# **Weekly Oakletter**

#### **Oaklette United Methodist Church**

November 10 2024



Oaklette UMC will meet in person and on Facebook Live at 11:00 am on Sunday, November 10, 2024. Rev. Ned Alderman will bring the message entitled "One Gave All." The Scripture is Mark 12:38-44 [NRSV].



Carol Henry – November 13 Denise Moran – November 13 Lydia Wren Friedel – November 14



#### **UNITED WOMEN OF FAITH**

The United Women of Faith will be collecting money for the stockings given from the Salvation Army. Cost of each stocking is about \$20. Please make checks payable to United Women of Faith and give to Kay Hill by Sunday, December 1.



Wendi & John Butler – November 4 Lisa & Brooks Ryno – November 7 Kelly & Jason Rippard – November 8

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Tyrone Armstrong Hannah Bailey Barlow Family Tanya & Steve Benton Don Branstetter (friend of Dr. Etheridge) Kendall Brodie (8-yr old friend of Mrs. Hickman's grandson with cancer) Megan Carroll Judy Carter Cherry & Sebastian Curtis & Renee Buchanan Chesapeake Police Dept. CNRMA ROC Coastal VA District & DS Givens Sandy Carraway Kent Carter Len Carter Alex Denton Jay Eckert (Ethel's nephew) **ForKids** Freekind Virginia Girl Scout Troop 550 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

**Amber Jenkins** Earl Jenkins (Ericka's dad) Pat Johnson Brian Lincoln (friend of Ethel Hickman) Loving Neighbors Mission Camp Rose Marie Madu Wayne Magner Dennis Marks (Debbie's brother) Terry Martin Kristie Masters (friend of Ethel Hickman) Joann McClung Pat Newbern AJ. Panis Ethel's friend's son) Dana Quinn Hosea Smith (friend of Monica) Loretta Smith (Amy's son's girlfriend's mother) The League of Advocates **Edward Thomas** Virginia Conference & Bishop Sue Mildred Walling Truman Weekly (Paige's Father) **WesleyODU** Betty Whitehurst

Monica Whitehurst

Nursing Home & Long-Term Care Residents

Billy East

Our Homebound

Virginia Hair

Please remember the Blessing Box when you are out shopping! Food and sundry supplies are needed. Please place your donations in the box in the coffee area, the Blessing Box, or if you would prefer that Monica shop for you, please see her.

Calendar

Sunday, November 10

9:30 am Sunday School

9:30 am **SOTM** 

11:00 am Worship in Person & Facebook

(Nursery: Joanne Rooks & Barbara Bennett)

Monday, November 11

10:00-12:00 pm Food Pantry

(Kay Hill & Jane Basnight)

7:00 pm HRM Band

Tuesday, November 12

Wednesday, November 13

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 14

9:00 am-3:30 pm HSOTB 10:00 am Bible Study

7:00 pm Model "A" Club

Friday, November 15 Saturday, November 16

Sunday, November 17

9:30 am Sunday School

9:30 am **SOTM** 

11:00 am Worship in person & Facebook

### **Veterans Day salute**

After fighting in World War II, Luther Bergeland wasn't done serving his country — or his God. The Minnesota farm boy, who "came back to faith" during combat, later served for decades as a military chaplain. For his actions in the field in Korea, Bergeland was awarded the Bronze Star. Then during Vietnam, he served in the Army Reserves in Colorado, tasked with informing family members about soldiers' deaths.

Despite the challenges, Bergeland embraces the special role he was able to play for four decades, sharing Jesus and his love with countless people. "That's what we did, preaching and reaching out to people," he told a reporter. "I always liked the military very much because it just did a lot for me, and I hope I did a lot for it."

On Veterans Day, we salute Bergeland and all the men and women who selflessly serve.



With Advent starting next month, there's a lot of information to share. Here goes:

We'll decorate the sanctuary for church after worship on Nov. 24, as we did last year. The work went very quickly then and here's hoping the same is true this year.

Dec. 1 is the first Sunday of Advent. We need volunteers to light Advent candles in services each Sunday through Dec. 21 and also at our Christmas Eve service, which starts at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 24. Please let the office know if you're interested in lighting Advent candles.

We've got plenty of time to prepare for these. We don't have as much time, however, if we're going to have an Advent Bible study. I've been talking about this in Breakthrough Prayer videos this week, and I've shared links to four studies in these Facebook posts, in case anyone wants to check them out. For planning purposes, please let the church know by Monday, Nov. 11, if you'd like to join an Advent study. Options for meeting times include Sunday morning, Sunday evenings, Monday afternoons, and Tuesday mornings, the sticking point being that Christmas Eve is on a Tuesday. We can meet in person and provide an online option, too.

We have much to do before we prepare to celebrate for the return of Christ in Advent and the birth of Christ at Christmas. Please plan to participate in the ministries listed above and please invite others to join us in these and for our Blessing of the Animals this Saturday at 2 p.m. I'm looking forward to that service and to our *Disciple Like Jesus* class Sunday as well. Please read both chapter six of the text and the lesson that Eileen will email to you today. I think that this will be our most personal class. Please be part of it in person or online.

Thanks,

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