Weekly Oakletter

Oaklette United Methodist Church

June 1 2025



Oaklette UMC will meet in person and on Facebook Live at 11:00 am on Sunday, June 1, 2025. Rev. Ned Alderman will bring the message entitled "Yes, and..." The Scripture is Luke 1:39-57 [CEB]



Daniel Etheridge – June 1
Steven Rudis – June 1
Chuck Litten – June 2
Wendi Butler – June 3
Greg Obenchain – June 4
David Grubb – June 5
Adam Hendrickson – June 5
Megan Meharg – June 5



Please remember the Blessing Box when you are out shopping! Canned vegetables will be our focus for the month of June. Please place your donations in the box in the narthex.



The United Women of Faith will meet on Saturday, June 14, 2025 at 11:00 am. There will be a speaker regarding "Women's Safety." After the meeting lunch will be at Angie's.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Tyrone Armstrong **Barlow Family** Joyce Bell Tanya & Steve Benton Kendall Brodie (friend of Mrs. Hickman's grandson with cancer) Claudia Calhoun (friend of Megan Carroll Judy Carter Cherry & Sebastian Chesapeake Police Dept. CNRMA ROC Coastal VA District & DS Givens Sandy Carraway Kent Carter Len Carter Kaylee Cuccorillo (Ericka's co-worker) Alex Denton Mary Lou Dory Jay Eckert (Ethel's nephew) **ForKids** Freekind Virginia Patricia Guthrie (Mildred Walling's sister-in-law) Karon Hardy (Monica's Neighbor) Doris Wolfe Harlan (Phyllis B. Wolf, mother-in-Ethel Hickman Hope Hodges & Debbie Home School Out of Box

Amber Jenkins

Earl Jenkins (Ericka's dad) Pat Johnson Brian Lincoln (friend of Ethel Hickman) Loving Neighbors Mission Camp Rose Marie Madu Wayne Magner Terry Martin Kristie Masters (friend of Ethel Hickman) Karen McCarthy's daughter Walter Nebrotskie Pat Newbern AJ. Panis Ethel's friend's son) Dana Quinn Ray & Bob Rosales Loretta Smith (Amy's son's girlfriend's mother) The League of Advocates **Edward Thomas** Virginia Conference & Bishop Sue Family of Mildred Walling Truman Weekly (Paige's Father) Wesley ODU Betty Whitehurst Monica Whitehurst Phyllis Buchanan Wolfe Tommy Womack Our Pastor

Nursing Home & Long-Term Care Residents Billy East

Our Homebound Virginia Hair

"Like a welcome summer rain, humor may suddenly cleanse and cool the earth, the air and you."

—Langston Hughes

Calendar

Sunday, June 1

9:30 am Sunday School

9:30 am SOTM

11:00 pm Worship in person and Facebook

Monday, June 2

10:00 am-12:00 pm Food Pantry

(Ann & Jimmy Lee)

6:30 pm Church Council Meeting

7:00 pm HRM Band

Tuesday, June 3

Wednesday, June 4

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, June 5

10:00 am Bible Study

Friday, June 6

Saturday, June 7

8:30 am - 3:00 pm Tidewater Quilt Guild

Sunday, June 8

9:30 am Sunday School

9:30 am **SOTM**

11:00 am Worship in person & Facebook

COMPLETE JOY

Because Jesus came to do such serious work, we often imagine him straight-faced. Yet Jesus also enjoyed fun times, such as the wedding celebration at Cana. When the wine ran out, Jesus miraculously produced more.

Jesus also warmly welcomed children. Picture him lifting an infant into the air or tickling a giggling youngster while another child, grinning, climbs on his back.

Summer usually allows more time for fun and play. So use these months to teach the kids in your life — and to remind yourself — that Jesus came so our "joy may be complete" (John 15:11). Laughing, playing, having fun, relaxing and enjoying life are part of living and loving as faithful disciples.



"Dare You to Move" is a great song. I heard it for the first time at Annual Conference in 2009. It's performed by Switchfoot, which, though not nominally a Christian band, won Dove Awards for the song and its video in 2005. I'm including a link to the video, which, in my opinion, belongs in the "I'm-not-crying-you're-crying" category.

I dare you to move. I dare you to move in worship to help with our livestream on Facebook. Bright has borne this responsibility for a long time, and we struggle with livestreaming when he's away. Since that's the case, I'm asking folks to volunteer to help Bright with the livestreams by operating the camera or power point slide show each week – Bright can run one while someone else runs the other. This will help us be prepared should there be a Sunday when both Bright and I are away. We need to be ready in that case.

Thanks for accepting a dare to be part of this ministry.

Ned

Watch Switchfoot's "Dare You to Move" video on YouTube at https://youtu.be/iOTcr9wKC-o?si=KF-QbYI05BZNALkr

P.S. Here's another dare: We need volunteers for Lay Reader. Please contact the office if you're interested. Thanks.