

## Moderator's Report for 2023

This year our Pastor Tom Lawton, in addition to his Sunday duties as our Preacher has come up with some new ideas for our congregation and our church.

Tom's wife brought up a new collection called Pennies For People. Tom participated in a Nourishing Small Churches seminar which I think describes us pretty well.

Tammy requested and was granted use of the church house January 16 for Troop 108 Merit Badge Day.

Tom has also started a Bible study for anyone wishing to attend.

Tom also started a wilderness journey walk to focus on God's creation and walk with good friends.

On May 21 we took a trip over to the hill to Augusta Presbyterian Church to help them celebrate their 225<sup>th</sup> year anniversary.

Scout Sunday was February 4.

At our council meeting in July Tammy's report showed that we are holding our own financially.

During the service of September 10, we honored our new 50-year members Gary Peck & Bonnie McLaren. Tom read a very nice letter from Bonnie about her memories from growing up in the church.

At our August council meeting we discussed the pros & cons of our turkey supper. The cons won out. It was not so much the money as it was in the fellowship of working together. A spring dinner was discussed like the pork dinner we used to have.

For some time, the ceiling in the sanctuary has been a major concern. On September 17 the congregation voted on a motion made by Dana Shiflett seconded by Kelly Lawton to allocate the \$10,400 needed to do the work. On Friday October 16 Lawrence Reiben & Sons Roofing out of Whitesboro began to work on the leak around the steeple and finished the work the first week of November.

Respectfully submitted

Rick Lloyd