

Weekly Oakletter

Oaklette United Methodist Church

June 8 2025



Oaklette UMC will meet in person and on Facebook
Live at 11:00 am on Sunday,
June 8, 2025. Rev. Ned Alderman will bring the
message entitled "Speak."
The Scripture is Acts 2:1-21 [NIV]



Stephen Friedel – June 8
Oakley Meharg – June 8
Marvin Murden, Sr. – June 8
Patti Moulton – June 9
Sydney Green – June 11
Rose Marie Enlow – June 11
Arte Jones – June 14
Megan Meharg – June 14



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.



Sincere sympathy is extended to family and
friends of Major "Len" Carter who passed
away June 3rd. His service will be Tuesday,
June 10, 2:00 pm at Woodlawn Funeral
Home.

PRAYER CONCERNS

<i>Tyrone Armstrong</i>	<i>Earl Jenkins (Ericka's dad)</i>
<i>Barlow Family</i>	<i>Pat Johnson</i>
<i>Joyce Bell</i>	<i>Brian Lincoln (friend of Ethel Hickman)</i>
<i>Tanya & Steve Benton</i>	<i>Loving Neighbors</i>
<i>Kendall Brodie</i>	<i>Mission Camp</i>
<i>(friend of Mrs. Hickman's grandson with cancer)</i>	<i>Rose Marie Madu</i>
<i>Claudia Calhoun (friend of Sonia)</i>	<i>Wayne Magner</i>
<i>Megan Carroll</i>	<i>Terry Martin</i>
<i>Judy Carter</i>	<i>Kristie Masters (friend of Ethel Hickman)</i>
<i>Cherry & Sebastian</i>	<i>Karen McCarthy's daughter</i>
<i>Chesapeake Police Dept.</i>	<i>Walter Nebrotskie</i>
<i>CNRMA ROC</i>	<i>Pat Newbern</i>
<i>Coastal VA District & DS Givens</i>	<i>AJ. Panis Ethel's friend's son</i>
<i>Sandy Carraway</i>	<i>Dana Quinn</i>
<i>Kent Carter</i>	<i>Ray & Bob Rosales</i>
<i>Family of Len Carter</i>	<i>Loretta Smith (Amy's son's girlfriend's mother)</i>
<i>Kaylee Cuccorillo (Ericka's co-worker)</i>	<i>The League of Advocates</i>
<i>Alex Denton</i>	<i>Edward Thomas</i>
<i>Mary Lou Dory</i>	<i>Virginia Conference & Bishop Sue</i>
<i>Jay Eckert (Ethel's nephew)</i>	<i>Family of Mildred Walling</i>
<i>ForKids</i>	<i>Truman Weekly (Paige's Father)</i>
<i>Freekind Virginia</i>	<i>Wesley ODU</i>
<i>Patricia Guthrie (Mildred Walling's sister-in-law)</i>	<i>Betty Whitehurst</i>
<i>Karon Hardy (Monica's Neighbor)</i>	<i>Monica Whitehurst</i>
<i>Doris Wolfe Harlan (Phyllis B. Wolf, mother-in-law)</i>	<i>Phyllis Buchanan Wolfe</i>
<i>Ethel Hickman</i>	<i>Tommy Womack</i>
<i>Hope Hodges & Debbie</i>	<i>Our Pastor</i>
<i>Home School Out of Box</i>	
<i>Amber Jenkins</i>	

Nursing Home & Long-Term Care Residents

Billy East
Our Homebound
Virginia Hair



Judy & Bob Carter – June 11

Calendar

Sunday, June 8

9:30 am Sunday School

9:30 am SOTM

11:00 pm Worship in person and Facebook

Monday, June 9

10:00 am-12:00 pm Food Pantry

(Lynn Jones & Felix Stephens)

7:00 pm HRM Band

Tuesday, June 10

2:00 pm Service/Len Carter/Woodlawn Funeral Home

Wednesday, June 11

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

June 11-14 Annual Conference

Thursday, June 12

10:00 am Bible Study

7:00 pm Model "A" Club

Friday, June 13

Saturday, June 14

1:00-6:30 pm Outside Group

Sunday, June 15

9:30 am Sunday School

9:30 am SOTM

11:00 am Worship in person & Facebook

Constant and unchanging

Summer's arrival feels positive to many people but may not be smooth for all. Families who rely on regular school meals for their children must stretch grocery dollars further. Heat poses risks for elderly people who lack air conditioning.

Work can be difficult to find in the summer months, and uncertainty looms for recent graduates. Meanwhile, concerns such as wars, natural disasters and health problems don't take a summer break.

St. Teresa of Avila (1515–1582) prayed, "May you be blessed forever, Lord, for being constant and unchanging, amidst all the changes of the world." Her prayer is as appropriate today as nearly 500 years ago. When all around us is unstable and unreliable, God's love and faithfulness are constant and trustworthy.



Luke leads, with one vote.

That may not be a bad thing. Brenda Swoope cast the vote in question in response to the evening Breakthrough Prayer video posted on Facebook on Monday, June 3.

In that video, I asked for feedback on times and topics for a fall Bible study. I asked specifically if either Sunday or Tuesday would be a good night, and I mentioned books of the Bible – including Genesis, Mark, Luke, and John – for which I have resources or can get resources from the district office. Brenda voted for Adam Hamilton's *Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws*. In the preface to his book, Hamilton writes, "If you are already a follower of Jesus Christ, I hope your faith grows deeper, and your commitment stronger, as you seek to embody his life and teachings, his death and resurrection, in your life." This seems to dovetail nicely with the intent for a new study, which is to deepen our personal relationships with Jesus Christ.

Polls are still open. Brenda's vote was to study Luke Sunday night at 6:30 p.m. Zoom access is available for whatever time we meet. Please contact the church office with your preference, or see a member of the staff-support team – Lisa Maddrey-Ryno, Don Moody, Jimmy Lee, Debbie Rippard, Tom Obenchain, Kelli Castellow, and Jerome Perry – as they are conduits for feedback.

Thanks,

Ned

P.S. If anyone is inclined, here are links to the texts I mentioned in the video:

Peter Enns study of Genesis: <https://www.cokesbury.com/Invitation-to-Genesis-Participant-Book?refq=Short-term%20Disciples%20Genesis>

Adam Hamilton studies of John and Luke: <https://www.cokesbury.com/John-6>; <https://www.cokesbury.com/Luke-5?refq=Adam%20Hamilton%20Luke>

Amy-Jill Levine studies of John and Mark: <https://www.cokesbury.com/The-Gospel-of-John-4>; <https://www.cokesbury.com/The-Gospel-of-Mark-6?refq=Amy-Jill%20Levine%20Mark>