

1. Using a butter knife, split the banana in half lengthwise. Lay the halves open in a bowl.
2. Add several dollops of yogurt atop the banana halves.
3. Arrange other fruit, such as berries and grapes.
4. Top the banana split with a sprinkle of granola and a drizzle of honey. Enjoy!



... TO THOSE WHO BELIEVED IN HIS NAME, HE GAVE THE RIGHT TO BECOME CHILDREN OF GOD.

JOHN 1:12, NIV

Bible Quiz

All four Gospels tell of a woman anointing Jesus. Details vary; clearly, she isn't the same person in all accounts. In John, who is she?

- A. Jesus' mother, Mary
- B. Mary Magdalene
- C. Mary of Bethany (sister of Martha and Lazarus)
- D. None of the above

John 12:1-8

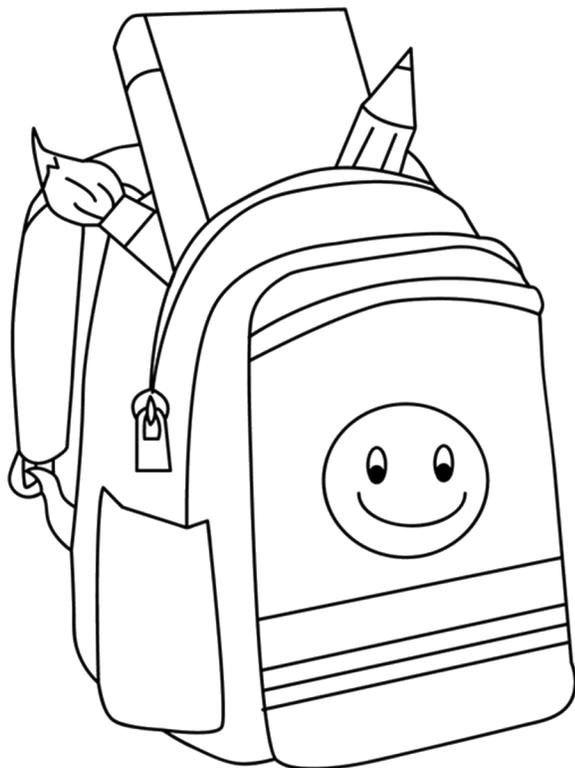
Puzzle!

Search for and circle all the bold words from Psalm 18:2, which reminds us where we find our strength.

The **LORD** is **MY ROCK**, my **FORTRESS** and my **DELIVERER**; my **GOD** is my rock, in whom I **TAKE REFUGE**. He is my **SHIELD** and the **HORN** of my **SALVATION**, my **STRONGHOLD**.

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GOD ROCKS!



Summer Holidays



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| August | canoeing | holidays | pool | sprinkler |
| barbecue | cottage | ice cream | popsicles | strawberries |
| beach | family | July | puzzles | summer camp |
| biking | friends | lake | reading | swimming |
| bonfires | games | lemonade | relax | travelling |
| books | hammock | memories | road trips | vacation |
| camping | hiking | picnics | sports | watermelon |

August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 	18	19	20
21  Communion	22 Session @ 6:30	23 VMRC Gathering Courier Deadline	24	25 Food Pantry 4-6	26	27
28	29	30	31			

BIRTHDAYS

- | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1 - Randy Moyers | 20 - Brad Miller |
| 2 - Rhonda Swope | 21 - Sara Dolack |
| 3 - Ronald Miller | Steve Smith |
| 4 - Jim Suter | 23 - Marco Keech |
| 6 - Nancy Miller | 24 - Laura Keech |
| 8 - Rowan Boccock | 25 - Helen Suter |
| 10 - Skip Wallace | 30 - Pam Boccock |
| 11 - Tori Moats | Sophia Funkhouser |
| Phyllis Simmons | 31 - James Haley |
| 12 - Collin Palmer | |
| Connor Palmer | |
| 14 - David Price | |
| 17 - Natasha Blosser | |
| 19 - Gloria Miller | |

ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 - Earnest & Mary Etta
Cornett
- 13 - Ken & Lynn McNulty
- 21 - Randy & Vivian
Burkholder



Dates to Remember

- 17 - Antartica w/ Jerry Gustin at 12 noon
- 22 - Session Meeting at 6:30 pm
- 23 - VMRC Gathering in Strite Auditorium at 2 pm
- 23 - Courier articles due by 9 am
- 25 - Food Pantry from 4-6 pm

Upcoming Events

- October 2 - Reconnect Sunday

PARENTS CONSENT FORM

Parent's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____

Cell/Phone number: _____

I give consent for a member of Cooks Creek Presbyterian Church to pray for my child(ren) for one year. I understand that a church member will be sending my child(ren) a personal card/note to remind them that they are a gift from God, and they are praying for them. Cards may also be sent for birthdays and holidays.

I would prefer for my child(ren) to (please check 1):

_____ have different church members pray for my child(ren).

OR

_____ have one church member to pray for all of my children.

Children's names, ages, and birthdays:

1) _____ Age: _____ DOB: _____

2) _____ Age: _____ DOB: _____

3) _____ Age: _____ DOB: _____

4) _____ Age: _____ DOB: _____

5) _____ Age: _____ DOB: _____

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

July 2022

I WILL PRAY FOR C. C. P. C. CHILDREN/YOUTH FOR ONE YEAR

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone number: _____

I would like to pray for _____ 1 child OR _____ 2 or more children in a family for one year. Once a month I will send a personal card/note to the child(ren) to let them know they are a gift from God, and that I am praying for them.

If you are praying for several children in a family, please send individual cards to each child at the same time. Cards can also be sent for birthdays and holidays.

"Pour out your heart like water before the face of the Lord. Lift your hands toward Him for the life of your young children." Lamentations 2:19

July 2022

Church News, Cont.

Join us for Re-Connect Sunday, October 2, 2022!

We need the enthusiasm that a full church service brings, continuing to build church community & reinforcing our Cooks Creek church culture, even while offering outreach in non-traditional ways. We will have a wonderful service, a terrific meal to follow and gospel entertainment as a treat for the day. This will serve as a joint venture combining the annual church picnic. Reach out to your family, church members, friends, and former members, and invite them to join us for a great day of worship together, promoting Christian Unity. Contact any of the Re-Connect Sunday team members listed below for more information. We will be providing more

details in the near future, but circle the date of Sunday, October 2 for Re-Connect Sunday at Cooks Creek Presbyterian Church.

Tom Frye	David Scott
Jana Miller	Steve Smith
Bea Morris	Jim Suter
Nancy Myers	



Celebrate Our Heritage

A Gift for Generations to Come

Cooks Creek is launching an exciting endeavor! Knowing for some time that Cooks Creek's history needs to be brought up to date, the Session gave approval for information to be gathered on producing such a book. A committee consisting of Jody Meyerhoeffer, Bea Morris, Nancy Myers, and Donna Kay Ritchie determined that a professional would be required to undertake such a task.

We were fortunate to secure the services of Lot's Wife Publishing Company and owner Nancy Sorrells to take on this project. Since about 1996, Nancy, a native of Augusta County, and her colleagues have researched, written, and published complete histories for churches, businesses, museums, organizations, institutions, and associations. The website (lotswifepublishing.com) says, "If you have a history to be proud of, you should have a book to tell your story." That's what we hope to do with this book: tell the story of the Cooks Creek family and why this church has continued for 280 years.

The Cooks Creek story is made up not only of the stories of those who have gone before us but of our stories today. Nancy and Peggy Dillard, a researcher working with her, are going to be searching the archives for information, but they are also going to ask us to be involved in contributing our memories and memorabilia. So, make a note of some of your childhood memories, your memories of your first years at Cooks Creek, etc., and find those pictures you have of special church events or documents or certificates, etc. Newer members' experiences today will be the history of tomorrow, so we want those folks to be a part of this project, also. We are reminded that what we do today will be the history and legacy we pass on to others.

The time frame for the completion of the book is approximately one year. You will be hearing more about this work and how you will be able to participate in the preparations for this treasured gift for generations to come.