

# AUGUST



Is Upon Us



# The Church Mouse



August, 2021



## The CHURCH MOUSE is BACK!

After a year of non-publication, we are getting the Church Mouse Newsletter back into circulation. Things are not totally back to normal yet, but we are gradually getting there.

The Seniors group that dines out each month, the Operation Shoebox Sewing group and Fellowship after church worship have all resumed activity. The bread donation from Publix is being picked up again and taken to the Food Pantry. We did away with the gloves and masks during worship services a few months ago, and the attendance pads are back in the pews.

On Wednesday, Aug. 4th, the Women's Bible Study group will start meeting. The Tuesday Time Out crew is excited to resume serving lunches to the congregation and the community on Sept. 14th.

So, you can see, it is getting busy again!

Our year of dealing with COVID-19 has left us with many losses of family and friends, and we pray that all are leaning on the Lord for comfort and healing. They have our continued prayers.

With the resignation of Dr. Walter Laseter, we are left once again in search of pastoral leadership. A committee is in process of searching and will keep the congregation posted on their progress. We all miss Walter and hope he and his family are doing well.

Stanton Weirsdale Elementary School will reopen on August 10th. They are requesting just a few specific items for the students and appreciate our donations. Please see the article further back in the newsletter.

Note: Because of all the photographs this month, I have printed this newsletter in color, however, future print-outs will be black and white. You may see them in color by receiving them by email (let me know you want them sent that way) or by going to the website ([weirsdalepresbyterianchurch.org](http://weirsdalepresbyterianchurch.org)) and clicking on the "Newsletter" tab.



**Rev. Rhonda Link Cummings, who is the Area Coordinator 2 of the Presbytery, is available for pastoral care and can be reached at 352-875-3002.**

## *Session Snippets* by Angela Pecor (Clerk of Session)

July 18, 2021

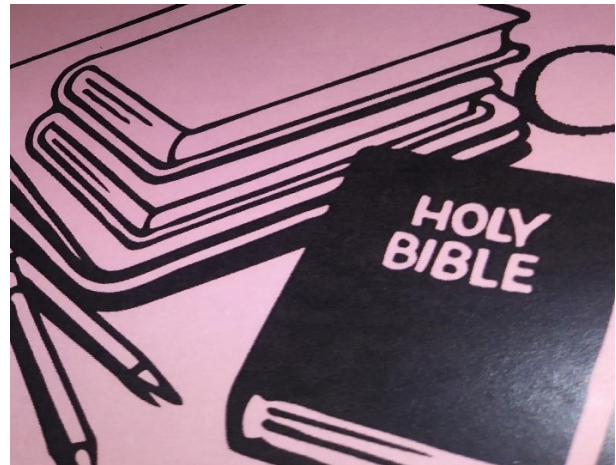
### Greetings!

In an effort to be more transparent, I will be writing this monthly “snippet” to appear in the church newsletter. Any pictures I include were taken by me. Hope you enjoy them.



The Women’s **Bible Study Group** would like to start meeting again. Session has agreed unanimously to get this going as soon as possible. Meetings are at the Church in Douglas Hall on Wednesdays at 10:00.

Norma Wright is the contact person for this group.



### Finding a New Pastor

We are currently putting together a **search group** made up of a variety of our church members. This group is not the PNC. This group is going to meet and determine what kind of person will be right for our church until we find a permanent pastor which, by the way, will take at least 18 months with a PNC.

### Finding a New Pastor **Part 2**

#### What we can expect—reality check

- Full time experienced Pastors could cost \$80,000 per year.
- It will take a long time.
- There is a Pastor shortage.
- Part-time Pastors, CREs, Interims, Stated Supply Pastors will cost less.

## Session Snippets Continued

### Needs of the Church

For any pastoral needs, such as a death, sickness, or questions, please call Rhonda Link-Cummings or Alan Cummings. They are here to help us as much as they can.  
Rhonda's Number is 352-875-3002.  
Alan's Number is 352-875-3005

### WE WANT YOUR INPUT

At the next potluck lunch, August 22, Alan Cummings will be here with us; and we would all like to hear your ideas about getting someone for our pulpit on Sundays.  
Please come! Bring your ideas and some food to share!

### More News

Kim Bishop and his personnel committee have put together **job descriptions** for every job there is at our church. That way, we always have the means to fulfill the needs of the church if someone leaves their position or needs a break or vacation.

**Special thanks** to Kim and his committee. This was a lot of work!

### Did you know?

Our **sewing group** makes over 100 ditty bags for our soldiers in one month. Wow, talk about hard workers and dedicated too!

**Tuesday Time Out** starts up September 14<sup>th</sup> and the price is now \$5.00 per lunch. Get ready to sing some old favorites and have a great lunch. Don't forget, Bingo is included on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month.

**Membership pads** are coming back. Please fill them out every Sunday to help us build our membership.

**Seniors Group** will dine out at the Orange Blossom Country Club in the historic section of The Villages on Wednesday, August 18th, at 5PM. Get your reservation in to Gary Spatta at 561-929-6210.



### **STANTON WEIRSDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO REOPEN**

The elementary school is reopening on August 10th, and there are few supplies they have requested. If you could bring your donations in as soon as possible and place them in the plastic bin in the Narthex, then Lorna will get them to the school.

Items requested:

1. Magic Markers
2. Color Pencils
3. Sandwich sized plastic bags
4. Gallon sized plastic bags
5. Sports shorts--sizes 5-10 or 12

All after school activities and events will also begin. They will be calling for volunteers from our church to help at these occasions. We have always had a good turn-out of volunteers and you are each appreciated. Thank you for your future service.

# **WE'RE SEARCHING FOR....**

## **A CHOIR DIRECTOR**

Weirsdale Presbyterian Church has an immediate opening for an adult choir director.

This is a part-time position and requires 2-5 hours per week, consisting of 1 worship service and 1 choir rehearsal. During June through August there is no choir rehearsal. There may be monthly meetings with the pastor and/or with the Worship and Music committee.

Experience directing a volunteer choir is preferred.

A full job description can be obtained from the church secretary at (352) 821-2757. For additional information call Kim Bishop at (248) 318-9680.

## **AN ASSISTANT TREASURER**

Weirsdale Presbyterian Church has an immediate opening for an assistant treasurer.

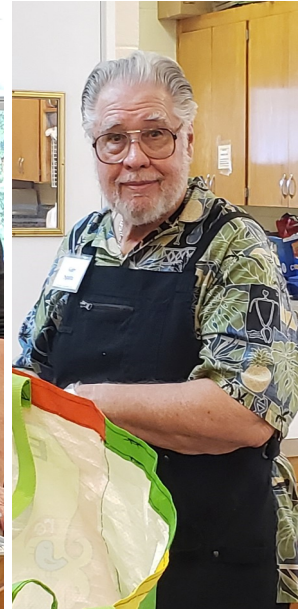
This is a part-time position and requires 4-6 hours once a week. There may be additional hours required quarterly and at year end. Bookkeeping experience preferred.

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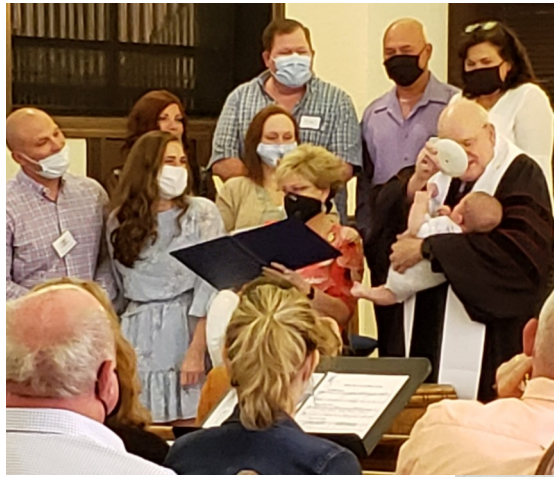


## A FOND FAREWELL

On June 13th, the Fellowship Committee had a potluck fellowship to bid the Laseters goodbye.



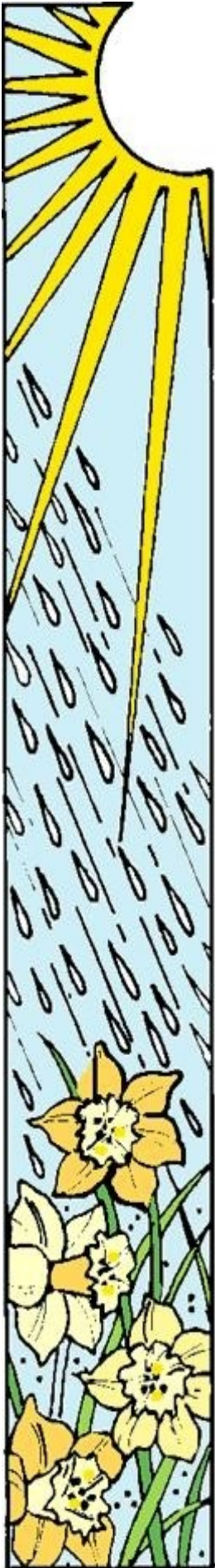




# Memories







May we remember Psalm 46:1.

God is our refuge and strength; an ever-present help in trouble.

### PRAYER CHAIN INFORMATION

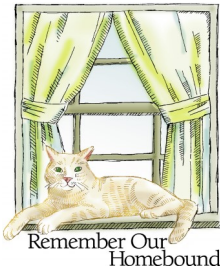
If you have a prayer request or are interested in helping on the prayer chain, please contact **Barbara West**.

734-558-1878 (Cell)

Email: [barbwest26@yahoo.com](mailto:barbwest26@yahoo.com)



Remember our friends who are homebound or in a care facility by sending them a card to brighten their day:



Dottie Jones  
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The Villages, FL 32162-6366

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930 County Road 466  
Lady Lake, FL 32159

Robert Lipsner  
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Leesburg, FL 34748

James Stangle  
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Oxford, FL 34484

### AUGUST WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Head Usher: Starr Patterson  
Liturgist: Bill Matthews  
Communion Set-up: Jane Williams  
August Lock-up: Lorna McKenzie



### SEPTEMBER WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Head Usher: Linda Spatta  
Liturgist: Linda Spence  
Communion Set-up: Barbara West  
August Lock-up: Angela Pecor

As always, if you are unable to serve as listed above, **PLEASE find a substitute**.  
And, thank you for your willingness to serve our church!



# August 2020



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
1 Food Pantry Sunday 10:30AM Worship 11:30AM Fellowship	2	3	4 10:00AM Women's Bible Study (WBS)	5	6	7
8 10:30AM Worship 11:30AM Fellowship 11:45AM DEACONS Meet	9 9:00AM Operation Shoebox Sewing Group	10	11 10:00AM Women's Bible Study (WBS) Session Committee Reports are due in the Church Office	12	13	14
15 10:30AM Worship 11:30AM Fellowship 11:45AM SESSION Meets	16	17	18 10:00AM Women's Bible Study (WBS) 5:00PM Seniors Group Orange Blossom Country Club	19	20	21
22 10:30AM Worship 11:30AM POTLUCK Fellowship	23 9:00AM Operation Shoebox Sewing Group	24	25 10:00AM Women's Bible Study (WBS)	26	27	28
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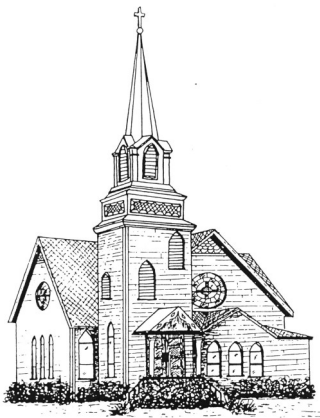
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**Our Mission:**  
**Bring People to Christ**  
**Develop our Discipleship**



**Weirsdale Presbyterian Church**  
**Worship at 10:30AM**