

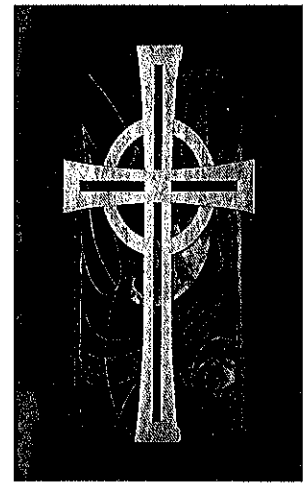
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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends and Family of NWPC,

Recently, I recently came across this quotation: "Impermanence does not necessarily lead to suffering. What makes us suffer is wanting things to be permanent when they are not." Thich Nhat Hanh

It reminded me of Peter's desire on the mountain with Jesus at the Transfiguration, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings..." Matt 17:4

Both of these statements express that deep desire to keep things the way they are, especially when you are happy. Yet, change comes, and our spiritual journey is learning how to live into this change trusting that God is with us and will guide us. It is through God's grace that I was called to spend the last two year with you, and it is through God's grace that you will continue in this time of transition.

Thank you does not seem enough to express my deep gratitude for you and for your support of my work here. I could have sent Thank You cards every day for the past two years, and I don't feel it would have been enough. Your words of encouragement, cards slipped under the door, gifts left on my desk, delicious food, cups of coffee, hugs, your welcoming me into your church, into your hearts, and letting me be your pastor... And lots and lots of prayers have all strengthened my ministry here with you; and I pray, in turn, have helped to strengthen the work of the Holy Spirit among you.

Kenny and I will forever be grateful for our time here with all of you. Thank you!

May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit, and the Love of God be with you all now and forever more.

Until we meet again blessings upon blessings,

Susan

From the Interim Director of Children, Youth, and Family

As much as I was looking forward to warmer weather, I can hardly believe we are already in the 5th month of the year and summer is right around the corner.

We have so many exciting things happening with the children and youth this summer, and I'm really looking forward to spending more time with our fantastic young people.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help with a conference or vacation bible school. I am still looking for folks to help with VBS, so if your calendar is empty July 29 - August 2 give me a call and I can help you find something to fill your time.

Blessings,
Joanna

Homebound Members

Our long time members who are unable to attend worship and activities would love to receive your visits, phone calls, and prayers: Coleman Ashley (home), Mildred Brooks (home), Jim Coats (Rose Glen), Jean Glass (home), Dulce Kite (home), Dot Lewis (home), Ruth McCathren (home), Opha Manus (Villages of Wilkes), and Eddie Sturdivant (home). Please use the church directory or contact the church office for visitation information.

Sympathies

We would like to extend our deepest sympathies to Jeff and Nancy Payne on the death of Jeff's mother, Lula Payne, who died on April 20.

Elderberries News

April 29 – Lunch and Fellowship – We will get together at Fine Friends at 11:30 a.m., for everyone to share lunch and fellowship together! Please advise Richard at 336-984-7548 either way so we can let Fine Friends know how many will attend!

May 20 – Outing to the Yellow Deli in Hiddenite – We will be heading to Hiddenite in the Church Van for this long-anticipated outing! Details to come.

Get these on your calendars and let's have big attendances at both! You are missed if you're not there!!! Give me a call or email me if you have questions!

Richard Collier
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Heritage Picnic

The Heritage Picnic will be Wednesday, May 1, at 6:00 p.m. at the Wilkesboro Chapel. This covered dish picnic is an annual event which gives us an opportunity to share a meal and visit with our friends at the Chapel. Plan now to bring your lawn chair and something "yummy."

Scholarship Applications

Applications for the Smith, Montgomery, Ogilvie, Spainhour Scholarship Fund may be obtained in the church office or online on the church website. Applications need to be returned to the church office by May 31. These scholarships are available to active members of NWPC who will be or enrolled in an accredited college in the 2019-2020 school year.

Mission and Outreach

Agency of the Month

The Mission and Outreach Agency of the Month for May is Our House. Donations of newborn to size 3 diapers, baby wipes, Lysol cleaning wipes, and toilet paper are needed. These items may be left on the designated table in the fellowship hall.

Thank You!

Phases Transitional Housing would like to say thank you for the many donations sent over for the programs. This is a huge expense for the program and your donations each year make a huge difference.

Fall, 2019 Kirk Night

Our Kirk Night programs for Fall, 2019 are beginning to take shape! We invite everyone in the congregation to offer suggestions to the Fellowship Committee about topics or programs that would be of interest. Programs which inform, entertain and/or inspire us are our goals for Kirk Night, and we want your ideas! Please contact Fellowship/Kirk Committee Chairs Summer Ward smmrkey75@gmail.com or Carolyn Bell carolyn.bell@gwynmail.net if you have suggestions on programming.

May Birthdays

3	Carolina Finley
4	Alexis Cole
4	Lena Lovette
11	Evan Day
11	Lynn Durchman
12	Harry Page
13	Karen Watts
21	Lila Hege
21	Luke Hege
21	Turner York
21	Walter Stroud
23	Jean Cole
24	Jackie Hall
27	Kimberly Rada
27	Richard Collier

NWPC Sunday Schedule:

9:45 a.m. - Church School
11:00 a.m. - Worship
6:30 p.m. - PNC Meetings

Wilkesboro Chapel Sunday Schedule:

9:00 a.m. - Worship
10:00 a.m. - Church School

NWPC Wednesday Schedule:

11:30 a.m. - Prayer Group
5:30 p.m. - Kirk Night Meal
6:30 p.m. - Kirk Night Program
6:30 p.m. - Kingdom Kids and Youth
7:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal

Ushers and Greeters for May:

Gary Booth, William Brooks, Jed Cockrell, Alan Cole, Jean Cole, John Elledge, Bill Joyner, Martha Nichols, Harry Page, and Jean Page

Elder at Wilkesboro Chapel Communion Table

May 5 - Dan Day
May 12 - Revis Felts
May 19 - Mary Finley
May 26 - Devin Lyall

May Schedule for Nurseries and Children's Worship

Baby and Toddler Nursery – Crystal Huffman
and Linda Kilby

Children's Worship – Jenny Cockrell and
Marla McNeill

March Financial Report

Receipts Year to Date: \$91,330.72
Disbursements Year to Date: \$133,442.27
Net Year to Date: (42,111.55)
Matthew 25 Fund: \$5,744.63

May Kirk Night

May 1 - Heritage Picnic at
Wilkesboro Chapel
May 8 - Leader Dogs for the Blind
May 15 - Committee Meetings
May 22 - Kingdom Kids Program

May Kirk Night Greeters and Drink Servers

May 8 - Greeter: Caroline
Czerkowski; Drink Server:
Betty Powell
May 15 - Greeter: Mike McNeil;
Drink Server: Jo Green
May 22 - Greeter: Alan Cole;
Drink Server: Jean Cole

May Dates to Remember

May 1 - Heritage Picnic
May 6 - Noon Circle
May 7 - Morning Circle – 10:00 a.m.
May 14 - Faithful Friends – 6:00 p.m.
May 15 - Fellowship Committee Meeting –
6:15 p.m.
May 19 - Session Meeting
May 20 - Elderberries Trip to the Yellow Deli
May 28 - Faithful Friends – 6:00 p.m.

News From the Wilkesboro Chapel

Worship begins at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday morning
and is followed by Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

Holy Communion will be celebrated during
worship on May 5, 2019.

Bible Study dates are May 8 and 22 at 6:00 p.m.

Our Sunday school class is studying "What is the
Bible?" by Rob Bell.