



Harmony's Weekly Newsletter

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Join Pastor Rachel Plemmons every Sunday morning at 10am in person or via our live stream on YouTube. You can access the link below:

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Thank you church family for your support of our pasta dinner! It was great to see everyone and we appreciate your generous donations!
Heather Robert



Stewardship: Continuing What We Love, Embracing What's Next

Through your ongoing generosity as a church family, families are finding a place to belong, outreach opportunities are taking root, and those in need in our community are being cared for.

From local outreach and mission trips to fresh leadership and restarting our confirmation class, we are seeing new energy within our church body.

During October's Stewardship Campaign, let's continue to build on the strong foundation we already have by supporting the ministries we cherish and embracing the opportunities God is placing before us.

The Commitment form is available below and will also be available in the sanctuary for the month of October, or you may email Robin at rgood@harmonyva.org.

[Financial Commitment Form for 2027](#)

Support for a Church Family

A friend of Brian Montgomery's is organizing a workday to help the family during Brian's illness. If anyone has time between 9am and 3pm on Saturday, October 3rd, and assuming the weather is good, the family would welcome any help with their farm. They will be repairing and setting up fences, weeding, mowing, preparing stalls, transplanting, and other outside activities that need to be done. They will provide lunch and give farm tours as a thank you. It will be canceled if it rains. Rachael's email is rachaelbradley@yahoo.com if anyone has questions. Their address is:

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Bluemont, VA 20135



Look for us tomorrow!!!

Harmony UMC Bake Sale at the 2026 Waterford Fair - October 3rd - 10am to 5pm

The Waterford Fair is a premier 3-day autumn festival held annually during the first full weekend in October in the National Historic Landmark village of Waterford, Virginia. Fair leadership invited HUMC to host a one-day Bake Sale on Saturday, October 3, 2026, from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Our booth, located in the food area near the Old School (between

Butcher's Row and Fairfax St.), will feature a "Taste of the HUMC Holiday Bazaar." We'll be offering our famous Sticky Buns and Pepperoni Rolls, individually packaged, and a selection of other goodies. We'll also be sharing news about the Bazaar on Nov. 21 and insight into Harmony Church's historic past and very active present!

All funds raised are donated to local, regional, national, and international charities, e.g., LAWS (Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter) HeroHomes, LHR (Loudoun Hunger Relief), Loudoun Homeless Services, UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief)



The youth had a great idea this past Sunday—they'd like to participate in the **Blessing of the Animals at Leesburg on October 4!** Since the blessing happens during our regular youth group time, **we're changing our plans for that evening.**

Instead of meeting at Harmony, **we'll gather at Leesburg for the Blessing of the Animals and then have our regular youth group gathering together afterward.**

And you **do not need to have an animal to participate!** Everyone is welcome, and if your pet can't be there in person, we can even bless animals over FaceTime.

We're excited to be able to do this together and appreciate everyone's flexibility with the schedule change. We'll see you October 4 at Leesburg! Pick up time will still be at 5:15!

Youth Group Last Week

This past Sunday our Youth Group gathered at Leesburg to set up their new youth room. Inspired by the incredibly cool youth space at Harmony UMC we put together furniture, moved items from the AG, and are dreaming about what kind of pictures and decor items are needed to make the space even more inviting. Thank you to the Gills who helped manage the furniture building.



Harmony United Methodist Church
380 E. Colonial Hwy, Hamilton, VA
Worship Service at 10:00am

EVENTS SCHEDULE



Our Mommy & Me Christian Music Group for toddlers takes place in our sanctuary at 10am every 1st and 3rd Friday and every last Monday of the month at 3pm. Please contact Meghan Walker at meghan.w.davis@gmail.com for more information.



**Saturday
Oct 3**

The Waterford Fair

Visit our booth at the Waterford Fair. Warm and tasty homemade baked goods for sale to benefit Harmony Missions. Waterford, VA



**Saturday
Oct 25**

Loudoun Hunger Relief Food Collection Sunday

We continue our collection for LHR and the animal shelter each 4th Sunday of the month. Items can be left in the marked bin in the social hall.



**FRIDAY
NOV 13**

Bingo Night at Harmony 5:00pm to 6:30pm

Join us for our second Bingo Night on Friday, November 13th. Our last event was great fun and we look forward to welcoming everyone!



**Saturday
Nov 21**

Holiday Bazaar 9:00am to 2:00pm

Our Annual Holiday Bazaar will be here soon! Plenty of homemade baked goods, jams & jellies, decorations, etc.



The preschool continues accepting registrations for the 2026/27 school year. Follow our preschool web page for more information.



Food Pantry Change

Missions appreciates everyone who voluntarily donates to our Ted Cody Food Pantry. Because it's important that monthly pantry volunteers monitor its usage and stock it with a



good balance of food items based on weather conditions and frequency of use, we need to make a slight change in how we receive donations. We are now asking that you drop off your donations in the bins in Driscoll Hall titled "Food Pantry Donations" (directly under Loudoun Hunger Relief). Also, you would be surprised at the types of food that are NOT taken, so we're providing the following list of foods that would be best for donating (please note - no medication or hygiene

products).

Dried beans
Granola/Nutri grain bars/cereal bars
Pop tarts
Cracker packets
Fruit cups/applesauce
Ramen noodles
Peanut butter to go cups/saltine crackers



Our next get-together is
Friday, October 16th at 10am.

For more information on our Mommy & Me Bible Music Group, please contact Meghan Walker at meghan.w.davis@gmail.com



Holiday Bazaar

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21st
9:00AM TO 2:00PM
HARMONY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
380 E. COLONIAL HWY, HAMILTON, VA
540-338-2937
HARMONYVA.ORG

- *Hand-crafted gifts
- *Fabulous Christmas decorations
- *Delicious breads, rolls, cookies, and other baked goods
- *Jams and jellies made with locally grown fruits
- *Preserves and pickles
- *Silent Auction



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE
CELEBRATING IN OCTOBER!**

October 4

Erin Dunford

October 6

Robbie Tashiro

October 7

Haley Shuford

Susan Swayze Moore

October 11

Kristen Shuford

October 15

Marianne Goins

Rhonda Paice

October 16

Julia Hubbuch

October 24

Samuel Byrne

October 26

Lorenzo Goins

October 29

Alexia Boyer

October 30

Holly Wilmoth





Holiday Bazaar - Saturday, November 21 - Save The Date!

The Holiday Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 21. Volunteer opportunities will be available. There will not be time for another crafting day before the bazaar. However, people are welcome to do any crafting they want and bring the completed projects to the church. Everything will be priced there. Funds raised are donated to local, regional, national, and international charities, e.g., LAWS (Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter) HeroHomes, LHR (Loudoun Hunger Relief), Loudoun Homeless Services, UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief)

Veterans' Day Brunch - Sunday, November 8

We will honor our veterans on November 8th with brunch immediately following our church service. As in years past, this has been a very special fellowship event serving as a time to recognize and thank our veterans and their families. We hope many will be able to attend.

Loudoun Hunger Relief

October 25 is Food Collection Sunday. See the Missions' table in the social hall, the web site, or the LHR Facebook page for needed items. Donations can be dropped off in the social hall.

Pet Pantry

Dry and wet dog and cat food donations are accepted and will be dropped off at either the Loudoun Pet Pantry or Clarke County

Animal Services. Donations can be dropped off with the Loudoun Hunger Relief donations in the social hall.

BackPack Buddies Program (BPB) 2026-2026 School Year

What a mighty church we are!! We have 19 volunteers in support of our BPB Program this year. That's a wonderful outpouring of love and service. This school year, we're starting with 11 children to pack weekend/holiday meals for. Our first delivery was September 10th. A HUGE thank you to all who are able to help this year.

Pennies for Potatoes

Contribute to the Society of St. Andrew by dropping off spare change in the large water bottles by HUMC's doorways or donate directly to the Society of St. Andrew at endhunger.org. The donations are used to help with transportation costs, getting the produce from the fields to its destination.

Little Pantry

Many thanks to all those who have volunteered for this mission to assist those who are food insecure in our community. Volunteers will be needed to support the Little Pantry in 2027. More information will be coming.

Silent Auction, November 21, 2026

The Christmas Bazaar is quickly approaching and so is the Silent Auction. For it to be a grand success as it has been in the past, we need participation. There are three ways you can be a part of this event.

1. Money donations so we can add them to the gift baskets in the form of gift cards or gift certificates from local businesses.
2. Donations of new items to be added to a basket such as tea bags along with a tea set we have or small snacks we can put with games etc. Also new gifts you have received that do not go with your décor or duplicates.
3. You can make your own basket.
4. Single items that can stand alone such as purses, paintings, antiques, Collectibles, décor items, etc. No dishes please.

Starting Oct. 1 these items can be placed on a table marked with a sign in the Fellowship Hall. Any questions about your donation? Call or text Joy Smith 571-345-4597, or Becky Byrne at 703-303-6730.

Thank you very much for helping. The Silent Auction Gatherers

CONTACT US

Church Office Hours:

Tuesday thru Thursday: 8:30am - 3:00pm

Monday and Friday: Remote work

Preschool:

September - May: Monday - Thursday: 9am - 12pm

June - August: Please call or email, see director contact info below.

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