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IT'S OKAY TO LAMENT

I dropped to my knees and let my tears fall to the floor. “God, why aren’t you taking care of me?” I cried. It was during the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020. I’d been laid-off for almost a month, and something had gone wrong with my unemployment application. I hadn’t received any money yet, and the stimulus check the US government had promised hadn’t arrived. Deep down, I trusted that God would work out everything. I believed HE truly loved me and would take care of me, but in that moment, I felt abandoned.

The book of Lamentations reminds us it’s okay to lament. The book was likely written during or soon after the Babylonians destroyed Jerusalem in 587 BC. It describes the affliction (3:1, 19), oppression (1:18), and starvation (2:20, 4:10) the people faced. Yet, in the middle of the book the author remembers why he could hope: “Because of the LORD’S great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness” (3:22-23). Despite the devastation, the author remembered that God remains faithful.

Sometimes it feels impossible to believe that “the LORD is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him” (V.25), especially when we don’t see an end to our suffering. But we can cry out to Him, trust that He hears us, and that He’ll be faithful to see us through.

Definition of Lament to feel or express sorrow or regret for or to mourn for or over.



7 Quotes about October

1. October is the Opal month of the year. It is the month of glory, or ripeness. IT is the picture-month. ~ Henry Ward Beecher
2. October is the treasure of the year. And all the months pay bounty to her store. ~ Paul Laurene Dunbar
3. October is crisp days and cool nights, a time to curl up around the dancing flames and sink into a good book. ~ John Sinar
4. In the entire circle of the year there are no days so delightful as those of a fine October. ~Alexander Smith
5. I wish that every day was Saturday and every month was October. ~Charmaine J. Forde
6. My favorite color is October! ~ Wright Thurston
7. I'm so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers. ~ Anne of Green Gables

Happy All Saints Eve and All Saints Day!!

Since we are talking about All Saints Day—Which is November 1st. Here is your friendly reminder about Daylight Savings Time Sunday, November 1, 2021—the clocks fall backward! You gain an hour of sleep.

Today, most Americans spring forward (turn clocks ahead and lose an hour) on the second Sunday in March (at 2:00 A.M.) and fall back (turn clocks back and gain an hour) on the **first Sunday in November** (at 2:00 A.M.).

Sunday, October 10, is Pastor Appreciation Day! Thank you Pastor Tracy for your dedication to our little church on the hill!

OCTOBER 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 ECCLES. 11:4	2 EXODUS 14:14
3 ROMANS 12:1	4 MARK 5:34	5 MATTHEW 24:45-46	6 JEREMIAH 17:10	7 II PETER 2:9	8 II CHRON. 6:14	9 REVELATION 3:8
10 JOHN 15:10	11 HEBREWS 10:22	12 PSALM 5:3	13 PROVERBS 3:34	14 PROVERBS 2:6-7	15 JOB 5:17-18	16 II JOHN 1:3
17 PSALM 25:4-5	18 MATTHEW 9:12-13	19 I COR. 12:25	20 I CHRON. 29:11	21 MATTHEW 26:27-28	22 LUKE 11:9-10	23 LUKE 12:29-30
24 PSALM 100:4	25 II CHRON. 15:4	26 PROVERBS 20:7	27 ROMAN 16:19	28 I COR. 10:23	29 JOHN 10:11	30 EZEKIEL 34:26
31 PSALM 91:7						

October 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
3 	4	5	6	7	8	9 <i>Fall Bake Sale</i>
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 	1	2	3	4	5	6

**Bible equals Sunday
School Days for the
Youth**

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Youth Sunday School Schedule

Cameron Andrew 1st
 Paul Hurley 2nd
 Cara Stottlemeyer 3rd
 Karen Elsey 9th
 Chad Wolfe 10th
 Martha Snyder 11th
 Ethan Wiser 11th
 Teresa Kaas 15th
 Ralph Eyler 18th
 Cory Reed 19th
 Joshua Hartman 19th
 Tori Stottlemeyer 23rd
 Rick Free 23rd
 Sharon Free 28th
 Donnie Kaas 29th
 Karen Andrew 30th



Jonathan & Cheryl Troxell 1st
 Daniel & Kathy Peters 3rd
 Ronnie & Nancy Anders 5th
 Wesley & Paige Wiser 5th
 BJ and Linda Troxell 6th
 Tobey & Carreanne Eyler 12th
 Terry & Lynette Free 19th
 Herb & Nancy Grimm 20th
 Frank & Patsy Free 31st

FALL BAKE SALE

FUNDRAISER

All Proceeds goes toward our Outreach program to help a local family in need!

Saturday October 9th
from 8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

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Thank you for your Service!



Elijah Moser
Air Force



Caleb Peters
Marine



Kyle Petrosky
Navy



Matthew Stephens
Marine



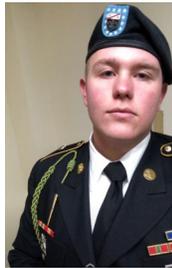
James Updegraff III
Marine



Joseph Speck
Navy



Isaiah Fannin
Marine



Jacob Fannin
Army



Bryce Estell
Marine



Ethan Pennington
Navy



If you know anyone in the service and would like to add them to our Military page, please send me their name and a service picture. It is nice to have the names associated with a face.

We need to keep praying for our Nation and those who decided ON THEIR OWN to protect us!

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Travis Smith

Michael Hobbs

Robert Wolfe, Air Force

Sgt. Kara Stambaugh

Sgt. Alexander Stambaugh

Ariel Vanderhout

Mike Vanderhout

COMMUNITY NEWS

RIDGEFEST **OCT 8,9,10**

Applebutter Boiling Fri & Sat
Applebutter Sales Sat & Sun
Yard Sales, Crafts Fri, Sat, Sun
Soup & Sandwiches Sat & Sun
Info call Jeff 301-447-6387

Rocky Ridge Vol. Fire Co. Presents...

Ridgefest

October 9 & 10, 2021

Breakfast Sandwiches
6 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Famous Country Ham
Sandwiches
until 6 p.m.



**\$5.00 Each • Freshly Made
Individually Wrapped**

ROCKY RIDGE ACTIVITIES BUILDING
13516 MOTTERS STATION ROAD,
ROCKY RIDGE, MD

We will be collecting Instant Mashed Potatoes and Stuffing for the Food Bank for the month of October. It would be nice to help those less fortunate have a nice Thanksgiving Meal.



There will be a Butchering and Breakfast at the Rocky Ridge Fire hall in November. More Info in the November Newsletter.

Our son-in-law, Kyle Petrosky will be deployed December—June. He will miss his son's first Christmas, first birthday, a wedding anniversary and his own birthday during this time. We are looking for cards that we can send off with him when he deploys and open them at the time of these special events. If you would like to share cards with Kyle, even thinking of you cards—please have them in my mailbox by October 24, 2021. I appreciate your kindness and thoughtfulness and please put the Petrosky family on the prayer list.

Check us out on the WEB you can hear the sermons here also

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