

# ***Maysville Presbyterian Church***

## ***Newsletter***

### ***February 2026***



### **Calendar:**

**February 1** - Worship 11:15 a.m.

Minister: Rev. Ed Soto

**February 8** – Worship 11:15 a.m.

Minister: Rev. Terri Cornwell; Communion

Session meeting after worship

**February 15** - Worship 11:15

Minister: Rev. Margie Anderson;

Two cents-a-meal offering

**February 22** - Worship 11:15 a.m.

Minister: Cynthia Coleman

### **Nursery Duty:**

Feb. 1 - Theresa Wallace

Feb. 8 – Nancy Stuart

Feb. 15 - Margaret Thomas

Feb. 22 - Marianne Dennison

### **Reminders:**

**Sanctuary Flowers:** Nancy Stuart

**Bulletins:** Debbie Davis

**Ushers:** Don Williams & Lou Thomas

**Sunday School Leader:** Louis Family

**Communion:** Pattie Bailey & Marty Martin

### **Happy Birthday:**

February 1 - Carson Butwin

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February 2 - Joe Seiler

February 4 - Irene Ellis Leech

February 6 – Timothy Martin

February 7 – Emily Thomas Smith

February 13 – Spencer Adams

February 14 – William Jamerson

February 16 – Lindsey Jamerson Wayland

February 19 – Ben Louis

February 23 - Calvin Wallace

February 24 - Don Moseley

### **Happy Anniversary:**

February 5 – Bernie & Jane Hall Jamerson

February 14 – Phil & Pattie Bailey

### **“Souper Sunday” Fellowship Lunch on February 22**

It may be cold outside, but it will be warm inside at our fellowship lunch after worship on February 22. Bring soups, covered dishes, and/or desserts to share. Hope you can join us!

### **Hygiene Kits for Disaster Relief**

February is “Hygiene Kit” month. Our church, along with many other churches, will be collecting hygiene kits for disaster relief, and we hope that you will participate in this project. The list of items needed for each kit has changed this year to better serve the people in need. You can put your own kit together, or purchase all the items for a kit from Nancy Stuart for \$5 per kit. If ordering from Nancy, please order and pay her by February 15. Items to be included in the kits: :

- One wash cloth
- Bath-size bar of soap (in original packing)
- Toothbrush (in original packaging)
- Travel-size toothpaste (3.4 oz. or less, with expiration date of at least 1 year)
- Fingernail or toenail clippers (packaging removed)
- One wide-tooth comb (with at least 6 inches of teeth; no pocket combs or picks)
- Travel-size shampoo (3.4.oz or less, NEW only)
- Travel-size lotion ( 3.4 oz. or less, NEW only)
- Travel-size stick deodorant (3.4.oz.or less)

If you are assembling your own kit, please put these nine items in a one-gallon plastic zip-lock bag and place them in the designated box in the new fellowship hall by Feb. 22. We will be meeting after church on Sunday, March 15th to assemble the other kits. Hope you can help !

**Please don’t forget to bring Valentines** for the residents of the nursing home by Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>.

## **Blue Ridge Mobile Food Pantry**

The Blue Ridge Mobile Food Pantry, which originated at Maysville Presbyterian Church as the first mobile food pantry in the Commonwealth, continues to make local distributions. The distribution site was moved from our church to the Crystal Cathedral property in Dillwyn due to the need for a safer traffic pattern. Volunteers are always needed. You are welcome to join in from 9:30 to 11:30 am on the second and fourth Friday of each month to help with the distributions. Between 300 and 400 families in our community supplement their food needs from these bimonthly deliveries. Contact Don Williams (434-547-3120) if you have any questions or if you can help.

**Best wishes to Diane Jamerson** who is retiring at the end of January from her job as a Deputy Clerk of the Buckingham Circuit Court. Diane has served the Circuit Court efficiently and professionally for 18 years. We hope you enjoy your well-deserved retirement, Diane !

## **“ LOVE ”**

written by Kim Steinhorst

*“God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them”* 1 John 4:16β (NRSV)

I'm sure you've heard that February is the month of Love. I'm also sure you know why popular culture claims this month in the name of Love — you got it — Valentine's Day. For me, however, February is a month of love for some additional reasons. Oh, sure, I don't ignore Valentine's Day and I try to remember to make or do something special for Genevieve. But, February is also the birth month for many of my beloved family members: It begins with my youngest son, followed by my youngest granddaughter, then a niece and her eldest son, a nephew, his father, my oldest brother, and then his sister who was born on Leap Day, but she always celebrates her birthday in February, regardless of the year.

All of this leads me to think about John the Elder who wrote three letters to the congregations under his care. He was very aware that while God is challenging to imagine, let alone understand how we can know and believe in, the most accessible way to know God is through love. God loves us; we love others — family, friends, even strangers (in a platonic way...); so that, in turn, we love God. By abiding, that is, remaining or living in a state of love for God and for each other, we are strengthened, comforted, and enabled to live out God's call to be the people of love, grace, peace, and hope. May this month of February be one where your love for God and others abides and God's love will be made visible to the world.

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