What Child Is This? . U

A Christmas (In June) VBS

Kick-Off Party June 2, 4-6 P.M. VBS June 9, 10 & 11, 6 - 8 P.M. Dinner each night at 5:15

The Bible calls Jesus by many names: Savior, Lord, Teacher, Bread of Life, Good Shepherd, Light of the World, and more! At our Christmas (in June) VBS, we'll learn 3 special names for Jesus and what they teach us about who he is, who we are, and how God shows his love to us through one of our favorite stories of all time - the story of Christmas!

Night 1: An angel tells Mary: Jesus is the **Son of God** Night 2: An angel tells Joseph: Jesus is **Emmanuel**

Night 3: An angel tells Shepherds: Jesus is Messiah

Therefore God exalted him...and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow... and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2: 9-11



WMBC's WEE Center **Registration for Fall 2024** begins Feb. 1st!

The WEE Center offers classes for preschoolers age 2 and up. Our classes are held MWF from 9:00-12:00. Children enrolled in the four-year-old class (Pre-K) may enroll in the extended program, which meets Tues. and Thurs.9:00-12:00 (total 5 days).

We also offer a Tuesday Morning Out program for one year olds (must be one by December 31, 2024) on Tuesdays from 9:00-12:00.

Please call Sherry Price (792-5960) for more info. or to receive a registration form. Spaces are limited.



Hi-Lites

West Main Baptist Church 450 West Main Street Danville, VA 24541 Phone: (434) 792-5960 E-mail: westmainbaptist@comcast.net Sunday Worship @ 11:00 A.M. in person or on-line

West Main Baptist Staff

Drew Herring - Senior Pastor Sean Timmons - Associate Pastor/Youth Jennifer Clatterbuck - Assoc.Pastor/Kids Mark Gourley- Mini.of Music/Worship Suzanne Likens - Church Administrator **Sherry Price - Communications** Secretary and Director, WEE Center

Hylton Stokes - Custodian Kinkade Huggins - Intern Ethan Stephens -Intern

No Emmaus Café Next Week, Feb. 14th b/c of Ash Wednesday

See inside for info. for our Ash Wednesday events.

Emmaus Café Resumes on 2/21 with Soup for Missions! **Volunteers Needed!**

Sign up to volunteer on the sheet in the main hallway or by calling Suzanne Likens (434-592-5960)

Sign up to eat on 2/21 by Tuesday, 2/20 at noon.

Regular price for dinner but all money collected will go to the 2024 West Main Mission Offering Nonprofit Organization U.S. Postage Paid Permit No. 8 Danville, VA 24541

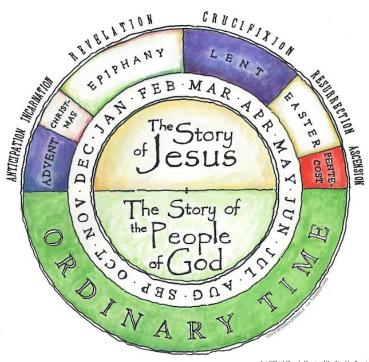
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Worship This Week

February 11, 2024

A Hymn Festival Celebrating the Church Year In person & on Facebook Live



SOUP FOR MISSIONS February 21st. @ 5:30

It's time for our annual Soup for Missions! Volunteers are needed to make & serve soups, to make desserts, to work on the grilled cheese team and to clean up after supper. Sign up on the sheet in the main church hallway or by calling Suzanne Likens (792-5960.) All proceeds from this yummy night of fellowship go to our 2024 West Main Mission Offering.



Lent has been observed by Christians for the 40 days prior to Easter since at least the 4th Century. It is intended to be a season of contrition and repentance to prepare us to receive the grace of resurrection anew. To be contrite is to acknowledge and grieve the ways we fall short of who God

intended us to be and how God intended us to live. To repent means to change, literally to turn around and go another way with Jesus.

That is why we start Lent by marking our foreheads with ashes, an ancient sign of mourning. And that is why the ashes take the shape of the cross, the ultimate sign of Jesus's self-giving love.

From Ash Wednesday to Easter, it is traditional to give something up or take something on that might help us draw closer to Jesus and become more like Him.

The intentionality of fasting (from food or anything we rely on) or of starting a new spiritual practice has the potential to transform us, but only if it leads to a deeper reflection on our lives - only if we examine the feelings and thought processes behind our actions and inactions and do the work to address them.

That is why on Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings during the season of Lent, we will be reflecting on "The Emotional Intelligence of Jesus." In a book of the same title, authors Roy M. Oswald and Armand Jacobson explain how Jesus embodies self-awareness, empathy, assertiveness, optimism, stress resilience, love, and forgiveness. My hope is that by talking about these traits that we might not only better understand the way of Jesus, but also find specific and practical ways to repent and become more like him.

I hope you will join me on this journey,

Drew

P.S. I also wanted to invite you to participate in an important Wednesday night conversation (2/28) with Bethany Busby called "Showing Up and Being Present." Bethany is a good friend who is a Board Certified Hospice Chaplain. I have asked her to talk with us about practical ways we might offer spiritual care to someone who is in a nursing home or hospital or dealing with crisis or grief. This training was originally planned for our Deacons, but the Deacons decided it should be open to the whole West Main family. I pray that it will help us all become more intentional in our care for one another.

Winter Women's Bible Studies

Our women's Bible study groups have begun Beth Moore's *The Surpassing Value of Knowing Christ: A Study of Philippians*. If you are interested in joining one of these groups, please contact the group leader listed below:

Monday Nights, 5:30-7 P.M. @ the Vaughn's 405 Linden Pl. Group Leader: Rena Vaughn (434-334-2962)

Friday Mornings, 10:30 A.M. - noon; upstairs at West Main Group Leader: Carrie Syvanthong (919-949-9569)



Ash Wednesday is February 14th

Mid-Day Service @ noon in the Sanctuary & on Livestream Ashes To Go: 4:00- 6:00 P.M. in the Mount View parking lot

No Wednesday Night Supper or Activities

Sun., Feb. 18 - 11:00 Worship/Baptism

6-7:30 - Youth Encounter

Wed., Feb. 21 - Soup For Missions

Sun., Feb. 25 - 11:00 Worship/Scout Sunday

6-7:30 - Youth Encounter

Wed., Feb. 28 - Wed. Night Dinner - Spaghetti "Showing Up & Being Present" w/ Bethany Busby

Sun., March 3 - Guest Preacher: Meredith Stone, Executive Director of Baptist Women in Ministry

FEBRUARY

Birthdays

- Tricia Buchanan
 Ted Hodges
- 3 Bill Hankins
- 4 Pattie Lineberry Janice Morning Hallie Timmons
- 5 Sonya Wentz
- 7 Lee Burton
- 8 John Crews
- 12 Sheena Shelton
- 13 Judy King Joe Lee
- 13 Emily Haynsworth

- 15 Noah Abercrombie
- 16 Charles Haynsworth

UPCOMING

Mark your Calendars.

- 19 Kim Meeks Matthew Wells
- 21 Anne Adcock Alan Chaney
- 22 Ricky McFarling
- 23 Virginia Powell Avery Holshouser
- 25 Jeff Wright Jimmy Bolton
- 26 Jeff Buchanan Anita Finney Noah Blackwell
- 27 Katie Lineberry Walker
- 28 Julia Scott

Youth

February Youth Encounter

Sunday, Feb. 11 @ Noon

We'll stay right after church and have lunch on Sunday instead of having our regular youth encounter. We should be done around 1:00.

Students, come check out our newest Bible Study series: The Periodic Table of Emotions! We'll be exploring the psalms and discussing the many emotions that stem from life and faith. Starts on February 18th and runs through Lent.



IANUARY FINANCIAL UPDATE

Contributions/Receipts: \$37,437.66 Expenses: \$46,102.71 Net Total: -\$8,665.05



WEST MAIN MEMBERS

Ken Stokes
Shirley Moore
Bill Wentz
Kim Bebeau
Nick Beddoo
Carolyn Stephenson
Judy King
Raymond Elliott
Linda Taylor
Brenda Floyd
Tony Adcock
Patty Childress

ASSISTED CARE

Arlyne McDowell, Roman Eagle Virginia Powell, Roman Eagle Gaynell Guinn, Bright Leaf Larry Aaron, Roman Eagle Betty Falk (in Florida)

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Judy Gourley's nephew
Kim Meeks daughter-in-law
Gerald Adcock's sister
Sarah Turner's friend's little girl
Angie McAdams' mother
and father

Rena Vaughn's brother, sister and brother in law Tracey Smith's friend, Judy Drew Herring's uncle Stetson Franklin's grandfather Darvl Edwards -retina surgery Pam Swanson's brother Sally Burton's cousin's son Donna Hatchett's cousin Fave Poteat's friend's grandson Rena Leggett's son, Andy Joyce Payne's sister & granddaughter Tracey Clatterbuck's father Lori Smith's cousin The Shavers' daughter in law Tracev Smith's mother Lori Heath's brother Karen Tyrrell's father Kristi Gilliam's father Tanya Jones' mother Raymond Newman's friend Brenda Kendrick's sister

Kinkade Huggins' grandparents

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