



Rustburg United Methodist Church

IN HIS SERVICE – November 2025



Photo by Kelly Gladden

Thank God! He deserves your thanks. *His love never quits.*

Thank the God of all gods, *His love never quits.*

Thank the Lord of all lords. *His love never quits.*

Thank the miracle-working God, *His love never quits.*

The God whose skill formed the cosmos, *His love never quits.*

The God who laid out earth on ocean foundations, *His love never quits.*

Psalm 136:1-6 (MSG)

United Women in Faith



Please come and join us on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Small Fellowship Hall at 10:00 AM. We typically have a meeting, a brief program led by one of the members, and light refreshments afterwards.

Next Date: November 12, 2025

Love in Christ;
Donna Cameron | President of UWF

UWF Reading Program

Our little library is in the Youth/Young Adults Sunday School Classroom!
Books can be checked out via the sign-out sheet on the clipboard.



The Reading Program is a cherished tradition that brings together members to explore, share and discuss books. There's something for everyone—the Reading Program is:

- Available for adults, youth, and children
- Divided into enlightening subjects in diverse genres, including:
EDUCATION FOR MISSION, LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT, NURTURING FOR COMMUNITY, SOCIAL ACTION, & SPIRITUAL GROWTH.
- Response Magazine and the [Faith Talks podcasts](#) are also part of the Reading Program.

Downloadable copies of the [Rustburg UWF Reading List: 2021-2026](#) are available from RUMC's UWF web page. They include books in RUMC's Library and books

available in the Campbell County Public Library System's catalog: nearly 100 in total. Not all books are available at the Rustburg branch, so I'd advise visiting the CCPL website or phone app and checking out books from there. CCPL will let you know when the book is ready for pick-up. Very neat! Reading one book from each category and turning in a reading report by next August will get you a neat certificate from the UWF and help our UWF group.

Happy Reading,
Lisa Cameron, UWF Reading Coordinator

Helpful Links:

- Rustburg UMC United Women in Faith: <https://rustburgumc.org/united-women-in-faith>
 - Includes a link to an Excel Master List of all 2021-2026 books.
- Campbell County Public Libraries: <https://campbellcountylibraries.org/>
- UWF Reading Program: <https://uwfaith.org/resources/reading-program/>
 - You can suggest future books and download a reporting form at UWF Reading Program page.



Rustburg UMC Food Pantry

Equal Opportunity Provider

 Saturday, November 8, 2025

 9:30 - 11 AM

 664 Village Hwy, Rustburg, VA

“I love ❤️ our Community!” Volunteers abound! Neighbors served!
What a blessing to continue this ministry! THANK YOU for your support and service.

Bible Study

Led By: Lisa Cameron

12 Noon

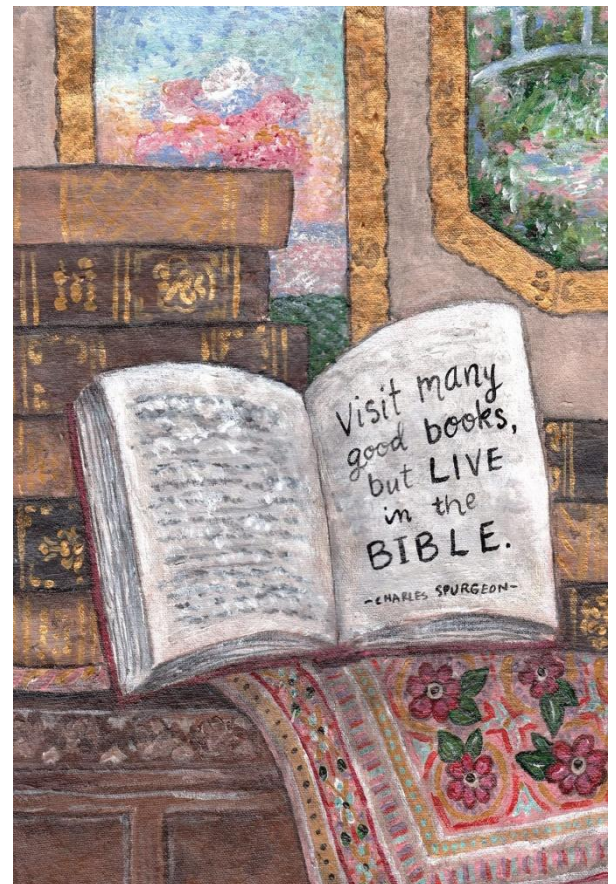
Wednesdays: November 5 & 12

Led By: Reverend C.R. Brooks

12 Noon & 6:00 PM

Wednesdays: November 19 & 26

We are using the Standard Lesson Commentary this fall for Wednesday Bible Study. You can choose either the NIV or King James translation. Regular print books can be found at Mardel's for \$14.99 (+ S&H). [Deluxe/Large Print editions can also be found on Amazon for around \$19 (w/ free S&H for Prime members).]





2026 RUMC Greeters

I will be compiling the List of Greeters for 2026 soon. "Welcoming Hands" are needed. If there are enough volunteers, you will be scheduled to greet twice a year. If you are willing to help, please let me know. Also, if you are not able to greet for the new year, let me know as well. Once again thank you for making our visitors and church family have a welcoming greeting.

Betty Cyrus, bcyrus1947@gmail.com/434-610-8246



Multi-purpose Room at Festival time. Many thanks to all who helped out!



Themed Basket Raffle.



Vending at the Festival



Stirring the Brunswick Stew.



Vending at the Festival.



Yard Sale Crew.



Preparing BBQ.

NOVEMBER

Sat. 11/01	Charge Conference @ RUMC, 10:30 AM - 12 PM
Sun. 11/02	All Saints Sunday and Communion
Tues. 11/04	Missions Committee, 6 PM Worship Committee, 6:30 PM
Wed. 11/05	Bible Study, 12 Noon
Thurs. 11/06	Handbells, 6 PM Choir, 7 PM
Sat. 11/08	Food Pantry, 9:30-11 AM Magnolia Ladies at the Glass Palette, TBA
Sun. 11/09	Men's Breakfast, 8:30 AM
Wed. 11/12	United Women in Faith, 10 AM Bible Study, 12 Noon
Sun. 11/16	Chrismon Making for Kids, 12 PM
Sun. 11/23	Thanksgiving Sunday Noisy Offering/Missions Moment: Elijah Fund
Mon. 11/24	Deadline for December Newsletter
Sat. 11/29	Breakfast + Advent Decorating, 9 AM
Sun. 11/30	Big Bell Sunday; 1st Sunday of Advent/Hanging of the Greens



Wed. November 5,12: **Bible Study w/ Lisa Cameron, 12 PM**
 Wed. November 19,26: **Bible Study w/ Rev. Brooks, 12 PM & 6 PM**
 Thurs. November 6,13,20,27: **Handbell Rehearsals, 6 PM**
 Choir Rehearsals, 7 PM

OCTOBER RUMC OFFERINGS

General Offerings: \$14,871.91
 (Daycare rent included)
Budget: (17,329.50)
Shortfall: (2,457.59)
Drainage Project: 250.00
Other: 351.31
Total Oct Offerings: \$17,991.22



Harvesttime, by Annette Patrick.



*When: Friday
November 14th*

Time: 6 PM

*Where: 511
Colonial HWY.
Rustburg VA*

This will be a laid-back grazing and social ladies time.

*Please RSVP to Kelly Gladden no later than November 9th.
Charcuterie provided.*

Magnolia Ladies Cookie Exchange

When: Saturday December 6th

Time: 11 o'clock in the morning

Where: Kelly Gladden's House
4268 Bear Creek Rd
Rustburg, VA

R.S.V.P.: by text or call to 434-258-6409 no
later than Sunday Nov 30th.



MAKE 5 dozen Cookies FROM SCRATCH

There will be winners for

- Most Festive
- **Most Creative**
- **Best Tasting**

Celebrating Veterans Day | 11 November 2025



Bruce Cameron



Donnie Hamlett



Don Austin



Buster Frazier



**Marvin and Mae
Drinkard**



Dennis Cowart



Richard Carrol



Bill Torrence

Cookie for Every Craving

Double Chocolate Cookies



- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup cocoa powder
- 1/2 tsp baking soda
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/2 cup unsalted butter
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup white sugar
- 1 large egg
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 cup chocolate chips

Sugar Cookies



- 2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 tsp baking powder
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 cup unsalted butter
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1 large egg
- 1 1/2 tsp vanilla extract

Butter Cookies



- 1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, softened
- 1/2 cup powdered sugar
- 1 large egg yolk
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 tsp salt

Peanut Butter Cookies



- 1 cup peanut unsalted butter, softened
- 1 large powdered sugar
- 5 the 1/2 of
- 1 tsp vanilla yolk
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 tsp salt

Mocha Cookies



- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup cocoa powder
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 1/2 tsp instant coffee
- 1/2 cup unsalted butter
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup white sugar
- 1 large egg
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup chocolate chips

Cream Cheese Cookies



- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup baking powder
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/2 cup unsalted butter
- 1 large egg
- 1/2 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 cup chocolate

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BELLS OF THE BLUE RIDGE PRESENTS...



Holiday Rings
FROM THE
HOLLYWOOD SCREEN

WEDNESDAY
DECEMBER 17
7:00 PM

SATURDAY
DECEMBER 20
4:00 PM

UNIVERSITY OF LYNCHBURG
SNIDOW CHAPEL
1501 LAKESIDE DRIVE
LYNCHBURG, VA 24501

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
DONATIONS ACCEPTED



2025 Ushers

November Robert Bailey & Jimmy Jewell
December: Michael Metcalf & Ricky Pillow

November Greeters

02 Barbara and Don Austin
 09 Sarah Hamlett
 16 Linda and Jimmy Jewell
 23 Michelle Green and Serenity
 30 Marvin Tweedy



RUMC Contact Info:

Acolytes: Cheryl Martin
Care & Share: Shirley Phillips
Children's Church: Shannon Hall
Greeters: Betty Cyrus
Nursery: Mary Bailey
Ushers: Jerry Booth



03 Billy Arthur
 05 Jimmy Cyrus
 06 Jimmy Jewell
 08 C.R. Brooks
 10 Dana Kinsley
 11 Madison Phillips
 14 Sarah Hamlett
 16 Dale Torrence
 23 Linda Jewell
 25 Clif Tweedy
 30 Aaron Bailey



06 Edison & Gabi Watson
 09 Jimmy & Linda Jewell
 11 Jeff & Kelly Gladden
 19 David & Cathy Phillips
 21 Danny & Linda DeJarnette
 22 Buddy & Martha Maxey

November Sunday School

Donna & Sarah Hamlett
 Alice Watson
 David Hawkins
 Pam Booth



Prayer Requests:

Jessie (Shug) Phillips & family, Family of Pastor Charlie Johnson, Atha Bailey, Nancy Bennett, Cooper (Tara Ferrell's son), Family of Melvin Coates, John Wyatt Newcomb, Bill Torrence, Cindy and Danny Torrence, Danny DeJarnette, Mason "Bo" Clark, Kathleen (Jon) Bagby, Pastor Sung and family,

Jackie Robinson (church custodian) has asked for prayers for her sister. Susan Cascone (Sharon Nolley), Buster Frazier, Mary, Helen Booth, Pam and Dennis Cowart, Kenneth Grubbs, Joyce Rush, Marguerite Eimer, Betty McClung, May Nolley, Tammy Fielder, Frank Merryman, Mary Alice Preston, Tina Shaver, Marsha Henderson, and Bangladeshi families.

Rustburg UMC: Preparing for Advent

Children's Chrismon Making

Sunday, November 16th
12 PM, following Worship
Lunch provided.

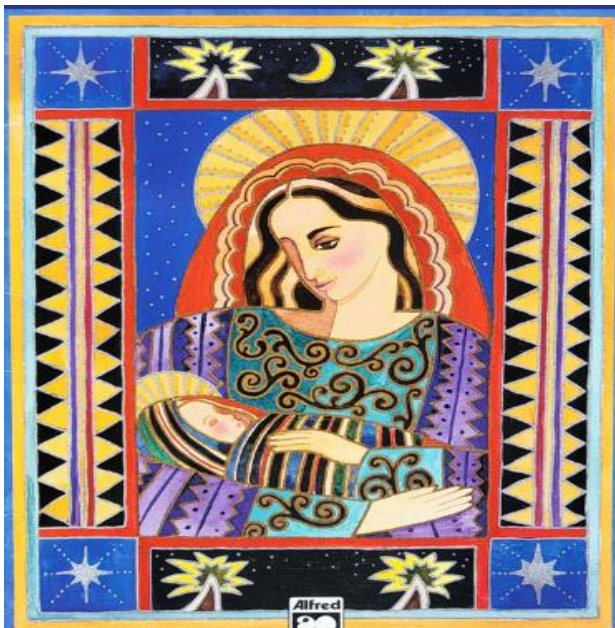
What's a Chrismon?

A portmanteau of "Christ" and "monogram," they are ornaments, representative of Christian beliefs, that decorate Chrismon trees.



Advent Breakfast

Saturday, November 29th
9 AM, Small Fellowship Hall



RUSTBURG UMC
CHRISTMAS CANTATA

COME
TO THE
MANGER

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21
11:00 AM



BIG BELL SUNDAY

Join us Sunday, November 30th, the 1st
Sunday of Advent, at 11:00 AM worship
for handbell pieces celebrating the arrival
of Jesus into our world & our hearts.

www.rustburgumc.org



A Thanksgiving Epistle

This Thanksgiving I give thanks to God for you, The Rustburg United Methodist Church community. A family who lives hard, loves hard and serves God, family, community and the world with gusto. A congregation that is not afraid to give their all in every situation or pull back in a bad one. You don't just do church; you are church.

You are family not only for the congregation but for those around you and the world. You are not fooled by things that are passing but sit together and look at things as a team. At times there is struggle within the church community to meet the needs of the wider community. You have a way of looking at self-first and then hashing things out to deal with tough situations. Then you move from the heart of the whole to do what is right for all even when you don't all agree. I thank God for a fiery office seraphim administrator who dreams and has visions of bridging all of us and Lisa who hold the companion fiery sword.

Bible study is a place of fascination with the word of God, where people from thousands of years ago speak to modern day people. There are times when the class gasps because sisters and brothers of "the cloud of witnesses" enter the room to show us they were dealing with the same issues and found ways to still praise God. There are quiet moments when we realize the same God who moved their obstacles will remove ours. There are other times when a personal breakthrough brings tears for us all or the joy of laughter. There were times during "prayer and praise" evenings when we knew cleansing happened.

I thank God to have watched a child move from an infant to a defiant toddler who makes choices for himself as his sisters love him and continue to show him their way. For men and women in their nineties who will not give into the world and take life and shake it, from their bedrooms at home, to rehabilitation centers around the state, in order to get everything that God is willing to give them on this side of life. A choir who brings the Holy Spirit into the church through a musician who opens herself to the word that becomes flesh and makes our spirits dance as the Holy Spirit fills us. Then the flames of God enter as the choir moves us to a new height of understanding God's love, fury, power, forgiveness and patience with us. And yes, for the comments of those who shake hands as they leave church.

I praise God for a group of people, led by a warrior, who knew before the food crisis that God was calling them to wake early, work for the mission and will not be stopped. Teachers, real estate agents, lawyers, community servants who know their mission and serve with stealth, grace and compassionate natures, yet take no stuff.

In a world where so much is chaos, I thank God for a place where nothing has to be perfect but all is good, safe and sanctuary. When I woke back in 1991 already working in the church as a lay person and heard God say, "It's time" I had no idea I would meet you at Rustburg. I had no idea I would work under a powerful, caring District Superintendent or ever ride the mountainsides in one of the most beautiful fall seasons on earth.

I praise God because God shows God's self here. I praise God because if I never wake another morning, I know the meaning of the Psalm that reads, "I look to the hills from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord." Amen.

In Jesus Name, Rev. C.R. Brooks

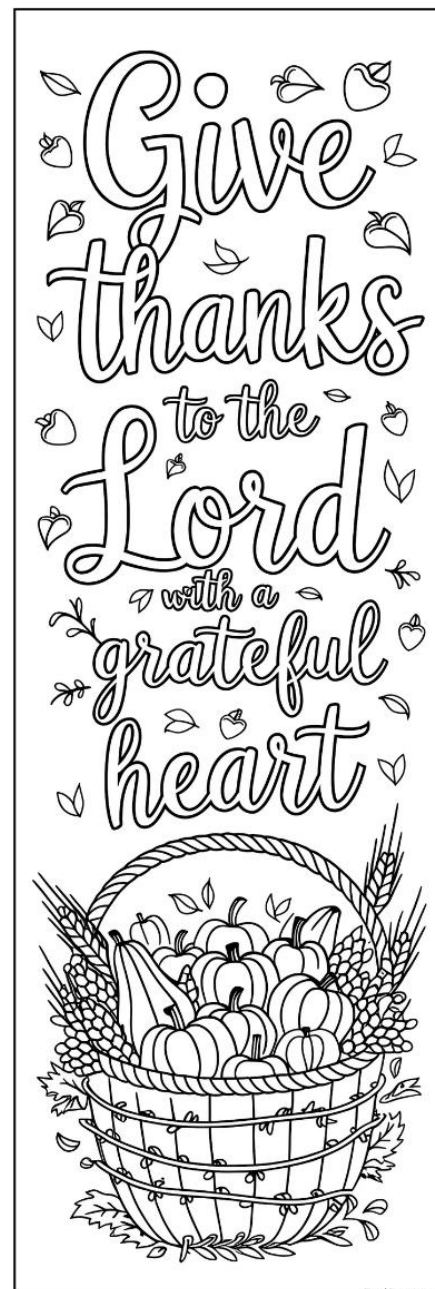
Giving Thanks

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. Psalm 100:4

The puzzle is based on Psalm 100



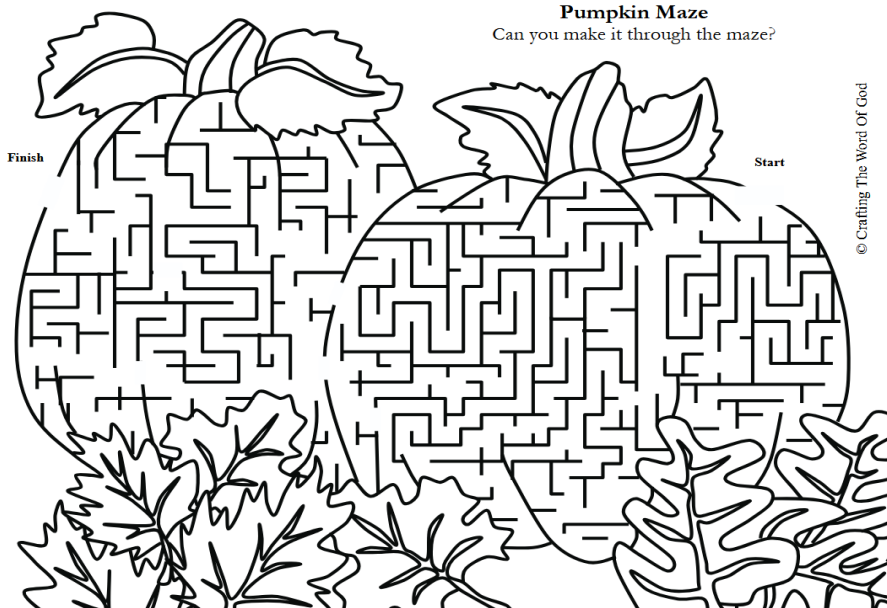
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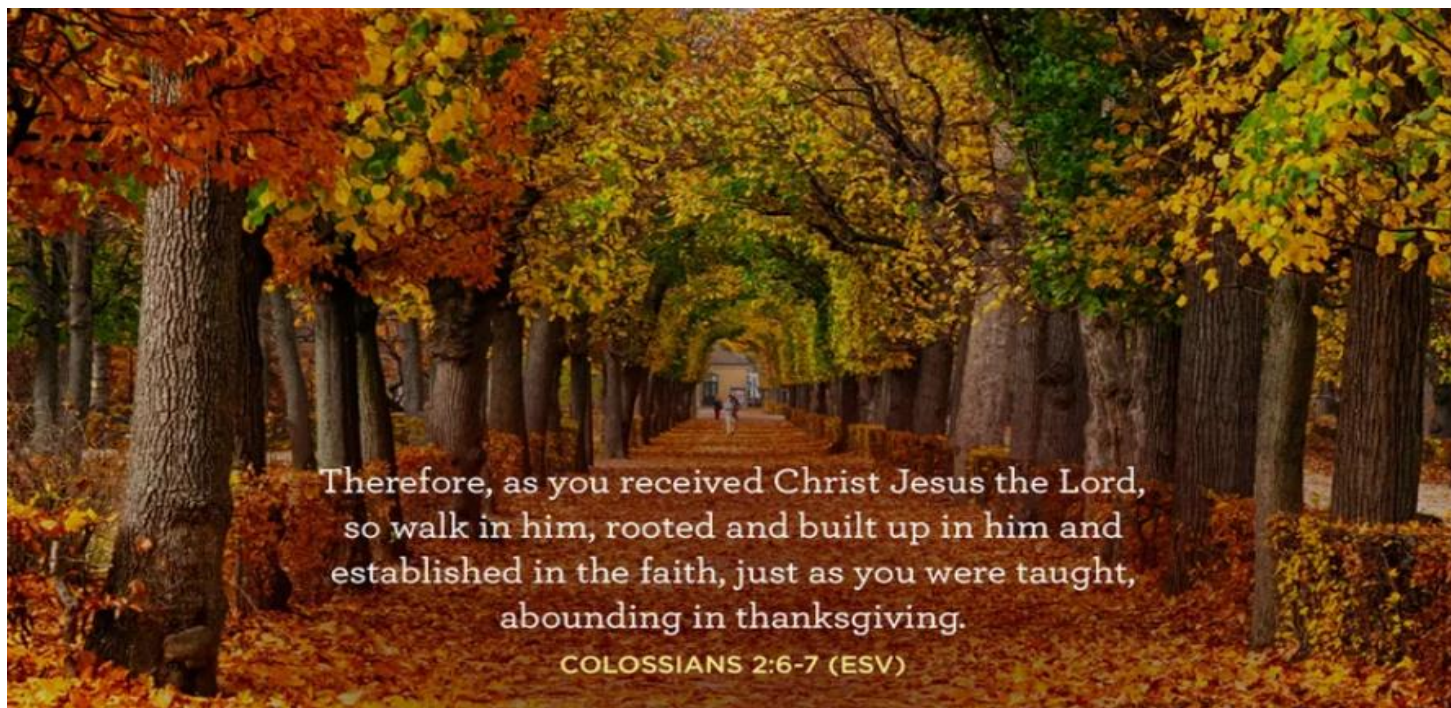


Worship	Earth	Joy
Love	Enter	Endures
Forever	Sheep	Thanks
Shout	Songs	Pasture
Gladness	Gates	Praise



Pumpkin Maze
Can you make it through the maze?





Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord,
so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and
established in the faith, just as you were taught,
abounding in thanksgiving.

COLOSSIANS 2:6-7 (ESV)

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Lay Leadership Team: Pam Booth, Annette Patrick

Music Director: Alice Watson | Pianist: Heather Wilson

Administrative Assistant: Cheryl Martin

Communications Coordinator: Lisa Cameron

Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our Vision: To be disciples of Jesus Christ who are lifelong learners who influence others to serve.

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