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There All Along

I sat alone for almost an hour in the place I thought I was meeting friends, I expected to be waiting for a least a few minutes, so I ordered a latte. People-watched. Read the stray, rumpled sections of someone else's paper. And got more and more frustrated by the minute. Had I misunderstood the time? The meeting place? Had plans changed?

After forty-five minutes I ended my own misery and left the restaurant. I'd really looked forward to their company with the laughter and love and conversation that usually characterize our time together.... but I drove home frustrated instead.

Then my phone rang. "Where were you?" my friend asked. "We were there. Didn't you see us?" I hadn't. I'd watched the door the whole time. I didn't see them, and apparently, they didn't see me, either. But they were there all along.

Although God always knows my whereabouts, sometimes I feel like we've gotten our wires crossed too. He doesn't show up when (or where) I expect him. I look around anxiously and don't trust his promises enough to wait past my own comfort. I keep moving to mask my confusion and disappointment. And almost always, after the fact, I come to see that he was there all along.

I was sure I was alone once as I cried sloppy tears on the balcony of a remote mountain cabin. I wasn't. He was there. I thought I was alone in the vet's office as I cradled a precious dying pup and watched his last breaths, but I wasn't. He was there. I believed I was the only person in the hospital waiting room, anxious for my father's surgeon to tell me how things had gone, but even though all the other chairs were empty, I wasn't alone. God had been there all along. I may not always be aware of him or recognize his nearness.... but my Father never leaves me undefended. Ever. He goes before and behind. He will be there all along.

"Do not fear, for I am with you; do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand." Isaiah 41:10



Have you experience loneliness, feeling there is no one who cares about you or what you're going through? When you put your trust in God, he promises never to leave you or forsake you. He is there, listening to your heart's cry.

From A Minute of Presence for Women by Leigh McLeroy

We voted in 2 new Deacons. Steve Wolfe and Debbie Eyler by Bro. Billy Horton.



First off let me start by saying there is an awful lot of Christmas information here! So one holiday at a time folks!

Happy Thanksgiving!

Mark your calendar for Church Christmas Social Sunday December 4th. Potluck meal at 5pm followed by Entertainment at 6:30pm by Cross N Country.

Christmas Candlelight Service on December 18th at 6:30PM Lots of Musical Entertainment. Free will offering will be taken at both events

There are still a few calendars remaining to sell. \$8 each.

Heifer International project has ended and we are in the process of counting the donations and selecting where the money will be allocated to.

Don't forget "Shoebboxes for Kids" if you are filling your own shoebox you only have a few weeks left to do so. I believe our current total is 61!!! Woohoo!! As of now we have beat the last year's collection total. PTL! May God give a special blessing to all who has given to this worthy cause.

Ladies Aid- Calling all you "awesome bakers"....baked goods needed for bake sale table at the Rocky Ridge butchering and breakfast on Nov. 19th.

Looking ahead.....bakers keep the ovens heated up because we will need baked goods for the Holiday Market on December 10th.



Matthew Wiser 6th
Delores Wolfe 11th
Doris Simpson 12th
Brian Ott 14th
Ernest Snyder 14th

Tobey Eyler 16th
Morgan Orndorff 16th
Bracen Webb 16th
Milly Tinga 17th
Bob Luke 24th

Rachel Mantz 27th
Mark Moser 28th
Caleb Luke 29th

Bob & Linda Free 24th

Monocacy Church of the Brethren

Holiday Market

Crafts • Jewelry • Bake Sale • Wreaths • Ornaments
Home Decor • Stationery • Soaps • Candles & More!



Saturday December 10th
12 PM – 5 PM

Rocky Ridge Firehall Activities Building
13516 Motters Station Road
Rocky Ridge, MD 21778

Food Available for Purchase
Rocky Ridge Fire Co. Auxiliary

Bake Sale, Raffles & More!

Vintage Feather Designs

Wooden Home Décor, Epoxy/Resin
Pens & Tumblers

Teresa's Treasures

Handmade Purses, Wallets, Totes
& Bags

Karen's Krafts

Handcrafted Signs, Home Décor
& Unique Gifts

Sippin' Pretty Designs

Tumblers & Resin Boards

My Favorite Baker

Whopple Pies, Cookies & Dinner Rolls

Sunset Acres Candles & Customs

Candles, Wax Melts & Bath Products

Wellers United

Methodist Church

Cheeseballs & Crafts

Dreams & Brushstrokes

Home Décor, Christmas Décor
& Hand painted Décor

E.L.M Designs

Earrings, Cups, Magnets,
Keychains, Necklaces, Badge
Reels & Pop Sockets

Sawdust & Daisies

Wood Décor & Signs,
Ornaments & Jewelry

COUNTRY BUTCHERING
NOVEMBER 19, 2022

ROCKY RIDGE VOLUNTEER FIRE CO., INC.

Orders must be placed before
NOVEMBER 10, 2022

To place an order call :
Helen (410) 775-2758
Cindy (301) 271-4057
Kelsey (240) 397-0351
Paulette (301) 271-4252

Orders must be picked up between
6 AM – 10 AM on
NOVEMBER 19, 2022

A pancake breakfast will be served from 6 AM – 10 AM at
the activities building on NOVEMBER 19, 2022

Order # _____

Rocky Ridge Volunteer Fire Company Butchering Order Forms

For Orders Call: (410) 775-2758/ (301) 271-4057/ (240) 397-0351/(301)271-4252

Name: _____
Phone #: _____
Order Date: _____

Fresh Pork	Price	Amount Ordered	RRVFC USE ONLY
Loose Sausage (salt,pepper,brown sugar)	\$3.25/lb		
Link Sausage (salt,pepper,brown sugar)	\$3.25/lb		
Loth (NOT Sliced)	\$3.80/lb		
Fish	\$3.80/lb		
Bacon (fresh/NOT Sliced)	\$3.00/lb		
Ham (Whole/Fresh)	\$3.00/lb		
Shoulder (Whole/Fresh)	\$3.00/lb		
Ham Roast	\$3.00/lb		
Shoulder Roast	\$3.00/lb		
Pork Chops	\$3.00/lb		
Ribs	\$2.50/lb		
Backbone	\$2.50/lb		
Feet	\$2.50/lb		
Scrapple (corn meal, flour,salt,pepper)	\$3.00/pan		
Puddin (salt, pepper)	\$4.50/pan		

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TOTAL _____

KEEP REFRIGERATED



NOVEMBER 2022

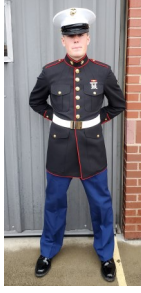
A YEAR OF PSALMS AND PROVERBS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Proverbs 26:13-22	2 Psalm 119:137-144	3 Psalm 119:145-152	4 Psalm 119:153-160	5 Proverbs 26:23-28, Proverbs 27:1-4
6 Psalm 119:161-168	7 Psalm 119:169-176	8 Psalm 120:1-7	9 Proverbs 27:5-14	10 Psalm 121:1-8	11 Psalm 122:1-9	12 Psalm 123:1-4
13 Proverbs 27:15-22	14 Psalm 124:1-8	15 Psalm 125:1-5	16 Psalm 126:1-6	17 Proverbs 27:23-27, Proverbs 28:1-6	18 Psalm 127:1-5	19 Psalm 128:1-6
20 Psalm 129:1-8	21 Proverbs 28:7-17	22 Psalm 130:1-8	23 Psalm 131:1-3	24 Psalm 132:1-18	25 Proverbs 28:18-28	26 Psalm 133:1-3
27 Psalm 134:1-3	28 Psalm 135:1-12	29 Proverbs 29:1-9	30 Psalm 135:13-21			

Thank you for your Service!



Elijah Moser
Air Force



Caleb Peters
Marine



Kyle Petrosky
Navy



Matthew Stephens
Marine



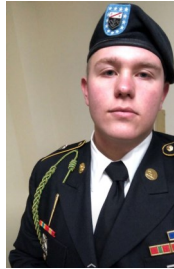
James Updegraff III
Marine



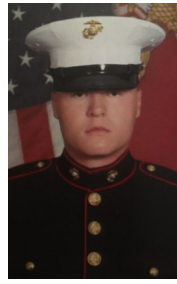
Joseph Speck
Navy



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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Sgt. Alexander Stambaugh

Ariel Vanderhout

Mike Vanderhout

COMMUNITY NEWS



Christmas In Rocky Ridge

Friday December 9th

At the Firehall

5pm - Until?

Music, Tree Lighting, Food Truck, firepit, S'mores, Kids crafts and open house and SANTA.

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

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