

# *Bath Church Mouse*

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## From the Pastor's Desk



Greetings Bath Church family!

I first wanted to update you all on a revision to my Thursday office hours. The 3rd and 4th Thursdays of the month, I start my day in 2-hour meetings with Presbytery colleagues. To ensure I'm able to meet with anyone from Bath who would like to meet with me, visit our shut-ins and get a sermon and liturgy written each week, I'm extending my office hours on the 1st and 2nd Thursdays of the month. I know this could get a little complicated, so I'm beginning the practice of posting my Thursday hours for the week on the dry-erase board outside of my office before I leave church each Sunday. In general, the new hours will be:

1st and 2nd Thursday: 9:30a-4:30p  
3rd and 4th Thursday: 12p-4:30p

As always, it's best to schedule an appointment with me anyway to ensure I'm available at the time that works best for you. I'm easiest to reach by cell phone or email. If you're having trouble getting ahold of me, please alert me or an Elder. I definitely don't want this to affect my accessibility as your Pastor.

One more thing...if you haven't checked out our new Adult Sunday School class, please do!! It's been exciting, challenging discussions so far of who we are together as church and how we handle challenging situations that arise in

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Christ's love. We had to bring in extra chairs last week to handle all the participants; and we will certainly make room for you! Join us Sunday mornings at 9:30am in the Adult Sunday School room.

Peace to you all,  
Pastor Emily



## ***Church Vision Discussion Group!***



Session recently approved the creation of a Church Vision Discussion Group to think broadly and freely about what our Church might be in the future. It's a purely informal group with no decision-making powers, just a forum to air what members might feel are challenges that we face and what opportunities we could create for the future good of our Church. There were 7 people at the first meeting to kick things off and another meeting is being planned for mid to late October. The idea is that after a few meetings and free-flowing discussion, we will have some tangible ideas to offer to session for their further consideration. If you're interested in being part of the monthly discussions, contact Chris Pomfret.

## Serving the Lord in & Through Bath Church

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### **Fellowship**

October 21st is Pink Sunday and Fellowship will serve punch and cookies after the worship service that day. Come and enjoy a cookie -or two- and punch/coffee while you browse the tables of pretty things the Women's Gathering has for sale.

Keep in mind that the Harvest Breakfast is November 3rd and will be here before we know it. Sign-up sheets for helpers and food will be out in mid-October.

Susan Lockwood  
Fellowship Session Elder

### **Christian Education**

Wow! The new Adult Class is booming! If you haven't heard about it, they are discussing a Bible verse & question about life today. Twelve people attended on the second class of the new Sunday School year & they are abuzz! We heard wonderful things. Come, hear & see what it is all about.

Everyone is welcome!

Psa 34:8 Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.

Judy Morin  
Christian Education Elder

### **Mission**

Thank you to all who donated school supplies to Huber Heights School system. They were very appreciated.

This month is the Peace & Global Witness Offering. The leader's guide had some good words to think about. "Peace at all times in all ways. Peace is active, not passive. Peace is doing not waiting." So pray for peace. Twenty-five percent of this offering stays with Bath to be used locally. Look for emails from Ella to explain and challenge you to give.

Hurricane Florence has created some devastation and challenges for the eastern coastal areas. Our Presbytery Disaster Assistance team is already there helping those in harm's way. If you would like to help, they have a donation page on their website and we will collect them at church. Just make sure they are designated to be used toward Hurricane Florence.

Peace be with you.

Verna Drake  
Mission Session Elder



### **Women's Gathering**

#### **Saturday Sept. 8th Presbytery PW meeting**

The meeting at Xenia Memorial PC was attended by Verna and Mabel. On the agenda was a speaker from the global exchange in Indonesia. We also received information about our new Bible study from the *Horizons*.

**Samaritan Homeless Clinic Donations:** 63 hygiene kits, hundreds of small soaps, 17 large toiletries and used clothing were delivered. THANK YOU! We participate in this project throughout the year and donations are accepted at any time.

**Other Clothing Donations:** Used and new clothing was delivered to *Clothes That Work* and *Goodwill*.

**Stitches of Love Baby Shower at Bath on Sunday September 30<sup>th</sup> after Worship:** Join us for a baby shower at Bath which includes a potluck lunch and tying baby blankets. We will then deliver these gifts to the *Stitches of Love* annual baby shower on October 6<sup>th</sup> at Memorial PC.

**Monday October 1<sup>st</sup> - Activities from 10am-3pm:** We will enjoy a potluck lunch and make crafts and count and pack baby items. At **2pm** we will study Lesson #2 of our NEW Bible study God's Promise: I Am with You, the 2018-2019 *Horizons* Bible study. The study for October is "God is with Us in Our Uncertainty." We will reflect on the decisions of Moses's mother. COME JOIN US!

**Sunday October 21<sup>st</sup> Breast Cancer Awareness Sunday at Bath:** The Women's Gathering will have a table of pink items for sale following Worship. ALL proceeds will be sent to the *Breast Cancer Research Foundation*. You also have the opportunity to make donations. A table will be in the Annex for donations and special cards will be available if you wish to honor a special lady or your *Secret Sister in Christ*.

**Saturday November 3<sup>rd</sup> Harvest Bazaar, Bake Sale, Raffle and Flea Market 9-3pm:** Start gathering your flea market donations. The

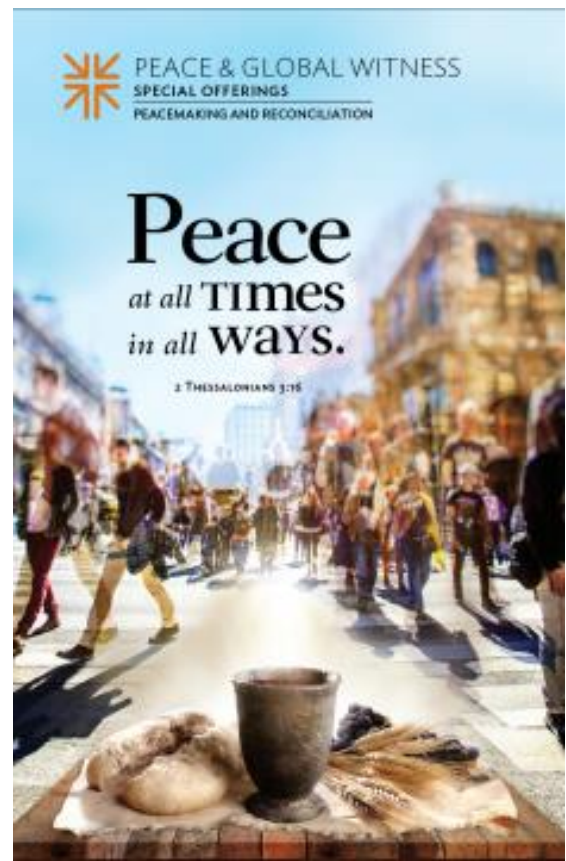
WG has been busy this year making crafts to fund our MANY charity activities. We appreciate your support!

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Keep on sowing your seed, for you never know which will grow - perhaps it all will.

Ecclesiastes 11:6

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October 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> W.G. 10 – 3 pm	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>  J.O. M.	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>  Emily	<b>6</b> Stitches of Love Network baby shower at Memorial Church
<b>7</b> World Communion Sunday  Coffee and Donuts	<b>8</b> Columbus Day	<b>9</b>  Eli	<b>10</b>  Stella	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> POAMN Regional Conference - Columbus	<b>13</b>  Jonah
<b>14</b> Property meeting after worship	<b>15</b> Pam craft group in F.H.	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Val and My Brother's Keeper Mission Group in F.H.
<b>21</b>  Pink Sunday	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>  Worship meeting 5:00 pm	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> Session Meeting after worship	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			