



# August 2021

CLIFTON FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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## MISSION STATEMENT

*We are a Family in Christ,  
Prayerfully seeking through  
the spirit, to serve God, grow  
in faith and share the good news.*

From the **PASTOR**

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What Did Jesus Want the Church to BE?  
How did He hope the church would turn out?

We are fortunately not left in doubt about that. We have in the seventeenth chapter of John's gospel a record of the remarkable prayer that Jesus prayed on the evening before His trial and death. It is mainly about the church. Let me outline what Jesus was praying for, what He was longing for, in His church. Here are the marks of the church, as Jesus saw them. It is a perfectly astonishing list.

The church consists of people who know God and Jesus whom He has sent: not just know about Him, know Him. And that, says Jesus, is to have already here and now the life that will last forever.

The Church consists of people who set out to glorify Him, just as He glorifies His heavenly Father. A deep word, glorify. It's all to do with light. And it means letting the sheer brilliance of God's radiance be reflected in the way you live. Just as the moon reflects the glory of the sun, so the church is meant to reflect the glory of the Lord so that people can look at Christians and exclaim, "There's something different about those people."

The Church consists of people who keep His word. By this Jesus means that those who observe His teaching revere it and try to obey it rather than find ways of circumventing its challenge.

The church consists of people who genuinely believe that Jesus came from God and that God sent Him for His unique mission. He was not only a great teacher. Christians are meant to have clear views about Jesus.

The church consists of people who are united, in the same way as Jesus is united with His heavenly Father. That unity does not necessarily mean uniformity, but it does mean identity of purpose, mutual love, and recognizable belonging. Christian unity in this sense is not a secondary issue. It is absolutely vital. Jesus says that nothing less than the love, trust, and mutual belonging of the church will convince people that God loves them and has sent Jesus for their rescue.

The church consists of people who live their ordinary lives in the world but are sustained by God. Not hermits, taken out of the world. Not worldlings, submerged in it. But ordinary people displaying the extraordinary power and love and protection of God in their lives.

The church consists of people who have the same sort of joy as Jesus had. This is perfectly compatible with sorrow and loneliness at times. But it is the governing emotion of Christians' lives. Why not, if God loves them and has died for them? It can't be all that bad if that is the case, can it? Christians have something to sing about.

The church consists of people who can face the music. People who will stick to their guns even when the going is rough. The world will hate them, just as it hated Jesus. They are called to endure, as He endured. That is one of the marks of the true church of God.

The church consists of people whose home and priorities are not bounded by this world. They are, in a sense, aliens and exiles here, as Jesus was. That does not mean they will not throw all their weight into changing and improving society. They will. But they know that this world is not all there is. It is not their final home.

The church consists of people who will deliberately set themselves apart from all they know to be wrong in order to be of service to their friends and acquaintances who are as yet strangers to Jesus. He Himself did that for all of us. He expects to see that attitude mirrored in His followers.

The church consists of people who do not sit comfortably in church on Sunday and then wait for a repeat performance next week but are sent out into the world, as Jesus was sent by His heavenly Father, to bring God's healing to needy and hurting people.

The church consists of people who model His love, the love that pours itself out on the undeserving. Such love is the mark of the followers of Jesus. This is how they are to be known.

The church consists of people in whom Jesus Himself lives. They are not copying Him, strictly speaking. They are allowing His unseen presence - what he called His Holy Spirit - to come and live in them and allowing His fragrance to flow from them. The idea is that people should look at the church and immediately be made aware of and attracted to Jesus.

And finally, the church consists of people who will share the home of Jesus with His heavenly Father for all eternity. That is their destiny. Nothing less.

(Who is this Jesus? By Michael Green)

God Bless you all, Pastor Paul

**Every Sunday Morning**

**9:30 – NO Sunday School**

**10:30 NO Coffee Fellowship**

**11:00 – Nursery opens**

**11:00 – Worship**



PLEASE  
COME  
TO BIBLE  
STUDY ON  
MONDAY  
@ 6:30.  
We will be  
Studying  
Living with  
confidence in  
a CHAOTIC  
WORLD. By:  
DR. DAVID  
JEREMIAH.



**WOMEN OF THE CHURCH**

The Officers:

- Moderator – Virginia Harlow
- Vice Moderator - Irene Booze
- Secretary - Carol Jones,
- Treasurer – Virginia Irvine.

Women’s Circle

We will not have Circle until further notice.



**MEMBERS @ HOME**

- Virginia McDowell
- Robert Brown
- Mildred Wilson
- Katherine Cash
- Margret Brown
- Marilyn Woods

Every Tuesday  
Boy Scouts @ 7:00



**MISSION/WITNESS  
NEWS**

Mark & Miriam Adams  
our

*Missionaries* is  
posted on the  
bulletin board  
across from the  
Church Office,  
for more info.

**SNOOPER SEZ**



All this food left over from the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, I do not know how I am going to fit my mouth around this sandwich. Well, I am going to sleep on it and figure it out later. It is big enough like a mattress.

**“The Church Mouse”**



Last day for September  
Tidings is August 20 202  
if you want to put  
something in the  
Newsletter.

***Greeters  
Schedule***



1st Sunday of every month – Robert & Cecille McDowell

2nd Sunday of every month – Ed Jones

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday April – October Jenny Harlow

4th Sunday every month – Richard Brinkley

5th Sundays - to be announced

**ATTENTION ALL PRESBYTERIAN LADIES:**  
The Peaks Annual Gathering will be held in person this year at Trinity Ecumenical Parrish at 40 Lakemount Drive, Moneta, VA 24121 on Saturday, Sept. 25th. Please make plans to attend.



**(LUNCH TIME) 11:30 – 12:00**  
**JESUS SAID “FEED MY SHEEP.”**

**Meals-ON-Wheels - Thank you so much,**  
**Carol Almarez & Debbie Darcus**

for delivering meals-on-wheels **week of the July 27.**  
Please volunteer, one day a week, one week a month. No Holidays deliveries.

**Meals on Wheels**

### **Clothing Closet**



**Look for further information on**  
**reopening.**

### *Session Committee's*

Damon Reynolds - Building & Grounds.  
Cindy Maccentelli - Treasurer.  
Lisa Boothe - Music & Worship.  
Jenny Irvine - Clerk of Session/Fellowship.  
George Chip Snead - Stewardship/Personnel.  
Brenda Bartocci - Christian Ed/Youth.  
Jenny Oeltjen - Mission/Witness



**Food**  
**Collect**

### **Food Pantry**

Whether you said a prayer, gave food, clothing or household items, or monetary gifts, we at the Clifton Forge Food Pantry would like to say thank you.

For the month of **June 2021** we served **(118)** individuals representing **(296)** family members.





*August*

- 4 - Gerald Jones
- 5 - Deanne Jones  
Dana Wind
- 13 - Richard Miller
- 14 - Susie Brinkley  
Adam Brokaw
- 16 - Marian Colvin
- 20 - Barbara Higgins
- 22 - Rene Clark
- 25 - Betty Jo (Geneva )Brown
- 31 - Phillip Nicely

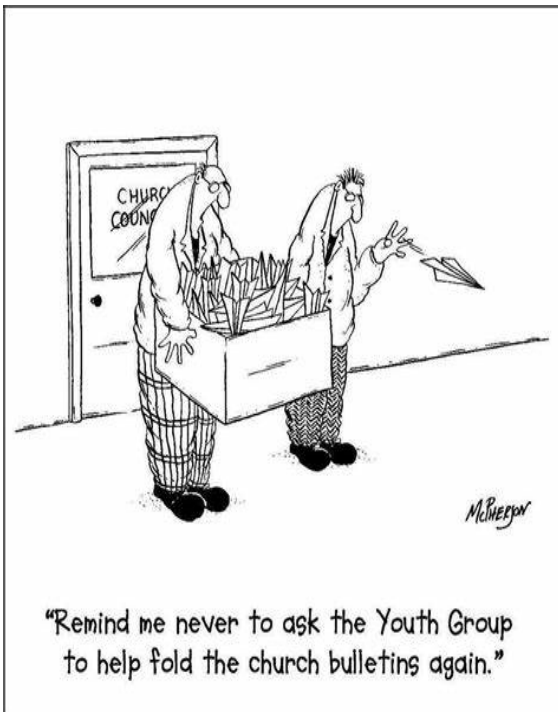


*Anniversaries*

- 2-Greg&Stephanie Persing
- 4-Duane & Lisa Boothe
- 5-Michele & Phillip Nicely
- Joe & Teresa Cash



**Children's Church**  
Open



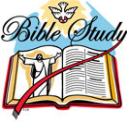





**Children's Message**

- 8/1 Brenda Bartocci
- 8/8 Pastor Paul
- 8/15 Carol Almarez
- 8/22 Jenny Oeltjen
- 8/29 Lisa Boothe



# August

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
1 Communion 	2  6:30	3	4	5	6	7 Prayer Breakfast 8:00
8	9  6:30	10	11	12	13	14 Prayer Breakfast 8:00
15	16  6:30	17	18 NO Clothing Closet from 9:00 - 12:00 Until Further Notice	19 Session Meeting @ 6:00	20	21 Prayer Breakfast 8:00
22	23  6:30	24	25	26	27	28 Prayer Breakfast 8:00
29	30  6:30	31				



*Prayer Chain*

- Cindy Brokaw.....960-1476
- Rene Clark.....862-3395
- Virginia Harlow.....862-2492
- Barbara James.....620-7648
- Barbara Boone .....691-6731

**If you have a need for prayer, please contact one of the members listed.**

Anna Brooks, Jax Lowe, Kimberly Perry, Dorothy Clark, Robert Goodbar, Clair Dilly, Dr. Raymond, Claterbaugh, Mary France Little Linda Kern, Tray, Unspoken, Brenda Hommel, Sophie Riddick. Family of Quinton Walker, Donnie Williamson, Harold Robinson, Rose Fisher, Chris Fisher and His Family, Dottie, Family of Cecil McCoy, Lynn Agee, Family Of Marilyn Bliss, Jeanne Carter, Oak Hill Bible Church Congregation, Food Pantry, Tracy and Family, Donnie Carter, Debbie Doots, Lenny Haynes, Helen Niday, Paul Riley, Gary Garrett, Derek & Teresa Hull, Adam Brokaw Brian McAllister, Dave & Jenny Family, All who are involved with the Olympics, First Responders, Jenny Oeltjen, Ronny.

**PRAYER FOR THE SICK**

Father God, we pray for all those who are facing sickness in their bodies. We ask that you would restore their health, soothe their pain, and ease their worry. Give them your peace and comfort as they wait. In Jesus' name, Amen!

# BRAIN TEASER

Cross Out The Odd Word. Then Add One More.

1. blue - pink- park - black - \_\_\_\_\_
2. apples - bananas- oranges - chairs - \_\_\_\_\_
3. postman - doctor - hospital - secretary - \_\_\_\_\_
4. hungry - tired- happy - friend - \_\_\_\_\_
5. Friday - Sunday - March - Wednesday - \_\_\_\_\_
6. seven- first - eight- twenty - \_\_\_\_\_
7. German- Russia- England - Scotland - \_\_\_\_\_
8. February - November- Monday - July - \_\_\_\_\_
9. tree- fridge- table- bed - \_\_\_\_\_
- 10.salad - carrot - tomato - cucumber - \_\_\_\_\_
- 11.second - third - nine - twelfth - \_\_\_\_\_
- 12.orange - cherry - potato - kiwi - \_\_\_\_\_
- 13.good- nice - bad - friendly - \_\_\_\_\_
- 14.sister - niece - father - aunt - \_\_\_\_\_
- 15.grandfather - aunt - nephew - brother - \_\_\_\_\_
- 16.windy - sunny - clock - freezing - \_\_\_\_\_
- 17.football - tennis - music - judo - \_\_\_\_\_
- 18.red - jump - read - write - \_\_\_\_\_
- 19.my - our - she - your - \_\_\_\_\_
- 20.skirt - shirt - shoe- smart - \_\_\_\_\_
- 21.car - dog- camel - horse - \_\_\_\_\_
- 22.arm - knee- finger - know - \_\_\_\_\_
- 23.taxi - bus - underground - stop - \_\_\_\_\_
- 24.ice-cream - cake- chips - biscuits - \_\_\_\_\_
- 25.bed - kitchen - bathroom - hall - \_\_\_\_\_
- 26.cartoon - comedy - musical - office - \_\_\_\_\_
- 27.long- short- old- door - \_\_\_\_\_
- 28.telephone- computer - radio - lamp - \_\_\_\_\_
- 29.week - fever - headache - flu - \_\_\_\_\_
- 30.teddy bear - ball - doll - backpack - \_\_\_\_\_
- 31.breakfast- lunch - meal - dinner - \_\_\_\_\_
- 32.biology - carpet - geography- maths - \_\_\_\_\_





**COMMUNITY PRAYER EVENT**

**"If My people.....will Pray....." II Chronicles 7:14**

**COVERING OUR SCHOOLS WITH**

**PRAYER**

**SUNDAY**

**August 15, 2021**

**3:00 P.M.**

**HISTORIC MASONIC AMPHITHEATER  
CHURCH STREET, CLIFTON FORGE**

Please join with believers of all faiths as we send up prayers for our community schools, asking God to cover every person and child with wisdom, Protection, Love, patience, endurance, strength, and faith. Bring a lawn chair and umbrella as we will be outside at the Amphitheater.

Please bring school supplies to be distributed to our local schools as a free-will offering.

AC in the Chapel Cost 11,872.00



Donated 3,355.00

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*TIDINGS TO:*

