

Calendar of Ministries

✚ Saturday, November 18, 2017

Evening Prayers at 7:30

✚ Sunday, November 19

Sunday School at 9:45 with refreshments around 9:30

Morning Worship at 11

Teens meet at Millboro Elementary at 5
Community Thanksgiving Service at Rehoboth Church at 7:30

✚ Monday, November 20

Morning Prayers at 8

✚ Tuesday, November 21

Morning Prayers at 8

✚ Wednesday, November 22

Morning Prayers at 8

Choir at 7 p.m.

✚ Thursday, November 23

Happy Thanksgiving!

✚ Friday, November 24

Morning Prayers at 8

Memorial Service for Sonny Clark at Millboro Elementary at 12 noon

✚ Saturday, November 25

Evening Prayers at 7:30

✚ Sunday, November 26

Sunday School at 9:45 with refreshments around 9:30

Morning Worship at 11

Session meets at lunch

As we look forward, we'll soon be decorating for Christmas. If you would like to give an offering for Christmas poinsettias to honor or remember someone, please see Tammy Lindsay, Traci Herscher, or Bruce Cambata. Such beauty is a testimony of God's creative power and blessing.



The Weekly Word

Windy Cove Presbyterian Church

November 16, 2017

Memorial Service Arranged

With the support of community and church friends, the family of Sonny Clark have arranged for a **Memorial Service on Friday, November 24, at 12 noon.** After considering several locations, the family decided to hold the service **at Millboro Elementary School.** This choice will allow more people to attend the service and will honor Sonny's dedication to the Bath County School System. In earlier years Sonny served as a school maintenance supervisor, and in later years he returned to the school system as a bus driver.

Following the Memorial Service in the gym, community friends will have the opportunity to greet family members at a reception in the school cafeteria. The Windy Cove Fellowship Team is organizing details for the reception, but they are counting on church and community friends to assist in their effort. Folks may contact Sharon Madison (readnteach58@yahoo.com) or Sharon Sherrard (sssherrard@gmail.com) to offer their help.

Those attending the Memorial Service will have the opportunity

to celebrate Sonny's dedicated ministry to the Lord, to his family, and to his community. That celebration will take place in the larger context of remembering God's promise of resurrection life through Jesus and continuing comfort by the presence of God's Holy Spirit.

Pastor Rob Sherrard will lead the service and offer a meditation. The Announcers singing ensemble will present special music as will a group of Sonny's grandchildren. Family members are also preparing a video to remember Sonny's life and service.

The family hopes to welcome many of you to this celebration.

Take Note

November 19, 2017

Sunday School at 9:45 with refreshments beginning at 9:30

Morning Worship at 11

Community Thanksgiving Service at Rehoboth Church at 7:30

Friday, November 24, 2017

Memorial Service at Millboro School for Ralph R. "Sonny" Clark at 12 noon followed by a reception in the cafeteria

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Giving Thanks

Dear Friends,

Amid a busy season of settling our responsibilities to Shenandoah Presbytery, of grieving the loss of Sonny Clark, and of thinking about Thanksgiving and Christmas, Sharon and I want you to know how deeply we appreciate your kindness to us during October's Pastor Appreciation Month.

We were totally surprised by the gift of the two rocking chairs after our fellowship breakfast on Sunday, October 29. As I finished breakfast, I rose to retrieve some papers from the sanctuary that I had prepared for the consultation which was to follow breakfast. At the same time, Sharon suggested that I open the sliding door between the fellowship hall and the sanctuary for those who might arrive for the consultation.

As I reached for the door handle, I heard someone calling my name from across the fellowship hall. It was Tammy Lindsay standing with Bruce Cambata. For a moment, I was suspended between two worlds—the door and the call. Tammy's call was more persistent, so I turned in her direction. She offered words of appreciation on behalf of the congregation, and then Traci

Herscher opened the door to the sanctuary to reveal the beautiful rocking chairs for Sharon and me. They are ultimately destined for our new home in Lexington. Later, plaques were attached to each chair with significant Bible verses for each of us. We also received some lovely gift cards for dining out.

We do thank all of you for your kindness and good will toward us, not just in October but throughout the years that we have ministered in your midst. You have treated us with respect and given us the gift of your trust in us. We feel blessed to have lived and grown closer to you during the past thirty-seven years.

God is now calling Windy Cove forward to a new phase of its ministry. Sharon and I believe that this time will be one of great blessing from the Lord. We look forward to beginning that new season with you. May God bless us together!

With grateful thanks,

Rob

Redemption Fund

Our Redemption Fund continues to grow rapidly in response to the opportunity to reach a settlement with Shenandoah Presbytery and be transferred to

the Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians. **As of Sunday, November 12, the Redemption Fund had accumulated over \$50,000.** Additionally, there were several offerings received on Sunday which will be added to the Fund this week.

We are well on the way toward our first goal of \$60,000 which can be added to money currently in an investment account to reach the ultimate goal of \$150,000. This \$150,000 is the amount necessary to redeem our property and ministry in a settlement with Shenandoah Presbytery. Windy Cove's redemption and transfer to another Presbyterian denomination are expected to be approved at the next meeting of Shenandoah Presbytery on November 28. The effective date of the transfer will likely be December 31, 2017.

Replacing as much of the \$90,000 of our invested money as possible will aid our ministry as we move forward. These investments are part of our Memorial Fund and have been used over the years for significant improvements to the church including the front walk, new gutting at the church and manse, and waterproofing the crawl space at the manse. In other words, if our Redemption Fund offerings are enough to cover the entire \$150,000 owed to

Shenandoah Presbytery, we can begin our new phase of ministry with a completely clean financial slate.

Rather than open a new bank account to receive offerings for the Redemption Fund, the Session will be using our local Memorial Fund account to hold the offerings until they are needed to pay Shenandoah Presbytery. So, checks intended for the Redemption Fund should be made out to the Windy Cove Memorial Fund and clearly marked for Redemption.

Happy Thanksgiving

The staff at the Weekly Word wishes all our readers a most joyful and happy Thanksgiving celebration. We pray blessing upon you and your families and trust that you will remember the Bible verse from James 1:17-18:

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. (18) He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created.

We'll be celebrating also; **we will not publish a Weekly Word on Thanksgiving.** We'll see you again on November 30.