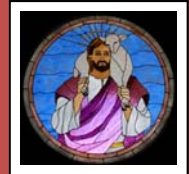




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Wendy Christianson to do Field Training at GSPC

As you may have heard, our own Wendy Christianson will be doing her second Field Education assignment with Good Shepherd. She will be arriving in St. George at the end of May and be with us until the beginning of August.

We welcome Wendy back home and look forward to growing in our faith with her this summer.

As you also may know, Wendy writes a column for our Newsletter every couple of months. Below is her column for this month.

Wendy's Window



Hello friends at Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church. Thank you for your prayers, encouragement and support as I have navigated the waters of this second challenging year at Princeton Theological Seminary.

The year has flown by. My time was spent attending lectures, writing papers, reading and researching in the new PTS library, singing with the PTS choirs, taking countless train and subway rides to my Field Education site in New York City, leading worship, teaching classes, and worshipping in Miller Chapel as well as (and in spite of spending 10 years living on the Arctic Coast of Alaska) complaining about the excessive amount of snow on the East Coast this year.

My favorite class during this Spring semester is called Missional Theology. The professor, Dr. Darrel Guder, emphasizes the importance of recognizing that, as the Christian Church, we are called to be witnesses to the Gospel. Based on the readings of theologian Karl Barth, in Church Dogmatics, Dr. Guder identifies the Christian church as a community which is gathered and equipped by the Holy Spirit to be sent into the world to proclaim, through words and action, God's great love for all in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Each day, we are given new opportunities to learn and grow in discipleship. What a privilege it is to proclaim John 3:16 or sing Stainer's "For God So Loved the World." It is truly good news for all!

This summer, I am happy to say, I will be in St. George from May 26, 2014, to August 1, 2014, at Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church, completing a 10 week Field Education placement as a student intern under the supervision and guidance of the Session and Dr. Rev. Ralph Clingan. I look forward to spending time with you and am grateful for the opportunity to serve, learn and grow.

I look forward to seeing you at the end of the month and wish all of you all the Best!

Wendy

Prayer Concerns

Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it
John 14:13-14

| | |
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| Carolynn Thomas | Marilyn Carney |
| Bob Prinselaar | Ted & Liz Larsen |
| Alyce Kremkau | Lyn Jacobzek |
| Jim Coupethwaite | Jerry Hayes |

Wendy Christianson as she continues her studies for the ministry
Our sister congregation in Dorogobuzh, Russia
Those Serving Our Country

Ruling Elders Monthly Scriptures

Each month at our stated Session meetings, our Teaching and Ruling Elders are invited to share any scripture that has spoken to their hearts in the previous month as part of their report. I encourage our congregation, as part of their prayer life for the congregation, our Session and Pastor, to review their selections and continue to uphold them and one another in prayer.

The scriptures for April were:

| | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Rev. Ralph | Romans 8:37-39 | No separation |
| Elder Ruth Ann Horvath | Hebrews 4:16 | Grace with boldness |
| Elder Carolynn Jentzer | Isaiah 61:10-11 | I will rejoice |
| Elder Amy Craig | John 15:1-8 | True Vine |
| Elder Chris Schleiter | Isaiah 35:7-9 | A Holy Way |
| Elder Scott Florence | Matthew 6:25-27 | Do not worry |
| Elder Pebble Mowery | John 19:32-37 | Lord's Heart |
| Elder Jim Horvath | Matthew 6:33 | Seek God's Kingdom |
| Elder Gay Cunningham | 2 Corinthians 3: 7-18 | Glory of the New Covenant |

Welcome New Members

If you are interested in joining our fellowship, please see Rev. Ralph or Session Clerk Ruth Ann Horvath

Deadline for June Newsletter

May 25, 2014

Worship Schedule

8:45 – 9:00 am
Service of Morning Prayer and Holy Communion - Sanctuary

9:00 – 9:45 am
Adult Education with Rev. Ralph
CE Building
What Each Gospel Says To Us (And Why)

10:15 am
Children's Sunday School

10:30 am
Traditional Worship - Sanctuary

11:45 am
Fellowship Time

Thanks to our Volunteers

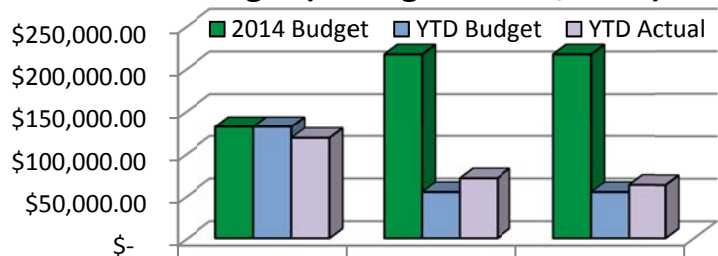
| | Flowers | Fellowship |
|-------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| May | | |
| May 4 | Dick & Patti Babb | Eliza & John Elwood |
| May 11 | Shirley Taylor | <i>Available</i> |
| May 18 | <i>Available</i> | <i>Available</i> |
| May 25 | Ann Hogan | <i>Clingan Family</i> |
| June | | |
| June 1 | John & Ruth Combes | Fellowship |
| June 8 | <i>Available</i> | <i>Available</i> |
| June 15 | Molly Bass | <i>Available</i> |
| June 22 | Dick & Patti Babb | <i>Available</i> |
| June 29 | Dave & Anne Patten | <i>Available</i> |

Signup on the boards between the narthex and the Fellowship Hall or on our Website gspsq.org

Treasurer's Report

| General Fund | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| As of March 31, 2014 | |
| March | |
| Receipts | \$ 33,203.65 |
| Expenditures | \$ 17,776.84 |
| 2014 Budget vs Actual | |
| Budgeted Receipts | \$ 216,636.00 |
| Actual Receipts | \$ 70,228.44 |
| Budgeted Expenditures | \$ 216,636.00 |
| Actual Expenditures | \$ 62,553.29 |
| Building Fund | |
| Building Fund Cash | \$ 69,679.38 |
| Loan Balance | \$ 173,186.96 |
| Net Building Fund | \$ (103,507.58) |
| Fund Balances | |
| General Fund | \$ 16,974.60 |
| Memorial Fund | \$ 2,636.54 |
| Capital Reserve Fund | \$ 29,307.58 |

2014 Budget (through Mar 31, 2014)



| | Pledges | Income | Expense |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 2014 Budget | \$131,107.00 | \$216,636.00 | \$216,636.00 |
| YTD Budget | \$131,107.00 | \$54,159.00 | \$54,159.00 |
| YTD Actual | \$117,838.00 | \$70,288.44 | \$62,553.29 |

Pastor's Page

And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ;

Ephesians 4:11-12 - New American Standard Bible (NASB)

Rev. Ralph's Food for Thought



Welcome Wendy Christianson!

This summer Good Shepherd will, for the first time in its history, serve as a field education site for a field education student. As many of you know Wendy is a member of our congregation who two years ago began the process of becoming an ordained Presbyterian Minister of the Word and Sacrament.

The first step in that process was for our Session and Presbytery to enroll Wendy as an inquirer and for Wendy to begin her master's degree work at an approved theological seminary. Wendy chose, applied, was accepted and began her work at Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, New Jersey. PTS requires that, during their student's course work, two field education experiences must take place, one during the school year and the second during the summer.

This past year Wendy completed her first field education assignment at Brick Presbyterian Church of New York City, and this summer she will complete the second portion of the requirement by serving as our field education student at Good Shepherd. In working through this process with Wendy, our church is now an official PTS field education site and your pastor a PTS certified field education supervisor.

While with us Wendy will have the opportunity to experience the full range of pastoral duties and experiences, (with the exception of Exercise with Rev. Ralph☺). Wendy will be joining us at the end of May and will serve until mid-August.

Welcome Wendy!

*In Christ,
Rev. Ralph*

Please Join Us

You are cordially invited to an open house at Rev. Clingan's residence on May 3, 2014, from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm in celebration of Jefferson Clingan's graduation from Southern Utah University the previous day. All are invited to bring a snack to pass and beverage of choice. Gifts are neither required nor expected.

****Home Communion****

If you have difficulty getting to worship and would like to have the Visitation Pastor or Pastor serve you the Lord's Supper at home, please call Amy in the church office (628-9158).

****Pastor Note Regarding Hospital Visitation: ****

Please keep in mind that with the federal laws that went into force a number of years ago, hospitals are no longer allowed to give out any information in regards to patients to visitors, including clergy. Unless a visitor requests a specific name, the hospital desk is not allowed to give out any information, including religious affiliation.

So, if you or a family member is hospitalized please alert the Pastor, your Deacon, or the church office. Otherwise, we will not be informed of your presence there and unable to assist or offer pastoral care.

The Acts 16:5 Initiative

"Day after day the congregations became stronger in faith and larger in size." (Acts 16:5)

Act With Great Boldness

By Anne Clifton Hébert, pastor of the Garland Presbyterian Church of Garland, Texas

The Apostle Paul writes in his letter to the people in the church at Corinth:

Since, then, we have such a hope (in Christ), we act with great boldness. - 2 Corinthians 3:12

Sometimes when a church begins the Acts 16:5 Initiative, members of the congregation wonder about what the Initiative is and what it involves. As our congregation experienced at one point, some people felt like they were being left out of the process. Perhaps you are a person in the camp of wondering what this Initiative offers. Some of the questions that are at the basis of the Initiative are questions like ones that follow – questions that are troubling the church today:

There have been major shifts in our culture that require us to think differently about the effectiveness of the church. Three critical changes are especially important where the church is concerned:

- 1) The culture has definitely shifted away from a church-centered society.
- 2) We are in the most musically diverse age in the history of humanity.
- 3) The demands required to cope with life appear to be on the increase.

In other words, the way we have "done church" in the past is not working to attract people to the faith. The way most of us were trained to lead in the years past was not bad! But without the church being at the center of society, people do not make commitment to a congregation a priority any more. In fact, one-third of the adult population in this country has not attended any type of church service or activity, other than a funeral or wedding, in the last six months.

Basically, the Acts 16:5 Initiative helps us think through how we might be the most effective congregations for Jesus Christ in the new millennium. And there is no need for anyone to feel left out, because there is plenty to learn and do! One thing a Session and the Acts 16:5 initiative Leadership Team of a church could do is to study the book, *Twelve Dynamic Shifts for Transforming Your Church*, by E. Stanley Ott. As the circle of people is enlarged after reading the book, church conversations spread to more people. Then, a church widens the circle of people who are wondering about where God is working and how God wants their particular church to thrive. In addition, sometimes opening the door for people to ask questions is the beginning of a congregation seeing the transparency of the Initiative.

Stan Ott puts it this way in thinking about a future vision for the church, "We have not yet experienced this congregation's greatest ministry. Let us bless what God has done among us and add the ministry we believe will touch another circle of people." (*Twelve Dynamic Shifts...p. 6*)

Frankly, I am sickened by the loss of membership churches are experiencing. I want to do something about it. I hope you will join the Vital Churches Institute in the exploration of the culture in which we find ourselves and the uncharted territory of being Christ's disciples in such a culture. In my opinion, like members of the early church, it is time for us to "act with great boldness!"

Courtesy of The Vital Churches Institute



Choir Notes

Psalm 95:2 says: *"Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song."* From September through the special seasons of the year, the Chancel and Bell choirs have had an outstanding year. I hope you have received a spiritual blessing from the music as much as I have received in directing. What a joy it has been!

The choirs will take a break during the summer months, but you can look forward to special music provided every Sunday by soloists and small ensembles.

A sincere "Thank You" goes to every member of the choirs for their faithfulness and hard work in preparing selections for every service and concert.

God's Blessings!

Barbara McConnell
Music Director

Christian Education

Rev. Ralph's Adult Class will resume on May 4. The class immediately follows the Morning Prayer and Communion service which takes place in the sanctuary at 8:45 am. The class will meet in the CE building and will begin a monthly series on the 4 Gospels.

Did you know that the Gospels are not identical and each differs from the other in theme and origin? Come explore what each Gospel says to us and why, beginning May 4

In Christian Love
Catherine Overkamp and the Christian Education Committee

Deacons

I want to remind you that if you have a need for care or support, please contact your Deacon – that's what we're here for! If you don't know who your Deacon is, please see me or give Amy a call in the office – we'll be happy to point you in the right direction.

Also, please remember that pretty much everything you might need after a hospital or rehab visit is available from the Deacon's Shed. Please contact Bob Morgan if you need to borrow something.

Tineke Ingold

Fellowship

He has risen! Spring has come at last!

Almost 100 people joined us for Easter Lunch. There was plenty of food and lots of good visiting. Many thanks to you for bringing dishes to share. Many thanks, too, to the volunteers who set up, served and cleaned up our feast. I hope everyone had a great time.

I am glad that I had already ordered new coffee pots before our "coffee pot malfunctions" on Easter. They are ready to use now. There are new instructions for making the coffee which will be posted on the inside of the door to the cabinet with the coffee. These pots are quicker than the old ones, so they should be a perfect addition to the kitchen.

I will be gathering all the information about using the kitchen into a single manual so that everyone will be able to use our facilities more easily without having to hunt for directions.

We are looking forward to a quiet time until Bike and Build comes in July.

Carolyn Jentzer

Mission/Outreach

If you have serviceable old shoes that you no longer need or use, please bring them to church! This year, we will be participating in the Paired Shoe Brigade, operated by TerraCycle. They will take the shoes and re-sell them at very low cost in developing countries. The following types of paired shoes are accepted through the Paired Shoe Brigade: **Pairs** of women's, men's, and children's shoes, which may include athletic sneakers, fashion or casual sneakers, dress shoes, flats, high heels, boots, and cleats.

Mission/Outreach, continued

We will be collecting shoes beginning May 4 and continuing until June 8. If you're leaving us for the summer but wish to contribute, you can give us your shoes at any time and we'll be sure they get included with our donation.

We made our first contribution of Change for Change to Habitat for Humanity at the end of April. As a congregation, we raised \$279 and donated a stud to the Women's Build home to be built later this year. Please continue to drop your spare change in the Change for Change box in the Narthex. We'll make sure it gets to Habitat to support their efforts to ensure that affordable housing is available in our community.

Once again, we thank God for allowing us to spread his Word through our works.

Chris Schleiter

Parish Nursing Ministry

Brown Bag Lunch – March 26

At our Brown Bag Lunch on March 26, Scott Condie Certified Physician's Assistant from Southwest Skin & Cancer talked about skin problems, the different types of skin cancer, and answered questions for about 30 minutes, then he invited anyone interested to have him examine any skin concerns, and he advised as to whether the area was of concern or not.

Skin cancer generally falls into one of three varieties:

1. Basal cell carcinoma — the most common type, usually slow growing and easily removed
 - a. seldom metastasizes to other body areas
 - b. the problem is usually where they occur and whether scarring is a problem (on the face, for example) and/or plastic surgery is needed
 - c. often caused by prolonged sun or tanning bed exposure
2. Squamous Cell Carcinoma — about 25% of the number of basal cell lesions, a small number do become invasive (spread)
 - a. frequently ulcerate in the center
 - b. long-term, cumulative sun exposure is the most common cause,
3. Melanoma — the most serious skin cancer
 - a. can be life-threatening if allowed to advance
 - b. usually brown-black or multi-colored plaques or nodules with irregular outline
 - c. may crust or bleed
 - d. look for warning signs of asymmetry, border irregularity, color variation, diameter (usually large), evolving or changing.

Actinic keratoses are pre-cancers caused by the sun, usually appear as small, crusty or scaly bumps, most are benign but some can develop into invasive squamous cell carcinomas if untreated.

Anne Patten

Prayer Chain

I would ask anyone in the congregation that would like to join in prayers for the ill, people with problems, or those with happy news like a mending body to please contact Louise Routh at 628-7725 or on her cell 229-4733.

All prayers are important.

Louise Routh

Presbyterian Women

The rummage sale was a BIG success.

A very special thanks to Evelyn Morgan and Nancy and George Linden for their endless hours of preparation for the sale, collecting the items, sorting, pricing and storing them, planning the event, getting the volunteers, setting it up, running the sale and cleaning up.

Presbyterian Women, continued

Special thanks also to Donna Beasley for running the kitchen, making the Sloppy Joes with her volunteers to provide a tasty lunch for all and cleaning up quickly this year for a funeral reception. Thanks to all who volunteered without whom it wouldn't have been successful.

Mitzi Rak

Senior Ministries

April has been a slow month for Senior Ministries, but we have an upcoming event on Wednesday, May 7 at Noon in Conklin Fellowship Hall! Our own Dick Higgins will speak to us on the Hurricane Mesa Test Site. We are looking forward to his presentation. There will not be a tour included this year, but Dick has his own DVD of the site where he once worked.

On August 13, our own Col. Preston Hughes, (USA RET) will discuss international affairs, specifically Turkey.

We are thinking that we will also have presentations in June and July, so be on the look-out for more information!

Want to be a speaker or recommend somebody with our congregation? Let Pebble Mowery or Anne Patten or Rev. Ralph know! We have a list and it is growing.

Pebble Mowery

Session News

Session held their regular monthly meeting on April 8, 2014. Here is a synopsis of the actions:

- Karen A. Kirkland joined by letter of transfer from Mingus View Presbyterian Church.
- Approved a pulpit exchange with Cedar City Presbyterian Church on May 18, 2014.
- Wendy Christianson will be doing her internship this summer at Good Shepherd Presbyterian.
- Approved piano tuning and purchase of one additional Bell Choir table, pad and cover.
- Approved the purchase of a cabinet for the new AED (defibrillator) in the CE building.

Ruth Ann Horvath
Clerk of Session

Stephen Ministry

Consider Becoming a Stephen Minister

As you probably know the Stephen Leaders have been in the process of recruiting members from our congregation to become Stephen Ministers. We have several people who have already decided to become one of our Ministers. We need several more. The training process is intense and it behooves us to train as many Ministers as we can assemble for a training session. For one thing it makes it easier due to the nature of the training to have more people in the class. It also makes it more fun. Yes I said the training is intense but it is also rewarding, instructional and fun. These trained skills will remain with you the rest of your lives long after you have retired from the Stephen Ministry. I ask you all to consider accepting this challenge. There are people, right now, who are in need of your caring skills.

What is Stephen Ministry? It is a distinctly Christian caring ministry in which clergy and lay people work together to provide quality one-on-one care to meet the needs of people experiencing a wide range of life circumstances or crises.

What is a Stephen Minister? They are lay people who have been trained through the Stephen Ministry Series in the theology of caring and in specific caring skills.

What Stephen Ministers do.

- Provide quality one-on-one ministry as trained, caring church members reaching out to others in time of need.
- Engage in a caregiving relationship that focuses on the unique needs of one person and lasts as long as those needs exist.
- Receive support, guidance, and supervision from Stephen Leaders and from each other in order to maintain effective Christian care to others.

Stephen Ministry, continued

All who have decided to become Stephen Ministers and those who will now consider this wonderful step into the future of caring will be asked to fill out an application form and return it to Rev. Ralph. These forms are available from Anne Patton and Bob McGrath.

We anticipate this new class will start in June of this year.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Bob McGrath – Stephen Leader

Stewardship

Pledge Update

Thank you so much to all of you who have given and continue give to the work of the church. Through April 27th we received pledges of \$117,838.00 with \$54,097.00 paid and loose offerings of \$25,039.18. The building fund has pledges of \$68,881.00 and we've received \$52,065.00 against those pledges and loose offerings of \$25,194.00!

Thank you for your generous support to One Great Hour of Sharing; \$708 was donated to this special offering.

What's the Worry?

Jesus knows our nature. He knows we're prone to worry. Perhaps that's why he warned:

"Therefore, I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your Heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?" (Matthew 6:25-27)

In spite of these words of both admonition and assurance, Christians still tend to worry. Sometimes worry about the ability to provide for our families takes over our lives to such an extent that it guides our thoughts and actions. We put off giving to the Lord through our church – "temporarily," we say – until we feel secure in our financial situations. Life, as you know, seems to throw one crisis after another at us, and, often, that financial security never comes.

We have the same worry when it comes to serving. We complain that we just don't have time. We work long hours, and then we have commitments to our families. How can we go to meetings or make meals for a family whose mom is sick?

Later, we tell God and even ourselves. Later, when the college tuitions are paid and the kids are out of the house. Then we'll have time and money. But then, after all that hard work, don't I deserve to get away and take a nice, long cruise?

We reap what we sow, we read in 2 Corinthians 9:6. What are you sowing? Proverbs 11:18 reads,

"He who sows righteousness reaps a sure reward." Matthew 6:19-21 records Jesus' words, "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on Earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in Heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Is it forgetfulness of God's promises or lack of faith that keeps us stuck in this pattern of giving all for our physical, temporal lives instead of storing up treasures in Heaven. Take God at his Word: give generously, serve without reward, take time to help others, and watch him satisfy your every need. © Copyright Parish Publishing, LLC

Quick Stewardship Quote

"God's work done in God's way will never lack for funds. Generosity is contagious. God never promised to meet our budget, only our needs." J. Hudson Taylor

Amy Craig

MAY 2014

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|---|--|--|---|---|--|
| | | | | 1 No Exercise with Rev. Ralph 11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Cracker Barrel 3:45 pm Chancel Choir | 2 7:45 am Men's Bible Study @ Bishop's | 3 2:00 pm Open House celebrating Jeff to Clingan's graduation 5:00 pm from SUU @ Rev. Ralph's |
| 4 Dixie Care & Share 8:45 am Prayer Service 9:00 am Adult Education 10:30 am Communion Worship 11:45 am Fellowship 5:00 pm Bible Study @Clingan's Home | 5 1:00 pm Shawl Ministry | 6 9:30 am Staff Meeting 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph | 7 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Promenade Bakery 12:00 Noon Soup & Bread Fellowship – Dick Higgins on Hurricane Mesa Test Site 1:00 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision Group Meeting | 8 11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Cracker Barrel 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph 3:45 pm Chancel Choir | 9 7:45 am Men's Bible Study @ Bishop's | 10 |
| 11 Mother's Day 8:45 am Prayer Service 9:00 am Adult Education 10:30 am Worship 11:45 am Fellowship 11:45 am Blood Pressures Taken 5:00 pm Bible Study @Clingan's Home | 12 1:00 pm Shawl Ministry | 13 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph 5:15 pm Session Meeting | 14 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Promenade Bakery 6:30 pm Safe Harbor Support Group | 15 11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Cracker Barrel 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph 3:45 pm Chancel Choir | 16 7:45 am Men's Bible Study @ Bishop's | 17 |
| 18 8:45 am Prayer Service 9:00 am Adult Education 10:30 am Worship 11:45 am Fellowship 5:00 pm Bible Study @Clingan's Home | 19 1:00 pm Shawl Ministry | 20 10:00 am Building Committee Meeting 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph | 21 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Promenade Bakery 1:30 pm Parish Nursing Meeting | 22 11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Cracker Barrel 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph 3:45 pm Chancel Choir | 23 7:45 am Men's Bible Study @ Bishop's | 24 |
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Bell Choir Rehearsals ended in April. Chancel Choir Rehearsals end May 22. Have a GREAT summer!

PLEASE NOTE: This calendar is subject to change. Always check the church website gspcsg.org for the latest information.

Congregation News

Alyce Kremkau moves to Washington State

Alyce Kremkau has moved to Washington State to continue her treatments and be nearer to her family. If you would like to have contact information for Alyce, please call Amy in the church office.

Remembering Gene Carney

We were saddened by the death of Gene Carney on April 15. Gene and Marilyn joined our church in January of 1995 and, for many years; Gene was our representative to Dixie Care and Share. His "Carney" sense of humor and funny stories will be carried on with the next generation. We will miss Gene and our thoughts and prayers are with Marilyn and the family. In Gene's honor, we dedicated our monthly Dixie Care & Share donation to his memory.

Lectionary Readings for May

| Date | Reading 1 | Reading 2 | Reading 3 |
|---|---|-------------------|---------------|
| Sunday, May 4 3rd Sunday of Easter | Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 | 1 Peter 1:17-23 | Luke 24:13-35 |
| Sunday, May 11 4th Sunday of Easter | Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 23 | 1 Peter 2:19-25 | John 10:1-10 |
| Sunday, May 18 5th Sunday of Easter | Acts 7:55-60 Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 | 1 Peter 2:2-10 | John 14:1-14 |
| Sunday, May 25 6th Sunday of Easter | Acts 17:22-31 Psalm 66:8-20 | 1 Peter 3:13-22 | John 14:15-21 |
| Thursday, May 29 Ascension of the Lord | Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47 or Psalm 93 | Ephesians 1:15-23 | Luke 24:44-53 |

Lectionary Readings for June

| Date | Reading 1 | Reading 2 | Reading 3 |
|---|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| Sunday, June 1 7th Sunday of Easter | Acts 1:6-14 Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 | 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11 | John 17:1-11 |
| Sunday, June 8 Day of Pentecost | Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b | 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21 | John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39 |
| Sunday, June 15 Trinity Sunday | Genesis 1:1-2:4a Psalm 8 | 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 | Matthew 28:16-20 |
| Sunday, June 22 2nd Sunday After Pentecost 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time | <i>Semicontinuous</i> Genesis 21:8-21 Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17 <i>Complimentary</i> Jeremiah 20:7-13 Psalm 69:7-10 [11-15] 16-18 | Romans 6:1b-11 | Matthew 10:24-39 |
| Sunday, June 29 3rd Sunday After Pentecost 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time | <i>Semicontinuous</i> Genesis 22:1-14 Psalm 13 <i>Complimentary</i> Jeremiah 28:5-9 Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18 | Romans 6:12-23 | Matthew 10:40-42 |



Easter Lilies Given In Memory or In Honor of

Jan Dunham
Ann Abbott
Carl & Donna Beasley
Rev. Dr. Ralph Clingan & Cindy Clingan
Gay Cunningham
Larry & Nancy Gearhart
Lorna Hammond
Fred Hampton & Dorothy Nichols
Jan Hirschi
Karen Kirkland
Barbara McConnell
Dennis & Carolyn Nichols
Paul & Charlotte Phipps, & Laura Sanda
Chris Schleiter

Flowers on the cross in memory of husband Don Dunham
In memory of Mr. & Mrs. O. J. Schmelzel
In memory of George M. Gavern
In memory of Rev. Robert L & Marjorie Clingan & Ruth Clingan, & Tracey Allen
In memory of Gary Cunningham, Tom Burnett, Ollie Cunningham, & Melvin Burnett
In honor of parents
In memory of parents Hugo & Beulah Osterberg
In memory of brother and son, Steve
In memory of mother Donna Aurand
In memory of father Rev. Ed Thomas
In memory of Richard & Devin McConnell
In memory of Kathryn Nichols
In memory of The Rev. Dr. & Mrs. Charles E. Kirsch, Elma R. Phipps & Francis H. Phipps
In memory of John & Shirley Schleiter

Regularly Scheduled Activities

Dixie Care & Share – contributions of money & food – 1st Sunday of each Month

Safe Harbor Support Group – 2nd Wednesday of each Month – 6:30 pm in the CE Building

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| Shawl Ministry | Monday | 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm | Conklin Hall |
| Exercise with Rev. Ralph | Tuesday | 3:00 pm to 3:30 pm | Conklin Hall |
| | Thursday | 3:00 pm to 3:30 pm | Conklin Hall |
| Co-Ed Bible Study | Sunday | 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm | Rev. Ralph's home |
| Women's Bible Studies | Tuesday | 11:00 am to 12:00 Noon | The Egg & I |
| | Wednesday | 11:00 am to 12:00 Noon | Paradise Bakery @Promenade Mall |
| Men's Bible Studies | Thursday | 11:00 am to 12:00 Noon | The Cracker Barrel Restaurant |
| | Friday | 7:45 am to 8:45 am | Bishop's Restaurant |
| Choir Practices | Tuesday | 3:45 pm — Bell Choir | On Summer Vacation until August |
| | Thursday | 3:45 pm Chancel Choir | |



Building Fund Update

As you all know, we have a mortgage payment of \$1,343.51 due each month. The mortgage has a principal of \$184,117 and a 15 year term which means that if it goes for its full term (although we hope to continue our tradition of paying off our mortgages early), we will pay a total of \$241,831.80. We also need to replenish the \$45,000 that was in the fund when we began the project meaning we need to raise almost \$287,000.

Through April 27th, we had received pledges totaling \$68,881.00 and cash donations of \$25,194.00 for a total of \$94,075.00 or about 32.8% of the way to the \$287,000 goal.

If you have pledged to the building fund, thank you. If you have not yet made a pledge, please prayerfully consider how you can help us to pay off the mortgage early and free funds to be used for additional improvements that we need to make.

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Church Leadership 2014

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| Class of 2014 | Mary Contreras | 673-9745 | Worship |
| | Gay Cunningham | 652-3654 | Growth |
| | Jim Horvath | 773-6790 | Facilities |
| Class of 2015 | Ruth Ann Horvath | 773-6790 | Clerk of Session |
| | Carolyn Jentzer | 673-0442 | Fellowship |
| | Pebble Mowery | 673-9185 | Senior Ministries |
| | Chris Schleter | 627-9048 | Mission/Outreach |
| Class of 2016 | Amy Craig | 592-0246 | Stewardship |
| | Scott Florence | 688-2624 | Grounds |
| | Cathy Overkamp | 703-8257 | Christian Ed |

Deacons

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| Moderator | Tineke Ingold |
| Class of 2014 | Dottie Malcolmson, Judy Stringham, Tineke Ingold, Anne Patten |
| Class of 2015 | Don Fennell, Shirley Fennell, Fred Hampton, Jan Hirschi, Janice Klein, Bob Morgan, Evelyn Morgan, Shirley Fromknecht |
| Class of 2016 | Ann Abbott, Barbara Henstrom, Scott Henstrom |



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