

CHERRYLOGUE

Fall 2020

News from Cherry Log Christian Church

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Rev. Adam J. Bradley, Pastor

Matthew Newton, Music Director

October is **Pastor Appreciation Month**







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Congregation Meeting November 15th

The congregation will meet via Zoom on November 15th, at 1:00 p.m., to discuss and vote on our 2021 Leadership Roster and our 2021 Budget.

Look for the Leadership Roster and 2021 Budget in a Special Edition Cherrylogue coming in November.

> Cherry Log Christian Church Congregational Meeting November 15, 2020

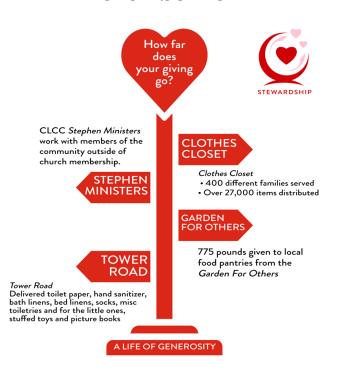
The Board of CLCC recommends the 2020-21 Leadership Roster.

- Approve the 2020-21 Leadership Roster as approved by the nominating committee and church board.
- _ Approve the 2020-21 Leadership Roster with the following exception:
- Do not approve the 2020-21 Leadership Roster as approved by the nominating committee and
- Abstain from voting to approve the 2020-21 Leadership Roster as approved by the nominating and church board.

The Board of CLCC recommends the 2021 budget

- Approve the 2021 Budget as approved by the finance committee and church board.
- Do not approve the 2021 Budget as approved by the finance committee and church board
- Abstain from voting to approve the 2021 Budget as approved by the finance committee and

2020 Stewardship Campaign November 16-22





Dear members and friends of Cherry Log Christian Church,

Cherry Log provides a spirit of unity in Jesus Christ by being open and welcoming to all people. It is a place where all can gather to worship, learn, and grow in faith.

The year 2020 has made it much more challenging financially to accomplish our church's mission! Lack of face to face contact has had a significant negative impact on giving. Without the critical help we've received through the PPP loan and several deferred mortgage payments, we would have a very large deficit. With that help, we expect to break even for the year.

Despite the difficulties, our church community has continued to provide fellowship, spiritual support, and caregiving to our members, friends, and the broader community.

With the return of in-person worship and limited group gatherings with appropriate social distancing and mask guidelines in place, CLCC is slowly finding its new normal.".

However, the COVID 19 situation continues to create uncertainty. Giving is on a declining trend, and full inperson worship looks to be months off.

The uncertain outlook for next year makes this Stewardship Pledge Campaign more crucial than ever. Our current giving levels would require a 2021 budget that is \$100,000 less than we have operated with in past years. Even with our current tightly controlled expenses and reduced spending, we face reducing or eliminating core CLCC programs and giving."

It Is More Important Than Ever

That EVERYONE Submit A Pledge For 2021.

In the face of these challenges, wise stewardship calls for greatly restricting expenses for 2021. It also compels us to strive for 100% of givers to pledge. We need to have a clear idea of what our financial situation is likely to be in 2021 as the finance committee crafts a realistic budget plan."

During stewardship week – November 15 to 22 – we ask you to please make a pledge with your planned giving for the coming year. You can pledge online at Realm. The attached pledge form can be printed and mailed to the church office. If you would like a paper pledge card mailed to you, please call the church office at (706) 632 - 1048.

Even the Smallest Pledge Adds Up WHEN WE ALL CONTRIBUTE

Now in the name of "him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us,"

In Christ, your Stewardship Committee

Two Ways to Learn More





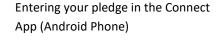
HOW TO TURN IN MY PLEDGE

- 1. Pledge Cards will be available at Lunch Under the Pines and on Sunday's in the Narthex.
- 2. You will received an email with the pledge card and you can reply to that email.
- 3. Enter your pledge in Realm. (Directions below.)

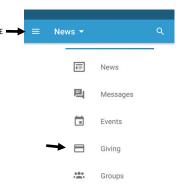


Entering your pledge into Realm.

- 1. Log into onrealm.org
- 2. Click on Giving
- 3. Click on Pledge
- 4. Enter pledge amount
- 5. Choose General Fund 2021 from drop down box
- 6. Choose frequency (red arrow)
- 7. Click Save Pledge or Save & Set Up Online Gift



- 1. Open the Connect App
- 2. Click on Giving
- 3. Click on Pledge (Top Middle)
- 4. Follow directions for onrealm.org

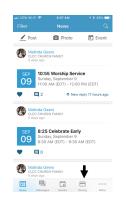






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Centering Prayer Group "Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

Centering prayer is a simple form of Christian meditation that is based upon the monastic practice of contemplative prayer. This method of silent prayer helps us rest in the presence of God, in a way that complements and supports other types of prayer.



The CLCC Centering Prayer group has continued our ongoing practice of weekly meetings, which are now via Zoom. We gather at 3:00 on Wednesdays to check in with each other, followed by discussion of contemplative readings. We are currently using the poetry in Mary Oliver's *Devotions* and Daniel Ladinsky's *Love Poems from God* as our resources. At 4:00 we begin our centering prayer session, sitting in silence together in virtual space for 20 minutes as we open to God's pres-

ence.

We have found the practice of centering prayer to be very helpful for us, especially during this difficult time of pandemic. We welcome others who would like to learn more about centering prayer and/or join our Zoom

Faith in Fiction

Faith in Fiction Book Group has continued to meet monthly on Zoom to discuss works of quality fiction. In November we will discuss In Love with George Eliot by Kathy O'Shaughnessy. Our December meeting will be devoted to books for young children, and after discussion we will donate those books to the Craddock Center. Since we choose six books at a time for our reading list, we will continue in January with Jayber Crow by Wendell Berry, in February with The Book of Longings by Sue Kidd, and in March with Apeirogon by Colum McCann.



Anyone who would like to join our discussion may email myra_kibler@yahoo.com for further information. We still meet on the second Friday of each month at 11 am.



"In the midst of crisis, faith guides a loving response." That is how the Church Wold Service Blanket program began. Each year the Disciples Women of Cherry Log sponsor a Blanket Sunday for our congregation. Through the generosity of congregations and partners of CWS, vulnerable neighbors can keep warm with fresh linens and clean sleeping quarters. Blanket Sunday this year will be November 8, 2020. I have had CWS set-up a giving page for Cherry Log. The link is fundraise.cwsglobal.org/clcc-blankets. With the hurricanes and deadly fires we have had this year it is very important that we donate to this program so CWS can assist these people in their time of need. There will also be something on Realm about Blanket Sunday later this month. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Wisdom Lit Study

Wisdom Lit Study, an outgrowth of the Seekers Sunday School class, has been meeting on Zoom on Tuesday mornings at 11:00. In the Zoom mode, members of this more contemplative study are also able to attend Seekers on Sundays as well. In addition, we have participants from remote locations who either attend Cherry Log seasonally or have moved or who have heard about our study and are able to join us in the cyber world.

The focus of Wisdom literature is inner transformation rather than attaining knowledge of a subject or factual information. Our first book of study when we resumed meeting on Zoom was The Wisdom Way of Knowing by Cynthia Bourgeault. We had previously read The Wisdom Jesus, by the same author. Recently we started a study of The Gospel of Thomas, a text that was known about during the first centuries but was lost for intervening years until its discovery along with other texts buried in the sand in Nag Hammadi, Egypt. Discovered in 1945, translations have only recently made the document readily accessible, and Thomas study groups have sprung up around the country as one of the most exciting developments in modern Christianity. The Gospel of Thomas consists of 114 teachings of Yeshua to a small group of disciples. CLCC's Centering Prayer group completed an almost three year study of Thomas several years ago, and some of that same group and many newcomers to the Thomas gospel decided that it was time to undertake a new study of Thomas. We combine methods of deep listening and speaking from the heart for a more contemplative kind of discussion than we have been accustomed to use in school and in other classes. Several members of our group are widely read and schooled in the Christian Wisdom tradition and bring considerable resources and support to our study.

For further information about this study group or to be sent the zoom link, contact <u>avenzel1@gmail.com</u> or <u>sally@dellpamplin.com</u> or <u>myra_kibler@yahoo.com</u>.





Pastor Adam is taking 2 weeks of vacation from Monday October 26th through Monday November 9th. Due to the nature of the hybrid service and it's early stage of development, instead of asking someone to stand in for me in our current style, I am more comfortable in returning to the Online (only) Worship model for two weeks so to give a break to those who offer their time and talents to enable us to open the sanctuary for in-person Worship safely and effectively. I am grateful to Rev. Trisha Senterfit and Chaplain Mac McRoberts for agreeing to preach while I will be on break.

So, on Sunday November 1st and Sunday November 8th, Worship will <u>only</u> be online at clccLOVE.org/online.





Things to Know...

In-person worship update – Our remaking of the Sanctuary via technological additions and safety reconfigurations has now started to settle into more of a regular routine - now a month plus under our belt. I am proud and grateful to say we have had 100% adherence to our face covering requirement. We have responsibly maintained appropriate distances from one another, despite our yearnings to embrace. And as we have begun to settle into a new style, have found small adjustments to make it feel more intimate than the distance and lack of communal activities would suggest it might be. It is surprising what seemingly little things we once took for granted are precious to us now. Reciting the Lord's Prayer with others again was a powerful experience for all of us who were there in-person.

No matter the decision you make for yourself about how to worship feeling most safe and most fed, it matters only that you <u>do</u> worship – regularly, with intention, and in a way that keeps your tethers to the Holy well maintained. Consider the long-term well-being of your *spiritual* life, as you realize your life is forming new habits and rituals and routines around you. Choose your connection to the holy. Be responsible for the spiritual energy that God has invested in you. Seek and you shall find, ask and it shall be given... so keep asking for the good and remember the mission to **Be**Love.

Bus sale – We have sold the bus. While we have used the bus for a number of different purposes over the last few years, the original intent of the project (*to provide pre-school services at Tower Rd*.) was never realized. Because of understandable concerns the community at Tower Rd had about the proposal we made to them, the good intensions of the projects could not overcome the challenges.

I am grateful for the creative thinking that went into the Bus project and would encourage all of us to be willing to fail for the gospel. It will give us the humility required to move fully with the Spirit's leading.

Final Garden For Others produce report – What a blessing the Garden for Others is. Currently we have harvested 891 pounds of vegetables. Our top three producers were beans, potatoes, and squash. There are carrots, bell peppers, and okra still growing and waiting to be picked. Our donations were shared with the Gilmer County Food Bank, Feed Fannin, and customers at the Clothes Closet. We had many helpers plant, harvest, weed, and till. What a rewarding experience.

We are already improving the garden for next year. We have had issues with drainage because of our low lying area and frequent rain. Luckily we are getting expert advice from the UGA County Extension coordinator and USDA District Conservationist. They came up with a plan to improve drainage in the garden by adding swales for water runoff. A flower bed will be added to attract pollinators to the area. Lastly, a fence will be installed to hopefully keep the hungry deer out.

I am so proud of the dedication and teamwork of our gardeners. We made a positive impact in our community. Adrianna Ernst

Clothes Closet Storage Building in full use! — The long-awaited Clothes Closet auxiliary storage building and workspace has been completed and is in use! The grey and white building sitting in grassy center of the lower parking lot has been a need for Jane Murray and her crew for well over a year. Thanks to generous donors, talented craftsman, and the patience of the Clothes Closet leadership, we can now all celebrate the continued growth and impact of the Clothes Closet ministry. Thanks be to God.

Tower Road Update: Thanks to generous donations the Tower Road Team has been able to continue to serve our friends in Tower Road on a limited basis during the past seven months. We have placed "Goodie Bags" on porches containing toilet paper, hand sanitizer, personal care items, bath and bed linens and stuffed toys and picture books for the little ones.

We continue to take clothing, household items and toys-- leaving them for our shoppers for several hours and picking up unneeded items later in the day. We have been able to social distance at all times.

Our supply of toilet paper and paper towels has been exhausted--any donations would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you all for continuing to care about our Tower Road Families! Carolyn Lakes

Things to Know Continued

Helping the Homeless: As many of you know, Joyce Pruitt helps homeless people when she sees them by giving them bags with tube socks, t-shirts, sweatshirts, long johns (clothing sizes men's large and x-large), wrapped candies, water, peanut butter crackers and protein bars. If you want to contribute to this ministry, there will be a box at the church for donation drop offs. You can make a bag of things or just donate packages of socks or candy or any of the other things. She also needs the bags She uses the little bags you sometimes get at a conferences.

Join the church's families with children for a safe Halloween celebration.

Each family will set themselves up in a parking space in the *upper parking* lot at the church. We will have a space or two in-between each family's parking space to assure the appropriate physical distance at all times. Church members are invited to *drive through the parking lot between 4pm and 4:30pm on Halloween* day (Saturday, October 31st) to deliver Halloween treats from the windows of their cars. *Member participants should prepare for as many as 16 children* (range of 12-16).



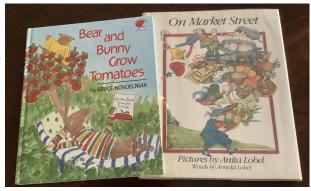
We ask that folks either stay in their cars as they make the loop around the upper lot and then either: 1) exit the lot or 2) park their cars in the lower lot and watch the festivities from the fellowship area under the pines (*bring your own camp chair*).

Costumes for all are welcome – the kids would love to see some grown-ups in costumes especially! Please keep all costumes or Halloween décor you might use to decorate yourself or your vehicle age appropriate for small children (*nothing too scary or provocative*). This will <u>not</u> be an event that is promoted in the wider community, but is limited to our folks and friends of CLCC.

A special thanks to Kim Mason for organizing this event (*whose contact info can be found in Realm for any questions*), and to all of you who are willing to come out so that CLCC kids can have a special Halloween celebration despite the limitations of COVID-19.

Books for Children

The Craddock Center can't currently do their in-classroom programming, but they are still able to give books to children, some of whom have no other books in their home. Disciples Women are collecting books for them in October, and everyone is invited to help. There's a box on the shelf by the window in the Fellowship Hall. Books should be for young children, in new condition. Thank you!



Blessings Upon Your Farewells

In this time of unprecedented upheaval in the regular routines of our lives, there have been some among us whom the Spirit is calling out of this place and into another. For some, new places because of work or family. For others, a returning to more familiar places with familial ties. The realities of the pandemic have prompted *us all* in various ways to reexamine our needs, our priorities, and the urgency with which decisions must come.

The following friends and siblings in faith now need our blessings as they resettle in new situations. I am blessed to offer them here my words of blessing and prayers for Godspeed as they pursue their best lives.

Christ's blessing to **Pam and Tom Colvin**, who have moved to the Athens area near their sons and most importantly the grandchildren. I am so *so* grateful for the time God gave CLCC with both Pam and Tom. Each in their own way, they brought the very best of themselves in service to the mission and vitality of our congregation - as well in the case of Pam, to the Craddock Center. Their wise council to me and many others enriched us and is for me evidence of how God works in our lives – using each of us to bless one another. Thank you, Pam and Tom for *everything*, and may God's grace continue to shine upon you.

Christ's blessing to **John Garceau**, who is preparing to relocate to the New Orleans area to be near to his and Kay's family. John is the kind of man who is an anchor in the most assuring and steady ways. For countless years John has seen to it we have technology in the church which is functioning. John is also a living source of institutional memory on the heartbeat of this church. John, I can't tell you enough how grateful I have been to know you, have your perspective on many topics, and to hear the wealth of stories you tell about this place. You have been so kind and fair and honest with me, Sir. For that, I am forever grateful. Go Bulldawgs! May God's grace continue to shine upon you.

Christ's blessing to **Bob Lewis**, who has relocated to Cashiers, NC where the Lewis' are planting a family home. For the last 5 years, Bob has been our chairperson of Stewardship – so gifted at reminding us that the foundation of every life is gratitude for our blessings and cultivating the habit of sharing as richly as we are blessed. Bob is gifted in so many ways, and so willing to share his gifts in helping shape our communications framework, articulate our identity and mission, and present our digital presence in more dynamic and engaging ways. His music has often blessed us, and his passion is contagious. Thanks be to God that Bob Lewis plans to sustain his membership through worshiping in the Online Sanctuary and keeping engaged in Realm. In Bob, we have not lost a member – just increased the physical distance. Bob, may your next chapter be a story of blessed flourishing and may God's grace continue to shine upon you.

Christ's blessing to **Jennifer Mills and Susan Pleasant**, who have moved to Winston-Salem, NC near to Jennifer's family (*I don't include Grace here, because she's still pretty close at Berry College and so we still expect to see as often as she is able*). Both Susan and Jennifer in their own ways have brought their skills and talents and wisdom to bear in so many aspects of this church's life over many years. From everything to visioning to caregiving to landscaping, their family has touched the life of this church gently and firmly and sacredly in ways which leave a forever mark on the soul of this place. Despite your felt absence with us, I am grateful for how the Spirit will create blessing through you in new places and alongside new folks. Take the spirit of CLCC with you, being love dear friends. May God's grace continue to shine upon you.

Christ's blessing to **Georgia and Mark Myers**, as they have relocated to Mineola, TX nearer to their children and back to Georgia's native Texas. There is one segment of our church that will grieve this farewell very deeply, and that is our youth who have been lead and taught and chaperoned and ministered to by Georgia and Mark Myers for as long as our children began participating in Disciple youth gatherings. The gift of working with young people is preserved for only the bravest and gentlest of hearts, and the Myers home has always

been filled with that kind of love. I am so so grateful for your leadership with the youth, Georgia. I have been blessed by our time together. I am confident that God will continue to use you both for the glory of gospel and may God's grace continue to shine upon you.

Christ's blessing to **Vivian Wood** who has relocated to a brand-new retirement community built on the campus of Berry College. Though no one worry, her allegiance to the University of Alabama is still as strong as ever. We are grateful for her donation of many household items her and Murry had acquired over the years to our Yard Sale collection. I was blessed to be able to spend time on multiple visits with both Vivian and Murray before Murray's passing. And especially blessed to hear stories of the founding of the Garden for Others and singing in the choir and other countless treasured memories of their time active in CLCC membership. So many of members will recall sacred times shared with the Woods in years past, and it is with those warmed hearts that we send with you Vivian our most faithful blessings for your new home at Berry College. May God's grace continue to shine upon you.

Christ's Blessing to **Victoria and Jim Bailey** who have sold their home here in the area and are planning to stay more planted in the Austin, TX area. Many will remember their regular summer visits and their loving participation in the life of the church over many years. We wish them the best, hope they will come for visits despite selling their home here, and may God' grace continue to shine upon you both.

Christ's blessings to **Bill Groce**, who is preparing to sell his home in Morganton. Bill has written a brief note to the church. "As of the end of October 30, I will be moving into an independent living cottage at the Arbor at Bridgemill in Canton. I plan to retain my membership at CLCC and will be close enough to travel here but will be much less active. I want all of you at CLCC to know how much my association with you has meant. You're open arms when we joined, your support during Barbara's illness and passing, the life lessons I have learned from many of you have enriched my life. I have enjoyed the volunteer roles I have played over the years, will miss closer association, and solicit your prayers as I start on a new track in life. Thank you, Bill Groce" I will just say that I don't know what I would have done my first three years here without the wise counsel and support I received from Bill. You will surely be missed. May God's grace continue to shine upon you.

The Holy Spirit will call us in and she will call us out. Certainly in such times as these, transitions and new beginnings are not to be solely a cause of grief and pain, but more meaningfully reminders of how dynamic are the ways God weaves the sacred throughout the tapestry of this one wild and precious life. Let us all retire our sadness for joy, that our loved ones here named have stepped confidently into the flow of God's own leading. And for such an act of faith, we send with you the resource of our steadfast and enduring love. May Christ light your path always.

In Gratitude,

Pastor Adam



Voices OF CHERRY LOG

Our Family is a circle of strength; founded on Faith, Joined in Love Kept by God, Together forever.

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Heather Burke

Born in Cleveland, TN, raised in Fannin County on a horse farm; graduated from Fannin County High School; began working career in Morganton Manufacturing then Levi Strauss. A career with the US Postal Service began in 2000. Following a successful battle with breast cancer, became a contract postal worker; helps with family's horse business if needed; has 4 "housemates", 2 dogs, 2 cats; calls her 12-year-old step sister, "my child". Enjoys paddle boarding, hiking, reading--currently mostly spiritual books; recently discovered books on tape that she "reads" during many hours driving her postal route! Loves to write; keeps a prayer journal.



CLCC: Attended a few times encouraged by neighbors, but eventually came "for my own reasons". "It's a safe place...[I] don't have to fake it; has forced me out of my comfort zone...challenging; I've never had a pastor invite me to lunch."

Sue Astley



Born in Arkansas, raised in Miami: BASocWork, FSU; married Bob; social worker Miami, NYC; 1 ½ years in D.C then entered education field in Atlanta as Director of preschool at St. James Methodist Church 11 years, Director of Peachtree Presbyterian's Children's Ministries 2 years, then Principal and Head Master, St Martins Episcopal School 22 years; earned Master of Education Oglethorpe University where she taught; recipient School Bell Award; Beth Roberts was her boss! Retired in Hiawassee; adjunct at Young Harris supervising student teachers; one son, 2 granddaughters

Master Gardner; runner (43 Peachtree Road races) tutor in Clay County; volunteer for Project Chimps; avid reader (member 3 book clubs); kayaking; hiking; Craddock Center Board member..."I have trouble saying "no""

CLCC: Invited by Beth; "we're so happy at CLCC...people are so warm and welcoming...intellectually stimulating...Adam is "delightful"...

Bob Astley



Born in Newark, NJ, raised in Miami; Football scholarship to Duke U, BAHistory, business emphasis; skibummed NJ 6 months, backpacked Europe 6 mo. then married Sue (53 years) and began work career in NYC, Washington DC, textile industry and later, personnel; returned to Atlanta and began new career track in real estate; eventually, with 4 colleagues founded Meridian Properties Group, still successful

Enjoys hiking, kayaking, serious biking, international travel (ask him); granddaughters

Both he and Sue were Elders in Trinity Presbyterian; served on search committees; chaired Property Committee; serves on board of Mountaintop Lectures; found CLCC to be good fit with Seekers' SS class a primary attraction; enjoys Adam, his preaching and personality; "[CLCC] is a comfortable environment for us."

Church Financial Update

Thank you for answering the call to support our church with your generous giving in September! September was the first month since June that our giving exceeded our expenses. We had a \$4,700 surplus.

We continue to face uncertainty with our church finances for the rest of 2020 and looking into 2021. Our giving of time, talent, and resources will continue to be of the upmost importance.



Thank you for your faithfulness, Martin Titus



Are you feeling exhausted from all the disruptions to life brought on by the pandemic? Are you or someone you know struggling with challenges like \dots

- · ISOLATION AND LONELINESS
- ANXIETY OVER HEALTH
- GRIEF DUE TO MANY DIFFERENT KINDS OF LOSSES
- TENSION FROM JUGGLING WORK, CHILDCARE, AND SCHOOLING
- . FINANCIAL STRAIN OR JOB LOSS
- UNCERTAINTY ABOUT THE FUTURE
- OTHER UNEXPECTED LIFE CHALLENGES?

If so, you don't have to face it alone. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support.

A Stephen Minister will meet with you privately—by phone, by video chat, or, if safely possible, in person—to offer care and support. It's free and completely confidential. For more information, call our church office.

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

Matthew 11:28

For more information contact Peggy Cleveland (706) 633-9068 or Maureen Hicks (404) 790-4664) leaders of our CLCC Stephen Ministry.





Nov. 1 Gary Tomblin & Jean Rose (22)

Nov. 3 Rolf Meinhold & Caryn Bains (18)

Nov. 10 John & Jane Murray (30)

Nov. 10 Seth & Sarah Shelton

Nov. 25 Doyle & Caroline Carder (38)

Nov. 28 Dell & Sally Pamplin

Nov. 29 Bill & Cheryl Star

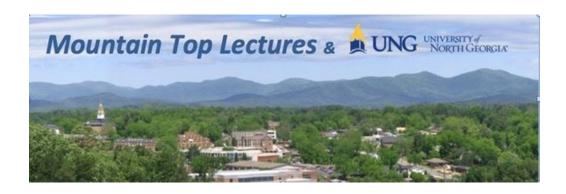
Dec. 8 George & Judy Barrett (53)

Dec. 11 Ham & Jane Kimzey (37)

Dec. 11 Chuck & Nancy Zimmerman (43)



Nov. 4	Sarah Shelton	Nov. 17	Ed Grant
Nov. 5	Clay Miller	Nov. 18	Kristin Boynton
Nov. 6	Jane Carwell	Nov. 19	Roberta Bondi
	John Murray		Birdie Towle
	Ruth West	Nov. 21	Lynn Starr
Nov. 9	Kathy Knox	Nov. 22	Caroline Carder
Nov. 11	Ellen Grant	Nov. 26	Richard Bondi
Nov. 14	Jane Kimzey	Nov. 30	Eileen McRoberts
Nov. 16	Maureen Hicks		
	Phil Miller		
Dec. 1	Becky Walls	Dec. 19	Sue Astley
Dec. 4	Beth Roberts		Katie Griffin
Dec. 5	Dorothy Morford		Steve Stevens
	Seth Shelton	Dec. 24	Cindy Minick
Dec. 6	Velda Harrison	Dec. 25	Judy Barrett
Dec. 13	Ida-Anne Clarke	Dec. 26	Karen Bains
Dec. 14	Shirley Brewer		Jack Senterfitt
Dec. 17	Paul Porter	Dec. 27	Lyn Thaxton
Dec. 18	Emily Pedlow	Dec. 28	Lauree Johnson



Mountain Top Lectures and the University of North Georgia invite YOU to our first -ever virtual event, and it's FREE!

The speaker for this free virtual event will be Dr. Peter Enns, Abram S. Clemens Professor of Biblical Studies at Eastern University. His most recent book is <u>How the Bible Actually Works</u>: In Which I Explain How an <u>Ancient, Ambiguous, and Diverse Book Leads Us to Wisdom Rather Than Answers—and Why That's Great News</u>.



When: Saturday, November 21, 10-11 a.m.

<u>How:</u> It's free but you must register at <u>www.mountaintoplectures.org</u>. You will receive a link to the event on the day of the lecture.

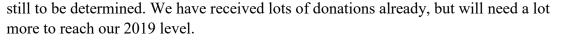
Bonus opportunity: If you are or sign up to be an Annual Sponsor or a Lifetime Sponsor of Mountain Top Lectures (at www.mountaintoplectures.org), you will receive a copy of Dr. Enns's book and an invitation to participate in an interactive Question and Answer session with the speaker on November 21, 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Please join us!

Advent Decorating

Any one who is interested is invited to come help decorate the church for Christmas, on Saturday November 28th from 9am till Noon. Thanks for your help in advance!!

With all the uncertainty of 2020 we have moved our Annual Yard Sale to the Spring of 2021. Exact date is



I have been asked what we are doing with all the stuff? We have a storage building for the larger donated items. One thing we are able to do is sell the larger donated items online. With not having a time restraint, we are sold furniture and received higher donations than we may have gotten at the yard sale.

You may leave your donated itmes on the back porch of the little white house or contact me to make arrangements for items to be donated.

Thank you to all those that have already donated. Malinda