

ECHOES *from the Valley*

September 2018

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Our Church Staff

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Rev. Mike Roper

Music Director

Ms. Marcia McBride

Pianist

Mr. Thom Martin

Organist

Ms. Sandy Mize

Ministry Assistant

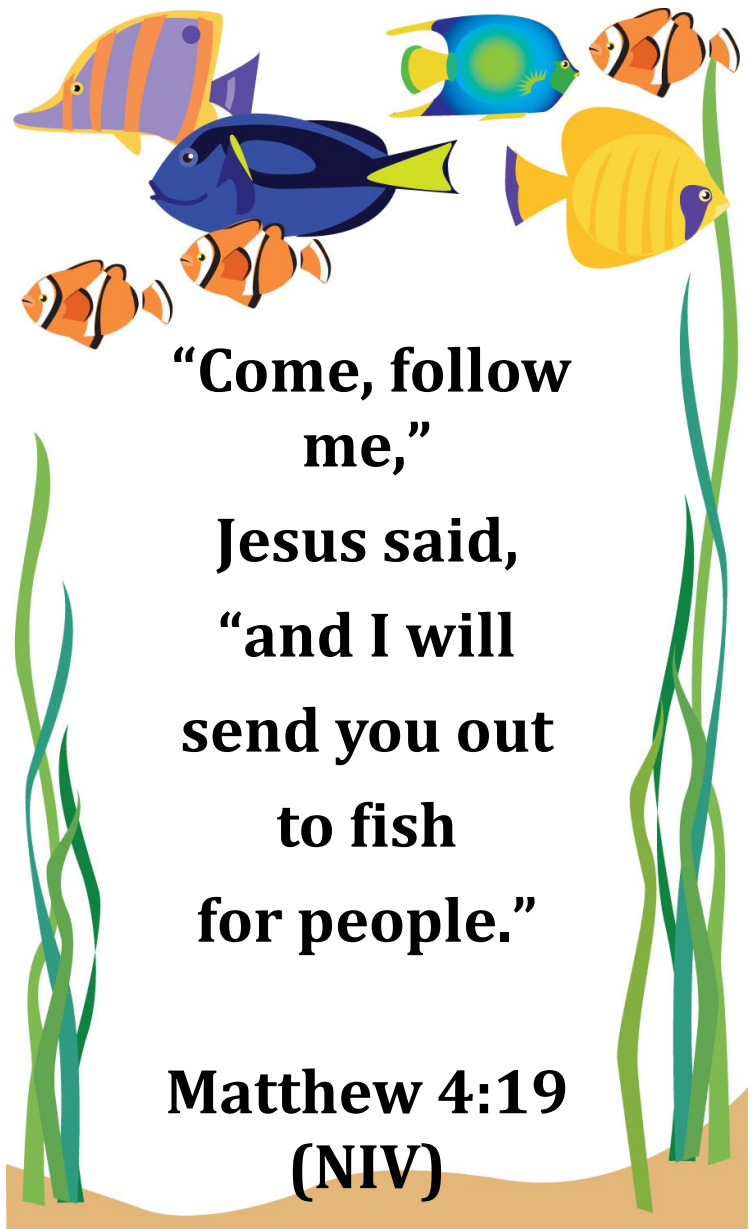
Mrs. Candy Rogers

Nursery Assistant

Mrs. Shelia Harkleroad

Housekeeper

Mrs. Brenda Waters



**“Come, follow
me,”
Jesus said,
“and I will
send you out
to fish
for people.”**

**Matthew 4:19
(NIV)**

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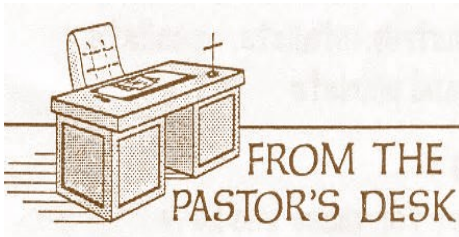
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Valley Brook is a place of grace, where everybody is somebody and Jesus is Lord.



A change is coming ... and it is a good one.

After a three year trial period, our partner church, Lamp City, has realized that a late Sunday afternoon worship service is not the best arrangement. Their leadership has requested to change their worship time to 9:00 on Sunday mornings. They will wrap up by 10:30 making for a smooth transition to the 11:00 hour.

The request was presented at church conference on August 15. Following discussion, including logistical concerns, the request was approved, to be effective Sunday, September 2. This arrangement should be a beneficial one for both groups. One positive result of the time change is that the Lamp City folks will now be able to join us for the monthly Family Night Supper, providing a great opportunity for all of us to interact and get to better know our new friends.

I am so grateful for Valley Brook and its people! Christ of course, is the Head of the Church, the Holy Spirit is the Life Force, and we, the people, are the body through which God works. We have a faithful group of volunteers that fill the various positions within the framework of our organization. As you have opportunity, please express your appreciation to our volunteer team for the upcoming 2018-2019 church year:

Church Clerk: Lynn Eddy

Asst. Church Clerk: Terry Markert

Church Treasurer: Kathi Hartley

Asst. Church Treasurer: Joe Brown

Trustees: Dan Warnock (2019), Chair
Al Hartley (2019)
David Smith (2021)

Choir President: (to be elected by the choir)

Keenagers: Paulette Howard

WMU Director: Beverly Tarleton

Over the Hill Gang: Tom Barnett

Outdoor Reader Board: Jean Tarvin
Porter Tarvin

Prayer Warriors: Tom Gibbs

Publications/Network: Candy Rogers
Terry Markert

Sound System: Aubrey Eddy, Chair
Tom Gibbs
David Johnson
Tom McCollum
Terry Markert

Sunday School: Terry Markert, Director
Tom Gibbs, Teacher
Luther Lord, Teacher

Website: Tom Gibbs

Finance Committee At Large:
Becky Markert
Judy Smith
Jean Tarvin

Baptism: Robert Morris, Chair
Lee Morris
Aubrey Eddy
Lynn Eddy
Carl Jenkins
Cathy Jenkins

Benevolence: Deacon Vice Chair
Candy Rogers

Children/Youth: Jean Tarvin

Decorations: Janet Roper, Chair
Ann Lord
Judy Smith

House and Grounds: Charley Scott, Chair
Tom Barnett
Dennis Jackson
Jim Phillips
Tom McCollum
Bud (Kenneth) Ward

Kitchen: Nancy Warnock, Chair
Dan Warnock
Carolyn Scott
Charley Scott
Joe Brown
Tommy Shockley

Lord' Supper: Nancy Warnock, Chair
Dan Warnock
Peggy Jackson
Dennis Jackson
Beverly Tarleton

Nominating: Cathy Jenkins, Chair
Dennis Jackson
Terry Markert
Sandy Mize
Beverly Tarleton

Nursery: Cathy Jenkins, Chair
Maggie Clark
Beverly Tarleton
Jean Tarvin
Nancy Warnock

Community Outreach: Jean Tarvin
Sandy Mize
Beverly Tarleton

Personnel: Terry Markert (2019), Chair
Lynn Eddy (2019)
Judy Smith (2019)

Stewardship: Terry Markert, Chair
Lynn Eddy
Luther Lord
David Smith
Dan Warnock

Ushers: Charley Scott, Chair
Joe Brown
Jeff Craig
Carl Jenkins
Robert Morris
Tommy Shockley
Barry Vinson

Thank you to everyone who accepted the call and volunteered for a position. I appreciate all of you!

Paster Mike

September Dates to Remember

- 2 11:00 am - Morning Worship
4:30 pm - Deacons' Meeting
6:00 pm - Family Night Potluck Supper
- 3 *Labor Day* - Church office closed
- 4 7:55 am - OTH - McDonalds
- 5 10:00 am - Prayer Warriors
6:00 pm - Prayer Meeting/Bible Study
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- 9 *Grandparents Day*
11:00 am - Morning Worship
5:00 pm - Finance Meeting
5:30 pm - Church Council
6:00 pm - Sunday Night Celebration
- 11 *Patriot Day*
7:55 am - OTH - Bojangles
10:00 am - Water Colors class
- 12 10:00 am - Prayer Warriors
6:00 pm - Prayer Meeting/Conference
- 13 12:00 noon - Keenagers' Lunch/Program
- 15 8:00 am - Men's Breakfast
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- 16 *Back to Church Sunday*
11:00 am - Morning Worship
6:00 pm - Sunday Night Celebration
- 18 7:55 am - OTH - McDonalds (Tucker)
10:00 am - Water Colors class
12:00 noon - W.M.U. Lunch/Meeting
- 19 10:00 am - Prayer Warriors
6:00 pm - Prayer Meeting/Bible Study
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- 23 *Autumn begins*
11:00 am - Morning Worship
6:00 pm - Sunday Night Celebration
- 25 7:55 am - OTH - Chick-fil-A
10:00 am - Water Colors class
- 26 7:00 am - See You at the Pole
10:00 am - Prayer Warriors
6:00 pm - Prayer Meeting/Bible Study
- 28 7:00 pm - Movie Night

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Six Reasons to get Plugged In

By Pastor Rick Warren

The difference between being a church attender and a church member is commitment.

Attendees are spectators from the sidelines; members get involved in the ministry. Attendees are consumers; members are contributors. Attendees want the benefits of a church without sharing the responsibility.

God is not silent on this issue. The Bible offers many compelling reasons why every believer needs to be committed to and active in a local fellowship.

1. A church family identifies you as a genuine believer, it is a witness to the world. (John 13:35 NLT)
2. A church family moves you out of isolation. (1 Corinthians 12:26 NCV).
3. A church family helps you develop spiritual muscle. (Ephesians 4:16 NLT).
4. The body of Christ needs you and need you to use your "gift". (1 Corinthians 12:7 NLT).
5. You will share in Christ's mission in the world. (Ephesians 2:10 The Message).
6. A church family will help you avoid moral failure, keeping each other on track. (Hebrews 3:13 NIV).

Become a Christian by committing yourself to Christ; become a church member by committing yourself to a specific group of believers. The first decision brings salvation; the second brings fellowship.

September Birthdays

09/03 Dot Mahnken
09/06 Tricia Martin
09/08 Peggy Jackson
09/11 Mary Ann Pierce
09/15 Annette Goss
09/20 Lamar Wilson
09/21 Marcia McBride
09/21 Johnny Phillips
09/24 Ron Pierce
09/30 Christine Brown



Attendance in July & August

Date	Sunday School	Sunday A.M.	Sunday P.M.	Wed. P.M.
July 29	20	n/a	n/a	n/a
Aug. 5	19	58	55*	21
Aug. 12	18	59	34	36**
Aug. 19	20	58	n/a	n/a

*Family Night Supper

**Conference

n/a = not available

Disasters Don't Plan Ahead!

September is National Preparedness Month. Take time today to plan ahead in case of an emergency. Prepare for a power outage by keeping all your electronics charged. Also, prepare an emergency supply kit which will get each family member through three days without electricity or running water.

Preparing the family for an emergency can be as simple as having a conversation over a meal!



In Christian Love

Valley Brook extends our deepest sympathy to the family of Greg Russie in the loss of their loved one.