

Page UMC
1997

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4TH, 5TH & 6TH GRADE
CLASS
PAGE UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH
1997-1998

JARED COMER
BRIAN THOMAS
JAMES LEWIS
LAURA LEWIS
JONATHAN LAMB

"PIZZA PARTY"
AT CHURCH
SPRING 1998

ERV SHELDON, JULIE
THOMAS AND HANNAH
YANCEY





CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

DECEMBER 1997

"MARY & JOSEPH"

MARCY & C.T. CAMPBELL



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Reynards celebrate golden anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Russell Reynard

Russell and Irene Reynard celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends at a reception in their honor at the Page United Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Reynard were united in marriage on April 16, 1948 at the Seat Pleasant United Methodist Church in Seat Pleasant, Md.

Residents of Brentsville for the past eight years, she is a dedicated homemaker and he served in the Navy during World War II and worked as an independent contract truck driver with United Van Lines from 1968 until retirement in 1991.

Mr. and Mrs. Reynard's four children include: Patricia (Ron) Sheldon of Magalia, Calif., Henry (Lori) Reynard Jr. of Luray, Calvin Reynard of Tucson, Ariz., and Amy (Jim) Shopley of Winchester. They have six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She enjoys sewing and crafts and he is a woodworker. They both enjoy working outdoors and family get-togethers.



EGG DYEING

1998

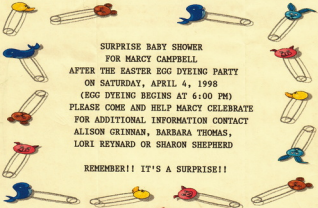












SURPRISE BABY SHOWER
FOR MARCY CAMPBELL
AFTER THE EASTER EGG DYEING PARTY
ON SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 1998
(EGG DYEING BEGINS AT 6:00 PM)
PLEASE COME AND HELP MARCY CELEBRATE
FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT
ALISON GRINNAN, BARBARA THOMAS,
LORI REYNARD OR SHARON SHEPHERD

REMEMBER!! IT'S A SURPRISE!!

We can't thank you enough for the "surprise" shower and all the wonderful gifts! We feel so blessed to have such a loving, caring group of people to raise a child around. Words can't express how thankful we truly feel!

Marcy, C.T., & Baby

**** A NEW BABY **** Congratulations to Marcy and C.T. Campbell on the birth of their first child, a daughter named Monica ~~Chae~~ on the evening of Tuesday, 19 May 1998. May God's compassionate love shelter Monica throughout her life.





A NEW BABY!

Mike and Susan Kline have recently been attending our church services. Mike is a veterinarian working with Dr. Clark in town. Susan has been tending a growing tummy.

On Wednesday, March 11th, Susan gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, Katherine Marie Kline, weighing in at 7 lbs. 12 oz., at Rockingham Memorial Hospital.

The Kline's live in Lazy River Estates.

KID'S KORNER

Congratulations to Christa Foley (4th grade) and Brian Thomas (5th grade) for being on the honor roll for the third six-weeks grading period at Springfield Elementary.

Pack 100 Cub Scouts held a pinewood derby car race on Saturday, March 7th. Among the winners were Brian Thomas, 1st place for Webelos II, and Jonathan Lamb, 3rd place for Webelos I. Both are eligible to race again later this month at the Elks Lodge in Front Royal.

Brandy Marcum, Shirley & Marvin Britt's three-year-old granddaughter, was recently in a beauty contest in Fredericksburg. Brandy won two trophies. One for the most beautiful hair and one for being the most photogenic.

Shelby Davis attended 4-H Cloverbuds Camp at the Northern Virginia 4-H Educational Center in Front Royal on March 14-15th. She saw the animals being raised for the National Zoo and the dogs being trained for drug enforcement programs at nearby facilities.

GRADUATES

Jalena, Kendra, and Briana Campbell, daughters of Linda and Leith Campbell and Sours and Germie

granddaughters of Germie Sours were summer graduates. Jalena and Kendra graduated from college and Briana was a Luray High School graduate. Our best wishes to all of them as they pursue further education this fall.



**** GRADUATES APPRECIATION SUNDAY **** We will be celebrating the graduation of our high school seniors today. Our seniors are: Ginny Judd, Amanda Printz, and Dawson Burns. They can all be proud of their accomplishments and look forward to the future. Please encourage each of these fine young people as they go on to the next challenging step in their respective lives.

JUNE 7, 1998

Ruby Keyser became a great grandmother this summer. Her granddaughter Erica Gormain, daughter of Bernie and Donna Hylton, had a little girl, Caroline West, June 18, 1998.




CAMP OVER LOOK NEWS

The Page United Methodist Church had five youth attending Christ Kids Camp. The youth were Blake Lamb, Jonathan Lamb, James Lewis, and Laura Lewis. This year's camp started with the birth of Jesus and ended with Jesus ascending into heaven.

The campers enjoyed campfires, hiking, learning new songs, swimming in the lake, crafts, meeting new friends, and having lots of fun.

The youth all had an enjoyable time and they wish to thank the Page United Methodist Women, Page United Methodist Men, and the Page United Methodist Church for their financial support.



KIDS KORNER

Julie Thomas, Victoria Judd, and Shelby Davis attended Camp White Rock recently on a weekend camping trip. They had a great time working on badges, hiking, and making s'mores. Barbara Thomas also attended as the nurse on duty.

This is the time for field trips:

Rachel Lamb went to the National Zoo in D.C.

Blake Lamb went to the Baltimore Aquarium.

Shelby and Sandy Davis went to EMU planetarium.

Jonathan Lamb went to Massanutten Visitors Center and Monticello.

Victoria Judd and Julie Thomas went to Shenandoah National Park.

Ronald Bowers went to a farm. Shelby and Christian Davis went to Kings Dominion. They had a great time!

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The Page United Methodist Youth met on September 20th for their first meeting this fall. Seventeen adults and youth went to Shenandoah River Outfitters for a canoe trip to collect trash. The most unusual article of trash award went to Alison Grinnan and Ruth Burns for a tent. Both received T-shirts for their efforts. Other trash items collected were tires, a shower caddy, a dish drainer, shoes, cans, and plastic.

Everyone had a great time and we were really happy for the good turn out. Special thanks to Sharon Shepherd for planning the trip.



WEDDING

Best wishes to Cynthia Appelman and Thomas Mims who were married on Sunday, Sept. 6, at the Lakefront at Sawmill Creek Resort in Huron, Ohio.

Thomas is the son of Bobby and Anna Mims.



BAPTISM

Heartly congratulations to Brian William Thomas, James Ralph Lewis, Jr., and Laura Marie Lewis, who were baptized during the church service on Sept. 20. Brian, James, and Laura have recently finished confirmation class.

It was a pleasure having Bob Stafford coming back home to Page for a visit. He said he's enjoying living in Texas. He's staying busy there finishing work on his house and lawn, active in his church, and being with his family. While here he sang in the choir (they even put him back to work doing solo's), attended the U.M.M. Rally, visited friends, and got right back into the swing of things.

He joined the choir and their families for lunch at the Ramada following worship service, Oct. 11.

We hope you come back again soon Bob, we miss you.

PPRS-02

PROUD GRANDMOTHER OR WHAT?

Mari Cathern Sours was chosen student of the month at the Luray Elementary School. She is also very glad to be back at the Luray Fitness Center taking ballet and gymnastic classes after the summer vacation. Congratulations, Mari Cathern, keep up the good work.

Brandon Waters, a senior at the Luray High School, has played football for the last nine years. He was also chosen King of the homecoming this year. This is quite an accomplishment. The way to go, Brandon.

Matthew Waters, brother of Brandon, and a ninth grader also plays football. He may not be on the winning team but keeps trying and that is what counts. Matthew we all know you can become a winner at any time.

The proud grandmother of the above young people is none other than our own Lois Waters.

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HALLOWEEN
GATHERING
OCTOBER 1998





BOO!









COOKIE MAKING
FOR THE
UNITED METHODIST
YOUTH FELLOWSHIP
DECEMBER 1998

SHARON SHEPHERD,
BARBARA THOMAS,
TERRY ROACH AND
LOIS REYNARD

**** YOUTH ACTIVITIES TODAY **** After church our youth will be meeting in the kitchen downstairs. They will begin by baking Christmas cookies while eating pizza. At 3:00 p.m. they will be going Christmas Caroling to entertain some of our members who are unable to attend church. All adults (including non-parents) are encouraged to come and parents are expected to come and participate in the caroling. This is a great event concluding with snacks and drinks in the social hall. If you want to make Christmas "feel right" this year... this is the event that will do it. Please join us.





AT JOHN AND BECKIE
THOMAS' HOUSE
CAROLING



PAULINE CANNON



EMMA MAUCK



BECKIE THOMAS AND
GRANDSON, BRIAN





Thanks to all for your prayers, cards, phone calls, visits, poinsettia, the wonderful Christmas dinner (the men really know how to cook) and the carolers that came and sang carols to me.

It was a wonderful Christmas and Christmas dinner, thanks to each of you.

May God bless each of you.

*Love and prayers to all,
Ina Jane Shenk*



INA JANE SHENK



Thanks to the United Methodist Men for a great Christmas Feast. Everything was delicious --- who made the gravy?

Also thanks to the carolers and many other favors in '98. May everyone have a good '99 with a nice day every day.

Hazel Brown



HAZEL BROWN



REMEMBER WHEN ?
CHRISTMAS 1998

JULIE THOMAS, VICTORIA JUDD,
MARY CATHERINE SOURS, AND
HANNAH YANCEY





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MARCY & C.T. CAMPBELL
WITH DAUGHTER MONICA,
BRIAN & JULIE THOMAS AND
LEE GRINNAN, BEHIND.

James E. Comer

James Edward Comer, 68, of Luray, died on Tuesday, April 14, 1968 at Page Memorial Hospital.

He was born on May 22, 1929 in Shenandoah and was a son of the late Ada Comer.

Mr. Comer was a veteran of the Korean War and was employed in the maintenance department at Shenandoah National Park, retiring in May of 1961.

On Aug. 1, 1960, he married the former Shirley May Vianda, who survives.

Surviving in addition to his wife is a sister, Alice Comer of Shenandoah. He was preceded in death by a sister, Edna Whiteside.

A funeral service was conducted on Friday, April 17, at the Bradley Funeral Home by the Rev. Edward B. Shepherd. Burial was in the Beahan's Chapel Cemetery in Luray.

Memorial donations may be made to the Luray Rescue Squad.

Viola Mae Kemp

Viola Mae Kemp, 90, of Luray, died on Sunday, May 17, 1968 at Page Memorial Hospital.

She was born on Dec. 5, 1907 in Virgil and was a daughter of the late Jan S. and Dossie Hammer Kemp.

Ms. Kemp was a homemaker and a member of the Page United Methodist Church.

She is survived by a nephew and a niece.

A funeral service was conducted on Tuesday, May 19, at the Bradley Funeral Home by the Rev. Edward B. Shepherd. Burial was in the Green Hill Cemetery in Luray.

Memorial donations may be made to the Luray Rescue Squad.

Elza Y. Hutton

Elza Yager Hutton, 89, of Luray, died on Thursday, July 16, 1968 at Page Memorial Hospital.

She was born on March 28, 1909 in Luray and was a daughter of the late Norman Berkley and Elza Yager Smith.

Mrs. Hutton worked in the clerical department of the Page News and Courier and was a member of the Page United Methodist Church.

On Oct. 30, 1948, she married William Stone Hutton, who died on Feb. 9, 1964.

She is survived by a sister, Norma Berkley Smith of Luray. She was preceded in death by two sisters, Dorothy Smith and Marjorie Smith.

A funeral service was conducted on Monday, July 20, at the Bradley Funeral Home by the Rev. Edward B. Shepherd. Burial was in the Smith Family Cemetery in Luray.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of choice.

Alma M. Newell

Alma Mae Newell, 85, of Luray, died on Monday, Oct. 5, 1968 at Mount Vao Nursing Home.

She was born on April 23, 1913 in Ohio and was a daughter of the late Hiram and Sadie Horne Underwood.

Mrs. Newell was a public school teacher and a member of the Page United Methodist Church.

On Aug. 25, 1935, she married Paul C. Newell, who survives.

Surviving in addition to her husband are two sons, William R. Newell of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Kenneth W. Newell of Fairfax; one brother, Walter Underwood of Bladensburg, Ohio; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was conducted on Wednesday, Oct. 7, at the Bradley Funeral Home by the Rev. Edward B. Shepherd. Burial was in the Beahan's Chapel Cemetery in Luray.

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March 19, 1999

The Reverend Edward B. Shepherd, Jr.
4614 U.S. 340 North
Luray, VA 22835

Dear Ed:

I write you today to thank you and Page Church for your faithfulness to the work of the Gospel. Your 100% record on the basic mission of the Church through the apportionments, and also your very considerable "second mile" mission giving, have made possible world wide ministry and mission in the name, and for the sake, of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. As part of a "connection," together with all the other followers of Christ in The United Methodist Church, we did far more *together* in 1998 than any group of believers could have done separately. And the generous extent of your "second mile" gifts speak to the vitality of Page Church.

I thank and praise you, and remember with you the words of John Wesley concerning the tithes and offerings of faithful people:

*In the hands of His children
[money] is food for the hungry, drink for the thirsty, raiment for the naked,
It gives to the traveler and the stranger where to lay his head.
By it we may supply the place of a husband to the widow, and of a father for the fatherless;
we may be a defense for the oppressed, a means of health to the sick,
of ease to them that are in pain. It may be as eyes to the blind, as feet to the lame;
you, a lifter up from the gates of death.*

You have done your part to again make it possible for the Harrisonburg District to be within 1% of a perfect record on apportionments (next year, God willing, we will finally be at 100%), and because of your dedication you have made it possible for Virginia Conference to pay, for the first time in years, every dollar of our World Service.

The Harrisonburg District is a more vibrant and more faithful place because Page Church's enthusiasm and vision for the Gospel. Together, we can do wonderful things in this world for Christ!

Blessings,

Susan S. Garrett

SSG/bw

C: Bishop Pennel

A JOURNEY IN UNITED METHODIST REAFFIRMATION

To become a disciple of Jesus Christ and a full member of Christ's church is the most important decision a person is called upon to make. It affects lifestyle, relationships with God and others, and subsequent decision making. It means saying a resounding 'yes' to becoming part of God's mission in the world. It is a lifetime effort in learning and maturing in one's faith.

Membership in God's church is a person saying, "Yes" to God. "Yes," I believe in God; "yes," I will be God's disciple; and "yes," I will participate in making God's love known in the world. Reaffirmation is a refining and growth experience in the faith already in practice. It is not so much a review of present beliefs as it is a challenge to grow in further understanding and practice.

Before anyone can profess they are stronger in their faith with integrity, there must be a time of preparation – a time during which they intentionally examine their faith and come to grips with it. And, examining faith includes an investigation of denominational doctrine, church history, and denominational structure as well as personal belief.

This preparation is a process that continues throughout our lives. It begins with our earliest recollection of Bible stories, "Jesus Love Me," and the church. It is built upon by our parents, our friends, our church school teachers, and our pastors as we grow (a *lifelong* process).

In orthodox Wesleyan tradition, we believe that God is continually reaching out to each of us, calling us into a relationship of love and trust (prevenient grace). Each person's decision to say 'yes' to God is an acceptance of this offer and a commitment to the relationship (justification). Once we have made the decision to make Christ the Lord of our lives, the process continues as the Holy Spirit empowers and guides us daily (sanctifying grace).

None of what we discuss in this 13 week course will replace daily Bible reading. That is the fundamental first and continual step.



Valentine's Day

Sweetheart

Luncheon

Sunday, February 14th,

At the Mimslyn



Everyone

Welcome



Sponsored by the United Methodist Men

It's that time again

Pancake Supper

Page United Methodist Church
Social Hall

Saturday - March 13th

4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

\$4.00 adults; \$2.00 ages 6-12; free under 6

Menu

Pancakes

Sausage

Gravy

Apple Sauce

Tea

Coffee







CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Shirley Britt. She is going to join the ranks of the retired as of 29 January.


Shirley has been employed by the Valley Eye Clinic for nearly 21 years.



Jonathan Lamb, Webelos II cubscout, from Pack 100 attended BSA Winter Camporee "Frogtown Freeze" held on February 20th at Edinburg. Along with Jonathan was Robert Baber, Webelos I cubscouts. Sharon Lamb is the Den Leader and Kate Baber assisted with this day trip.



The Webelos enjoyed learning how to build a fire, tying knots, how to use a compass and walking on the catwalk.



Brian Thomas and Joseph Baber attended the camporee from Boy Scout Troop 100. They were camping out and had a chilly night. David Thomas was also there assisting.



Jonathan Lamb won 1st place at Pack 100 Pinewood Derby that was held February 27th at Rileyville Baptist Church. Jonathan's car was a blue Indy Speedster named X-ray.

Shelby Davis participated in the Rec. Department Comets Basketball team. Shelby's team came in 2nd place during the March 7th playoffs. Shelby Davis also received two blue ribbons at the recent Luray Elementary Art Show.

KIDS KORNER

Jonathan Lamb received his Arrow of Light Badge on March 30th from Den 4, Pack 100 Cub Scouts. Jonathan also received his five year pin for being in Cub Scouts for five years. He had perfect attendance at this years den meetings and plans to move up into Boy Scouts later this year.

Brian and Julie Thomas recently visited with their Uncle Tim and Aunt Cathy at Ocean City, MD. They enjoyed seeing the sights and walking on the pier.

Shelby Davis is working on a Sports Badge for the Brownies and is playing girl's Little League Softball for the tigers.

Brandon Burns and Shannon Grinnan have both recently received their drivers licenses. Happy Mototriring!!!

Rachel Lamb and Laura Lewis are playing Little League Softball for the Yankees.

The Page United Methodist Youth Group had our Easter Egg Hunt on April 3rd. We would like to thank all the children, parents, and grandparents who attended. We also had two first time Easter Egg Hunters, Katie Kline and Monica Campbell, they had their baskets and Easter bonnets!

Also I would like to thank all the youth members who helped to prepare for the hunt and Ruth Burns, Shirley Britt, and Sharon Shepherd for all of their help. We also appreciate the Page United Methodist Men for providing the hot dogs and buns.

NEW GRANDCHILD

Announcing the arrival of a new member of the Reynard Family! Christopher Allen Shepley, 7 lbs., 14 ozs., was born April 10th. He is brother to Alexander and Thomas, son of Amy and Jim, and grandson of Irene and Russell Reynard. Best wishes and congratulations!





IRENE REYNARD,
SHARON SHEPHERD,
MARCY & MONICA
CAMPBELL

CHURCH PICNIC
LAKE ARROWHEAD
JUNE 6, 1999
JOE CREWS, REV. ED
SHEPHERD, LILLIAN
CREWS, SHARON
SHEPHERD, IRENE
REYNARD





ROLAND FOLEY, HILDA
WIMPFEN, IRENE
REYNARD, JOE CREWS,
PAUL NEWELL

HENRY REYNARD, REV. ED
SHEPHERD, DORIS PETEFISH,
HARRY & MARY JANE HEDLUND



Member Page United Methodist Church



Flower power

Gemie Sours makes sure her garden is kept well watered during these hot dry days. The flowers are grown not only for her own enjoyment but for those in the local MontVue Nursing Home. Mrs. Sours tries to provide flowers to MontVue on a weekly basis and also to others that she may visit during her day.

Staff photo by Tony Keane




▲ The children of Page Church, Harrisonburg District, had Vacation Bible School under the theme, "Fear the Lord," complete with music, crafts and Bible study. The United Methodist Men hosted a cookout on the last evening. An offering of \$213.26 went to Page County Weekday Religious Education. A closing service was celebrated during Sunday morning worship.

7/13/1977


Barbara Hulse Light will receive her Master of Science degree in International Studies from Troy State University, Dothan, on June 4 after completing her degree in the winter quarter. In addition, at the May 7th Spring Honors Convocation, the College of Arts and Science awarded Barbara the Outstanding Student Award in International Relations.

A JOY



We share in the happiness of Barbara and Billy Light of Ft. Rucker, AL., at the birth of their son, Nathaniel Everrett on Sept. 17, 1999. He has a big sister, Mary Christine, and the proud grandparents are Joyce and Kenneth Hulse. Congratulations.

WEDDED BLISS



What a beautiful month October is for a wedding. Besides being so in love, I just bet Shirley and Marvin Britt realized this when they got hitched on Oct. 22, fifty years ago. Congratulations to you both and may you have many more.

For the Sunday School,

To Joyce Hulse, Jr. for accepting the teaching position for our 4th, 5th, and 6th grades for the next quarter. Also our appreciation and thanks to all our teachers and substitutes. Congratulations to every one who made the perfect attendance record for this quarter.

Thanks to everyone for a job well done who served under the nurturing committee.
Ruby Hoover

CONGRATULATIONS

Billy Light has received his Bachelor of Science in Professional Aeronautics Degree from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Florida.

Billy and Barbara Light and children left Oct. 18th for a three year overseas tour in Germany. They are currently stationed in Ansbach.

Their address is:
B Co 3 - 58AVN
CMR 454 Box 1540
APO AE 09250

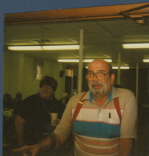


Bobby Mims, Ann King, Mike
Kline, Bill King

U. M. Men's Chicken Fried
Dinner
September 18th, 1999



Bill King



Roland Foley & Becky
Crabill

Philip Lamb



Bobby Mims



Anna Mims and Juanita Sedwick



Hayride
October 3, 1999



On the Left:
Don Grinnan, Julie Thomas,
Marcy & Monica Campbell,
Irene Reynard, Juanita
Sedwick, Marguerite
Smelser, Ann & Bill King,
Brian Thomas

On the Right:
Shannon Grinnan, Martha
Watkins, Thomas Grinnan,
Anna Mims, Patsy & Kenny
Cullers, James Lewis, Rev.
Crabill and David Thomas



Marcy & Monica Campbell,
Irene Reynard, Juanita
Sedwick, Marguerite
Smelser, Ann & Bill King,
Brian Thomas



Julie Thomas, Marcy and
Monica Campbell



Rev. Crabill, James Lewis,
Kenny & Patsy Cullers



C.T. Campbell & Sheldon
Wimpen



Bill King, Marguerite
Smelser, Martha Watkins,
Juanita Sedwick, & Sharon
Lamb

- Oct. 17, 1999 -

Bell Tower Dedication



Gathering

Welcome & Recognition of Guests

Invocation

Scripture Reading: I Chronicles 29:10-16

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

(Leader) We have gathered as a church recognizing the grace of God which has brought us to this special point in our life together.

(People) We now dedicate this bell in a new location to the glory of our God.

(Leader) And in grateful remembrance of his past and present blessings on our church family.

(People) We come with confidence in his ability to continue to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine.

(Leader) According to his power that is now at work within our church.

(People) We now dedicate this bell to mark its continuing use of helping to assemble this fellowship and community for worship each week and on other special occasions.

(Leader) With God's help, we continue our efforts to deliver the message of Jesus Christ through our ministries, this bell being just one of many.

(People) May the favor of the Lord rest upon us;

(Leader) Establish the work of our hands for us.

(People) Yes, establish the work of our hands so Christ might be glorified in this church throughout all generations. Amen.

Proclamation of the Bell.....Benediction

Work is progressing on the Bell Tower. Thanks once again to Charlie Fawley for doing the brick work. Thanks also to his helpers, Bill King, Kenny Cullers, Marvin Britt, and Bobby Mims. The carpentry work should be finished soon, and then the bell from the old Rileyville Church will be placed there.

All costs for this project will be paid from the memorial fund. The Trustees can think of no more fitting memorial to our departed members and friends.



▲ Page Church, Harrisonburg District, dedicated its bell tower, Oct. 17. The bell is from Rileyville Church when it was a three-point charge, called the Page Charge. The new Page Church was built in 1970. Pictured is Louise Phillips, oldest active member of Rileyville Church; the Rev. Ralph Crabill, pastor of Page Church; Anna Mims and Bill King, members of the Bell Tower Committee; and Charles Fawley, who did the brick construction. Lou Lanier was the chair of the Bell Tower Committee.



Thank You

NOTE OF GRATITUDE

Louise Phillips asked me to tell everyone how much she enjoyed the service on Oct. 17. She felt quite honored to be the first one to ring the bell at Page United Methodist Church. This bell came from Rileyville Methodist Church many years ago when some of the churches merged to become one known as Page UMC. Louise is the oldest active member from Rileyville and it is with great pride that we have her as a member of our congregation.





A NOVEL APPROACH

Page's own Sheldon Wimpfen has just published his first novel, The Fringle Progression, a science fiction novel that "offers a possible solution to the world's most defining problem - overpopulation. One reviewer described it as a 'very compelling futuristic social commentary.'"

The 184 page paperback could appear soon in bookstores. Meanwhile, copies are also obtainable for \$12.95, plus S & H \$2.75, from:

The American Literary
Press
8019 Belair Road, Suite 10
Baltimore, MD., 21236
1-800-873-2003
amerlit@erols.com

Sheldon would be glad to send you an autographed copy for the same price.

Still another book by Sheldon, Tin Peaks and Silver Streams, a memoir published in 1994, covers "60 years of exploration, development and production of a variety of minerals in many states and foreign countries."

The author donated this work to the Western Mining in the Twentieth Century Series of the UCAL Bancroft Library. Bound hardback copies may be purchased for \$44 postage paid from:

Regional Oral History
Office
486 Bancroft Library
University of California
Berkeley, CA., 94720

Tin Peaks and Silver Streams is also available in the Luray Library.

[If these books are even half as interesting as Sheldon they should be a fascinating read. It's time he was declared a National Treasure. The Editors].

U. M. Women's Meeting
October 27, 1999
At Beckie Thomas's home



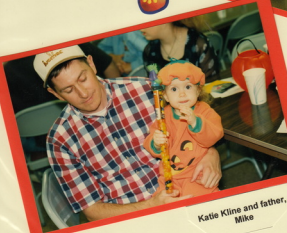
Garnetta Foley & Mike Howe



Patsy Cullers & Lou Lanier

Halloween
October 1999

BOO!



Katie Kline and father,
Mike





Bethlehem Bound

Story of the Play

This is a part of the Nativity story that isn't in the Bible, but could have happened. With Mary and Joseph, the shepherds in the field, the women at the well, the Three Kings, and the little drummer boy, we prepare to embark on that special journey to the manger... sharing their worries, their joys, and their faith along the way. The play ends with that magical, mystical moment when humankind first lays eyes on their Savior.

Directors thank you:

I would like to thank all of those who helped make this production possible. Without their help, this play would not have been possible:

Trish Hedrick	Don Grinnan
Lois Foley	Pastor & Becky Crabil
Mary Jane Hedlund	Martha Watkins
Bill & Ann King	Shirley Comer
Anita Keyser	Lois Waters
Lynette Smelser	Anna Mims
Marguerite Smelser	Nora Belle Comer

Cast of Characters

(in order of appearance)

Narrator	-	Brandon Burns
Joseph	-	Brian Thomas
Mary	-	Christa Foley
Innkeeper	-	Ian Strickler
Innkeeper's wife	-	Rachel Lamb
Shepherd 1	-	Tyler Smelser
Shepherd 2	-	Jonathan Lamb
Shepherd 3	-	Ian Strickler
Head Angel	-	Shannon Grinnan

Multitude of Angels:

Samantha Strickler	Sarah Strickler	
Joseph Strickler	Hannah Yancey	
Katelynn Hedrick	Frankie Keyser	
Lara Keyser	Mari Cathern Sours	
Diana	-	Tiffany Smelser
Ann	-	Shelby Davis
Rachel	-	Victoria Judd
Elizabeth	-	Julie Thomas
Wise Man 1	-	Blake Lamb
Wise Man 2	-	James Lewis
Wise Man 3	-	T.T. Smelser
Drummer Boy-		Ashley Wood
Boy's Mother-		Rachel Lamb

*HYMN....."Joy to the World".....#246
(vs. 2-4)

*BENEDICTION

**Those who are able, please stand*

- Happenings -

Today.....Second Sunday of Advent
Worship & Children's Christmas Program..11 a.m.
Covered Dish Christmas Dinner.....noon
Wednesday...U. Methodist Women meet at the parsonage.....noon
Adult Choir.....7:30 p.m.
Dec. 17....."Walk to the Manger" at Camp Overlook.....6-8 p.m.
Dec. 19.....Christmas caroling.....starting at 4 p.m.

Christmas Eve Service

Page United Methodist Church

Friday, Dec. 24 - 7:30 p.m.

Featuring

*A 20-minute concert prelude of Christmas music
Holy Communion
Message by Rev. Crabill
Traditional candlelight ending*

Page United Methodist Church

- Coordinator of Today's Children's Program...Alison Grinnan -
Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service.....11 a.m.
Pastor.....Ralph H. Crabill
Parsonage - 743-5556 Office - 743-6446
Lay Leader.....Kenneth Cullers
District Superintendent.....Dr. Susan S. Garrett
Bishop.....Joe E. Pennel Jr.

The children of the Page
United Methodist Church
present their 1999
Christmas program



"Bethlehem Bound"

Page United Methodist Church

Worship & Children's Christmas Program

Dec. 5, 1999

GATHERING.....RINGING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE.....SILENT MEDITATION

ADVENT WREATH CANDLE LIGHTING:

(Leader) Last Sunday we lit the first Advent candle - the candle of the angels, remembering it was angels who delivered the Good News of the birth of the Messiah: first to Mary, his mother; then to Joseph, Mary's fiancé; and finally to shepherds who were watching their sheep, not expecting a thing. Today, we light the second candle of Advent - the candle of the shepherds. They heard God's Host of Heaven announce that the Messiah had been born unto the world as a baby who would be our Savior, our Christ, our Lord.

(People) When, at last, they found the newborn King in a stable, with his parents, they worshiped and praised him.

(Leader) That was all that they had to give Him, their undying praise!

(People) Praise is all any of us can give to a King who is God.

(Leader) So we light the Advent candles in expectation that Jesus Christ, the light of the world, who is coming again (*light two candles*). Amen.

INVOCATION

*HYMN.."When Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"..#236
(vs. 1 & 4)

GREETINGS - ANNOUNCEMENTS

MORNING PRAYERS/THE LORD'S PRAYER:

(*In Unison*) Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING - *DOXOLOGY:

(*In unison*) Praise God, from all blessings flow, praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*HYMN....."O Little Town of Bethlehem".....#230

THE CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM "Bethlehem Bound"

This is a part of the nativity story that isn't in the Bible, but could have happened. With Mary and Joseph, the shepherds in the field, the women at the well, the Three Kings and the little drummer boy, we prepare to embark on that special journey to the manger . . . sharing their worries, their joys and their faith along the way. The play ends with that magical, mystical moment when humankind first lays eyes on their Savior, followed by a celebration of music.