

Calendar of Ministries

✠ Thursday, October 30

Morning Prayers at 8
Mr. Sherrard's college classes meet at 11 and at 2

✠ Friday, October 31

Morning Prayers at 8

✠ Saturday, November 1

Teen Retreat at Headwaters Lodge in Highland County, caravan will leave Windy Cove at 8:30 a.m.

Evening Prayers at 8

✠ Sunday, November 2

Teen Retreat continues in Highland County with return to Windy Cove around 5 p.m.

Sunday School at 9:45

Morning Worship at 11

✠ Monday, November 3

Morning Prayers at 8
Men's Bible Study at 6:30

✠ Tuesday, November 4

Election Day!
Morning Prayers at 8
Mr. Sherrard's classes at 11 and 2

✠ Wednesday, November 5

Bible Club at the High School at 8:08
Morning Prayers at 8
Choir at 7 p.m.
Women's Bible Study after Choir

✠ Thursday, November 6

Morning Prayers at 8

✠ Friday, November 7

Morning Prayers at 8

✠ Saturday, November 8

Game Night at 6:30
Evening Prayers at 8

✠ Sunday, November 9

Sunday School at 9:45
Morning Worship at 11



The Weekly Word

Windy Cove Presbyterian Church
October 30, 2014

Surprise! Surprise!

I certainly was surprised on Sunday during the announcements. As I turned around to read the next announcement on the wall, it was about Pastor Appreciation Month. Of course, I knew that October was the month when churches often did appreciate their pastors; but when Choir Director Tammy Lindsay arose to make the presentation, I knew that I was in trouble.

Tammy mentioned that the only way to really get a point across was with music. So, the Windy Cove Choir, Worship Leader Traci Herscher, and she had composed an original ballad to appreciate their pastor. As Tammy returned to the piano, I heard the not-unexpected tune of the Ballad of Davy Crockett.

The song was not unexpected because the congregation had recently honored Tammy at Homecoming for her 25 years of ministry at Windy Cove. On that day, we had some fun with, you will remember, a ballad about Tammy's life and work set to the tune of Davy Crockett. Actually, it was a joy for me to hear that familiar tune and to enjoy the words that had been composed for this special occasion. Davy has long been my hero.

My real joy, of course, has been the opportunity to serve as pastor at Windy Cove for over 34 years. As I expressed to the congregation on Sunday, the life I have been blessed to live in Bath County is much the way I hoped my life would be. I am very grateful to the Lord for leading me to this place and for the love that I have received from the people here.

The hope that Sharon and I have together is that we will continue a vibrant ministry here until the time seems right for our retirement. In the meantime, you should know that you have touched our lives deeply with the grace of God as we have served together. We love you!

With thanksgiving,
/s/ Rob

Take Note!

Fall back! Set your clocks back an hour on Saturday evening or you will come an hour early on Sunday morning!

Saturday and Sunday, November 1-2
Annual High School Youth Retreat
at Headwaters Lodge

Saturday, November 8
Game Night at Windy Cove begins at 6:30.
Bring a snack to share; drinks provided.

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Game Night
on Saturday, November 8 at 6:30

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Restored to Life

In the congregation's journey with the Apostle Paul, they reached the city of Troas on Sunday, October 26. Paul stopped in Troas on his way back to Antioch and Jerusalem near the close of his Third Missionary Journey. There Paul experienced one of the most incredible events of his ministry: by God's power he restored a dead person to life!

According to Acts 20, Paul preached well into the night. A young man, Eutychus, was sitting on the window ledge in the third-story room. Eutychus fell asleep and plummeted to the ground. He was picked up dead. However, Paul took Eutychus up in his arms and the young man was restored to life.

With that Bible story in mind along with eight other restorations in the Bible, Windy Covians considered the implications for their present lives. First, God's Spirit works in favor of life. Jesus himself proclaimed that he came to bring people real life as it was meant to be lived. In other words, God's bias is on the side of life.

Secondly, since God is the creator **and** redeemer of the world, God uses both human knowledge **and** supernatural power to sustain life. It makes perfect sense theologically for Christians to pray and also to go to the doctor for treatment.

Thirdly, Jesus himself and his apostles had compassion on people and prayed for their healing and

even for their being restored to life. That ministry ought to be a model for modern followers of Jesus.

Finally, we have to be very careful about taking offense when God blesses someone else but does not treat us in the same fashion. Often, when we hear of others being healed or even restored to life, we question why God did not answer our prayers for ourselves or loved ones in the same way. We have to be very careful that such offense does not turn our hearts away from God into jealousy and envy.

We should remember that God's supply of blessings is not limited. Just because someone else received a blessing does not mean that there may not be enough left to bless us. We need to give thanks for the blessings that others have received and acknowledge the ways that God continues to bless us.

The Ballad

We thought you might enjoy the words to the Ballad of Rob Sherrard that the Choir sang on Sunday.

Born on a hillside in
West Vir-gin-ee
Helped take care of the
cem-e-ter-ee
Grew and grew til' he was real tall
Dreamed of playing pro baseball!

*Robert!! Rob Sherrard
King of the Windy Cove Church*

He was a real smart young
cute feller.

He had a sweetheart whose hair
was yellor!
Sharon was her name and needed
a groom
Then one day they finally jumped
the broom!

*Robert!! Rob Sherrard
King of the Windy Cove Church*

Off to the Navy he marched
with glee
Til the Lord said, "Son, you're
coming with me
He answered the call and
turned around
Into Seminary and pastor bound!

*Robert!! Rob Sherrard
King of the Windy Cove Church*

Moved his family to
Millboro Springs
into the manse they moved
their things
Led this church for many,
many years!
And when he leaves there'll be a
lot of tears!

*Robert!! Rob Sherrard
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This is the time to show our
thanks!
From everyone here – not just
the SHANKS!
Your love and dedication has
touched your flock
Thank you Rob, you really ROCK!

*Robert!! Rob Sherrard
King of the Windy Cove Church*

Community Meeting

A group of Concerned Citizens initiated a public meeting to listen to folks disturbed by recent events surrounding Bath Community Hospital including the dismissal of Dr. James Redington and the subsequent resignation of four other doctors at the hospital.

The community meeting was held at Bath County High School on Tuesday evening, October 28 from 7 until 10 p.m. About 400 people attended the meeting. Those assembled heard presentations from the Concerned Citizens group, from members of the Hospital Board, and from the public.

Public comments were limited to three minutes each in order to hear as many people as possible. The meeting was conducted in an orderly and respectful way with Mr. Sherrard as moderator.

Many spoke of their experiences of care from Dr. Redington. Some spoke of the excellent medical care they had received from Dr. Redington and the other doctors. Others spoke of Dr. Redington's extra comfort when they had lost a beloved family member.

Some progress appeared when members of the Board indicated that they had resumed conversations with Dr. Redington about his possible return to service. Please continue your prayers for this situation which affects people in our entire area.