# Montezuma Today

June 2024



Therefore devote yourselves completely to the Lord our God, walking in his statutes and keeping his commandments, as at this day. - 1 Kings 8:61

Warmer temperatures, SOLs and exams, proms and graduations, longer days, and lots of pollen: the signs of summer are all here! It's the season of travel, swim parties, and relaxing Saturday afternoons, but it is important that we remain faithful to God even as we enjoy the summer. There will be a lot happening at Montezuma over the summer: the celebration of the accomplishments of our youth, Vacation Bible School (including youth service projects), serving meals at the Salvation Army, a FaithX (workcamp) trip to Knoxville, TN, preparing for new Sunday School classes in the fall, etc. We will also be providing space for the Shenandoah Practice of Ministry Day in early August and hosting a Christian Growth Institute Class. Of course, Worship and Sunday School will still happen each weekhint, hint! Our worship of God and work for the Kingdom must continue, even in the "off season." If you have not yet found a way to engage in our ministry this summer, please volunteer for one of these opportunities! God is ever faithful to us, and so must we be to him.

# June Outreach Offering: Brethren Woods

Brethren Woods provides Christian educational opportunities, facilities, and programs for all ages in an inviting woodland setting. Brethren Woods encourages the formation of Christ-centered living, leadership, and stewardship of creation, leading towards wholeness in the Kingdom of God.

Registration for Brethren Woods is now available. Opportunities include day camp for grades K-8, overnight camp for grades 1-12, and lots of different adventure camps for junior and senior high. Visit their website for a schedule of camps and to register: <u>brethrenwoods.org/summercamp</u>. The church will pay half of your child's registration fees.

# Vacation Bible School

"Whenever I'm afraid, I put my trust in you." - Psalm 56:3

Dates:Mon., June 17 – Thurs., June 20Time:5:30pm – 8:15pmLocation:Montezuma Church of the BrethrenRegistration:www.montezumacob.org/vbs, or<br/>call the church office: (540) 879-2246

VBS begins each night with supper for children, their families, youth, and VBS volunteers at 5:30pm in the fellowship hall. At 6:00, the children will gather in the sanctuary to sing, then break into smaller groups and rotate through the different stations.

#### Service projects for the youth are planned for each night.

If you have anything that looks like it belongs in a campsite (small tents, lanterns, etc.), please bring it to the church office.

# 2024 Graduate Recognition

Montezuma will recognize our high school and college graduates during worship on Sunday, June 2. Congratulations to the following graduates on their recent achievements.

#### **High School Graduates**

Allee Nicole Coffman: Allee is committed to Shenandoah University with a major in Conservation Science. In her free time she enjoys art, science, and technical theatre. She loves to be outside and adores her cat Marlene.

Julia Frances Eye: Julia will be graduating from Turner Ashby High School and Massanutten Technical Center as a Certified Stick Welder. Julia currently works as a welder/fabricator at Truck & Equipment. She hopes to be able to travel across the country as a Structural Welder in the near future.

**Lindsey Anne Harper**: Lindsey will be graduating from Turner Ashby High School. She works at Francesco's in Bridgewater and plans to attend Blue Ridge Community College.

**Kenzy Jade Hiner**: Kenzy is graduating from Turner Ashby and will attend JMU in the fall. There she will study physics with a minor in secondary education as well as keeping her love for the arts alive through a second minor in dance. With this degree, she hopes to become a high school physics teacher and later a research professor. This summer, Kenzy will work at Camp Brethren Woods as a counselor.

**Carrie Yvonne Miller**: Carrie will graduate from Turner Ashby High School. She will graduate from Massanutten Technical Center in the Veterinary Assistant Program on June 6, 2024, and she graduated from Massanutten Technical Center in Agriculture Production in June of 2023. Carrie plans to major in Animal Science and minor in Agribusiness at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M, or take a State FFA office for one year.

## **College Graduates**

Weston Hodges Mandeville: Weston received an Associate of Arts and Science Degree from Blue Ridge Community College. He also completed the EKG Technician Program and is now a Certified EKG Technician. He plans on continuing his education in nursing and eventually hopes to specialize in Cardiac Nursing.

## **Hall Reservations**

Our Hall has become a popular event space for our community. If you have dates in 2024 that you would like to reserve the Hall, please contact the church office so we can get your reservations on the calendar. Montezuma Church of the Brethren 4937 Ottobine Rd. Dayton, VA 22821 540-879-2246 www.montezumacob.org

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#### June Birthdays:

- 1 Rachel Coffman Drew Shull
- 2 Fay Airey
- 3 Brandi Harpine
- 4 Sandra Huffman
- 6 Ramona Evans
- 7 Bradley Glick Alannah Harback Bob Jerome
- 8 Ernie Havener J.M. Monger
- 9 Beth Bazzle Nicolas Huffman Matthew Ross
- 10 Anderson DePoy
- 12 Mason Black John Serrell
- 13 Robert Black, Jr. Eric Shank
- 14 Gary Payne
- 15 Marty Barlow
- 16 Ruth Smiley

Give a Girl a Chance

- 17 Skyler Shank
- 18 Mike Healy Jonathan Northrop
- Samuel Sites 20 Troy Knott
- Linda Waggy 21 Liam Harback
- Yvonne Miller Kennedy Brooks 22 Tammy Hall
- Cory Payne 24 Mason Payne Lavonne Rusmisel
- 25 Hudson McNett
- 27 Tom Ross
- 28 Bennet Nelson
- 29 Jared Diehl Judy Lokey Zoe Smiley
- 30 Andrea Adams Becky Daubert

#### <u>June Anniversaries:</u>

- 1 Jonathan & Bobbi Jo Ross
- 9 Bryan & Jaime Embres
- 12 Brian & Janelle Weaver
- 13 Phil & Ramona Evans
- 14 Adam & Katie Richard
- 15 David & Kathy Lilly
- 16 Melvin & Edith Burger
- 17 Aaron & Heather Barnhart
- 18 Brent & Monica Burkholder
- 24 Bobby & Bonnie Guyer
- 25 Donnie & Mary Jackson Lynn & Carolyn Mohler Dean & Holly Wood
- 27 Austin & Nikita McNett
- 28 Randy & Mary Lou Glick
- 29 John & Amy Knott

	<u>Our Stew</u>	vardship for Ma	ay 2024	
Attendance				<u>.</u>
	Worship	Sunday School	Regular Offering	
May 5	118	67	\$6,275	
May 12	125	68	\$13,296	
May 19	132	61	\$7,858	
May 26	114	60	\$5,768	
May average per Sun.	122	64	\$8,299.25	<u>.</u>
Last 12 mos. average per Sun.	125	59	\$6,102.82	
	Specia	al Giving for May 2	024	
2¢ Meal Offering	\$77	In Memory of Emerson Fike		\$200
Brethren Disaster Ministries	\$1,	135 People	Helping People	\$50
Brethren Woods	\$20		ound Improvements	\$150
Carpet and Pews	\$1,	000 Spring	Festival (gross)	\$9,303.50
Easter Flowers	\$20	) Youth	Youth Cookbooks for NYC	

\$40