



# Maysville Presbyterian Church Newsletter January 2025

## January 2025

- Jan. 5** – Worship Service, 11:15 am  
Communion
- Jan. 12** - Worship Service, 11:15 am  
2-Cents-A-Meal Offering  
Installation of Elders  
Tri-Committee meeting after worship
- Jan. 19** – Worship Service, 11:15 am  
Session Meeting after worship
- Jan. 26** – Worship Service, 11:15 am

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADER

January 5 - Margaret Thomas  
Volunteers needed for January 12, 19, & 26.

## BULLETINS

Knott Family

## USHER

Jim Stuart & Larry Davis

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Marty Saxon Martin (beginning Jan. 12)

## COMMUNION

Margaret Thomas & Diane Jamerson

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!! – January

- January 8 – David Spears  
January 12 – Rose Moss Hall  
January 13 – Kelly Jo Bailey  
January 21 – Larry Davis  
January 24 – Mary Bryant Shoemaker  
Wes Saxon  
January 28 – Margot Louis  
January 31 – Hailey Elizabeth Butwin

**Everyone is encouraged** to attend the Tri-Committee Planning meeting (Worship, Nurture & Outreach, and Christian Ed Committees) after church on Sunday, January 12, 2025. We will make plans for 2025. Bring your lunch or a snack if you'd like.

## Nursery Duty

- January 5 – Marianne Dennison  
January 12 – Margaret Thomas  
January 19 – Marty Martin  
January 26 – Nancy Stuart

**Thank you** to Shane Butwin for serving as an Elder for the past four years. Shane will rotate off the session in January. Elders for the Class of 2026 will be installed on January 12, 2025.

## From the Stewardship Committee

If you haven't already done so, please remember to put your pledge information in the offering plate or mail it to Wes Saxon at PO Box 221, Buckingham, VA 23921. Thanks.

## Angel Tree

Thank you to everyone who contributed gifts for our "Angel Tree" families. A special thanks goes out to Nancy Stuart for her work in coordinating this project.

**Thanks** to our choir and to our choir director/pianist Brahma Rosenberg for the beautiful Christmas program they shared with us in December. Thanks also to the individuals who portrayed the characters in the live nativity scene during the program.

## Valentine Project

Our church is collecting valentines to send to our senior members and friends and to residents of the Dillwyn nursing home. We hope that you will contribute packs of adult valentines (available at Food Lion, Wal-Mart and elsewhere) for this project. A collection box is on the front pew at church.

**Sympathy** is extended to Savannah Saxon and family on the recent death of her grandfather, Junior Doug Lightner.

**Reminder to Ushers:** After worship on Sunday, please check all thermostats and adjust the temperature setting to the “unoccupied” setting which is posted on the thermostat, turn off all lights, make sure the coffee maker and the hot tea maker in the kitchen are unplugged, and lock all the church doors.

### **Pastor’s Pondering**

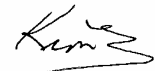
*“Therefore, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in Him, rooted and built up in Him and firm in your faith just as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness” Colossians 2:6-7 (net)*

So often the words to the Church from Paul the Apostle are fiery; people have used them to browbeat others so that when Paul speaks words of encouragement or of support, one struggles to believe they come from him or that he means what has been recorded in Scripture. The *Letter to the Colossians* is generally understood as a pastoral letter reminding the church(s) in that region of the centrality of Jesus the Christ and of the importance of holding fast to faith in that centrality.

With all the chaos, the cacophony of competing claims about the future or its uncertainty, we can draw strength and inspiration from the words above. As the New Year unfolds, changes will come — some simply because time marches on; some because other people will say or do things that trigger or foster shifts that impact our lives directly or indirectly; still other modifications may occur that cause us to question our lives together. It is then when we need to draw on our faith, our trust in God, in Jesus, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

I encourage you all to be open to change that reflects and lives into God’s love, grace, peace, hope, and joy. For in doing so, we become faithful witnesses to our Lord Christ Jesus, growing from our roots, building up our common trust and certain belief in Him, and “overflowing with thankfulness.”

Peace,



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