

1. **General Assembly Votes.** – as of 5/25/2011; official tally from the Office of the General Assembly, based on reports by presbytery stated clerks.

• AMENDMENT.	YES..	NO.....	TO VOTE
• New Form of Government.....	79.....	72.....	22
• Belhar Confession.....	73.....	47.....	53
• Amendment 10-A (Ordination Standards).....	86.....	68.....	19

According to unofficial counts, Amendment 10-A has passed and will become effective on July 10, 2011. The new Form of Government requires 87 votes to pass. The Belhar Confession requires 116 votes (67%) to pass. Currently, it is at 64%.

2. **Phone and Internet service.** I have been working with Chuck Blackley to transfer our Internet service from Comcast to Verizon DSL. This will result in savings as our service will be bundled with our telephone service. The switch required a couple of service calls from Verizon to straighten out some wiring issues. The DSL filters supplied for each phone caused our intercoms to stop working; removing the filters restored the service but caused the internet to crash. On Monday afternoon, Verizon installed a dedicated phone jack in my office for the DSL internet service, and installed a filter on the lines leading to the phones. Everything is now working as intended. (The line originates inside my closet, and runs through them and then around the room to the vicinity of the window. This led to an unplanned but needed cleaning of the closets.)

The church web site has been transferred to a new server, as we will be cancelling the Comcast service as soon as everything is transferred from the old server to the new server, and everything is working without complications. This will probably happen sometime in mid June. Our web site on the new server costs \$50 per year for two years, which is a savings over both what Comcast cost, and what Verizon offers. (The web site is hosted by fatcow.com, the same service that hosts Shenandoah Presbytery's site.)

3. **2012 Budget.** The time is arriving for Committees to begin considering their requests for the 2012 budget. I will produce the usual worksheets as soon as possible.

4. **Big Tent.** Pending passage of the new Form of Government, I have been asked to help lead two workshops at the General Assembly's Big Tent event in Indianapolis from June 30 - July 2, on the impact on changes for Committees on Ministry and Committees on Preparation for Ministry. The Big Tent is an event that is held on the off year between biennial General Assembly meetings. My travel schedule does not interfere with the June session meeting schedule, and I will be present for worship on July 3.

5. **Baja Mission Trip.** Plans continue for this summer's Baja Mission Trip, July 17-23. I am traveling to San Diego by car with Andy Easley, and will be returning by Amtrak all the way to Staunton. I am taking these Sundays off in connection with this: July 17, 24, and 31. We have completed our fund-raising through Second Church, but continue to support team fundraisers, such as the upcoming pancake breakfast at Applebees (Saturday, June 11, 8:00 - 10:00 a.m., \$7.00 per person).

6. **Pentecost Communion.** The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated on Pentecost Sunday, June 12. (No, we won't be using pancakes and syrup.) Scheduled servers are:

1 Paul Wolfe	4 Chuck Blackley	P: Wolfe/Wright
2 James Wright	5 Debby Camden	
3 Caroline Woebke	6 Frank Brown	