

THE BIRD'S NEST

A time to sow and a time to reap are familiar words that come to us from the book of wisdom in the Bible known as Ecclesiastes. They are, among others, comparing opposites which tell us that there are specific times in our lives and in the world that call upon a variety of responses in times that are changing. Fall is a time in which changes take place from the falling of the leaves, the morning frosts, the need to turn our clocks back and preparations for the coming winter.

As this is true in scripture and in the seasons, it is also true of us as individuals and as a church. On a personal note, we have seen new friends and new life within our families as well as illness and earthly loss of loved ones. So we seek to find ways of rejoicing in the new life around us, but at the same time seek God's comfort to sustain us in the years ahead. As a church whose membership, mission and ministry is changing, we also see that there are both difficulties and challenges which have great promise for our future. When we hear these words of the "preacher" they ring true to us because we go through so many emotions as God's children and His body on earth, the church of Jesus Christ. Let us unashamedly go forward with the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we seek our way with the opportunities which present themselves to us in this season of change. Let us commit ourselves to all be one in wanting to follow God's will. If we do, we will see the good arise and people pull together for the purpose of providing worship, mission, and fellowship for our beloved congregation at Old Glade for many years to come. We shall see this no matter the changes the seasons bring. Let us do so always with faith, hope, and love.

It is my wish for all of you that you will find excitement and anticipation of what is to come in God's plan for Old Glade. For with all of us pulling together, we will be sowing for future generations preparing to expand the ministries of this congregation for years to come. So as we miss, yet praise God for those who led this church in years past, let us resolve to work to continue to serve Christ in serving others.

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"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and time to dance; a time to throw away stones, and time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to seek and a time to lose, a time to keep and a time to throw away; a time to reap and a time to sow." (Ecclesiastes 3:1,4-7a)

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!!

November 1 – Kim Gretz
November 1 – Nancy Kiser
November 3 – Myrtle Ann Buchanan
November 5 – Sara Hutton Tallman
November 7 – Shannon Gentry Brown
November 9 – Shannon Rogers Simpson
November 12 – Amber Hardy Goad
November 13 – Jeff Buchanan
November 17 – Edward Reames
November 17 – James C. Smith
November 18 – James Allison
November 18 – Will Hutton
November 19 – Margaret Orr
November 19 – Lisa Green
November 20 – Mary Lominack
November 22 – Trish Capparelli
November 22 – William Naylor
November 27 – A. J. Henderson
November 29 – Lonnie Wallace
December 3 – Michael Shaffer
December 7 – Cornelia H. Little
December 10 – Ginger Hutton
December 12 – Sharon Williams
December 15 – Molly Buchanan
December 15 – Pamela Buchanan
December 15 – Jacob Lester
December 15 – Karen Call Shaffer
December 16 – Nancy Allison
December 20 – Melinda Haynes
December 20 – Tina Gentry
December 20 – John Carter
December 23 – Richie Thomas
December 24 – David DeBusk
December 26 – Lola Smith
December 28 – Alice Freeman
December 30 – Martha Buchanan McBride
December 31 – Peggy Robinson

ANNIVERSARIES

November 18 – Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Blevins
November 23 – Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McNeil
November 28 - Mr. and Mrs. Andy Williams
December 18 – Mr. and Mrs. Steve Johnston
December 25 – Mr. and Mrs. Scott Simpson

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

We would like to have pictures and addresses of our college students and home-bound members that can be posted on bulletin board outside offices. Please leave pictures and addresses in office.

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Choir Practice - Wednesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:00.

Lydia's Connection - Wednesday evenings at 6:00 – 7:30

Youth – Sunday evenings from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Circle Number 3 – Tuesday, November 12th, at 2:00 in fellowship hall

Youth Dinner – Wednesday, November 13th, 6:00 Proceeds to go to Youth Mission Fund. We will lean new Christmas carols following meal.

Abingdon Presbytery – Stated meeting on Thursday, November 14th, at Green Spring Presbyterian Church.

Best Years – Hotdog supper on November 22nd at 5:00 in fellowship hall. Everything furnished. Call Delores if you plan to attend.

New Members Sunday – November 24th during worship. If you would to join with us, please call office or Rev. Bird.

Pennies for Hunger – collected during worship on Sunday, November 24th.

Circle Number 4 – Monday, November 25th, 6:00 in fellowship hall.

Community Thanksgiving Eve Service – Wednesday, November 27th, at 7:00 at Glade Spring Baptist Church.

Men's Breakfast Meeting – Sunday, December 8th, at 8:00

Sacrament of Holy Communion – Sunday, December 1st during worship.

Board of Deacons – Sunday, December 1st at 5:00 p.m.

Session – Sunday, December 1st at 6:00 p.m.

Congregational Meeting – Sunday, December 1st during worship to hear report from Officer Nominating Committee

Circle Number 2 – Friday, December 6th, at 2:00 in fellowship hall.

Best Years – Friday, December 6th, at 4:00 in fellowship hall for Christmas party.

Circle Number 3 – Tuesday, December 10th, at 2:00 in fellowship hall.

Our Budget and Finance Committee is searching for a Current Expenses Treasurer to assume full responsibility in January. This volunteer position involves approximately 10-15 hours per month. The responsibility is accounting for the operating expenses of the church, including handling invoices, issuing 35-40 checks per month, balancing a checkbook, reconciling to bank statements, and preparing a monthly report of receipts and expenses. Computer skills will be a real asset. If you are interested, please contact Lee Brannon at 276-620-6234 or Dirk Wilmoth at 276-944-6106.

Announcing an opportunity for a double serving of sharing: The congregation is invited to join the youth for Stone Soup and Christmas Caroling on Sunday, December 15th. Bring a canned item for the soup and gather at 4:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. We will split up for caroling, visiting the shut-ins and others who will welcome us. Then we will share stone soup upon our return. Let the church office (429-5731) know if you would like a visit from our carolers.

Glade Spring Middle Schools Veteran's Day Program will be held on Friday, November 8th, at 1:00 p.m. with reception to follow.

On November 24th, Christ the King Sunday, we will be welcoming new members into our church family. If you would like to join at this time, please speak with Rev. Bird, an elder or deacon, or call the church office.

We warmly welcome our visitors
Reed Crabtree
Chris, Jody and Caroline Tipton
Leah Buchholz
Barry and Linda Curtis
Adrienne Griggs
Arbutus Echols
Jim and Susan Scott
Sabine and Christof Neumann
Julia Neumann

Sunday School Report

October 6 – Attendance 20, Offering \$16

October 13 – Youth Sunday

October 20 – Attendance 21, Offering \$24

October 27 – Attendance 25, Offering \$19

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER
NOVEMBER 28, 2013
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 P.M.

MEADOWVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

(sponsored by Meadowview United Methodist Church, Glade Spring Presbyterian Church, Emory United Methodist Church)

FREE TO ALL

Meal Delivery for those who are homebound
Within the Patrick Henry High School
Attendance Area

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Rides available for homebound who would like to come to the church for a meal

For more information or to place an order, call 944-6841 or 429-5731 no later than Monday, November 25th.

Happy Thanksgiving

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

OUTREACH COMMITTEE 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 963 cans to date.

**GLADE SPRING PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH PRAYER LIST –**

*Charlotte Callahan Counts
David Blankenbeckler (brother of Donna Hutton)*

*Andy Martin (nephew of Tammy Allison)
Matthew Martin (nephew of Tammy Allison being deployed to Afghanistan)*

*Brenda Street
Sara Beth and Polly Heffinger*

*John Worley
Page Umberger*

*Ruth Colston
Ann Turner Glenn
Rev. Jerry Williams*

Bob and Carol 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
Jeff Sweat*

*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)

Daryl Phillips

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)

God called home our dearly beloved John Robinson on Monday, November 4th. John will be truly missed by all of us who knew and loved him. John served his Lord here at Old Glade in many capacities – elder, trustee, deacon and trustee of Cemetery– but most of all as a true example of Christian love, care and compassion for all those he met along life's way. Please remember Peggy, Trish, Jay, Joe and the entire family and his many friends in your thoughts and prayers.

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

LYDIA'S CONNECTION meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 in the fellowship hall. Please join us as we knit and/or crochet items for various mission projects. This is a wonderful time to get to know one another while helping others.

Address Changes:

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

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

Lucy Alexander, 1575 John Knox Drive, HT 301, Colfax, NC 27235 1-336-763-4568

What Is Your Smile Worth?

(Anonymous)

It costs nothing, yet creates much.

It enriches those who receive it without impoverishing those who give.

It happens in a flash and the memory of it sometimes lasts forever.

No one is so wealthy that they can get along without it, and none is so poor that they are not enriched by its benefits.

It creates happiness in the home, fosters goodwill in business and is the countersign of friends.

It is rest to the weary, daylight to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad and nature's best antidote for trouble.

And if in the hurry and rush of the day, you meet someone who is too weary to give you a smile, leave one of yours.

For no one needs a smile so much as those who have none to give!

Glade Spring Presbyterian Church Minutes of the Stated Session Meeting

Sunday, October 6, 2013
5:00pm

The joint monthly stated meeting of the deacons and Session of Glade Spring Presbyterian Church was held at 5:00pm in the basement. The following members, constituting a quorum, were present: Lee Brannon, Jay Robinson, Dirk Wilmoth, Michael Colston, Sara Hutton Tallman, Bobbie Ryburn and Reverend Tim Bird, Moderator. Elders James Allison, Clark Hutton and Patrick Buchanan were excused. Deacons present: Alice Freeman, Nancy Hagen, Kay Williams, Debra Simpson, Bob Stanberry, Damon Lester. Deacons Anita Robinson, Tammy Allison and Daniel Cline were excused.

Reverend Bird called the meeting to order.

Alice Freeman gave a devotional and offered a prayer.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Dirk moved, and Jay Robinson seconded the motion, that the minutes from the called congregational meeting August 4, 2013 and the stated session meeting on September 8 be approved as written. The motion passed.

MOTION: Bob Stanberry moved to approve the deacon's minutes as written and Kay Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Financial Report

Rev Bird reviewed the financial report. Dirk reported that the budget & finance committee met and did a projection for the 2014 budget.

Clerk's Correspondence

There was no correspondence for the deacons or the session. The care list was reviewed.

Minute for Minister

Reverend Bird reported that: this is the last joint meeting of 2013; he met with Katie Bevins and she will coordinate young adult fellowship group.

The ministerial association met and discussed the need for a group for college students. A monthly meal for students at E & H chapel sponsored by different churches was discussed.

Old Business

Jay has talked with Patrick about the thermostats in the fellowship hall and the floors in the bathrooms.

Michael reported that 95 bookplates have been sold. The proceeds will go to the outreach committee.

There will be a breakfast next Sunday for our church and Meadowview Methodist. Thanksgiving Eve service will be at the Glade Baptist Church.

New Business

Committee Reports

Budget & Finance: Dirk reported that the committee is working on budget requests and the retirement of Lois Buchanan as treasurer.

Worship: Michael asked for feedback on the new music today. Communion was being celebrated around the world today. The response was very positive! They will meet this month.

Personnel: No report. A meeting will be scheduled.

Outreach: We will not be able to participate in Samaritan's Purse box packing in Boone this year. There were no times available for our group. The committee is looking for another Christmas project.

MOTION: From the committee: for Susan Henderson to represent the church on the Board of Directors for Ecumenical Faith in Action. The motion passed.

We are purchasing shoes for young children who may not have them.

The possibility of a weekly exercise class was discussed.

MOTION: From the committee, to allow Mary Lester to hold a jewelry party with proceeds going to outreach. The motion passed.

Property: Have not met but Bob reported he changed the lock on the door to the closet in the FH. The closet and classroom doors need to be unlocked at all times. Keys will be copied to keep in the kitchen.

CE: NO meeting.

Shepherding: Dirk reported that they will mail out confirmations of addresses for the new directory.

Deacons: No report.

Blue Sky: Will meet October 16th at 5:30pm.

Presbyterian Men: They had breakfast today and are looking at buying a pallet of soup to help meet the goal of 2013 cans of soup for local food banks. Ed Davis from E & H would like to help develop GPS coordinates for the old part of the cemetery.

Presbyterian Women: Bobbie reported they had a good meeting. Betty Jo Tuell will be the historian. Any pertinent church information may be given to Betty Jo.

Rev Bird reported Jay Henderson is working to digitize the church history.

MOTION: Lee moved, and Bob seconded the motion, that we give the property committee the authority to purchase two matching lights for \$500 for the front lawn with the money coming from the memorial fund in honor of Bob and Mary Lominack.

Next meeting: November 3, 2013 at 6pm. **MOTION:** The clerk moved, and Michael seconded the motion, to adjourn. The motion passed. Jay closed the meeting with prayer.

Sara Hutton Tallman, Clerk

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.