

# The Valley Voice

Our Mission:  
to Make Disciples of Jesus

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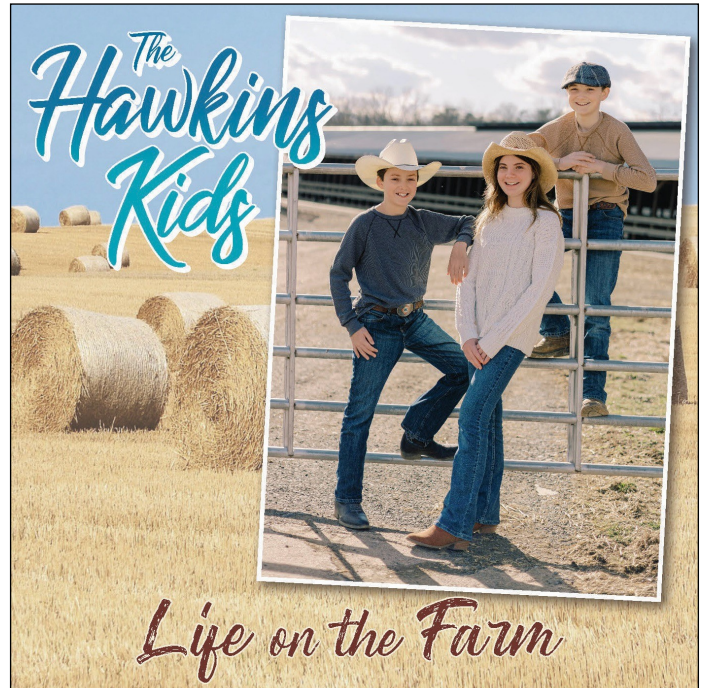
Mt. Jackson United Methodist Church

May 2025

## Hawkins Kids Sing At Community Ice Cream Bash

(Sat.) May 31, 5-7 pm

The United Methodist Women will be sponsoring an Ice Cream Bash for the community on May 31st, 5 -7 pm. *The Hawkins Kids* will provide music for the evening. There will be free ice cream and cake. We will also be accepting donations for Tim and Catherine Ambrose. Please spread the word and bring a friend or two along to enjoy the evening. The event will be held rain or shine.



### Waymaker Sermon Series

Sundays, May 18 to June 01

We will explore the story of Moses as he leads the Hebrew people out of Egyptian slavery. This is a powerful display of God's presence and power that inspires us to turn from fear to faith whenever we feel trapped. Don't miss this three-week series as we rediscover God as our *Waymaker*.

### Ladies Night Out—April

The ladies of the church and friends met Monday, April 28 at Las Trancas in Woodstock. This was not our normal dinner place, but everyone had a great time and commented how good the food was. Looking forward to adding that into our *Ladies Night Out* rotation.





## From the Pastor...

A man named Bob noticed that his neighbors had something strange in their front yard. It was a chicken-wire frame formed in the shape of a sheep. They had planted a shrub inside the wire form. As the shrub grew, their plan was to prune it when it began to poke outside the wire so it would take the shape of a sheep.

*(Ephesians 4:15) ...we are to grow up In all aspects into Him who is the head, that is, Christ.*

Jesus is to be the form that shapes our lives. We were meant to grow up and be pruned back until we look and act more like him. That's what it means to follow Jesus. We seek to learn from him and imitate him. It is good to check our chicken-wire to see how we are filling out our Christ-like shape. What areas are we looking more like Jesus? What areas still need to grow? And what areas need a little pruning? We can't do it in our own strength. We have the Holy Spirit at work in us. So, we can have confidence as we cooperate with him. That's the shape of our faith.

**The Valley Voice** is a monthly newsletter of Mt. Jackson United Methodist Church. All articles or photos for the next issue should be submitted to Pastor Lee by the 20th of each month. Email it to [leecrosby@vaumc.org](mailto:leecrosby@vaumc.org). Use the same address to be put on our email list.



- 05/03 Hepler, Warren
- 05/05 Lonas, Michelle
- 05/09 Ambrose, Tim
- 05/09 Crosby, Lee
- 05/13 Bruner Cassell, Millie
- 05/22 Frye, Timothy
- 05/22 Hall, Tammy
- 05/23 Maziarz, Susan
- 05/24 Byram, Reid



## Betty Phillips New Address

Address: c/o The Warren, 935 S. Ox Rd. Room 106,  
Woodstock VA. 22664 Phone: (540)459-3102



## Joint Worship Services

- Joint Worship—June 08, 9:30 am Quicksburg
- Joint Worship—June 15, 11 am Mt. Jackson
- Joint Worship—June 29, 11 am Mt. Jackson with a farewell lunch afterwards for Pastor Lee & Cindy