

# Church Life

Welcome Home!

# **May 2023**

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Hebrews 12:1 tells us, "Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us."

When it comes to luggage, there are some who always seem to pack more than they would ever need on a trip. For some, if you say you are going for a weekend trip, they will pack enough clothes for a two week stay. I know this because I have had to load some of their luggage into my car.

But just like in physical life we can, at times, take along too much baggage in our lives that we end up overloading us spiritually as well; those things that slow us down and tend to make our journey cumbersome and hard to navigate.

We need to set aside the things that drag us down; those things that keep us from running the race set before us.

What is it in life that causes you to stumble? What is it that takes your focus off Christ? Maybe it is time to unpack those things from our lives, whatever they are, to give us a greater possibility to endure the race that is set before us.

In Christ,

Pastor Phil







Prayer is a vital part of being on mission with God. We want to be people who pray consistently and boldly to see the lost reached, disciples made, and God's kingdom expanded among all peoples, tribes, tongues, and nations.

Turning our hearts to God means spending time with Him in prayer and learning to listen to His voice. We are all called to serve the Lord. Spending time in prayer and reading God's Word helps us discern His will for our lives and how He desires us to serve Him. Through prayer, we can join God in what He is doing in the world around us. If we want to see God move and change people's hearts and lives we must begin with prayer.

Set aside time each day to pray about your part in being on mission with God.

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Margaret Langley

WMU Director



#### **Ladies Fall Retreat**

@ the Edge Retreat Center

Café Chocolat

September 22-24, 2023



### Church-wide Mission Involvement: May & June

**Standing Rock Reservation Mission Trip** \$25.00 Walmart, Amazon, Target, Gift cards

Please give to Joanne Sweatt or Margaret Langley by June 25









Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	Sew & Serve ministry 1pm	2 Sr. Adult Choir Rehearsal 11am Church Council	3 Dinner Porkchops, Green beans, Corn pudding, Applesauce, Bread & Dessert Kids: mini corndogs	4 National Day Of Prayer	MAY 5-7 E	O Scrapbook Ministry 9:00am  ANNIVERSARY AGLE EYRIE BURG, VA	
7 Preschool Sings! 10:30am	8 Sew & Serve ministry 1pm Hearts & Hands Mgt. 1:30pm	Meeting 6 pm  Quilting Ministry 9:00am  Sr. Adult Choir Rehearsal 11am  Sr. Paint/lunch 12 noon	10 Dinner Sloppy Joes, Coleslaw, Fries, Rolls & Dessert Finance Committee Mgt.7:oopm	11	12	YOUTH PROGRESSIVE DINNER 5-9PM (meet at 4:30pm)	
Happy Day Combined Choirs Sing 10:30am	15 Sew & Serve ministry 1pm	NO Sr. Adult Choir Resumes June 6	17 <u>Dinner</u> Sweet & Sour Chicken, Fried Rice, Bread & Dessert	18	19	20 2:00pm Deaf Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall Armed Forces Day	
21 Deacons MTG. 8AM  Kids  Musical 10:30am	22 Sew & Serve ministry 1pm Hearts & Hands Mgt. 1:30pm	23 Quilting Ministry 9:00am	24 <u>Dinner</u> Mexican casserole, Side salad, Cornbread & Dessert	25	26	27	
28 WHBC Members Business meeting 11:30am	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED  MEMORIAL DAY	30 Senior Adult Covered dish Lunch 12 noon	31 Dinner Chicken Salad sandwich, Deviled eggs, Broccoli Salad & Dessert	Sunday The Deacon dish lunch for	IG AHEAD 1  , June 4th at swill host a special Single Adults, in the Fellow	t 12noon ecial covered alts, Widows &	

Join us as our little ones will be singing on Sunday, May 7, 2023 at 10:30am worship.





Saturday, May 13th, 2023 5PM-9PM Meet here at CHURCH @ (4:30pm) Sign up by Wednesday, May 10th.



#### SUNDAY, MAY 28

CHURCH MEMBERS
BUSINESS MEETING
@ 11:30AM
(FOLLOWING WORSHIP)





## WHBC 80th Anniversary Sunday, July 9, 2023

Full Worship service & Covered dish meal.

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The church office will be closed on Monday, May 29, in observance of Memorial Day.

#### 2023 GIVING BACK TO GOD

Date	Worship	Sunday School	Budget Received	Heart for the House
Mar 19	133	115	\$7092.00	\$539.38
Mar 26	150	120	\$4,547.00	\$137.37
April 2	159	115	\$13,222.50	\$1,005.86
Apr 9	219	0	\$12,381.00	\$692.37

YTD 2023 Received (Budget): \$120,381.00 2023 Budgeted to Date \$139,965.00 YTD 2023 Received (Heart for the House): \$7,559.17