



March

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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

Where Do We Go From Here?

Perhaps you remember the collapse of the Champlin Towers South condominium building in Surfside, Florida. In the dead of night, one floor pancaked onto the next, burying scores of people under the tons of concrete. Most were sleeping in their beds, unaware of the suddenness of the coming catastrophe. There had been signs, warnings of water sweeping beneath critical parts of the structure and weakening its integrity. But the alarms sounded too late.

In a similar way, the underpinnings of our culture are weakening. The eroding foundations and structural cracks of our nation and world are nearing collapse. We must sound the alarm. We need to know the times and anticipate the return of Christ. We see the signs of the times in events now unfolding.

These events, which we'll cover in this study, are not isolated movements, philosophies, or circumstances. They are as interconnected as a spider's web. A future pandemic could lead to emerging globalism. Meanwhile, our worldwide economy hangs by a strand. The world is filled with

people who are lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God and ready to cancel anyone who disagrees with them. This translates to extreme persecution for the Church in much of the world and to eroding religious liberty at home. An unprecedented spiritual famine is causing an epidemic of emaciated hearts. Many professed Christians are abandoning the faith, creating a vacuum for the rising tide of Marxism. Simultaneously, events in the Middle East are turning Jerusalem into a powder keg of history.

But this is no time to be discouraged! The Gospel will triumph as surely as Christ rose from the dead. Jesus is Lord and history belongs to Him. We're privileged to be His agents in these perilous times. And it's time to live by convictions. When Moses sent the spies into the Promise Land to reconnoiter the territory, ten of them were overwhelmed with fear. But two of the spies, Joshua and Caleb, were ready to go forward and take the land! Caleb later told Joshua, "I brought back a report according to my convictions" (Joshua 14:7, NIV).

We cannot live by lies. We must live by our biblical convictions. We can no longer ignore the warnings of sleep in the beds of ignorance. We're approaching the consummation of the ages.

In this study, we'll deal with the ten prophetic issues as current as the morning news. We'll thread our way through problems that Jesus predicted, precursors of the Tribulation and we'll learn how we should do the next best thing. Even as the world collapses, the Lord is building His church. We can say something, do something, pray something, preach something and live by the convictions of Christ.

God's people are more than conquerors. We have a way forward. The moment will come when Christ will descend from heaven for His people. We haven't long to wait. But until then, we need to understand what the age requires and to do as the Lord Commands.

Ezekiel 22:30 says: "I searched for a man among them who would repair the wall and stand in the gap before me on behalf of the land so that I might not destroy it, but I found no one".

May the Lord find us and may He find us faithful in these days. Don't be fearful and don't let the times overwhelm you. This world will not end in rubble, but in His return! Our risen and exalted Lord Jesus Christ, our enthroned Savior, He knows the way forward.

He will show us where to go from here.

Love in Christ,
Pastor Paul

Every Sunday Morning

9:30 – NO Sunday School

10:30 NO - Coffee Fellowship

11:00 NO – Nursery

11:00 – Worship



PLEASE
COME
TO BIBLE
STUDY ON
MONDAY
@ 6:30.
We are
Studying
Where Do We
Go From Here.
We will meet in
the Nettie Paul
Room, please
wear a mask.



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

- Robert Brown
- Mildred Wilson
- Margret Brown



Tuesday
Boy Scouts @7:00

JESUS SAID “FEED MY SHEEP.”

(LUNCH TIME) 11:30 – 12:00

Meals-ON-Wheels - Thank you so much, Carol Almarez, Debbie Darcus & Ed Jones for delivering meals-on-wheels the week of 1/10
Please volunteer, one day a week,
one week a month. No Holidays deliveries.



**MISSION/WITNESS
NEWS**



Mark & Miriam Adams

Please pray for
Our Missionaries
Mark & Miriam Adams

AC in the Chapel Cost
11,872.00



Donated \$6, 296.00



Brian Center:
Marilyn Woods
Highland House:
Genny McDowell

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.
Stephine Persinger - Christian Ed/Youth.
Jenny Oeltjen - Mission/Witness



Kathleen McMillion Clothing Closet
Will be open 9:00 – 12:00
February 9 & 23.
Pieces 248 People 22



Greeters Schedule



1st Sunday of every month – Robert & Cecille McDowell
2nd Sunday of every month – Ed Jones
3rd Sunday November – April - Jenny Irvine
4th Sunday every month – Richard Brinkley
5th Sundays - to be announced



"Grow your Givings and Further your Mission"

We here at Clifton Forge Presbyterian Church are blessed to have some mission/fundraising projects coming up. But, **we need volunteers;**

For the Rummage sale, we need several folks to set up a donation center, the sale itself, and clean up. A date has not yet been set, but Spring time is great, not just for blossoms on the trees, but also for fellow rummage sale folks that come out.

We are also looking at a possible luncheon for bike riders here in the Alleghany Highlands. These lunches compose of sandwiches, some pasta salad, chips, and a cookie....all bagged and delivered to the Historic Masonic Theater the day of the race, which is May 7th. Knowing this is for a fundraiser, we can work as a team to provide a high carb meal to those whose have come to visit our lovely area, and ride the mountains.

The 2022 Agony in the Alleghanies Gran Fondo will celebrate its tenth edition this May, and the local Chamber of Commerce's commitment to providing our visitor riders with a premium experience remains steadfast, one of the hostessing projects is to feed the riders. So We, here at Clifton Forge Presbyterian Church are also looking at a possible luncheon for bike riders here in the Alleghany Highlands. These lunches compose of sandwiches, some pasta salad, chips, and a cookie....all packaged and delivered to the Historic Masonic Theater the day of the race, which is May 7th. Knowing this is for a fundraiser, we can look at making someone happy, and we can make some money at the same time. I pray, we can work as a team to provide a high carb meal to those whose have come to visit our lovely area and ride the mountains. We at the same time work towards a mission of fundraising;

Please Contact the office 862-5775 or Jenny Oeltjen 865-0373 (store) if you have an interest, it is important that we put together our teams as soon as possible.

Thanks for your prayerful consideration.



Food Pantry

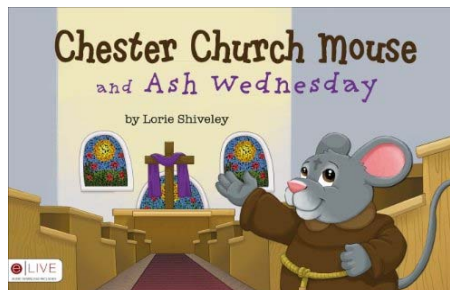
Whether you said a prayer, gave food, clothing or household items, or monetary gifts, we at the Clifton Forge Food Pantry would like to say thank you!

For the month of **January 2022**, we served **(142)** individuals representing **(374)** family members.

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- 1 – Jeffery Persinger
- 5 – Hattie Mae Tomasek
- 9 - Paul Brokaw
- 10 – Mary Carol Persinger
Cindy Maccentelli
- 11 – Debbie Mays
- 12 – Kathy Perry
- 14 – Jason Helmintoller
Mary Beth Garten
- 16 – Rachel Daria Persinger
- 17 – Ethan Davis
Damon Reynolds
- 18 – Kevin Stinespring
- 29 – Marissa Nicely

Snooper Sez



We are having our very own Ash Wednesday Service and very excited about it! Also Spring is almost here!

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<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
		1	2 <i>Ash Wednesday Service @ 7:00 p.m.</i>	3	4	5 <i>Prayer Breakfast 8:00</i>
6 Communion 	7 <i>Bible Study 6:30</i>	8	9 <i>Clothing Closet from 9:00 - 12:00</i> <i>Choir 7:00</i>	10	11	12 <i>Prayer Breakfast 8:00</i>
13 <i>Daylight Saving Time Begins</i>	14 <i>Bible Study 6:30</i>	15	16 <i>Choir 7:00</i>	17 <i>Session Meeting @ 6:00</i>	18	19 <i>Prayer Breakfast 8:00</i>
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27	28 <i>Bible Study 6:30</i>	29	30	31		



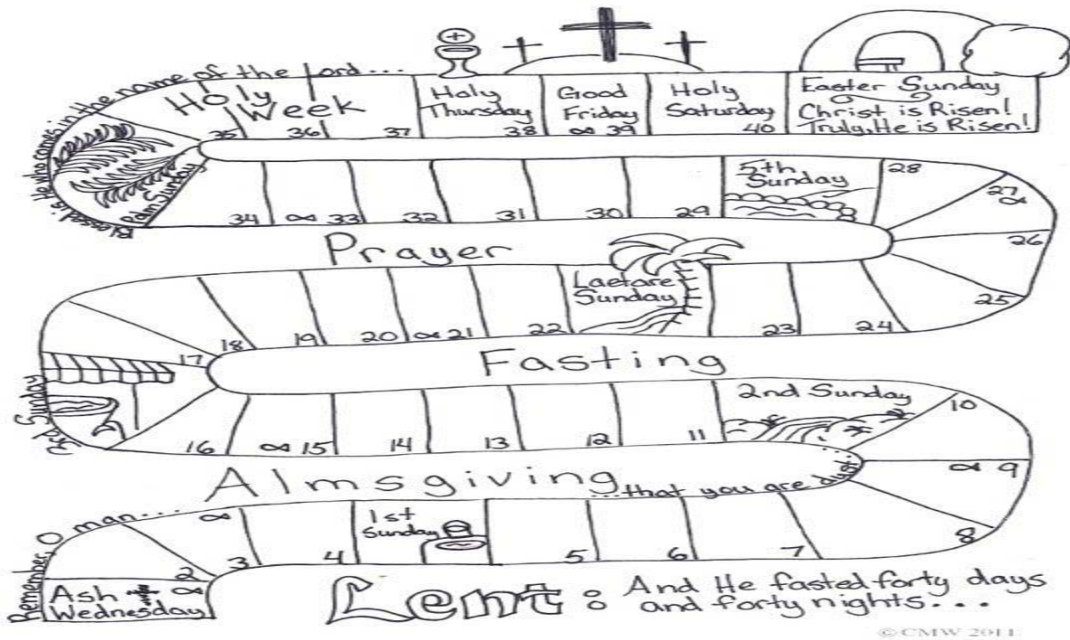
Prayer Chain

Cindy Brokaw.....960-1476
Rene Clark.....862-3395
Virginia Harlow.....862-2492
Barbara James.....620-7648
Barbara Boone691-6731

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

Anna Brooks, Robert Goodbar, Dr. Raymond Claterbaugh, Rose Fisher, Derek Garrett, & Teresa Hull, Sissy Howard, Marilyn Woods, Pastor Marion, Jeff Cindy B. Brother, Lisa Boothe, People with Covid, Unspoken, Kevin & Brian Stinespring, Unspoken, Mickey McMillion, Marian Colvin Family, Betty Cash, Sarah Brokaw, Joshua's Aunt Mary & Uncle Clyde Cousin, Megan & Brian Easton. Family of Cindy Brokaw's Uncle Ed., Jenny Oeltjen's Daughter, Teresa Gibson, Debbie Mays, Raymond Humphreys, Donna Bassett, Ukraine.





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