

Weekly Oakletter

Oaklette United Methodist Church

May 14 2023



Oaklette UMC will meet in person and on Facebook Live at 11:00 am on Sunday, May 14, 2023. Dr. Tim's sermon title is "In Our Father's House." The scripture is Luke 2:41-52 (MSG).



Rachel Friedel – May 14
Lorraine Baker – May 16
Joshua Miles – May 18
Wayne Springer – May 18
Ethel Hickman – May 20

Mr. Rogers, to grads and to us all

Our world hangs like a magnificent jewel in the vastness of space. Every one of us is a part of that jewel, a facet of that jewel, and in the perspective of infinity, our differences are infinitesimal. We are intimately related. May we never even pretend that we are not...Deep down, we know that what matters in this life is more than winning for ourselves. What really matters is helping others win too, even if it means slowing down and changing our course now and then...

[Roman philosopher] Boethius wrote this sentence: "Oh happy race of mortals if your hearts are ruled, as is the universe, by love."... [There is a] deep part of you that allows you to stand for those things without which humankind cannot survive: love that conquers hate, peace that rises triumphant over war, and justice that proves more powerful than greed. So in all that you do, in all of your life, I wish you the strength and the grace to make those choices which will allow you – and your neighbor – to become the best of whoever you are.

- Fred McFeely Rogers, 2002

PRAYER CONCERNS

<i>Tyrone Armstrong</i>	<i>Pat Johnson</i>
<i>Hannah Bailey</i>	<i>Phillip Jenkins (Ericka's & Sonya's brother)</i>
<i>Brice Bennett</i>	<i>Connie Jones</i>
<i>Steve Benton (Ericka & Sonia's uncle)</i>	<i>Dennis Krupp (friend of Randy Story)</i>
<i>Elizabeth Bergesen</i>	<i>Ann Lee</i>
<i>Don Branstetter (friend of Dr. Etheridge)</i>	<i>Kristie Masters (friend of Ethel Hickman)</i>
<i>Kendall Brodie (8-yr old friend of Mrs. Hickman's grandson with cancer)</i>	<i>Kneeland Nesius (friend of Ethel Hickman)</i>
<i>Sandy Carraway</i>	<i>A. J. Panis (Ethel's friend's son)</i>
<i>Kent Carter</i>	<i>Roman Roughton (Stella Price's great grandson)</i>
<i>Pat Cruz</i>	<i>Carolyn Smith</i>
<i>Madeline Day</i>	<i>Loretta Smith (Amy's son's girlfriend's mother)</i>
<i>Calvin Gallop</i>	<i>Tara & mother (friend of Nancy Helsel)</i>
<i>Patricia Guthrie (Mildred Walling's sister-in-law)</i>	<i>Tim & Sandy White</i>
<i>Doris Wolfe Harlan (Phyllis B. Wolf, mother-in-law)</i>	<i>Betty Whitehurst</i>
<i>Bobbi Helsey (Carolyn Smith's sister)</i>	<i>Monica Whitehurst</i>
<i>Hope Hodges' family</i>	<i>Our Pastor</i>
<i>Earl Jenkins (Ericka's dad)</i>	

Nursing Home & Long-Term Care Residents
Billy East, Brenda Hodsdon Joyce Richwine
Our Homebound
Pat Grover, JB McCrickard,
Jackie Munden, Mamie Whitehurst



Brenda Hodsdon is at Commonwealth Senior Living 1324 Cedar Road Chesapeake, VA Room 104 She would enjoy visitors.

OUR FUN-LOVING GOD

Whence comes this idea that if what we are doing is fun, it can't be God's will? The God who made giraffes, a baby's fingernails, a puppy's tail, a crooked-necked squash, the bobwhite's call and a young girl's giggle has a sense of humor. Make no mistake about that.

- Catherine Marshall

Calendar

Sunday, May 14

9:30 am Sunday School
(Children's Class Kindergarten & Older)
To join Dr. Tim's class via Zoom:
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/9274947336>
Meeting ID: 927 494 7336, Passcode: 273082

9:30 am SOTM

11:00 am Worship in Person & Facebook Live
(Nursery – Lisa and Brooks Ryno)

3:00 pm Double Dutch

Monday, May 15

10:00 am-12:00 pm Food Pantry
(Terry Webb & Theresa Magner)

1:00 pm Green Thumb Committee (History Room)

7:00 pm HRM Band

Tuesday, May 16

Wednesday, May 17

6:30 pm Choir Practice

Thursday, May 18

7:00 pm Friends of Indian River

Friday, May 19

Saturday, May 20

Sunday, May 21

9:30 am Sunday School

9:30 am SOTM

11:00 am Morning Worship in Person
and Facebook Live

3:00 pm Double Dutch Club

Tuesday, May 23

7:30 pm Called Charge Conference



KITS FOR CONFERENCE UNITED WOMEN OF FAITH

We are collecting Kits for Conference.
Instructions and items needed for two different
Hygiene Kits and the Cleaning Kit are available
on the table
outside the sanctuary.

Kits must be turned in to the church by Sunday,
May 28.

Please note that all items included in the kits
must be new and they must be assembled
according to the directions on each sheet.

Any questions, please contact Judy Litten.



HONOR YOUR MOTHER

Anna Jarvis, the woman who first suggested a national day to honor mothers, had an incredible mother to honor. Her mom, Ann Reeves Jarvis (1832-1905) was a Sunday school teacher and activist who helped lower infant-mortality rates in Appalachia and promoted friendship among families of Civil War soldiers.

At a memorial service for her mother, Anna Jarvis distributed carnations – her mom's favorite flower – to attendees. Her idea to set apart one day each year for moms gained traction, and in 1914, President Wilson proclaimed the second Sunday of May Mother's Day. It was customary by then to wear white carnations in honor of departed mothers and red carnations to honor the living.

Of the white flowers, Jarvis said they "symbolize the truth, purity and broad-charity of mother love; its fragrance, her memory, and her prayers. The carnation does not drop its petals, but hugs them to its heart as it dies, and so, too, mothers hug their children to their hearts, their mother love never dying."