

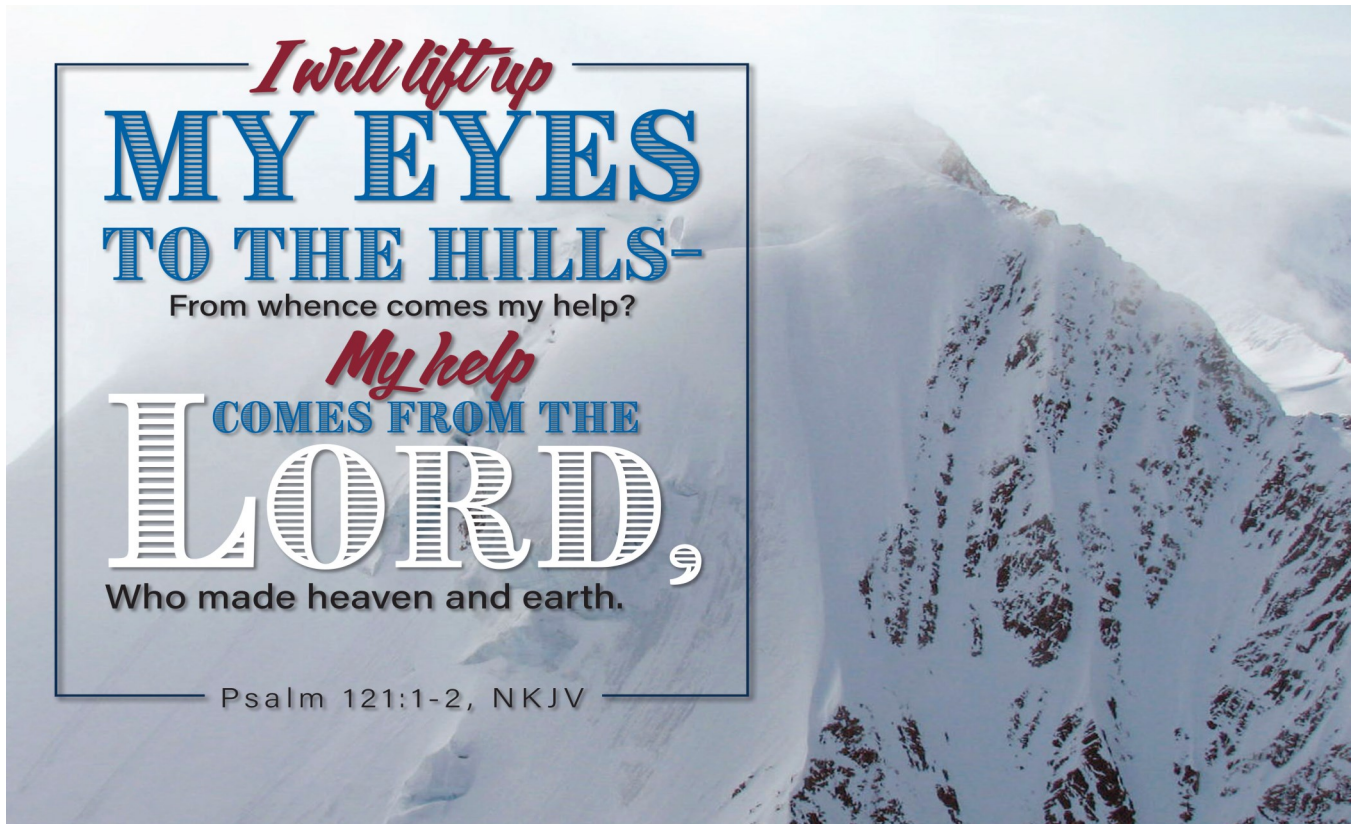
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I will lift up
MY EYES
TO THE HILLS-
From whence comes my help?
My help
COMES FROM THE
LORD,
Who made heaven and earth.
— Psalm 121:1-2, NKJV —



Upcoming Preachers:

- January 5 ~ Bill Reinhold*
- January 12 ~ Bill Reinhold*
- January 19 ~ Gerald Harper*
- January 26 ~ Bill Reinhold*

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Church Information

Elders On Call for January:

Brad Miller (540) 578-2846

Charlie Newman (540) 908-7145

If you have an urgent need please call an Elder On Call.



On December 15th the Youth collected \$133.75 for the 4 Cents A Meal Offering. The Presbytery receives 75% of the offering for their food ministry and the Session authorizes 25% of the offering for a food ministry.



Church Information

Staff

Part Time Interim Pastor: Bill Reinhold

Office Administrator: Sherry Stroop

Organist: Teresa Simmers

Music Director: Adrienne Whiteside

Session

Clerk of Session: Mark Williams

Administration & Property: Brenda Moyers, Brad Miller, Charlie Newman

Worship & Education: Kate Dudley, Tim Higgs, Don Myers

Congregation & Community Care: Larry Hogan, Beth Phillips, Fran Smith

Church Contacts

Youth Advisor: Becky Pierce

Cemetery: Brad Miller

The Sunshine Gang: Craig & Nancy Miller, Bob & Patsy Scott

Sanctuary Decorations: Jana Miller

Historian: Nancy Myers

December Attendance

	SS	Worship
1	25	72
8	22	60
15	30	73
22	23	97
29	17	46

We are also thankful for those who faithfully watch online and listen via telephone.



CCPC is seeking a Nursery Coordinator. We are looking for a kind, helpful, responsible person to provide a loving, caring environment for our youngest members and their families on Sunday mornings. Hours are on Sunday mornings from 9:00am-12noon. If you or someone you know is interested in this position, please contact Brenda Moyers at 540-820-4722.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Saturday, January 18 - 5-7:30ish Youth will have a movie night with food, snacks, and drinks. We will be watching I CAN ONLY IMAGINE, a movie memoir of Bart Millard, the lead singer for Mercy Me.

Sunday, January 19 - Youth will collect the 4 Cents A Meal offering and hand out bulletins.

Sunday, January 26 - Annual Congregational Meeting.

January 5-26 - Youth in support of Valley Program for Aging Services (VPAS) is collecting cans of soup and new men's and women's socks. Please place your donations in the box on the Connect table.

Thank you

The Cooks Creek Family,
I express sincere appreciation for the cards, calls, and messages received by my family in the death of my twin brother, Dan Ritchie.
~ Sam Ritchie

The year to date Account Fund Balances will be added to the Courier each quarter. Look for them in January, April, July, and October.



CHURCH FINANCES

Account Fund Balances

January 1, 2024—December 31, 2024

<u>Fund</u>	Beginning Balance	Direct Transactions	Income	Expenses	Ending Balance
Current Expenses	130,304.27	0.00	236,196.66	195,149.88	171,351.05
Money Market Savings	86,044.74	(17,297.00)	4,599.56	0.00	73,347.30
Shenandoah Pres. Corp	67,601.00	0.00	16,974.00	0.00	84,575.00
Totals	\$283,950.01	(17,297.00)	\$257,770.22	\$195,149.88	\$329,273.35

12 Bible Verses of Renewal and Hope for the Coming New Year

By Debbie McDaniel, Crosswalk.com



"And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also, he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." [Rev. 21:5](#)

"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness." [Lam. 3:22-23](#)

"Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert." [Is. 43:18-19](#)

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come." [2 Cor. 5:17](#)

"Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead." [Phil. 3:13](#)

"Therefore repent and return, so that your sins may be wiped away, in order that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord." [Acts 3:19](#)

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." [Jer. 29:11](#)

"But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint." [Is. 40:31](#)

"I will give them an undivided heart and put a new spirit in them..." [Ezekiel 11:19](#)

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." [Prov. 3:5-6](#)

"May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed." [Ps. 20:4](#)

"You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths drip with abundance." [Ps. 65:1](#)

Please be in prayer for these folks:

- Jean Ratcliff—dealing with severe pain
- Jimmy Brown—non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (Becky Pierce's brother)
- Bart Price—Recovering from a severe heart attack
- Lynn America—cancer has returned
- Johnathan Hasler—8 year old - brain cancer treatment
- Gary Shell & Family—He is battling melanoma in the lung
- Wanda Ritchie
- Aaron Evans
- Jimmy Miller
- Karen Moats

Prayer Requests?

If anyone in the congregation has any prayer concerns or needs please contact Phyllis Simmons pmsimmons4041@comcast.net 540-867-5238 or 540-830-4244

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.



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

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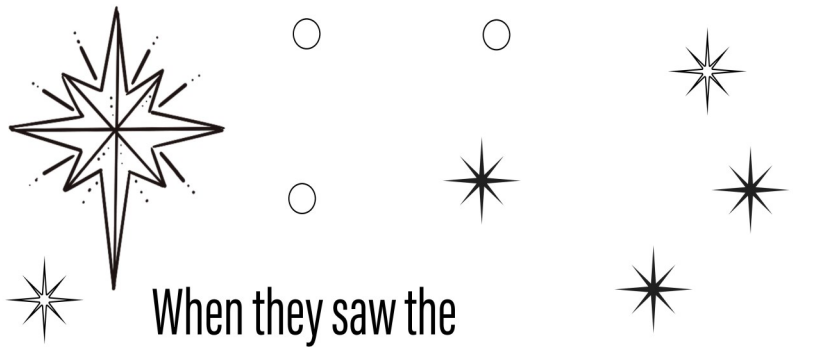
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When they saw the
STAR, they
rejoiced
 exceedingly with
GREAT JOY.

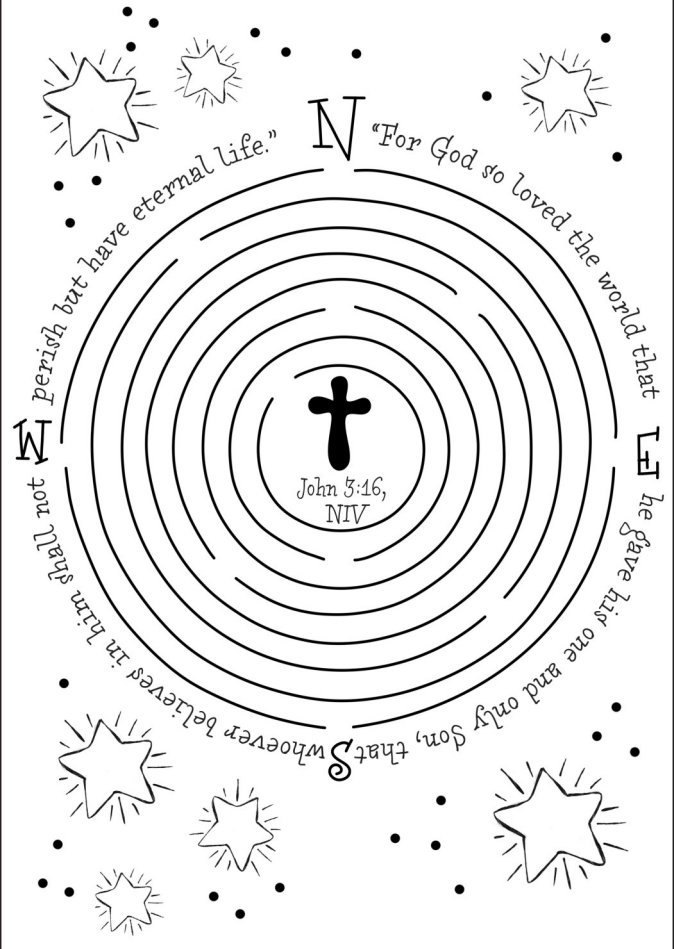
Matthew 2:10, ESV



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Puzzle!

Complete the maze to help people from all directions hear the good news. Then, starting at the N (north) and going clockwise, read John 3:16, NIV.



Bible Quiz

When 12-year-old Jesus stayed at the Jerusalem temple as Joseph and Mary started traveling home, after how many days did his parents find him?



- A. 1 day
- B. 2 days
- C. 3 days
- D. 7 days



Answer: C (See Luke 2:46.)



January

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <i>Church Office Closed</i>	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
						
12	13 <i>Church Office Closed</i>	14 Session Annual Report Items Due	15 <i>Support VPAS—Collecting donations of soup and men’s and women’s socks through January 26!</i>			18 5 pm Youth Group Movie Night
19 4 Cents A Meal Offering	20 February Courier Deadline	21	22	23 Food Pantry 3:30-6 pm	24	25
26 Annual Congregational Meeting	27 Session Meeting 6:30 pm	28	29	30	31	

JANUARY



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|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| 1 - Maron Shoemaker
David Browning | 10 - Kamden Fadeley
Kendall Fadeley | 21 - Chad Brown
Daniel Brown |
| 2 - Samuel Frye | 12 - Erin Earley | 22 - Madison Frye
Charlie Newman |
| 4 - Michele Bridges | 13 - Terry Pence
Carrie Rhodes | 27 - Cory Brown |
| 5 - Billy Lilly | 14 - Kerry Showalter | 29 - Cole Swope |
| 7 - Martha Spicher | 15 - Patsy Scott | |
| 9 - Wanda Ritchie | 9 - Michael & Sallie Garrison | |

