

McAllister Messenger

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November 2019 thru January 2020

A Word from the Pastor

What Does It Mean To Be A Reformed Church?

On Sunday, October 27, we celebrated our heritage as a Reformed church on what is known as Reformation Sunday. At our last Session meeting, we decided to include our church in an area-wide observance of this day. During our regular worship time, we hosted a special worship service and welcomed the good folks from First Presbyterian, Clifton Forge, Kayser Memorial, Falling Spring, Low Moor, and Mallow Presbyterian Churches. The service was led by the ministers of all these churches, with Gary Marshall of Mallow preaching for us.



So what does being a Reformed church mean, anyway? And how does it fit into the larger spectrum of Christian churches? The following brief glossary of terms will help explain:

catholic (with a small “c”) = All Christian churches of all types around the world.

Roman Catholic = What we know as Catholic (with a big “C”). They are the ones who follow the Pope in Rome.

Protestants = All the churches that broke away from the Roman Catholic Church back in the 1500’s (including Presbyterians, Baptists, Methodists, Episcopalians, and many others)

Reformed = A specific group of Protestants based on the theology and practice of John Calvin. We believe in the sovereignty of God, a system of governance based on the election of elders, and the quality of being “Reformed, and always reforming.”

Presbyterians = A specific group of Reformed Churches originally formed in Scotland.

New Director of Youth Activities

At the session meeting on August 18, the Session voted to hire Margaret Moss as Director of Youth Activities. Margaret began her duties on September 1. We wish her the best as she tackles this important ministry at McAllister Church. Please give Margaret your support through prayer and action.

Attention All Youth!

Ice Cream Social

Sunday, November 3, @ 6:00 pm

The youth will enjoy ice cream and toppings, and then have a chance to meet and get the rest of the school year of youth activities planned. Parents are encouraged to attend.



NEW ADDRESS

Cadet Olivia Lee Bryant
Virginia Military Institute
VMI Box 80164
Lexington, VA 24450-0304



Makenzie Shifflett
New Hall West, Room 0350
190 West Campus Drive
Blacksburg, VA 24061-9547

Betty Jean Toombs
c/o Sharon Gay Jones
21 W. Birchwood PL
Chandler, AZ 85248

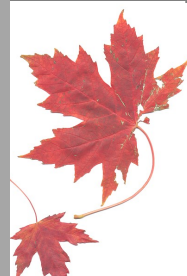


Community Thanksgiving Service

Gospel Tabernacle Church, Sunday November 24, at 7:00 p.m. Reverend Jim Moss will be the speaker for the evening. Music will be provided by the choirs of McAllister, First Nazarene, Mt. Carmel, and Gospel Tabernacle. Come, share in the spirit of Thanksgiving for our community and churches.

ALL SAINTS' DAY NOVEMBER 1

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



DAY LIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS NOVEMBER 3
Turn your clocks BACK one hour before going to bed on November 2.



ELECTION DAY NOVEMBER 5

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!



VETERANS DAY NOVEMBER 11

Honor all who have served in the military.



Thank You Notes

Dear McAllister Church Members,

I want to thank you for the cards, visits and many acts of kindness shown to Wynona during her illness.

Our families appreciated the dinner served to us and our friends after the service.

Bob Crush

Thank you so very much for the wonderful service on September 29. It meant so much to our family to have a church family that is so loving and supportive. In difficult times we have found an outpouring of kindness and love. We are so lucky to be a part of McAllister Church and our church family.

In Christian Love, *The Rileys*

Dear McAllister Memorial Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for the beautiful Croton plant that was sent to my father's service. It was a bright and kind gesture. This meant the world to our family that you were thinking of and praying for us during such a difficult time in our lives.

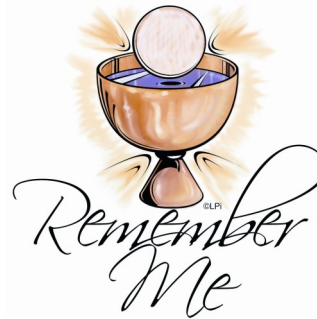
Thank you again for all the cards, words and expressions of sympathy. Our family is blessed to be a part of this church family.

Margaret Moss

THANK OFFERING

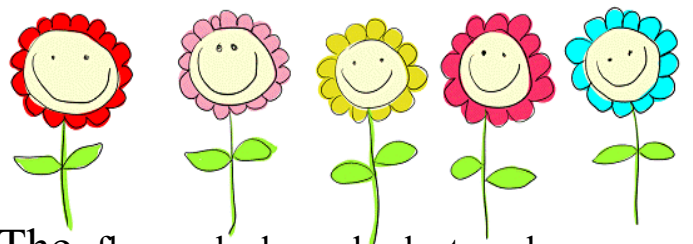
will be received on Sunday,
November 24th.

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



The Sacrament of
the Lord's Supper

January 5, 2020



The flower beds and planters have once again been cleaned and beautified by Norma and Butch Curtin. Thank you for this gift to the church. Your hard work greatly enhances the curb appeal and makes our facility more attractive and inviting.

McAllister Church extends sympathy to the family and friends of:

Wynona "Tiny" Walthall Hawkins Crush ~ *member*

William "Bill" McClary ~ *father of Margaret Moss*

Raymond W. Arritt, Sr. ~ *former member*

Earl Clifford "Trucky" Lemon ~ *member*

Margaret Caldwell Wilhelm ~ *sister-in-law of Martha Wilhelm & Darrell Crawford*

Thelma Hostetter Wilkosz ~ *former member, sister of Darlene Thompson and Becky Redman*

Manard "Pete" Markham ~ *father-in-law of Jennifer Persinger Markham*

John Peters ~ *uncle of Billy Potter*

Libby Donnally Riley ~ *member, friend to all*

Eugene Curtis "Sammy" Dressler ~ *step-son of Hallie Dressler*

**McAllister Memorial
Presbyterian Church**

Organ Restoration Fund

Amount Raised % of Goal
\$ 27,590 32%

Total Number Contributors
 37

Church Members
 34

Non-Members
 3

A complete list of contributors will be included in the next newsletter.

The restoration of our organ is a major undertaking, requiring an equally major fund raising effort. We ask you to consider funding a part of this restoration.

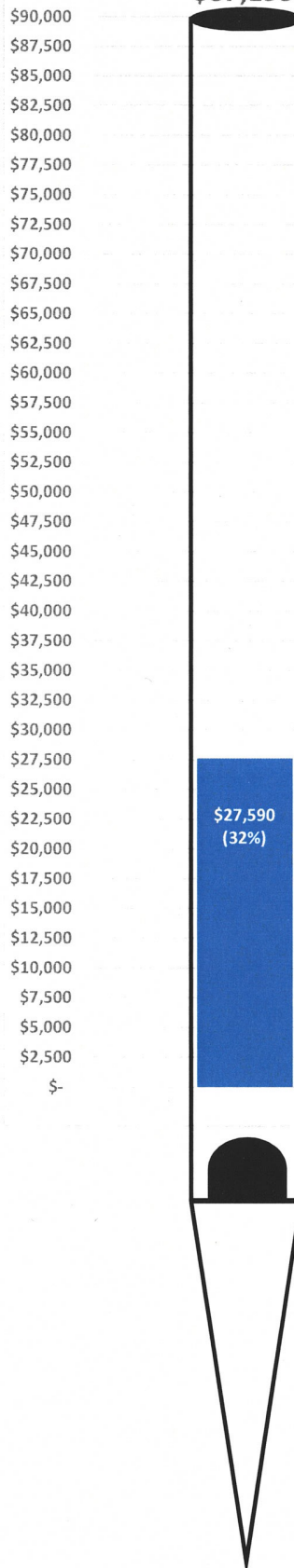
We welcome each and every contribution to the McAllister Memorial Organ Restoration Fund.



“There is now a contribution box for the Organ Restoration Fund located on the table in the vestibule. If your pants pockets are feeling a little heavy or your purse is straining your shoulder, please feel free to lighten your burden by placing your spare coins in the box. The box is also equipped to accept exceedingly large bills, checks and gold bars! Remember, the voice of the smallest pipe contributes to the chorus. Thank you.”

Organ Restoration Fund

\$87,138



**McAllister
Memorial Organ
Restoration
Fund**

Yes, I want to contribute to the restoration of McAllister Memorial Presbyterian Church’s Holtkamp organ and help the McAllister organ make a “joyful noise” for the church’s next half century.

I wish to make my donation in memory of _____

I wish to make my donation in honor of _____

My donation is enclosed.

I commit to the above amount but will pay at a later date*

My name _____

*Please send all donations within calendar years 2019 and 2020.

Please make checks payable to:

**McAllister Memorial
Organ Restoration Fund**

**McAllister Memorial
Presbyterian Church
900 N. Alleghany Avenue
Covington VA 24426**

Our Prayer Concerns

Tillie Agnor
Roger Akers
Doc Altizer
Savannah Andrews
Jan Taylor Armentrout
Grayson Asboth
Sherry Ayers
Erskine Back
Miki Ballengee
Jean Bartley
Gary Bartley
Bob & Leta Bartley
Lucille Beasley
Steve Bennett
Linda Bogar
Debra Bolt
Becky Bowers
Jeff Bruesso
Jean Broughman
Bobby Brown
Doris Burley
James Bush
Emily Byer
Lee Cabaniss
Elwood Cadd
Teresa Calvert
Janet Campbell
Joann Carter
Jean & Harry Casey
Betsy Caul
Harry Clark
Junior Clark
Minnie Clark
Sandra Clemmons
Kenzie Cline
Ricky Cooke
Curtis Craft
Harold Craft
Steven Craft
Calvin Crawford
James Crawford
Luke Crawford
Paul Crizer, Jr.
Jim & Virginia Cronk
Joey Crowder
Bob Crush
Doug Dawson
Phyllis Deacon
Imagine Deeds
Randell Dilley
Becky Downer
Priscilla Downer
Laura Dressler
Irene Drumheller
Hilda Duncan
Bobby Eggleston
Kaylee Elmore
Joyce Emerson
Billy Ervin
Lee & Lelia Fadley
Barbara/Lem Fitzgerald
Ruth Fleming
Jim & Barbara Flint
Patty Ford
Helen Deisher-Fox

Ike Fox
Marshall & Donna Fox
Richard Fox
Bo Fridley
Courtney Fridley
Betty Gibson
Eddie Gibson
Robert & Gail Gibson
Jonathan Gillette
Evan Groves
Don Hampton
Jennifer Hannah
Richard & Cora Hastings
Danny & Rhoda Hill
Sandra Hill
Gene Hinton
Joshua Hoel
Amy Hoover
James Hoover
Neil Horn
Becky Hunter
Carl & Jean Irvine
Meg Jackson
Charlie Jeffries
Becky Jonas
Tonya Jones
Wendell & Judy Jones
Butch Kemper
Susan Kennedy
Pam Key
Bobby & Debbie Leitch
Justin Leitch
Germaine Levisay
Susan Lindstrom
Gerry Loan
Bill & Bonnie Lockhart
Betty Long
Pat & Lynda Loving
David & Phyllis Lynn
Patsy Martin
Bob/Winnie McAllister
Calvin McClinton
Tina Holly McGrady
Derrick Miller
Pearl Miller
Ben & Zac Milton
Katie Moody
Doris Mottern
Donna Nicely
Patty Nicely
Max Nunley
Travis O'Rourke
Patsy Parker
Bonnie Patterson
Alfred Paxton
Kiersten Pierce
Billy Powell
Teresa Powell
Sandy Price
Betty Ray
Frank & April Reys
Jim Reys
Anita & Bobby Jo Rice
Brian Rice
Ray/Cathy Riddleberger

Bryan Riley
Buzzy Riley & family
Shelby Rock
Darcy Rose
David Rothwell
Gloria Rowsey
B.R. Rupert
Burdette Rupert
Jay Scruggs
Bert & Nancy Seay
Dee Dee Simpson
Joe Smith
Pat Smith
Tommy Smith
Monzell Sovereign
Elizabeth Spinks
Angie Sponaugle
Frank/Susan Sponaugle
Sally Steele
Gary Stone
Darlene Taylor
Tony Taylor
Bill Thompson
Ethan Thompson
Sandy Thompson
Adena Tingler
Carolyn Tolley
Dennis Trainer
Darrell & Donna Tucker

Pete Turner
Dwain Tyree
Buddy Vass
Kimberly Wade
Van Walker
Barbara Warlitrer
Danny Warlitrer
Robbie Warlitrer
Gail Washburn
Fletcher Watson
Carolyn Waugh
Corey Weidman
Dennis Whitehead
Pat Whitmer
Christy Wiley
Angie Wilkerson
Eddie Williams
Donna Wilson
Joe & Dot Wimer
Joey Wimer
Betty Wolfe
Linda Payton Wolfe
Lillian Wood
Norwood Wooding
Joe Workman
Shirley & Fox Wright
Buddy Young
Erik Young
Kevin Scott Young

DEATHS

Raymond Arritt, Sr.
Ronnie Brady
James (June) Brown Jr.
Mark Campbell
Wynona Crush
Laura Cunningham
Sammy Dressler
Dicky Freels
Cassie Harrison
Trucky Lemon
Manard "Pete" Markam
Bill McClary
Chris McKnight
John Peters
Dawn Rickett
Libby Riley
Booty Sexton
Jim Sloan
Courtney Rae Tucker
Margaret Caldwell Wilhelm
Thelma Wilkosz
Mary Witt

MILITARY

Kristen Bennett
Jonathan Price
Chris Whitehead

OTHERS

All U.S. Troops
Cancer victims/survivors
Caregivers
Economic Situation
Elected Officials
Government
Our Nation
President Trump
Students
Teachers
WRE

NURSING HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING

BRIAN CENTER—Doris Jamison, Ruby Stull

VIRGINIA VETERANS CARE CENTER—
Charles P. Hall, Roy Reynolds

WOODLANDS—Carolyn Tolley

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

COME HELP DECORATE THE CHRISMON TREE

The Presbyterian Women will decorate the Chrismon Tree on November 24th 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.



YOUTH TO DECORATE FELLOWSHIP HALL TREE



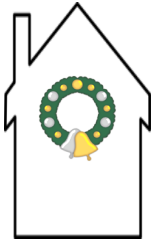
The Youth Groups will decorate the tree in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, November 24th after morning worship service.

“Angel Tree” & “Household Tree”



The “Angel Tree” for the Christmas Cheer Program will be in the lobby on November 18th. 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 13th** 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.*)



Presbyterian Women

Circle Meetings

Circle # 2 - November 13th
@ 10:00 a.m.
December 11th @ TBA
January 8th @ 10:00 a.m.

Circle #3—November 12th @ 5:30 p.m.
December 10th @ 5:30 p.m.
January 14th @ 5:30 p.m.

Circle # 4—November 12th
1:30 p.m. @ Anita Rice’s
December 10th ~ 1:30 p.m.
@ Hill Crest, Clifton Forge
January 14th ~ TBA.

Wrapping at the Greenbrier

November 18th 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 meetings TBA*



## Littlepage/Tom Gooch Class Christmas Luncheon

The Littlepage/Tom Gooch Sunday School Class is sponsoring a Christmas Luncheon at the Moose Lodge on December 7<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 2 p.m. The cost per person is \$17.00 which includes the tax and tip.

After the meal we will play a few question and answer games and maybe you will win a prize.

Everyone is welcome. Bring a friend or neighbor and share in the fellowship.

Please call Gail Washburn at 962-1600 by December 2<sup>nd</sup> if you plan to attend this event.

## Need a Ride? Give Us a Call!

We have a number of congregation members who would love to come to church, but are not able to drive themselves. To help meet this need, the Witness and Evangelism Committee is starting a "DriveShare" program. Please contact the church office at 962-2675 if you need a ride on Sunday mornings, or if you can provide rides.



### 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
- 15 Margaret Moss
- 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 Cline
- Frank Sponaugle
- Chris Whitehead

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

- 2 Kevin & Rebecca Hudson
- 6 Ronnie & Janet Linkenhoker
- 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
- 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
- 23 Tyson & Tara Uzzell
- 24 Bob & Leta Bartley

BIRTHDAYS

# GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

## In Memory of Wynona Crush by

*Clyde and Peggy Abell, Jr.  
Butch and Norma Curtin  
Chuck and Jean Bartley  
Danny and Rhoda Hill  
Travis, Jeri,  
Larry and Josephine O'Rourke  
Littlepage Class  
Patricia Brannen  
Betty Jean Toombs  
Marshall and Donna Fox  
James and Regina Bryan  
Betty Gibson  
June Walthall Hamm  
Jim, Marlene and Byron Faidley  
Circle #2  
Joe and Pat Martin  
Camilla Cabaniss  
Mark and Debbie Crush*

## In Memory of Bill McClary by

*Littlepage Class  
Chuck and Jean Bartley  
Danny and Rhoda Hill  
Debbie and Danny Rodgers*

## In Memory of Sammy Dressler

*Littlepage Class*

## In Memory of Trucky Lemon by

*Butch and Norma Curtin  
Chuck and Jean Bartley  
Danny and Rhoda Hill  
Debbie and Danny Rodgers  
Betty Gibson  
Maria Necolau  
Doris Wingfield*

## In Memory of Libby Riley by

*Littlepage Class  
Chuck and Jean Bartley  
Danny and Rhoda Hill  
Debbie and Danny Rodgers  
Marshall and Donna Fox  
Betty Gibson  
Joe and Dot Wimer  
Butch and Norma Curtin  
Diane Tingler Mahan  
Michael And Joan Tingler & family  
Maria Necolau*

## In Memory of Elizabeth Donnally

*Louise Whitehead  
Lee Ann Poague  
Pat and Joe Martin*

## In Memory of Frances Andrews

*Gary and Jackie Whitehead*

## In Memory of Norwood Tingler

*Gary and Jackie Whitehead*

## In Memory of Norwood and Dana Tingler

*Diane Tingler Mahan  
Michael And Joan Tingler & family*

## In Memory of Eddie O'Rourke by

*Travis, Jeri,  
Larry and Josephine O'Rourke*

## Church Financial Books for 2019 will Close on December 30<sup>th</sup>

The Financial records for 2019 will close on Monday, December 30<sup>th</sup>. In order for contributions to be recorded in church records as 2019 gifts, they need to be received in the regular offering on December 29<sup>th</sup>, delivered to the office before 3:00 p.m. on Monday, December 30<sup>th</sup>, or made on-line by mid-night of December 31<sup>st</sup>.

The church office will be closed on Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, and Wednesday, 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 2019 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.

Our Financial Records show that giving is down by more than \$63,500 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 2019.

| Budget for 2019 | Budget needs thru September | Receipts thru September | Expenses thru September |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 230,813         | 173,121                     | 136,919.52              | 109,662.01              |



# The Bible is Back!



The Pulpit Bible that was presented to the congregation in June 1919 has been restored and returned to us. This Pulpit Bible is a big part of our church history and possibly the only remaining artifact from the original building. Through many years of neglect and exposure to heat, cold, light, humidity, etc., the Bible was coming apart.

Thanks to a generous gift from Brenda Linkenhoker and Teresa Wulff in memory of their mother, Delilah Ervin, the restoration happened sooner than expected.

Donations to the Bible Restoration above the final cost will be used to fund other projects.

## ADVENT EVENTS for 2019

- December 7**—Littlepage/Gooch Class Christmas Luncheon, 12 to 2 p.m. @ Moose Lodge
- December 8**—Poinsettia Deadline
- December 8**—Alleghany Highlands Chorale Concert @ 3 p.m.
- December 13**—Angel Tree Gift Deadline—Bring all gifts to church by 5 p.m.
- December 15**—Lunch with Santa
- December 20**—Prepare for Christmas Cheer
- December 21**—Christmas Cheer Distribution
- December 22**—Children's Nativity @ 11:00 a.m.
- December 24**—Lessons and Carols 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.

### ~POINSETTIA NOTICE~ order by December 8<sup>th</sup>

The Worship and Planning Committee will be using red poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary for the Sunday December 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>. The deadline for ordering poinsettias is Sunday, December 8, 2019. Make checks payable 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: \_\_\_\_\_

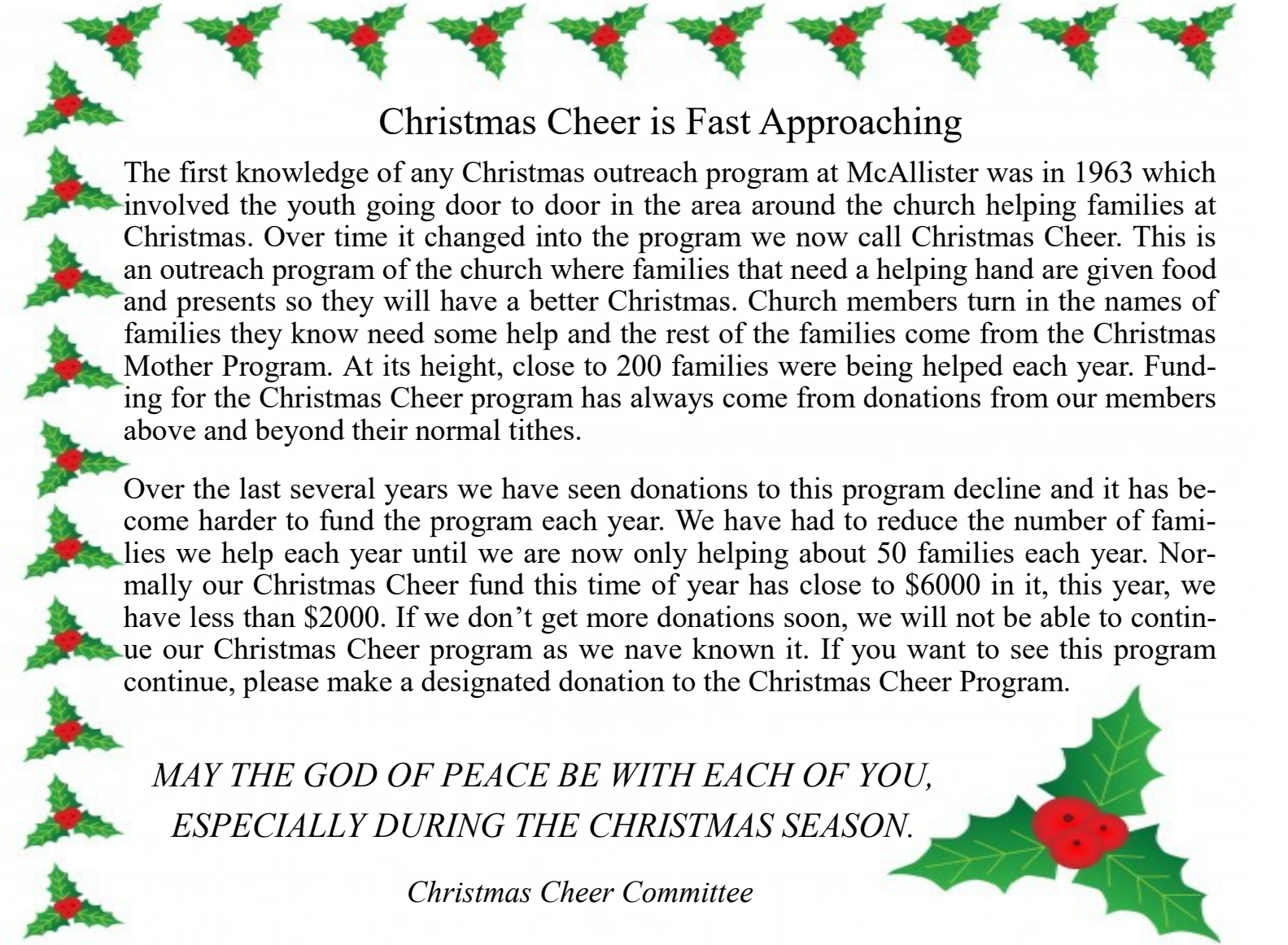
In memory/  
In honor \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

\*\* You may pick your plant up after the service on December 22<sup>nd</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup>.\*\*





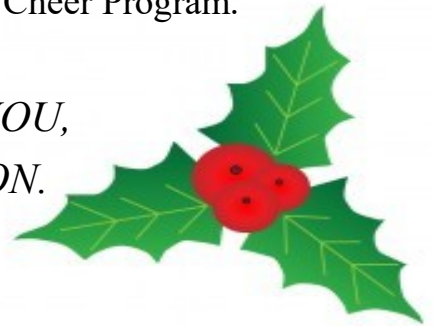
## Christmas Cheer is Fast Approaching

The first knowledge of any Christmas outreach program at McAllister was in 1963 which involved the youth going door to door in the area around the church helping families at Christmas. Over time it changed into the program we now call Christmas Cheer. This is an outreach program of the church where families that need a helping hand are given food and presents so they will have a better Christmas. Church members turn in the names of families they know need some help and the rest of the families come from the Christmas Mother Program. At its height, close to 200 families were being helped each year. Funding for the Christmas Cheer program has always come from donations from our members above and beyond their normal tithes.

Over the last several years we have seen donations to this program decline and it has become harder to fund the program each year. We have had to reduce the number of families we help each year until we are now only helping about 50 families each year. Normally our Christmas Cheer fund this time of year has close to \$6000 in it, this year, we have less than \$2000. If we don't get more donations soon, we will not be able to continue our Christmas Cheer program as we have known it. If you want to see this program continue, please make a designated donation to the Christmas Cheer Program.

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

*Christmas Cheer Committee*



### Glove and Hat Tree

There will be a Christmas tree in the back of the church from November 24<sup>th</sup> until December 13<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

*Nothing feels as good as 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.



### 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.**

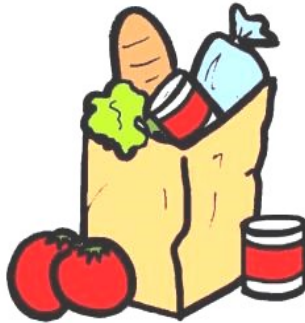
Newsletter folding day will be January 30<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 p.m.

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



**The Men of Mission**  
 will meet at 8 a.m.,  
 Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>,  
 December 10<sup>th</sup> & January 14<sup>th</sup>  
 at Boy's Home for breakfast.  
 All *MEN* are invited to attend.

November 17<sup>th</sup>, December 15<sup>th</sup>, and January 19<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 8<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m.

## Church Office Closings



**Thanksgiving Holiday**  
 Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>  
 Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>



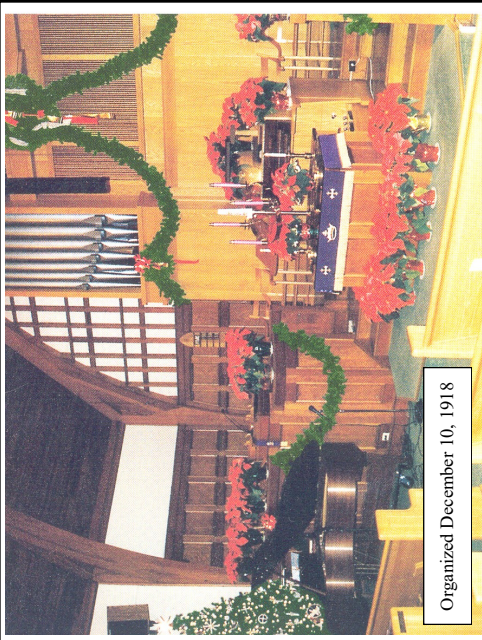
**Christmas Holiday**  
 Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>  
 Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>



**New Year's Holiday**  
 Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>  
 Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>



The Session will meet on  
 November 17, December TBA,  
 and January 19, 2020.  
 All elders are urged to attend  
 these meetings.



Phone (540) 962-2675  
 e-mail [mcmpres@ntelos.net](mailto:mcmpres@ntelos.net)  
 Website: [mcallistermempusa.org](http://mcallistermempusa.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.

Minister—Rev. James E. Moss  
 Clerks of Session— James E. Faidley, Jr.  
 Custodian/Sexton— Anita Boone  
 Minister of Music—Kathy Crutchfield  
 Musician— Elizabeth Leitch Dreszer  
 Secretary/Treasurer—Janet Linkenhoker  
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 wish each of you a happy holiday season,  
 and pray that the coming year is filled with great blessings!

*Rev. Jim Moss*

**The Session**

*Margaret Moss*

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