

McAllister Messenger

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November 2018 thru January 2019

The Congregation of
**McAllister Memorial
Presbyterian Church**

invites you to celebrate our

100th Anniversary

On Sunday ~ December 16, 2018

The Festivities begin at

10:00 a.m. ~ Continental Breakfast/Meet & Greet

11:00 a.m. ~ Worship Service w/ Rev. Mike Flegnor

12 Noon ~ Lunch & Fellowship

2:00 p.m. ~ Celebration with Music & History

3:00 p.m. ~ Reception

Congratulations! Congratulations! Congratulations!



Rylee Grace Plott, daughter of Megan Boone & Benjamin Plott, was born on Friday, September 7, 2018. Rylee was greeted by big sister, Reagan, and grandparents, Robert & Anita Boone, and George & Donna Plott.

Kenzie Elizabeth Cline, daughter of Ethan & Katie Cline, was born on Thursday, September 13, 2018. Kenzie is the granddaughter of Libby & Paul Riley, Shannon & Bill Rock; and great-granddaughter of Elizabeth Donnally, and Buford & Linda Brown.



Israel Boone & Danielle Allen of Roanoke were married Saturday, October 6, 2018 in Botetourt County. Israel is the son of Robert & Anita Boone. The happy couple's new address is: 86 Charolais Circle, Troutville, VA 24175.

Visitation for Members and Shut-ins

We are trying to start a visitation program for our shut-ins and others who need a visit from their Church family. We feel this is especially needed while we are without a pastor.

There is a sign up poster in the narthex that just requires a check mark if you can visit that person or persons. We have November and December ready.



Also, cards are a bright spot in anyone's day!



McAllister has a Website!

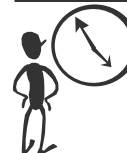
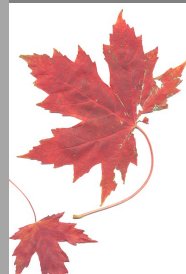
Thanks to the efforts of Kim Warlitner, Charity Hale & Tonya Jones, McAllister now has a website. You can check it out at: mcallisttermempcusa.org.

The staff is still learning how it works, so be patient if we have outdated information.

Our thanks again, Kim, Charity, and Tonya, for connecting McAllister Church to the world wide web.

ALL SAINTS' DAY NOVEMBER 1

A day to remember those who have joined the church triumphant.



DAY LIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS NOVEMBER 4

Turn your clocks BACK one hour before going to bed on **November 3**.

ELECTION DAY NOVEMBER 6

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!



VETERANS DAY NOVEMBER 11

Honor all who have served in the military.



Thank You Notes

To My Church Family at McAllister,

My deep appreciation to each of you who have shown me so many kindnesses since I broke my arm in May.

Thank you for your cards, notes of encouragement, visits, phone calls, flowers, food and your thoughts and prayers.

Please continue to keep me in your prayers and may God bless each of you.

Love, *Travis O'Rourke*

We would like to thank our McAllister family for all the kindness you showed us after my backyard fall. The food, cards, phone calls, visits and especially the prayers have made this slow recovery easier to bear. And we are especially thankful for your prayers when Larry's niece died unexpectedly. We will always remember your acts of kindness.

God Bless, *The Washburns*

Thanks for making my 80th Birthday such an wonderful event. Thank you for the beautiful cards and birthday wishes. It was so good to be with my church family again.

In Christian Love, *Shelby Rock*

The Family of Stacey N. Gibson would like to thank those who provided food, flowers, cards, visits and especially prayer for our loved one. She will always be in our hearts.

I want to sincerely thank everyone for the calls, cards, food, and especially your prayers during my surgery and continuing recovery. McAllister is a shining example of Christian Fellowship, and it is a blessing to be part of it.

Jean Casey

Thank you to all who helped with setting up and dismantling the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, September 16 for the choir-sponsored covered dish supper (or the Lalapalooza Kazoo Extravaganza, as we like to call it!). A special thanks goes to all who assisted with preparation and clean-up in the kitchen. And what an abundance of delicious food and drink! Thank you to McAllister's many talented and generous cooks. We're already planning and looking forward to next year.

Kathy and Beth

McAllister Church extends sympathy to the family and friends of:

James Bowen ~ *uncle of Betty Gibson*

Beth Martin ~ *niece of Larry Washburn*

Martha Eary ~ *cousin of Jean Bartley*

Miriam Porterfield ~ *grandmother of Katrina Givens*

Stacey Nicole Gibson ~ *member*

Jon Gilbert ~ *father of Wendy Poague*

Linda Sue "Suzie" Hill ~ *member, daughter of Danny and Rhoda Hill*

Buck Armentrout ~ *father-in-law Jan Taylor Armentrout*

Betty Miller ~ *sister of Joe Wimer*



ADVENT EVENTS for 2018

December 1—Littlepage/Gooch Class Christmas Luncheon, 12 to 2 p.m. @ Moose Lodge

December 2—Alleghany Highlands Chorale Concert @ 3 p.m.

December 7—Angel Tree Gift Deadline—Bring all gifts to church by 5 p.m.

December 9—Poinsettia Deadline

December 14—Prepare for Christmas Cheer

December 15—Christmas Cheer Distribution

December 16—Centennial Celebration

December 23—Children's Nativity @ 11:00 a.m. Followed by lunch with Santa

December 24—Christmas Eve Service at 7:00 p.m.

December 25—CHRIST IS BORN—Rejoice!

Check your weekly bulletins for additions or changes to activities listed here.

Shoveling Snow

I woke up the other day to find that 10 inches of freshly fallen snow was waiting for me outside my door. The flakes were still falling heavily too. I didn't want my little dogs drowning in it, so I reluctantly pulled on my heavy coat and grabbed the snow shovel to make a path. I had only gotten a bit done, however, when the handle of my old snow shovel broke with a "snap." Laughing and shaking my head I decided then and there to wait out the storm for a while.

It was late in the afternoon when the snow finally stopped and I trudged over to my Dad's house to borrow his shovel and try again. By then the 10 inches of snow had turned into a foot and a half. I started out slow setting a steady pace and stopping to rest whenever my back started to ache. After a while, though, the clouds finally broke and the sun peeked out to cheer me on. The work seemed a lot easier then even though it was warmer. I even sang a few Christmas carols and smiled up at God while I cleared out the drives, cleaned off the cars, and shoveled out the paths. After an hour of hard work the job was finally done. Laughing, I let the child that still lives inside of me fall back into the snow and make a snow angel for the angels in Heaven to see. It felt good walking back to my house after a job well done. It felt even better looking around at this wonderful world of white. But it felt best of all knowing that God and His angels were watching over me with a love that passes all understanding.

I don't know why life sometimes gives us Spring days and sometimes dumps a ton of snow on us. I do know, however, that we can pray, laugh, love, and choose joy through it all. God loves us always. He comforts our souls and warms our hearts on the coldest Winter days. He laughs with us when our snow shovels break and smiles down on us when we make a snow angel. He is with us forever and that is the greatest Christmas present of all.

~ Joseph J. Mazzella ~

Our Prayer Concerns

Penny Aaron
Tillie Agnor
Skipper Ailstock
Midge Akers
Doc Altizer
Beth Andrews
Jan Taylor Armentrout
Paul Armentrout, Jr.
Erskine Back
Ann Baker
Gracie Barron
Bob Bartley
Daryl Bartley
Debra Bates
Lucille Beasley
Tommy Bostic
Jean Broughman
Doris Burley
William Burns
Carol Bush
Emily Byer
Lee Cabaniss
Elwood Cadd
Teresa Calvert
Garland & Carol Campbell
Harry & Jean Casey
Summit Caul
Sandra Clemmons
Curtis Craft
Harold Craft
Steven Craft
Calvin Crawford
Paul Crizer, Jr.
Joey Crowder
Bob & Wynona Crush
Imogine Deeds
Katherine Dobbins
Becky Downer
Holden Downer
Leslie Downer
Bobby Eggleston
Kaylee Elmore
Lee & Lelia Fadley
Allen Farrar
Lem & Barbara Fitzgerald
Jim & Barbara Flint
Donna Fox
Helen Deisher-Fox
Ike Fox
Bo Fridley
Courtney Fridley
Earl & Ann Fuller
Bill Gibson
Eddie Gibson
Robert & Gail Gibson
Jonathan Gillette
Margaret Nicely Griffith
Evan Groves
Charity Hale
Don Hampton

Richard Hastings
Richard Hayslett
Norma Hazelwood
Pam Higgins
Danny & Rhoda Hill
Diana Hinton
Joshua Hoel
James Hoover
Peggy Hughs
Mickey Humphries
Becky Hunter
Charlie Jamison
Rev. Ernie Johnson
Becky Jonas
Wendell & Judy Jones
Butch Kemper
Susan Taylor-Kennedy
Mary Kern
Bobby Leitch
Debi Leitch
Trucky & Carole Lemon
Germaine Levisay
Gerry Loan
Bill & Bonnie Lockhart
Pat & Lynda Loving
David Lynn
Frankie Marshall
Bob & Winnie McAllister
Pearl Miller
Sonya Milton
Gary Morris
Lydia Nicely
Max Nunley
Travis O'Rourke
Molly Parker
Patsy Parker
Bonnie Patterson
George Persinger
Palmer Persinger, Jr.
Kiersten Pierce
Teresa Powell
Heidi Rainwater
Betty Ray
Peggy Redmon
Frank & April Reynolds
Jim Reynolds
Cathy Riddleberger
Libby Riley
J.C. Rice
Linda Rice
Shelby Rock
Joyce Rose
David Rothwell
Burdette Rupert
Tiffany King-Sanders
Gary Scruggs
Pat Scruggs
Harold Sharp
Angie Shinault
Dee Dee Simpson

Pat Smith
Monzell Sovereen
Angie Sponaugle
Frank & Susan Sponaugle
Sally Steele
Dayton Stone
Gary Stone
Richard & Jane Terrell, Sr.
Bernard Thompson
Ethan Thompson
Tootles Tingler
Darrell Tucker
Pete Turner
Bobby Varner
Buddy Vass

Kimberly Wade
Danny & Barbara Warlitrer
Gail Washburn
Angie Wilkerson
Dennis Whitehead
Louise Whitehead
Christy Wiley
Donna Wilson
Joe Wimer
Joey Wimer
Betty Wolfe
Linda Payton Wolfe
Lillian Wood
Donald & Judy Wolfe
Buddy Young

DEATHS

Buck Armentrout
Geraldine Cadd
Nathan Chaplin
Jon Gilbert
Suzie Hill
Stacey Gibson
Rick Claytor
Helen Luke
Fred Marshall
Betty Miller
Marion Nicely
Donald Scott
O.T. Sheppard

MILITARY

Kristen Bennett
Jonathan Price
Chris Whitehead

NURSING HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING

BRIAN CENTER—

Mickey Humphries, Doris Jamison, Ruby Stull

FRIENDSHIP MANOR REHAB—Irene Drumheller

VIRGINIA VETERANS CARE CENTER—

Charles P. Hall, Roy Reynolds

WOODLANDS—

Elizabeth Donnally, Annie Stinespring, Carolyn Tolley

SHUT-IN—Joyce Bartley, Edna Buffaloe, Hallie Dressler,
Shirley Ferris, Etha Hayslett, Jean & Carl Irvine,
Sadie Landis, Trucky Lemon,
Betty Jean Toombs, Lillian Wood

Our Church Family Flood Victims

OTHERS

All U.S. Troops
Cancer victims/survivors
Caregivers
Economic Situation
Elected Officials
Government
Our Nation
President Trump
Students
Teachers
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Luke needs prayer, and would love cards.

*Luke Crawford 1663392
Rustburg Correctional Unit
479 Camp Nine Road
Rustburg, VA 24588*

COME HELP DECORATE THE CHRISMON TREE

The Presbyterian Women will decorate the Chrismon Tree on November 25th after morning worship service. Anyone willing and able to help is more than welcome. Soup and sandwiches will be provided for those staying to help.



Littlepage/Tom Gooch Class Christmas Luncheon

The Littlepage/Tom Gooch Sunday School Class will meet for a luncheon at the Moose Lodge on December 1st from 12 to 2 p.m.

Everyone is invited to come for this holiday celebration full of good food and good company.

Call Gail Washburn at 962-1600 by Wednesday, November 28th if you plan to attend this event.

YOUTH TO DECORATE FELLOWSHIP HALL TREE



The Youth Groups will decorate the tree in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, November 25th after morning worship service.

Then, go shop for an Angel from the tree.



Presbyterian Women

Circle Meetings

Circle # 2 - November 7th @ 10:00 a.m.
December 12th @ TBA
January 9th @ 10:00 a.m.

Circle #3—November 13th @ 5:30 p.m.
December 11th @ 5:30 p.m.
January 8th @ 5:30 p.m.

Circle # 4—November 13th
1:30 p.m. @ Main Street Shoppe
December 11th ~ TBA
January 8th ~ TBA.

Wrapping at the Greenbrier

November 7th from 10 a.m. to 12 noon
(Meet at the church and leave by 9:30 a.m.
For more information, contact Betsy Caul.)

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*CT meeting for*

*November 4<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30 a.m.*  
*December 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 10:30 a.m.*  
*January 13<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30 a.m.*



### “Angel Tree” & “Household Tree”

The “Angel Tree” for the Christmas Cheer Program will be in the lobby on November 18<sup>th</sup>. Each angel represents a child, and each child has two angel tags—one for clothes and one for a gift wish—and a stocking. Please select an angel and sign the book. Buy a **new** gift, place **unwrapped gift** in a gift bag—*please do not include used items*—and return it to the church no later than **December 7<sup>th</sup>** with the angel tag attached. Help us make this a wonderful Christmas for these special children and their families.

Along with our angel tree we have added a “Household Tree” with some of the **smaller** needs for the families. The process is the same as for “Angels”.

*(Select, record, and return by the deadline.)*



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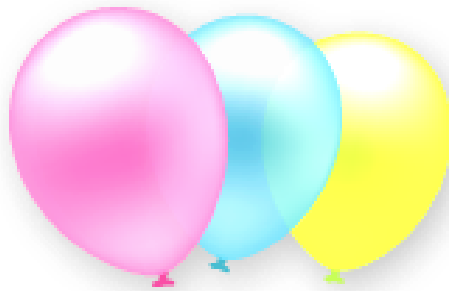
**November**

**BIRTHDAYS**

- 3 Janie Tyree
- 5 Taylor Poague
- 6 Pat Martin
- 7 Harry Casey
- 8 Chris Caul
- 9 Jessica Givens
- 10 Becky Hayslett  
Pam Key
- 11 Justin Nicely
- 12 Frank Reysn
- 13 Donna Walker
- 15 Colton Poague
- 17 Jamie Bryant
- 18 Shannon Rodgers
- 21 Kevin Bennett  
Jared Downer  
Kayleigh Hicks
- 22 Bucky Mottern
- 23 Garlynda Haynes  
Janet Linkenhoker
- 26 Kelly Patterson
- 29 Ronald Walthall

**ANNIVERSARIES**

- 3 Rob & Anita Boone
- 10 Hubert & Debbie Kennedy  
Mark & Shirley Thompson
- 28 Jerry & Darlene Taylor



**December**

- 1 Rick Downer
- 2 Kevin Hudson
- 4 Mary Whitehead
- 5 Pat Bowling  
Cooper Hill
- 7 Stacy Patterson
- 11 Debbie Bennett
- 18 Bob Bartley
- 20 Brett Smith
- 21 Ricky Cooke
- 22 Barbara Noel
- 24 Diane Hicks  
Seth McKee
- 25 H. L. Wickham
- 27 Burdette Rupert
- 28 Meghan Craft
- 29 Paul Crizer, Jr.
- 30 Gary Whitehead
- 31 Mason Bartley  
Katie Riley  
Frank Sponaugle  
Chris Whitehead

**ANNIVERSARIES**

- 2 Kevin & Rebecca Hudson
- 6 Ronnie & Janet Linkenhoker
- 10 Buzzy & Libby Riley
- 16 Pat & Jennifer Markham
- 21 Gus & Becky Hayslett
- 22 Stephen & Sara Nicely
- 24 Berkley & Pam Key

**January**

- 3 Devin Tucker  
Becky Redman  
Olivia Nicely
- 4 Byron Faidley
- 5 Joyce Bartley
- 7 Emily Bartley  
Brandon Rowan
- 9 Patsy Parker  
Deborah Rodgers  
Kinley Uzzell
- 10 Andrew Hill
- 12 Paul Crizer
- 13 Danny Hill  
Terry Thompson
- 14 Buddy Young  
Susan Givens
- 15 Eliza Fleenor
- 16 Tracie Wegman  
Kassie Young
- 19 Gaynell Parker  
Buzzy Riley  
Amy Stinnett
- 20 Betty Jean Toombs  
Terri Carper  
Leslie Downer  
Grady Haynes  
Gates Haynes
- 23 Shirley Thompson
- 25 Sarah Whitmer
- 26 Tamara Hill  
Evelyn Scruggs-Amos
- 28 Jean Bartley  
Carol Bush
- 31 Gavin Haynes

**ANNIVERSARIES**

- 5 Wayne & Diane Barksdale
- 14 Chuck & Jean Bartley
- 18 Robert & Wynona Crush
- 23 Tyson & Tara Uzzell
- 24 Bob & Leta Bartley

# GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

**In memory of Gerald Gibson, Sr.**

Gene & Gail Wood  
Andrew & Elizabeth Dreszer

**In memory of Stacey Gibson**

Gene & Gail Wood  
Alleghany School Board Members  
Lee Ann Poague  
Alleghany High School Staff  
Covenant Class  
Louise Whitehead  
Travis, Jeri, Larry, & Josephine O'Rourke  
Andrew & Elizabeth Dreszer  
Kathy Woodson  
Wayne & Dreama Ogden  
Danny & Rhoda Hill  
Larry & Gail Washburn  
Eric & Amanda Webb & family  
Joe & Dot Wimer  
Howard & Pam Poague  
Harry, Gina, Kelley, & Adam Tingler

Marshall & Donna Fox  
Terry & Dorothy Thompson  
Danny & Debbie Rodgers  
*The Fridley Family* ~ Bo, Junie, Ray,  
Joyce, Joanne, David, & Kay  
and their families

Fred Gibson  
Jerry & Kathleen Loan  
Gary & Diane Walker  
Bob & Leta Bartley  
Jerry & Darlene Taylor  
Butch & Norma Curtin  
Trucky & Carole Lemon  
Chuck & Jean Bartley  
Joe & Pat Martin  
Buddy & Margie Young  
Pat & Barbara Charlton  
Paul & Karen Icenhour  
Marshall & Susan Williams  
Elizabeth Cropper  
Circle #3

**In memory of Suzie Hill**

Gene & Gail Wood  
Marshall & Donna Fox  
Joe & Dot Wimer  
Travis, Jeri, Larry, & Josephine O'Rourke

**In memory of Richard Worrell & Arnold Hostetter, Jr.**

Bob & Vicki Gerow

**In memory of Jimmy & Jenny Williams by**

John & Karen Chichester

**In honor of Stacey Gibson, Pearl Miller, Libby Riley by**

Marshall & Donna Fox

**In honor of Elizabeth Leitch Dreszer by**

Sandra Dodd Minter

**Christ's Birth** ~ There is something appropriate in celebrating the birth of our Lord in the darkest season of the year. He came into the world in the darkest night of its history, when the blackness of sin was everywhere, when men groaned under oppression, and when despair had settled down upon the earth like a great pall. Into this night Christ came as the morning sun, with hope and healing in his wings.—*Presbyterian*.

## Church Financial Books for 2018 will Close on December 28<sup>th</sup>



The Financial records for 2018 will close on Friday, December 28<sup>th</sup>. In order for contributions to be recorded in church records as 2018 gifts, they need to be delivered to the office before 3:00 p.m. on Friday, December 28<sup>th</sup> or received in the regular offering on December 30<sup>th</sup>.

The church office will be closed on Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, and Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> so please do not bring contributions to the church on that day. Many thanks for all your financial gifts throughout the year and for your help as we work to close the books for 2018 in a timely manner.

The financial giving statements will be prepared as soon as possible **after** January 10<sup>th</sup> for pickup at the church. Please check the weekly bulletin for a more definite time. If you are unable to pick up your statement, please call the office to have it mailed to you.

If you have any questions about this, please speak with Janet Linkenhoker in the church office, 962-2675 or email us at: [mcmpres@ntelos.net](mailto:mcmpres@ntelos.net).

Our Financial Records show that giving is down by more than \$43,000 from where we should have been by the end of September. It is extremely important to keep our finances healthy while we prepare to call a new minister. Please help this situation by being generous in your giving these last few weeks of 2018.

| Budget for 2018 | Budget needs thru September | Receipts thru September | Expenses thru September |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 226,270         | 169,704                     | 125,917                 | 141,659                 |





The Men of Mission  
 will meet at 8 a.m., Tuesday,  
 November 13<sup>th</sup>, December 11<sup>th</sup>  
 & January 8<sup>th</sup>  
 at Boy's Home for breakfast.  
 All *MEN* are invited to attend.

## Publication Deadlines

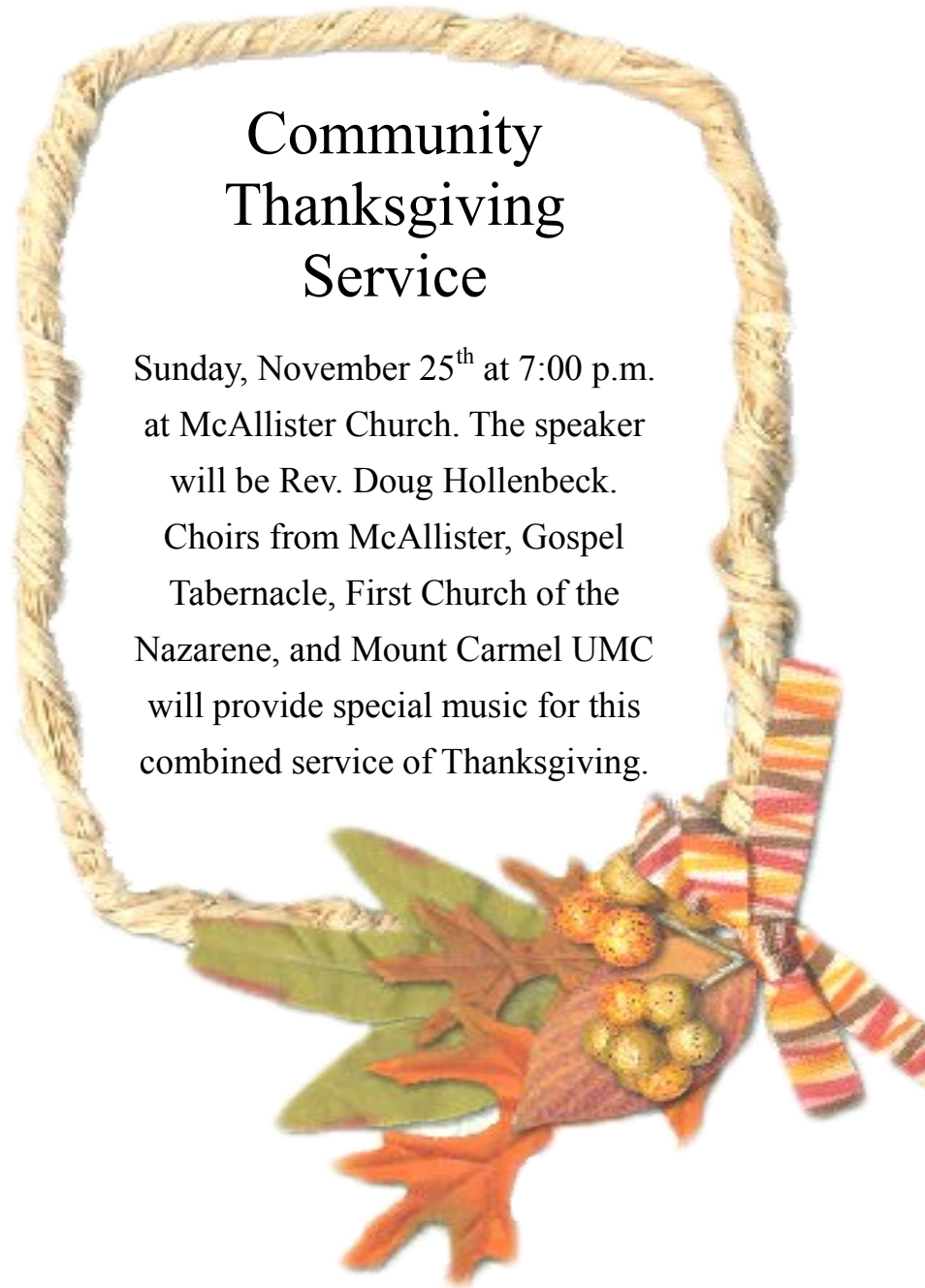
All information for the Sunday  
 bulletin *must* be turned in  
 by **12 noon each Thursday.**

The deadline for the  
 February/March newsletter will be  
**January 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.**  
 Newsletter folding day will be  
 January 24<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 p.m.

***Please submit all information,  
 to the church office  
 IN WRITING, or  
 by email: [mcmpres@ntelos.net](mailto:mcmpres@ntelos.net)***

## Community Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.  
 at McAllister Church. The speaker  
 will be Rev. Doug Hollenbeck.  
 Choirs from McAllister, Gospel  
 Tabernacle, First Church of the  
 Nazarene, and Mount Carmel UMC  
 will provide special music for this  
 combined service of Thanksgiving.



### ~POINSETTIA NOTICE~ order by December 10<sup>th</sup>

The Worship and Planning Committee will be using red poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary for the Sunday  
 December 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>. The deadline for ordering poinsettias is Sunday, December 9, 2018. Make checks paya-  
 ble to McAllister Memorial Presbyterian Church, marked "Poinsettia". Enclose with the order form below  
 and return to the church office or you may call in your order at—962-2675.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

In memory/  
 In honor \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Plants: \_\_\_\_\_ At \$10.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* You may pick your plant up *after* the service on December 23<sup>rd</sup>. \*\***





# CHRISTMAS CHEER 2018

So often in our busy schedules we forget about the needy and their hope of a better Christmas, especially at the dinner table. In order to make this a reality, the CHRISTMAS CHEER COMMITTEE is making plans to help 60 of these families. However, these dedicated and caring committee members cannot undertake this vital program alone. Because we are convinced that you, our wonderful congregation and friends, will want to give assistance as you have so generously in the past, we ask for your continued prayerful support.

The CHRISTMAS CHEER COMMITTEE members are very concerned about the number of struggling families and individuals in this community, and have committed their time, talents, and resources to assure another fine CHRISTMAS CHEER PROGRAM this 2018 season.

The McAllister Memorial CHRISTMAS CHEER PROGRAM began in 1969 and has increased each year as a direct result of your support in this community project. This program shows the true meaning of Christmas to those who give as well as to those who receive.

The committee will deeply appreciate your assistance and cooperation in this program as will the recipients of the food, clothing, toys, and other gifts. Your daily prayers and concern for the committee members as they continue these preparations are indeed welcome.

Now is the time to start bringing useable items such as clothing (clean with size marked), toys, pillowcases, sheets, hand appliances (including kitchen items), books and games, tricycles, bicycles, etc. Because of limited storage we cannot accept furniture—unless by special request. Monetary gifts are especially needed and may be brought or mailed to the church at any time.

*MAY THE GOD OF PEACE BE WITH EACH OF YOU,  
ESPECIALLY DURING THE CHRISTMAS SEASON.*

*Christmas Cheer Committee*



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## Glove and Hat Tree

There will be a Christmas tree in the back of the church from November 18<sup>th</sup> until December 9<sup>th</sup> on which to hang gloves and hats for our Christmas Cheer Program. Please bring your gloves and hats and place them on the tree and

help someone stay warm this winter.



*Thank you !*



## Sock Collection



*There's just nothing like the feeling of a new pair of socks.*

We will also be collecting socks for the Alleghany Highlands Community Service Club House on Riverside Avenue. Sock for both men and women; and all sizes are needed. A collection box will be placed in the lobby and you may bring the socks by the church at any time.



## THANK OFFERING

will be received

Sunday, November 25<sup>th</sup>.

This mission of the Presbyterian Women helps fund  
Hospitals and Health Ministries.

November 18<sup>th</sup>, December 16<sup>th</sup>, and January 20<sup>th</sup> will be our monthly COPE Food Collection Days. The demand for food continues to increase in this area as cold weather sets in and many families must choose between utilities and food. Your help is needed more than ever as we attempt to provide nutritious food for the hungry families in our community.



Any type of non-perishable food is appreciated. Monetary donations are greatly appreciated because they allow us to purchase food at reduced cost through the Second Harvest Food Bank in Roanoke.

*Please help us to keep the food pantry well stocked for those in need.*



Alleghany Highlands Chorale will present a Winter Holiday concert at McAllister Church on Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 3 p.m.

## Church Office Closings



### Thanksgiving Holiday

Thursday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>

Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>



### Christmas Holiday

Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>



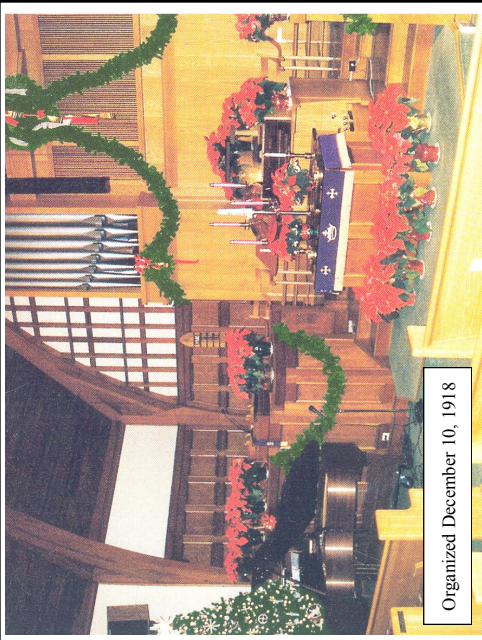
### New Year's Holiday

Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup>

Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>



The Session will meet on November 18, December TBA, and January 20, 2019. All elders are urged to attend these meetings.



Organized December 10, 1918

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e-mail [mcmpres@ntelos.net](mailto:mcmpres@ntelos.net)  
Website: [mcallistermempcusa.org](http://mcallistermempcusa.org)

**McAllister Church**  
invites you to join us at one of our services.

**SUNDAY**  
Sunday School— 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service— 11:00 a.m.

Clerks of Session— James E. Faidley, Jr.  
Custodian/Sexton— Anita Boone  
Minister of Music— Kathy Crutchfield  
Musician— Elizabeth Leitch Dreszer  
Secretary/Treasurer— Janet Linkenhoker  
Youth Activities Director— Tarie Warltner

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The Synod of the Mid-Atlantic,  
Presbytery of the Peaks



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900 North Alleghany Avenue  
Covington, VA 24426

**The Employees and Staff of McAllister Church**  
wish each of you a happy holiday season,  
and pray that the coming year is filled with great blessings!

**The Session**

*Anita Boone*  
*Kathy Crutchfield*

*Janet Linkenhoker*  
*Tarie Warltner*

*Elizabeth Leitch Dreszer*

