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THE BIRD'S NEST

Words such as "Pow", "Bang", "Capowie" are usually associated with comic strips or television captions. But they can be all too real as reality begins to become a "soap opera" played out in our personal experiences. Things we have taken for granted, because that's the way it always seemed to be, can be exploded in an instant by changes of circumstances. Nothing seems certain. Everything is up for grabs in rapid change which has no rhyme nor reason, only the seething despair of volatile existence, which is a lottery spun by selfish and desperate fates controlled by a fickle god. So, many are resigned to say as the Greek Epicureans said, "Eat, drink, and be merry for tomorrow I may die". So what's the use in benign beliefs of faith and hopeful confidence?

The answer to this cynical question is "HE LIVES, JESUS CHRIST LIVES TODAY!" Beloved, our Lord in not imprisoned in the pages of an ancient book known as the Bible. Our God is alive and well, living within the hearts and souls of those He created and loves. That is why when terror or tragedy strikes a blow, we do not become overwhelmed. Instead, we turn our eyes upward to the One who has overcome this world and all its tribulations and life threatening attacks. For no matter what might occur on this earthly sphere, our lives are sustained, strengthened, and preserved eternally because "HE LIVES" in us and through us!

So, Beloved, no matter what shadows of despite and dread the world may cast to darken our spirits and hope, we have God's Omnipotent Son's Light to burn through any such earthly fog of despairing circumstances. Let His love light be ignited in you as well during these unpredictable and dangerous times that we become His torch bearers to all who may reside in darkness!

"I am the Light of the world.....I have told you these things that you may have peace. In the world you experience tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world!" John 9:5b, 16:33

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!!

August 1 – Bob Lominack

August 7 – Wythe Hull

August 11 – Blake Blevins

August 11 – Carlous Henderson

August 13 – Lois Buchanan

August 17 – Travis Brannon

August 17 – Ken Cook

August 17 – Peggy Snapp

August 19 – Carol Gentry

August 20 – Anita Robinson

August 21 – Kay Miller Williams

August 21 – Zach Gentry

August 21 – David Copeland

August 21 – Kay Miller Williams

August 24 – Peggy Wright

August 25 – Jennifer Shaffer

August 28 – Jewel Osborne

August 30 – Sue Blevins

August 30 – Butch Blevins

August 30 – Mona Buchanan

September 1- Timothy Bird, Jr.

September 4 – Eleanor Williams

September 8 – Emma Buchanan

September 9 – Henrietta Umberger

September 9 – Kristin Gentry Forrester

September 10 – Naomi Simpson

September 13 – Rebecca DeBusk

September 13 – Nancy Inazu

September 17 – Fred Lester

September 18 – Jeane Hutton

September 18 – Agnes Lester

September 18 – Donald Inazu

September 20 – Joseph Dee Lester

September 20 – Kitty McClaugherty

September 21 – Steve Johnston

September 21 – Jack Henderson

September 23 – Georgia Moore

September 24 – Damon Lester

September 24 – Ann Lester

September 24 – Christine Wallace

September 25 – Shirley Overbay

September 26 – Jim S. Hutton

September 27 – Carolyn Gentry

September 28 – Joe Robinson

September 29 – Gwen Simpson

ANNIVERSARIES

August 10 – Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haynes

August 21 – Mr. and Mrs. William Naylor

August 28 – Mr. and Mrs. Don Inazu

September 5 – Mr. and Mrs. Carlous Henderson

September 8 – Mr. and Mrs. Blake Blevins

September 20 – Mr. and Mrs. Tim Simpson

Please save Box Tops for Education and Campbell soup labels for Niz Barker. Place in basket in narthex.

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

<u>Choir Practice -</u> Wednesday evenings from 7:00 - 8:00.

<u>Youth – Sunday evenings from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.</u>

<u>Youth Mission Trip</u> to Camden, NJ - August 4 - August 10th.

Sunday School resumes on August 18th.

<u>Abingdon Presbytery Listening Session – Tuesday,</u> August 20th, at 7:00 p.m. at Grace Presbyterian Church.

<u>Choir Rehearsal/Pot Luck Dinner</u> – Wednesday, August 21st, 7:00-8:00.

<u>Best Years</u> – The Farmer's Daughter, Chuckey, TN. Meet at fellowship hall at 9:30 to ride van. Let Delores Wagner (429-2117) know if you plan to go.

<u>Pennies for Hunger</u> – collected during worship on Sunday, August 25th.

<u>Board of Deacons</u> – Sunday, September 8th, at 5:00 p.m.

<u>Deacons - Sunday, September 8th, at 6:00 p.m.</u>

<u>Homecoming</u> – September 29th. Potluck lunch to follow.

We warmly welcome our visitors
Mike Stovall
Rob and Sophie Pruitt
Eddie and Tucker Donnis
Samantha and Todd Rosenbaum
Courtney and Jayden Wheeler
Sarah Scott Rice
David and Abby Aieollo
Robert Blackburn
Jim Rogers
Carolyn Rogers Long
Jeff and Austin Nesbihal
Bill Linderman and Henry
Lynn Elliott
Stuart, Mary, Luke and John Stovall

<u>If you, a friend</u> or loved one is shut in and would like communion to be served, please contact the church office or Rev. Bird.

<u>OUTREACH</u> <u>COMMITTEE</u> is challenging the congregation to donate 2,013 cans of soup during the year 2013. The soup will be split between Glade Spring Food Bank and Faith in Action. Place your donation in basket in narthex. We have collected 662 cans to date.

GLADE SPRING PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRAYER LIST –

Mr. and Mrs. Creasy (Tina Gentry's parents)

Fay Brown

Bob Green (father of Lisa Green)

Jim Smith

Johnny Williams (friend of the Lester girls)

Robin Sweat

Alice Porterfield

Eleanor Hutton

John Robinson

Eleanor Williams

Jeff Sweat

Brooke Duncan Monahan

Daryl Henegar

Jennifer Thompson

Carrie Lamie (sister of Sarah Helton)

Nola Ann Rosenbaum

Jewel Osborne

Jason Waters (nephew of Alice Porterfield)

Verna Elizabeth Stephenson Schmidt

Margaret Orr

Shirley Overbay

Ruth Sheffield

Jacob Ritchie

Michele Wagner (daughter of Betty and Willis

Wagner)

Juanita Baggett

Carolyn Gentry

Kathy Dohman

Gary Wallace

J. G. Lester

Linda Parsons

Anna Marie Smith (granddaughter of Delores

Wagner)

Dr. Robert Lominack

Daryl Phillips

Ryan Conklin

Bea Mason

Brion Ferratt

Craig Taylor (in Afghanistan)

Don Haynes (brother of Harry Haynes)

Norma Arnold (friend of Carolyn Gentry)

Scott Rasnake (brother-in-law of Bonnie

Ballinger)

Madeline Wagner

Eleanor Mahaun (mother of Steve Johnston)

YOUTH have an e-mail address..... gspmmyouth@gmail.net

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to

Jay and Susan Henderson upon the death of his mother, Marie Henderson, in Knoxville, TN

Ruth and Michael Colston upon the death of Ruth's brother, Truman Wyatt.

William and Tricia Moore upon the death of her father, Denny Snodgrass.

Bobbi Ryburn and her family upon the death of her grandson-in-law, Jake Benner.

Damon and Mary Lester upon the death his step grandmother, Marie Willis.

IF YOU ARE WILLING TO LEAD CALL TO WORSHIP, PLEASE SIGN SHEET IN NARTHEX OR CALL THE OFFICE. ALL ARE URGED TO PARTICIPATE.

<u>A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING</u> was held prior to worship on Sunday, August 4th, for the purpose of electing an officer nominating committee. Those elected to serve are as follows:

From the Session – Michael Colston (chairman) and Sara Hutton Tallman; From the Deacons-Daniel Cline and Damon Lester; From the Presbyterian Women – Mona Buchanan; From the Presbyterian Men- Jim F. Hutton; From the Youth- Emma Buchanan; From the Congregation-Pam Hill and Henrietta Umberger.

THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE is collecting school supplies for children at Glade Middle School who don't have the funds to buy the items required by the school. List of required items is located on the table in the narthex. Please review the list and pick up some supplies, or you may give a donation to JoAnne, Nancy, Niz, Stan or Sara. A box will be placed in the Narthex for your contributions. We can help children in need start off the school year with the right supplies.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR MISSION GROUP IN YOUR PRAYERS. Eleven young people and three chaperones left on Sunday morning, August 4th, for a week of mission work in Camden, N.J. They will return on Saturday, August 10th. They wish to thank all who helped make this trip possible by supporting their fundraising projects and dinners. Upon their return, we hope to have a time for them to share their experiences with us.

Address Changes:

Margaret Orr, c/o Lydia Landis, 196 Longview Drive, Abingdon, VA 24211, 276-206-8251

Jewell Osborne, Greensboro Place, 440 Lawndale Drive, Room #5, Greensboro, NC 27455, 336-288-4561

CHOIR PRACTICE RESUMES on Wednesday, August 21st from 7:00 -8:00. A potluck supper will be shared prior to practice. All who may be interested in the choir are invited to come eat with us and see what it is like. A special thank you to all who provided music during worship over the summer!

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> to Alice and Isaac Freeman upon the birth of their grandson, Graham Davis Jones on June 26th.

MICHAEL AND RUTH COLSTON thank you, their church family, for your many cards, calls, and expressions of sympathy during the death of Ruth's brother, Truman Wyatt.

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Kendra Widener and Michael Addison who were united in marriage on June 15th at Old Glade.

Glory Allison and Andy Cumbow who were united in marriage on June 15th, at First Presbyterian Church in Bristol.

DURING WORSHIP ON JUNE 2, the following graduates were recognized during our morning worship service: Maggie Buchanan from Meadowview Elementary; Campbell Buchanan and Claire Peterson from Glade Spring Middle; Ro'Dah Brown from Virginia Middle; Dillon Hutton and Grey Robinson from Patrick Henry High; Sarah Buchanan from Patrick Henry High and Virginia Highlands; Hayley Williams from Virginia Highlands; Yancey Wilmoth from Emory & Henry; Elizabeth DeBusk from William and Mary; Susan DeBusk from University of Richmond Law School; Tim Bird, Jr. from UT Knoxville, Masters; Corey Henson from King University, Masters; Travis Brannon from West Virginia University Law School.

The monthly stated meeting of the Session of Glade Spring Presbyterian Church was held at 6:00 p.m. on May 5, 2013 in the board room. The following members, constituting a quorum, were present: Jay Robinson, Bobbi Ryburn, Clark Hutton, Dirk Wilmoth, Patrick Buchanan, Michael Colston, Sara Hutton Tallman and Rev. Tim Bird, Moderator. Elder Lee Brannon was excused. Tammy Allison represented the deacons. Rev. Bird called the meeting to order. James Allison gave a devotional and offered a prayer.

Approval of Minutes – Motion: Clark Hutton moved, and Dirk Wilmoth seconded the motion, that the minutes be approved as corrected. The motion passed.

Financial Report – Clark Hutton presented a financial report.

Clerk's Correspondence – The Clerk presented the following applications: use of the fellowship hall for graduation dinner on May 26; a shower on May 4 in the fellowship hall. Motion: Dirk moved, and Jay seconded the motion, to approve the applications. The motion passed. The care list was reviewed.

Minute for Minister – Rev. Bird reported that he is working on ideas for young people to meet together to determine their roles in the church and its work and mission.

Old Business – Patrick Buchanan has asked a contractor to install the guard rail and is checking on programmable thermostats. He is also getting bids on waxing and stripping the floors outside the church offices. Motion: Michael moved, and Bobbi seconded the motion, to put the final gift from Price funds into the session fund. The motion passed. Jay reported that the trustees met and discussed investments for the trustee funds. Jay reported that there are bonds belonging to the Women of the Church which can be sold. James moved, and Clark seconded the motion, to allow the trustees to sell the stock for the WOC. The motion passed.

New Business

Committee Reports

Budget and Finance: No meeting

Worship: Michael reported: The committee recommended taking the red hymnals to the fellowship hall once we begin using the new hymnals. The committee recommended buying a cross to be used for processionals. Motion: Michael moved from the committee to purchase an 18 inch cross. There will be celebration of our

Scottish heritage on Presbyterian Heritage Sunday on May 26. The committee is looking a new choir robes. Communion will be served on June 2. James, Sara and Dirk or Jay will assist Reverend Bird.

Personnel: No meeting, but it was noted that Hayley Williams will only be available every other Sunday to work in the nursery, so a new attendant will be needed.

Outreach: A Baccalaureate service will be held May 19 at 2:00 p.m. Rev. Bird reported that the ministerial association will work to renovate three apartments for homeless families and possibly open a thrift store.

Property: No meeting

Christian Education: Motion: A motion came from the committee to have a yard sale fundraiser on May 18 for the youth mission trip. The motion passed. They will also work on the swing set on May 18. From the committee: Motion: A motion to hold a movie night for families and light refreshments May 31 in Fellowship Hall. Motion passed. From the committee: a motion to suspend formal Sunday School June 9-August 11 with a coffee hour in the new hallway. Adults who want to meet may do so. The motion passed.

Shepherding: Dirk reported that they sent out the questionnaires to obtain information for the new directory. Christine Wallace has sent out a questionnaire about food for families who are grieving or sick.

Membership: Has not met

Deacons: See above.

Presbyterian Men: Met for breakfast last weekend. They will contribute funds to assist youth on mission rip. There are two new flags for the cemetery.

Presbyterian Women: Bobbi reported that three women went to the spring gathering April 20 at Galax Presbyterian and had a good meeting.

Next meeting: The June meeting will be held jointly with the deacons on the 2nd at 5:00 p.m. The clerk moved, and James seconded the motion, to adjourn. The motion passed. The clerk closed the meeting with prayer.

ALL ARE INVITED TO A BRUNCH PRIOR TO WORSHIP ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 11TH, AT 9:30 IN FELLOWSHIP HALL HOSTED BY THE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE. EVERYTHING IS FURNISHED. COME OUT AS WE ENJOY GOOD FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP!!!

Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal-Bookplates

The new hymnal, Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal, will arrive in late October or early November. The hymnals have already been purchased. Even though the hymnals are paid for, the Worship Committee wanted to give you, the congregation, an opportunity to purchase a bookplate to place in the hymnals in honor of or in memory of someone. The cost of each bookplate will be \$10 (the original cost of each hymnal). All of the money from sale of bookplates will go to the Outreach Committee's fund for local missions. Order forms will be in the bulletin in the coming weeks as well as in this newsletter. Please make checks payable to Glade Spring Presbyterian Church. On the memo, put hymnal. There were 200 hymnals ordered, so get your bookplate orders in quickly. Turn in order forms and money to the church office.

Glade Spring Presbyterian Church GLORY TO GOD: THE PRESBYTERIAN HYMNAL



Bookplate Order Form

Each bookplate costs \$10. All money collected will go to the Outreach Committee for local missions.

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