TIES FOR SEPTEMBER

September 24th: Pleasant Acres Service



September 29th: Pumpkin Patch & Hay Ride at Edge

of Town Market @5:30pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The Teacher Training Day has been rescheduled for October 28th.
- Families are invited to meet at the Edge of Town Farmers Market to pick pumpkins, escape a corn maze, and enjoy a hay ride. We will meet in the parking lot at 5:30pm.

Bridal Shower Invite!

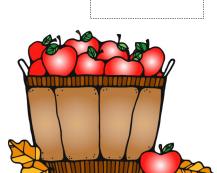
Date: Saturday, September 30th at 2 PM

All ladies are invited to celebrate Faith & Curtis' upcoming marriage at the following address:

2351 Middleville Road, Flemington, WV 26347

RSVP to Grace (a) 304-288-2175

(Registry: Target & Amazon)



Raymond Anderson, Don Riffle, & Wayne Hartman **Elders:**

> Gene Wright & Robbie Buffington **Deacons:**

Minister: Mark Jones Phone: (304) 842-6738

Connect with Us:



Website to access zoom link



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Times of Service

Sunday:

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

Evening Worship 6pm

Wednesday:

Bible Study 7 pm

Bridgeport Church of Christ

September 24th, 2023

God is the God of Peace

God told Moses to tell the priests how to bless God's people in Numbers 6:23-27. The blessing we know, "The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; The Lord lift His countenance upon you, and give you peace." The Jewish commentary says that the priests performed this blessing daily in the temple. The blessing was the priest performing it (v. 23), but it was God who was doing the blessing (v. 27). God delights to provide peace, and He delights to surround us with peace, even when all the world is going mad. That was an Old Testament blessing. We look to the New Testament and ask, "is the promise for the surrounding blessing of peace is still present for His people?" The answer is an emphatic, "YES!" Consider:

God is described as the "God of peace" no less than six times in the New Testament (1 Cor. 14:33; Phil. 4:6-7; Rom. 15:33, 16:20; 1 Thess. 5:23; Heb. 13:20).

Jesus is described as the "Prince of Peace" (Isaiah 9:6). A reality of Isaiah that we didn't fully understand until the appearance of the Messiah Jesus.

Ephesians 2:14 tells us that "He Himself is our peace."

His word is called, "the Gospel of peace" (Eph. 6:15). When we study God's word, we put ourselves in direct contact with the life-giving message that is able to see us through the storms of life.

The Kingdom of God is, "righteousness, joy, and peace in the Holy Spirit" (Rom. 14:17). In fact, Christians should desire to keep "the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" (Eph. 4:1-3).

Everything about God longs for the absence of hostility and the presence of friendly, harmonious relationships. In a book to Christians being hostile and abrasive to each other, Paul reiterates the fact that, "God is not the author of confusion, but of peace as in all the churches of the saints" (1 Cor. 14:33). When we use the wisdom from above, we will bear the fruit of righteousness which is "sown in peace, by those who make

peace" (Jas. 3:18). We do that because we're following the God of Peace!

Andy Baker Graeber Road church of Christ Rosenberg, TX

September Card Distributor: Debbie Anderson

September Greeters: Needed

Baptismal Garments: Kathy Cross

Bible Classes & Current Topics of Study

Adults – Main Auditorium (S- Matthew/ W-Gospel Survey)

Young Adults (20s-30s) – Mark's Office (Faith)

Children & Teens – Downstairs (1st Samuel)

Events for Bridgeport 2023–2024

October 1st: Dessert Fellowship

October 7th: Ladies' Game/Snack Day

at the Home of Lois Reed

October 14th: YAH/YA "Chili Feed"

October 15th-18th: Fall Gospel Meeting

October 21st: Fall Camp at WVCYC

October 28th: Teacher Training Day

October 28th: Young Adult WVU Game

Viewing Party

November 5th: Dessert Fellowship

November 18th: Ladies' Ceramic Tree

Painting Class @ Mountain Top

December 3rd: Dessert Fellowship

December: Ladies' December Coffee at

the Home of Cindy Moore

December: Light Up Night on Main St.

December 17th: Pleasant Acres Service

January: One Day Lectureship

January: Ladies' Lunch at Apple Annie's

February 4th: Dessert Fellowship

February: Ladies' Mystery Dinner

March 3rd: Dessert Fellowship

March: TBD

April 7th: Dessert Fellowship

April: Family Hike at Cooper's Rock

May 5th: Dessert Fellowship

May: Friends and Family Day

May: Ladies' Tea Party at the Home of Cheryl Kelch

Our Record:

Sunday Morning Assembly

62

Sunday Bible Class

49

Sunday Evening

20

Wednesday Bible Study

23

Contribution (Budget \$4,000)

\$12,260

September Birthday / Anniversary List:

1- Tom & Nina Tucker (A) 2-Steve Potts

5-Ken Fortney 9-Megan Root 12-Rodney Sleeth

13-Doug Stutler 16- Dennis Currey

18- RuthEllen Wilmoth 20-Mark Jones

23- Ramola J Lee 24-Don Riffle 28-Lois Reed

30-Rodney & Terri Vilain (A)

Prayer Requests

For Our Congregation:

- Our Shut-in's: Jackie Moore, Helen
 Potts, Brenda Fortney, Yvonne Maxwell,
 and Judy Garner
- Ernie Parsons: Strength and comfort while fighting cancer.
- Brooklyn Richmond: Waiting for test re-

sults.

- **Karen Seyler:** Recovering from knee surgery.
- Rachel West: Continued healthy pregnancy
- Jerry & Yvonne Maxwell

For Our Family & Friends:

- **Becky Britton:** Health issues and recent dental procedure.
- Ernie Parsons (Hannah Epler's Dad): Going through chemo.
- Bobbie Gelpi (Rachel West's Mom): Recov-

ering from a recent heart attack.

- Louise Kelch: Healing from a broken shoulder after a recent fall.
- **Joann (Remola's friend):** Kidneys are not working.
- Teresa Kipp (Kathy's friend): Health concerns