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Return Service Requested

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

June 29, 2008

Ushers

8:45

Eric Schwartz- Head Usher
Clark Windle Breck Bennett
Don Black

11:00

Jerry Patterson—Hed Usher
Darby Washeck Linda Washeck
Penny Palumbo Janel Okafor

Parking Lot Greeters

Jerry Dressler Gayle Rumbleck

Please remember in prayer

Betty Aubert
Gary and Nancy Black
Esther Boatman, Kathy Uzzle's mom
Jim Brewster
Jennie Childress, friend of Paula Kusewitt
Pam Combs, friend of Sheila Hammer
Lynette Copeland, friend of Julia Walker
Lois Dandridge, friend of Susan Mathews
Jeff Dixon, brother of Kirk Dixon
Karen Dixon
Margaret Green, friend of Susan Mathews
Adam Fort, son of Doug and Jan Fort
Frances Hair, mother of Phil Johnson
Billy Harp, friend of Ken Johnson
Debbie Justice, friend of the Leakes and Hoffmans
Virginia Ledbetter, friend of Hope Sheppard
Cheryl Martin
Jerry McBain
Ron & Wanda McDougle, parents of Ronda Scott
Linda Miller, mother of Jan Fort
The family of Leroy Moore, friends of the Rumblecks
Michelle Nall, sister of Karen Carboni
Syble Roberts, sister-in-law of Grace Roberts
Dave Rumbleck
The Sheppard family
Clay Smith, son of Bob and Beth Smith
Justin Taylor, nephew of Jerry & Harriet Jones
Steve Tyler, friend of Bob & Maurine Robinson
Laura Virgil
Garret Whitaker, grandson of friend of Melba Jeffus



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From the Pastor . . .

I have mentioned on a number of occasions that I am often deeply touched and moved by the commitment of many lay people. I could give many examples of that which would include many people in the church. But one example is the DCE Search Committee which is putting in a lot of hours in the search process. It is an excellent committee. The committee had a lengthy meeting this past Saturday afternoon during which two candidates were interviewed, and they had an interview with another applicant after church last Sunday. They have also met for phone interviews with other applicants.

The Chairman of the Committee is John Kusewitt, who is our Sunday School Superintendent. The Vice-Chairman is Duane Moon, Chairman of the Christian Education Committee. Other members are Diane Beal, Beverlee Witty, Phil Johnson, Howard Saucier, and one of our senior highs, J.P. Marshall.

During this interim time, we continue to be grateful for people with willing hearts who are helping with children's sermons, children's church, Sunday School, in our ministry with youth and in other areas. I would ask for your continued prayers that we would be led to the right person for our new Director of Christian Education – and that the right person would be led to us.

Vacation Bible School is underway this week, and we are grateful to the directors, teachers and helpers who are part of that.

It was an encouragement to see a good attendance at Sunday School and church last Sunday. It was a good day, and I look forward to seeing you again this Sunday.

Tom Wilbanks

Lemonade on the Lawn



Join us this Sunday after the 11 o'clock service for Lemonade on the Lawn. There will also be cookies and lots of good visiting. Our thanks to the Christian Fellowship Sunday School class for sponsoring the event this time.

This Sunday

This Sunday an octet will sing at 8:45, and the Chancel Choir will sing at 11:00. Dr. Wilbanks will give the sermon "Putting the Fragments of Life Together," based on Matthew 13:1-9; 18-23

Welcome New Members!



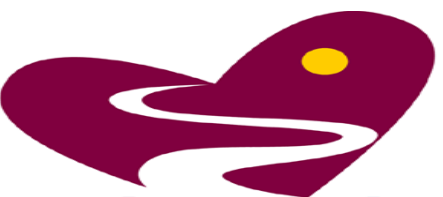
We want to welcome BLAKE and MARY JANE HOLLAND, who joined our church on June 8. They are pictured here with their children, Matthew, Andrew and Rebecca Galindo.



All the men are invited to the Men's Breakfast this Sunday, June 29, at 7:30 a.m. One of our members, Jim Collins, will speak on meeting energy needs through wind power. Come join us for a good breakfast, interesting program, and good fellowship with other men of the church.

Goldenaires Meeting This Thursday, June 26

Join the Goldenaires for fellowship, refreshments, and an interesting program this Thursday morning at 10:30 a.m. in the youth hall. The group will view a section of a DVD, *The Making of the New Testament Canon*, taught by Dr. Bart D. Ehrman, Professor and Chair of the Department of Religious Studies at the University of North Carolina.



PathFinders
Keep your heart on the right path.

**Jr. & Sr. High Youth
Coming Events
Mark your calendar . . .**

Monday, July 28 at 7:35 p.m.
Plan to join us for Grace Presbytery
Youth Night with the Rangers
Texas Rangers vs. Seattle Mariners
Rangers' Ballpark in Arlington
Tickets are \$3

Sunday, August 3, 12:00—8:30 p.m.
Grace Presbytery Beach Celebration Day
At Hawaiian Falls, The Colony
Tickets are \$10

*(Let Howard Saucier know NOW if you want to
go to either of these events as group
reservations have to be made in advance.)*

Our Church Family . . .

It was good to see CAROL EVANS, MARILYN SAAMS, AND JIM BREWSTER back at church last Sunday following recent surgeries. It was also nice to see SANDY COLLINS back at church last Sunday. As mentioned in the last newsletter, she was part of a short-term medical and dental mission trip to Guatemala but became ill after her return.

LOIS DeROO has been at Medical City Hospital and is expected to be back home soon.

Our sympathy is extended to WANDA MOON whose sister, Melba Kennedy, died.

During our 11:00 o'clock worship service on June 8, as part of our observance of Men of the Church Day, our Men's Council presented this year's Church Man of the Year award to HOWARD SAUCIER. The award is always a nice surprise to the recipient. The presentation was made by Patrick Garver, President of our Men's Council. Howard and his wife Anna have been faithful members of our church for 15 years and Howard has served the church in many capacities including as a Deacon and Elder and is currently rendering great help as interim youth director and as a member of the DCE Search Committee.

The condition of KAREN DIXON continues to be serious, and we will want to keep her and her family in our prayers. There is a nice note from Karen on the bulletin board near the church office.

Congratulations to ROBBIE ROBINSON who was chosen as the new head football coach and campus athletic director at Mesquite High School. Robbie and his family have been faithful members of our church for many years. Some may not know that Hanby Stadium is named for Robbie's grandfather, E.H. Hanby, who, along with his wife, was also a faithful member here for years, as are Robbie's parents, Bob and Maurine Robinson. Robbie played football at Mesquite High School, as did his father and grandfather. We extend our best wishes to Robbie in this challenging new job.

Presbyterian Planning Calendars

We still have some of the 18-month Presbyterian Planning Calendars for June 2008-December 2009 in the church office. Cost is \$8.

Part Time Employment Opportunity at Eastfield College

Eastfield College is seeking responsible adults interested in working part time with disabled college students. Students with a variety of disabilities need readers, scribes, and classroom assistants in order to be successful in the college setting. Applicants should be able to read and write at a college level, and must be comfortable working with disabled students. The work is for a semester long duration, with various schedules depending on enrollment.

If interested, contact Cynthia Allen, Sr. Rehabilitation Specialist, Eastfield College, 972-869-8348 or cla4341@dcccd.edu.



Night Circle Ice Cream Social
7:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 8
at the home of Gracy Thomas

So we are to use our different gifts in accordance with the grace that God has given us. If our gift is to speak God's message, we should do it according to the faith that we have; if it is to serve, we should serve; if it is to teach, we should teach; if it is to encourage others, we should do so. Romans 12:6-8

7/1 Diane Beal
7/2 Riley O'Brien
7/8 Dane Patterson
7/9 Marc Carboni
7/9 Janice Robinson
7/10 Brian Scott
7/10 Lonnie Lee
7/10 Scott Patterson
7/11 Karla Wilson
7/11 Dianna McCalmont
7/15 Bryanny Newland
7/16 Shelby Lee
7/16 Drew Farmer
7/17 Camryn Hodgson
7/18 Dianna Greer

7/18 Amanda Mayfield
7/20 Weldon Ballenger
7/21 Dennis Hunt
7/23 Jared Thompson
7/23 Caleb Crelia
7/24 Tyler Ellis
7/24 Leonard Kitchens
7/25 Ann Kyle
7/25 Mary Greer
7/27 Ryan Witty
7/30 Joel Martin
7/30 Patti Bettis
7/31 Allen McCurdy
7/31 Marjorie Bays
Dallas Hebert

Happy Birthday!