

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE PROCLAMATION

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August

Dive In!

The fun's just beginning!



August signals the return of several programs, including Youth Group, Evening Circle, choirs, classes and Wonderful Wednesday. So get ready to dive back in, because you don't want to miss out on all these programs and events (especially the Ice Cream Social--details inside).



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From the Pastor



Two of the great joys I discovered when I served my first congregation, back in eastern North Carolina, were understanding and appreciating the patterns of life. Back in North Carolina, everything was centered on farming. Growing up in a textile community, I did not know much about farming, though I thought I had the basic concept down. For example, I knew that you had to plant a seed in the earth if you wanted something in return like cotton, corn or wheat. But I did not fully grasp this need to appreciate how the seasons dictated the *when, where* and *how* for the farmer. Yet, knowing such patterns could determine for a farmer whether one had success or not. The great joy of course came about when one could truly appreciate the changes of the seasons and the flow of life. In such a moment, one could truly understand and appreciate the patterns of life, the seasons and the changes they bring.

With the month of August upon us, we once again find ourselves in a change of season. Teachers have gone back to work, students are getting ready for school and most of us are counting down the minutes left until the kick off to college football. If you are like me, summer was a welcome break. You have enjoyed having longer days, going on vacation, and watching the summer storms go by. But now it is August, and with August there is a change of season. For those in the church, such a change is a reminder that it is time to get back to work.

The August *Proclamation* is filled with what is happening in the life of our congregation. Starting in August, Kaye and I will begin a year-long preaching series entitled, "A Year through the Bible." Okay, it is only going be 11 months, but we are still very excited about this series. There is also plenty going on as we restart the programs of the church.

I would also encourage you during this change, to get involved in ways you never thought possible. If you are thinking that God is calling you to do more, let the church staff help you get plugged in. From Mission to Fellowship, the church choir to Sunday School, there is something for you. I would especially encourage you to come out to our first Wonderful Wednesday (August 11). Wonderful Wednesday is not only about food and fellowship. We also have some amazing classes being offered, activities for youth and children, and opportunities to either share your musical talent or to discover musical talent you never thought possible. So, with the change in season, come and discover what God has in store for you.

CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:

THERE WILL BE A CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 8. PLEASE MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND.

In Christ's Name,

Rev. John A. Hinkle, Jr.

Elder Nominating

Committee Members Approved

The Elder Nominating Committee was approved by Session on Tuesday, July 20th. The members of the committee are: Jane Blakey, chair; Mary Martin, George Lombardi, Chuck Clark, and Kimberley Mobley.

If you would like to suggest a person to be nominated for the class of 2013, please call a member of the committee.



Blood Drive Update

Submitted by Susan Couch & Kathy Graham

Thank you again to everyone who came out to the blood drive. We were able to collect 39 pints of blood. However, we did lose power temporarily. There were five people giving blood at that time and all of those five pints had to be trashed. The power did not come back on until after the blood drive was over, and we had about 10 people who were not able to give due to this. Some of these people did go over to the Red Cross on Saturday and gave in honor of our church. We believe we could have met our goal if we had not lost electricity.

Eleven people who came were first-time donors. Fifteen people signed up to be bone marrow donors.



Bicentennial Committee



Submitted by Sandra Hawkins

To all Bicentennial chairs: please submit your line-item budget to Jerry Hawkins by August 20th. This can be left in his box at church, e-mailed to him, or mailed to his home (check the 2010 directory for address). If you have questions, please call Jerry ASAP. Thanks so much!

Prime Timers

All programs start back in August...

Well, maybe not *all* of them.

We have good news and bad news. The bad news first: Betty Childress, who has been coordinating Prime Timers' events, has stepped down as leader of the group. This means that there are no events scheduled for the group.

Now for the good news: YOU can be the new coordinator. If you are interested in taking on this role, please call Betty at 615-896-4755.

Thank you again, Betty, for the time and effort you gave to Prime Timers.



Financial Brief



Financials Brief for June:

Submitted by Jerry Hawkins

Revenue \$1880.00 over expenses.

YTD: Revenue \$7929.00 over expenses.

YTD Budget:

Expenses \$34,379.00 under YTD budget- good
 Revenue \$26,450.00 under YTD budget- not good
Of Concern- Pledges \$41,496.00 under budget



Directory Change

Savage Family
 Email Change
 (Andrew & Laura)
aeslas@att.net

Susan Bragg has moved to California to be near her three children, effective July 18 (which was also her 91st birthday).
 Her new address is:
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Deadline for Submitting Articles/Items for the Monthly Newsletter

The third Monday of every month unless noted otherwise.

Please submit articles to

Sara Brookfield at sbrookfield@mborofpc.org.

(Office hours for Sara Brookfield: 8 a.m.- 1 p.m. Monday-Thursday)

Articles submitted may be edited for space or content.

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To receive *The Proclamation* via e-mail, please e-mail Sara at sbrookfield@mborofpc.org.

Sunday Worship

8:30 a.m. - Worship

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School for all

11:00 a.m. - Worship

Communion is celebrated on the 1st Sunday of the month.

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Worship & Music

Worship Schedule

<p><u>August 1</u></p> <p>“Never-Never Land” Luke 12: 13-21 Psalm 37:1-11</p>	<p><u>August 8</u></p> <p>New Series (Aug. 8-29: <i>Beginnings</i>) “God Speaks” Genesis 1:1-3, 26-31 Psalm 148</p>
<p><u>August 15</u></p> <p>“Not Alone” Genesis 2:18-25 Psalm 111</p>	<p><u>August 22</u></p> <p>“Someone to Blame” Genesis 3:8-13 Psalm 32:1-5</p>
<p><u>August 29</u></p> <p>“Cast Out but Clothed” Genesis 3:14-21 Psalm 51:1-11</p>	

New Sermon Series!

PREACHING THROUGH THE BIBLE



Starting August 8, the ministerial staff will be preaching a year-long series entitled “Preaching through the Bible.”

From Genesis to Revelation, we will explore together God’s living Word. For those who would like to read the Bible in a year, we would encourage you to go to www.ewordtoday.com/year.

Choir News

Music Ministry Update

from Rev. Hinkle

In this season of transition, the Session of First Presbyterian Church is fully committed to our music ministry.

In the interim, David Sevier will serve as point person for the Music Department. If you have any questions concerning the direction of our music department, please speak to David.

The Personnel Committee is pleased to announce that Jocelyn Fisher will be serving as Interim Director of Music while the committee begins a search for a permanent replacement.

Time to tune up those vocal chords...



All of the choirs (except Youth Choir) will start holding practice again on Wednesday, August 11, with the return of Wonderful Wednesdays. Cherubs will practice from 6-7 p.m. and M&Ms will practice from 6-7:15 p.m. Youth Choir will start back on Sunday, August 15.

Choirs offered:

Chancel (Adult), Handbells, Youth (6th-12th), M&Ms (2nd-5th grade), Cherubs (Ages 4 - First Grade).

Wonderful Wednesday

Wonderful Wednesdays are back, starting August 11th!! So mark your calendars, make your reservations, and get ready for some food, fellowship and fun!



- **August 11:** Baked Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, and Italian Green Beans
- **August 18:** Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes, and Green Beans
- **August 25:** Hot Chicken Salad, Baked Beans, and Broccoli Casserole
- **September 1: Breakfast for Dinner:** Biscuits & Gravy, Eggs, and Sausage

All meals (unless otherwise noted) include salad, rolls, dessert and milk/tea. Macaroni & Cheese or ham and cheese sandwiches are available on request. If you wish to change your standing reservation or make new weekly ones, please use the forms found in the pew racks or call the church office at 893-3882 ext. 38.

Greeters



We need your smiling face!

We are seeking people who are interested in volunteering as greeters and ushers. If you would like to learn more about what greeting and

usher entails, please see Jim Faccioli. A general description of what we need is also available on the bulletin board by the Session mailboxes.

Notes from Session

Submitted by Glen Emery, Clerk of the Session

Notes from the Session...

- During the month of June, 48 visitors/families worshiped with us. Calls were made to our more frequent visitors welcoming them.
- Our members donated 39 units of blood at the June Red Cross Blood Drive held in the Common Room.
- We supported the Murfreesboro Pastoral Counseling Center annual fundraiser luncheon. The PCC offers trained therapists who care about your emotional and spiritual well-being. They are available to meet with those facing a variety of situations, including struggles with depression, marital or relationship problems, and substance abuse, among others.
- Food collections are continuing through the summer.
- Dave Baughman is organizing a Disaster Response Team. If you are interested in being a part of this team, contact the church office.
- Twenty-six people went on the mission trip to South Dakota.
- We are currently approximately \$41,000 behind in our pledges. If meeting your pledge is not possible, please contact Pat Cox at the church office and let them know, so we can adjust our budget accordingly.
- We are pleased to note that Kevin and Jane McNulty have accepted the challenge of being the Stewardship Chairs for the 2010 campaign. Keep them in your prayers and give them your maximum support.
- Sunday School awards will be given this year at the 11 a.m. service on August 8. The new Sunday School year will start on August 15.
- Emily Kent will be leading the M&M Choir (3rd, 4th, and 5th graders) on Wednesday nights.
- Reverend Kaye Nickell will lead several classes again this fall. Reverends John Hinkle and John Westlund will also each be offering a class. Please see the class descriptions in *The Proclamation*.
- A Time and Talent survey form is being worked on to be used to gather information to help us determine the best ways to further our efforts in our Lord's service.
- Our Ice Cream Social has been set for August 22. Ice cream tasting will begin at 6 p.m.
- Communion was taken to seven shut-ins this past month. The regular monthly service at Adams Place Assisted Living was also held. One meal was taken to a bereaved member.
- Nancy Stubblefield has agreed to teach the 6th, 7th, and 8th graders this coming year.
- The youth room under the sanctuary has been upgraded. You are invited to go down and look at it. The Sunday evening youth program will be centered around a new message series developed by Reverend Hinkle.
- Juliette Lee Blackwelder will be baptized on August 15.

Ice Cream Social

Do you dream of the Diamond Scoop Award? Are visions of new, freshly-churned flavors filling your days?
Do you feel called to bring chocolate syrup or sprinkles to share with the congregation?
Well, you should, because it's Ice Cream Social season and the event is fast-approaching.

Mark your calendars:

On August 22 at 6 p.m., the ice cream consummation will commence.

(i.e. Everyone gets to eat ice cream).



For those of you who have talents in other fields (beside ice-cream creation), never fear! There will be an Ice Cream Social TALENT SHOW. So polish up those skills and prepare to share. More details to come. For more information, contact Jennifer Bailey.

Upcoming Classes: Wednesday Nights

All are Welcome, if you need a nursery for any of these classes, please call the church office the week before the class begins so that we can arrange coverage.

Class for Fall 2010, offered by Rev. Kaye Nickell

Through the Bible in a Year!



On August 8, we will begin a course of preaching that will carry us through the Bible in one year. This course will bring Sunday morning scripture and sermons into our weekdays. The text for Sunday's sermon and the sermon itself will be our topic. We will discuss several questions, including: *What questions did the sermon/text raise for you? How does this text/sermon apply to your life? What does the text/sermon ask of you? How does the text/sermon fit in the big picture of theology, church history, contemporary issues for us?*



Wednesday nights from 4:00-5:00. Class begins August 11, Kaye Nickell's office.

Class for Fall 2010, Offered by Rev. Kaye Nickell

Health Talk

You can have your blood pressure checked/recorded and consult with a nurse/minister about any health concerns you have. I will help you:

- Formulate questions to be taken to your physician.
- Prioritize your concerns before a visit.
- Help you process information given to you about your needs/treatments.
- Help you prepare and plan for hospitalization and recovery.
- Evaluate your living space for potential injury/refer to appropriate agency for help.
- Work through the issues of being a "caregiver" for a family member.
- Make a medication list to carry with you, including the most important side effects to note and over-the-counter medicines/foods to avoid.
- Put together the most crucial information to carry with you for traveling.



These conversations **do not replace** the care given to you by your physician(s). They are intended to enhance your relationship with your health care providers. I offer such services on the basis of a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, UTK 1980, national certification as a Registered Nurse, and a nursing career in teaching hospitals from 1980-1999.

Wednesday nights from 5:00-6:00. Class begins August 11, Kaye Nickell's office.

Class for Fall 2010, Offered by Rev. Kaye Nickell

Hungryhearts—the Art of Reformed Spirituality

We will discuss Reformed Spirituality based on a book about Reformed spirituality and the quarterly journal, *Hungryhearts*, produced by our denomination. After discussing a practice, we will then actually do it. You will be asked to perform practices as part of your daily devotions and then share your experiences with the group.



You can obtain the book, *Reformed Spirituality: An Introduction for Believers* by Howard Rice (Louisville: Westminster/John Knox Press, 1991) from Amazon.com at cost ranging from \$1.42 to \$30.00. You do not have to get the book to come to the sessions. *Hungryhearts* is online at the pcusa.org website, or it can be ordered by subscription.

Wednesday nights from 6:00-7:00. Begins August 11, Classroom E.

MORE WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES ON NEXT PAGE

Upcoming Classes: Wednesday Nights (continued)



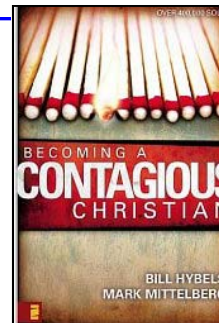
All are Welcome, if you need a nursery for any of these classes, please call the church office the week before the class begins so that we can arrange coverage.

Class for Fall 2010, Offered by Rev. John Hinkle, Jr.

Becoming a Contagious Christian:

Do you know someone who is struggling to find answers concerning his faith? Do you find that you want to say something, but you are not really sure what to say? Is there someone you want to invite to church, but you do not want to sound pushy? Is the word “Evangelical” scary and strange? If you answered *yes* to any of these questions, then I have a class for you. Over eight weeks, Rev. Hinkle will examine Bill Hybels’ groundbreaking book, *Becoming a Contagious Christian*. In the study, we will learn the simple steps to sharing our faith and changing lives.

Wednesday nights from 6:00-7:00. Begins August 11.



Class for Fall 2010, offered by Rev. John Westlund

God is Closer Than You Think

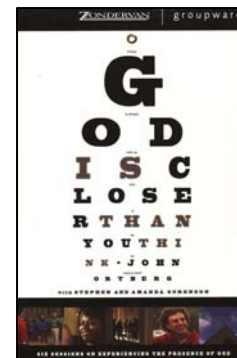
Come join us on Wonderful Wednesday’s for the journey!

We all share a need to see the constant awareness of the presence of God. We know He’s there, 24-hours a day, seven days a week, but we sometimes have difficulty seeing Him. We get busy at work, distracted around the house, and we miss wonderful opportunities to be with Him.

That’s going to change. Beginning soon, we’re going to learn how to see God at work in our lives. We’re going to learn together, in a six- to eight- week study using a video based guide on a wonderful book, *God Is Closer Than You Think*, by John Ortberg.

John Westlund will be leading this group as part of our Wonderful Wednesday’s this Fall. The video and book will then drive our small group discussions. Come join in this exciting event.

Wednesday nights from 6:00-7:00. Begins August 11.



Upcoming Classes: Weekdays

The Book of Daniel: Offered by Rev. Kaye Nickell

This is a Bible study of the Book of Daniel chosen in the spring by the regular group of attendees. This is a very interesting book included in the Bible under the category of “writings.”

Daniel was written to encourage Jewish loyalties to the Torah (law), the way to God, during the persecutions of Antiochus IV (mid-second century BCE). It has two parts: supernatural deliverance for the faithful in chapters 1-6 and a series of apocalyptic visions in chapters 7-12.

Thursdays at 12 noon. Bring your lunch. Begins August 19, Classroom F.



Other Weekday Classes Offered by Rev. Kaye Nickell

Hungryhearts—the Art of Reformed Spirituality

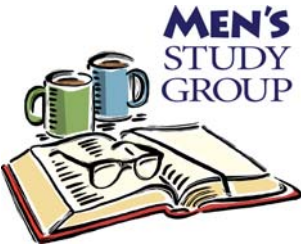
(Ladies Only) Tuesday mornings from 9:00-10:00. Begins August 17, Kaye Nickell’s office.
(Class description on page 6)

Through the Bible in a Year!

Wednesday mornings from 10:00-11:00. Begins August 18, Kaye Nickell’s office. (Class description on page 6)

Upcoming Classes: Men's Weekday Bible Studies

Bible Studies on Mondays and Saturdays



Starting on August 9 at 5:30 p.m., the Monday Men's Bible Study will start back. We meet in the church parlor for a time of study and fellowship. All men are welcome, from Bible scholars to the man who is just now opening his Bible. Our Saturday morning Men's Bible Study will continue to meet at 7 a.m. in the church parlor.

Come join us as we explore our faith together. If you have any questions, please speak to Rev. Hinkle.

Upcoming Classes: Sundays

ADVENTURES IN MEMBERSHIP (AIM) CLASS

Starts AUGUST 15, during the Sunday school hour

This class is for anyone interested in exploring the history of our Presbyterian Church, what we believe, and what distinguishes us from other believers in the Body of Christ. It is targeted toward those seeking to know more about membership in the Presbyterian Church and what it means to be a Presbyterian. It is not a requirement for membership but is recommended for those who have been visiting and have questions. Or, if you are already a member of FPC Murfreesboro, joining recently or years ago, and feel that you need more information or refresher information, this is the class for you.

Objectives:

- Overview of the development of the Reformed Tradition
- Introduction to the history of the Presbyterian Church USA
- Definition/discussion of the major theological tenets of the Reformed Tradition
- Explanation of the worship and polity of the Presbyterian Church
- Understand the history and ethos of this particular church and its ministry opportunities



WEEK 1 - Introduction of class topics and to each other	J. Hinkle
WEEK 2 – The Reformation – Roots of Presbyterianism	D. Barnes
WEEK 3 – First Presbyterian Church of Murfreesboro: 200 years and tour of church	D. Young
WEEK 4 – Essential Tenets of Reformed Theology	D. Barnes
WEEK 5 – Worship and Polity	D. Barnes
WEEK 6 – Spiritual Gifts and Time and Talent	B. Barnes
WEEK 7 – Introduction to Care Ministry and its Mission	E. Himebaugh
Tour of Adult Sunday School Classes offered	D. Barnes

WRAP-UP: Invited to the Barnes' for social event of fun, food and fellowship (Date to be decided at end of class)

Upcoming Classes: Children's Sunday School



The new Sunday School rotation will begin on August 15, and we still need teachers! For the next three Sundays (August 1, 8, & 15), we will be conducting teacher sign-ups in the foyer. We are hoping to be able to sign up enough people to cover the entire year. Teachers will each serve on a 5-week rotation, and they will only be required to teach two Sundays out of the five. They will serve as teacher assistants during the other three weeks.

The Sunday School Program classes are set up so that one lesson is taught for five weeks, but using a different method each week. There are five themed classrooms in the Sunday School area: The Temple, The Tent Room, The Art Room, The Drama Room, and the Media Room. Teachers will sign up for a particular room, and they will teach only in this room. The students will be divided by age groups, and the classes of students will rotate to a new room each week. Since the teachers will remain in a classroom through which the classes of students rotate, teachers will get to work with each age group.

If you are interested, have questions, or would like to sign up, please speak to those handling the sign-ups on Sunday mornings in the foyer.

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Mission

Special Kids



Welcoming Hope

Presented by Demos' Restaurant

The 11th Annual Special Kids Fundraiser Banquet will be held at Calvary Baptist Church on Tuesday, August 24, 2010. Auction commences at 5:30 p.m. Event commences at 6:30 p.m.

Featuring special guest speaker Brenda Warner, New York Times best-selling author and wife of NFL quarterback, Kurt Warner.

Tuesday, August 24, 2010

Calvary Baptist Church
431 DeJarnett Ln.
Murfreesboro, TN

Event Sponsor: \$1,250 (Receives tickets for 8 guests & priority seating. Receives recognition in marketing and promotions.)

Table Sponsor: \$750 (Receives tickets for 8 guests)

Individual Tickets: \$100

To reserve your table or individual seat, please contact Ginger Warf at gwarf@specialkidstn.com or 615-893-4892.

Are you on Facebook? Join the Event to get updates on the plans and be the first to know inside details!

Pastoral Counseling Centers of Middle Tennessee



The Pastoral Counseling Centers of Middle Tennessee are sponsoring a Festival of Marriage and Family on August 7 at Belle Meade United Methodist Church. Among the many workshops offered are: Developing a Resilient Family, Renew at 60, Prepare to Care: Eldercare 101 for Boomers, 10 Myths of Love and Marriage, etc.

Advance cost is \$25 for couples and families (\$35 at the door). Lunch is \$5. For more information contact Anna Paddon, 217-2760; Ginny Dansby, 848-0373; or Kathy Corlew, 849-9025.



South Dakota Trip

Submitted by Dave Baughman

The mission trip to Oglala, SD was another incredible one. The experience makes a real impact on your heart and soul. We look forward to sharing with you what a great trip this was. Thank you all so much for the prayers and support of this wonderful sharing of God's love.

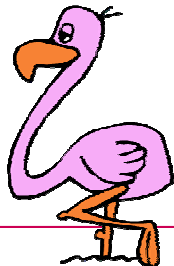
Youth Information



LET THE FLAMINGO WARS BEGIN!!

For all of you birdwatchers out there— be prepared, because birds are coming soon to a yard near you (or maybe even to *your* yard)! The Flamingo Insurance Company has closed its

doors, **so now let the games begin!** Help support your Youth Ministry and the future leaders of our church by sending a couple of lovely birds to some of your family or friends... or to those who may need a lesson or two. Please see Katherine Hailey or sign up at the table located outside the common room. You may phone in your orders to the church. Each flock comes with instructions about how to share the flamingo love. We hope you will help us give these sweet little birdies a home!



YOUTH GROUP

What, When & Where is it?

Youth Group meets downstairs in the Youth Room on Sundays (4:00 -6:45), starting August 8, and on Wednesdays (5:30 -7:00), starting August 11, for lessons, small groups and games.

Who can come?

Youth Group is for 6th-12th graders, so come join the fun!



ATTENTION PARENTS OF YOUTH!

WE NEED YOU!!!!

THERE WILL BE A VERY IMPORTANT YOUTH MEETING HELD ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2010 AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE YOUTH ROOM. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT EACH YOUTH BE REPRESENTED BY AT LEAST ONE PARENT AT THIS MEETING.

Thank You Notes

Dear Tuesday Evening Circle,
 Thank you so much for the love, support, and guidance each of you have provided during this last year. Your gift of the book, *The Noticer* by Andy Andrews, was a wonderful addition to my library. I know that I will re-read it many times and will think of each of you when I do. All of you have meant so much to me through this journey and I look forward to the coming year as God guides all of us through life's adventures.
 In His Name
 Betty Ozbun

Dear All,
 It takes more than donors to create a successful Blood Drive.
 Thank you to the ladies that worked the check-in desk, providers of goodies, hand-holders, and our special entertainer.
 Donors rose from 4 on Tuesday to 54 on Friday. Everyone working together... That's a church family that we are proud to be members of.
 Thank you one and all,
 Doug & Kathy Graham

Thank you for the books!

A big, heartfelt thanks to The Friends of Linebaugh Library for the new books in our church library. Although a number of church members were involved in selecting and transporting the books, it was the generosity of the Friends group that made it possible. We can show our gratitude by donating the books we no longer want, attending their sales and purchasing gifts from "Café Press Store."
 Sincerely,
 Linda Stevens

Presbyterian Student Fellowship (PSF)



Are You Able?

PSF WORK DAY

Submitted by Emily Shacklett

PSF is having a work day on July 31st at 7 a.m. to clean up inside and outside the house before school starts up again.

We would love for you to help us spread the word about this day. The more people we can have help, the better!

I've attached a list of things we'd like to get done that day. I look forward to seeing many people out at PSF that day!

Please email me back if you have any questions (e.shacklett@comcast.net).

Thank you!



Task	Equipment	Tools	Persons
Yard: Trim/Clean out under trees	N/A	Pruning shears Axes Chain Saw?	multiple
Yard: Cut overhanging limbs	N/A	Pruning shears Axes Chain Saw? Extension Ladders Rope	multiple
Motion Detectors - outside lights	Lights Wire Breaker?	Hand tools Drill	1 Electrician 1-2 helpers
Clean Gutters	N/A	Ladders Hose Gloves	2
Install miniblinds	Blinds	Hand tools	1
Paint front stoop	Paint	Powerwash (~1 week prior) Brushes Stirrers Paint trays	2
Paint front jambs and windows	Paint	Brushes Stirrers Paint trays Scrapers	multiple
Box water heater	Wood	Hand tools Drill Saw	2 carpenters
Yard: Pull fence		Shovels Pry bars Wrenches / sockets	2-4
Crawl space / vent holes covered	Plywood Paint Misc Hardware	Hand tools Drill Saw	1-2 carpenter(s)

Presbyterian Women

BABY SHOWER AT EVENING CIRCLE

Evening Circle is pleased to announce a Covered Dish Baby Shower for Lauren Brandon, to be held on Tuesday, August 10 at 5:30 p.m. in the parlor.

Everyone who attends is asked to bring either a main dish or side dish. Cake and beverages will be provided. No gifts are necessary.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN ACTIVITIES

Presbyterian Women meetings won't be starting back until September, but here are some things to keep in mind.

- Keep September 17 open for honorary life member luncheon. Details to follow.
- Remember your secret sister.
- Movies, knitting, and other activities will start back up in September.



Book Review

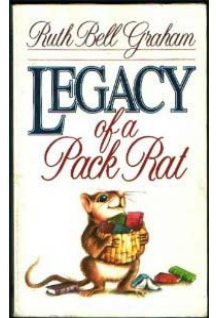
Editor's note: The church library has many books available for loan. Each month, you can find the book reviewed in this section in the display area of the Adult Library. Check-out instructions are on the desk.

Legacy of a Pack Rat

Book review submitted by Sharon Parente

Graham, Ruth B. *Legacy of a Pack Rat*. Nashville, Tenn.: Oliver, Nelson, 1989. Print. (818 G)

Ruth Graham presents a delightful collection of miscellaneous treasures lovingly collected over her lifetime in the form of brief stories, poems, and meditations. Altogether, there are one hundred and thirty-two entries which give an intimate view of the life, thoughts, and faith of the woman behind the famous man. Offerings include, "Encouragement," "Falling Flat on One's Face," "The Awful, Patient Ways of God," "God Has No Answering Service," "John 17 and Me," "They've Got More Money," "The Possibilities in Family Prayer," "The Bootblack and the Ph.D.," and "God is Ingenious." Ruth Graham even covers predestination in ".....On Being 'Chosen'":



"In college we had long, lively, and inconclusive debates on 'free will' versus predestination'. Then I read where John Newton told of an old woman who, on hearing a group of ministers discussing predestination, said, 'Ah! I have long settled that point; for if God had not chosen me before I was born, I am sure He would have seen nothing in me to have chosen me afterwards.'"

This book is a perfect summer read for busy Christians and can easily be used as a daily devotional. *Legacy of a Pack Rat* is one of fourteen books authored or co-authored by Ruth Bell Graham who passed away at age eighty-seven in June 2007. Although married for over sixty years to one of the nation's most famous Baptists, she remained a lifelong Presbyterian.

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Additions to the Library

New on the Shelves and ready for check-out:

1. Beck, Glenn, Kevin Balfe, and Jason F. Wright. *The Christmas Sweater*. New York: Threshold Editions, 2008. Print. (813.6 B)
2. Breakfast with God: Inspirational Thoughts to Start Your Day God's Way. Tulsa, OK: Honor, Print. (291.4 B)
3. Dam, Herman. *Miracles Still Happen*. (252 D)
4. *God's Little Devotional Book for Teens*. Tulsa, OK: Honor, 1999. Print. (242.6 G)
5. Graham, Billy. *Peace with God*. [Nashville, TN.]: W. Pub. Group, a Division of Thomas Nelson, 1984. Print. (230 G)
6. Ragland, Don, and Jackie Ragland. *The Holy Spirit: a Layman's Perspective*. Franklin, TN: Providence House, 2006. Print. (231.3 R)
7. Tenney, Tommy, and Mark Andrew Olsen. *The Road Home*. Minneapolis, Minn: Bethany House, 2007. Print. (813.6 T)
8. Warren, Richard. *The Purpose Driven Church: Growth without Compromising Your Message & Mission*. Grand Rapids, Mich: Zondervan Pub., 1995. Print. (253 W)

August Birthdays

August 1	Aidan Craig, Marie Garner, Matt Peachey
August 3	Melanie Brogli, Robert Brown, Jennings Jones
August 4	Carolyn Strang, Sunya Sprinkle, Meredith Lane Toporyzek
August 5	John Harney III, Devon MacDougal
August 6	Lauren Bales, Michelle Blaylock-Howser, William Harbour, Alex Monk, Mary Catherine Sevier, Lynn Wilhoite
August 7	Steve Ozbun
August 8	Rebecca Jones, C.B. Blohm, David Wright
August 9	Amy Maynard, Matthew Poland
August 10	Ginny Dansby
August 11	Sally Bullock, Janie Hopkins, Kathy Jenkins, Joyce McKinney, Cody Parker
August 12	Chuck Clark, Lydia Green
August 13	Hayley Borasky, Sam Hay
August 14	Kat Coffey, Patsy Coleman, Bobby Corcoran, John Goodman
August 15	Clayton Elrod, Lionel Tesi, Claire Wilson
August 16	Daniel Campbell, Randall Davis, Craig Haven, Christopher Wehofer
August 17	Trudy Greer, Mary Parrish
August 18	Reagan Lannom
August 19	Shirley Favre, Bill Tyner, Alex Panter
August 20	Iris Grim, John Richmond, Susan Steen, Marty White, Wendy White
August 21	Emily Coffey, George Gardner
August 22	David Baughman, Ann Nunley, Rebecca Pond, Elaine Winters
August 23	Carter Tillman, Diane Pullium
August 24	Luke Blackwelder, Rhonda Foley, Peggy Miller, Earl Pond III
August 25	Matthew Callaway, Novus Henry
August 26	Sarah-Kate Savage
August 27	Jessee Lopez
August 28	Claudine Davis
August 29	Sue Pond, Nancy Bertrand
August 30	Lyn Wilhoite III, Thomas Gawf
August 31	Beverly Pearson



Anniversaries

Happy Anniversary to...



John & Leila Hinkle on August 1
 Matt & Anna Rannou on August 1
 Shelby & Alicia Lewis on August 5
 Michael & Anne Mayes on August 8
 George & Christine Lombardi on August 9
 Brent & Anna Sledge on August 14
 Matthew & Janet Baldwin on August 16
 Jeff & Jill Lanning on August 18
 Bob & Helen Luster on August 21
 Steve & Kim Mitchell on August 21
 Lendell & Sharon Fitzgerald on August 26
 Richard & Anna Paddon on August 31

Memorials

Designated: Choir Fund

In memory of Jean Parks given by:
 Elizabeth & Spencer Graves

Designated: Organ Fund

In memory of Jean Parks given by:
 Cindy Cliché
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In honor of Dan & Martha Johnson's 50th Wedding Anniversary, Elizabeth and Bill Childress have given a gift.

A gift to the Music Fund at First Presbyterian Church, has been given by the family of Ann Bock Young, honoring the loving care given to her by the following:

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 Jane Janes
 Mary Ann Richardson
 Samuel Jerome Farris

In memory of Alexander Mandrell Shaw given by:
 Sue and Earl Pond





August



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 •No Choir	2 • John Hinkle back in office • Barbara out of office	3 Barbara back in office •Staff Mtg. at 10:30 • Fellowship Mtg. at 5:30. •Other team mtgs.	4 •4:45 Youth meet at church for Red Robin & Laser Tag (time may be made earlier)	5	6	7 •Men's Bible Study at 7 am
8 •Called congregational mtg. • Programs Kick-Off •Quakers at 2:30	9 •First full day of school •Men's Bible Study Begins at 5:30 •Pat in office	10 Time Sheets Due •Staff Mtg. 10:00 •Care at 1 •COM at 4 •Evening Circle	11 •Ministry Reports Due •First Wonderful Wednesday Back! All choirs, except youth, start.	12 •Pat out of office. Will be back in office next week.	13	14 •Men's Bible Study at 7 am
15 AIM Class •Parent Info Mtg at 9:30 •Baptism at 11: Blackwelder •New S.S. year starts •Choirs return. Youth choir starts.	16 • Newsletter Deadline • Men's Bible Study at 5:30	17 •Staff Mtg at 10:30 • 12n Domestic Violence Luncheon • 6 pm Service of Wholeness •Session at 6:30	18 •Wonderful Wednesday •Room in the Inn at 6 pm	19	20	21 •Men's Bible Study at 7 am
22 •AIM Class •Ice Cream Social •Quakers at 2:30	23 •Preschool Open House 9-11 am •Men's Bible Study at 5:30	24 •Preschool Starts. Half Day: 8:30-10:30 am •Staff Mtg. at 10:30 •Adam's Place at 1:30	25 •Wonderful Wednesday •Preschool Half Day: 8:30-10:30 am	26 •Time Sheets Due •Preschool Half Day: 8:30-10:30 am	27	28 •Men's Bible Study at 7 am
29 •AIM Class	30 •MTSU starts back •Men's Bible Study at 5:30	31 •Staff Mtg. at 10:30				

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- **August 8** – Starting on August 8, we will begin a year-long preaching series “A Journey through the Bible.” We will explore, from Genesis to Revelation, how God’s Word is working in our lives. The series will finish up on June 26, 2011.
- **August 11** – Wednesday, August 11, will kick off the beginning of Wonderful Wednesday. Already, amazing classes* are being planned as we focus on God’s Word coming alive in our lives.
- **September 5 through September 26** – Sunday, September 5, begins our season of Stewardship. This Stewardship theme is entitled “Becoming a Brother.” During these four weeks we look at the life of Joseph as we explore what it means to trust God in all things.

*There are a number of new classes that will begin in August, each focusing on a specific topic or age group. The new Sunday School Class rotation will begin on August 15 (and they are still asking for more teachers!).

A listing of the new classes starts on page 6.

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