



SteepleTalk

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**Member Care
Volunteer
for June**

Nancy Hamby

**Deacon of Month/
Visiting Deacons**

Jon Baker
James Herren

Children's Worship

June 4th

**Steepletalk
Deadline**

June 23rd

Circle Meeting

Tuesday, June 6th
at 9:45 a.m.

From the Pastor...

People keep asking me where the Family Life Center will be constructed on our property. Will the Dinger's house be torn down? Will the facility have a gymnasium, kitchen, meeting rooms, and how much will it cost? We all have a lot of questions.

First, let me say that all those questions will be determined by the Session and the Building Committee. We are in the process of gathering names of qualified members of the congregation to serve on the Building Committee. If you have experience in Real Estate, Construction, Architecture, Finance or Design, please give serious consideration to serve on the Building Committee. Simply give your name to Kristy in the office and she will see that the Session knows about your willingness to serve.

Secondly, the Building Committee will be consulting with an architect for ideas on how to best develop our campus and future site of the Family Life Center. Plans will be drawn up for consideration and presented to the Session and Congregation for approval. We all need to be in prayer for the Building Committee, Associate Pastor Nominating Committee, Session, our congregation, and myself as the pastor. None of us have all the answers, but with God's help and vision for the church we will have a wonderful plan for the future of First Presbyterian Church. Pray hard! Give generously! Use your talents! Think positive! Do your part! Trust in God!

Grace and Peace,
Dr. Cheetham

Pentecost Offering

for Children at Risk, Youth, and Young Adults

Through the Pentecost Offering, the church expresses a common commitment to provide hope for children at risk, opportunities for youth and young adults to grow in their faith, and short-term mission service options for young adults.

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Baby Shower

Wilson County Help Center

The Help Center is still in need of baby diapers. We can provide help and support for mothers in need. Please bring disposable diapers to the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, June 4th.

Breakfast Honoring Graduates

On Sunday, June 11th, the Deacons will host a breakfast for our graduates at 8:00 a.m. at Cracker Barrel. The graduates will also be recognized during the 11:00 worship service. We congratulate all our graduates!

Cedar Forest Ministry

On Sunday, May 28th we began our summer worship services at Cedars of Lebanon State Park. We need volunteers who can give a short message, others to lead music, and "greeters" who will walk through the campsites and invite people to the service. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall.

Building Committee and Building Fund

The Session has established a building fund for the Development of the Campus and a Family Life Center. This action will help us prepare for the development of a Family Life Center and to grow to meet the needs of our congregation. The Session has also formed a Building Committee and is looking for members with expertise in construction, building codes, architecture, design, etc. If you would like to be considered to serve on this committee, please contact the Session.

Kitchen News

The Kitchen Committee has found miscellaneous dishes and would like to return them to their owners. If you feel you have left any dishes at the church, please check with the church office.

Member Care Luncheon

The Member Care Committee will host a potluck luncheon on Thursday, June 1st at 11:30 a.m. Bring your favorite dish and a friend for good food and fellowship.

SUMMER MISSION TRIP TO BRAZIL

From July 27 to August 5, Joe Adams, Amy Adams, and Hugo Sandoval will participate in a mission trip to Brazil. This trip will be led by the Rev. Paul Fahnestock, an Associate Pastor at First Presbyterian Church, Bonita Springs, FL and a former missionary to northeast Brazil with the Worldwide Ministry Division of the PC(USA.) The trip is sponsored by The Outreach Foundation.

The purpose of the trip is to encourage the six new churches that have been formed as a result of previous mission trips by The Outreach Foundation. Dr. Jeff Ritchie, husband of our former interim pastor, Megan Ritchie, is the Associate Director of The Outreach Foundation, which is located in Franklin, TN.

This Short Term Team includes 18 other Presbyterians from churches in Vicksburg and Natchez, MS, Bonita Springs and Tampa, FL, and Liberty Corner, NJ. During the trip, participants will teach, witness, and even help with the building of new churches that are under construction

In order to learn more about this trip and to better understand its purpose and our role in it, we will hold a potluck luncheon after the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday July 9th. Hugo and Joe will make a presentation on the mission trip plus a short history of northeast Brazil and of the country in general. We will take a special offering that day to send to these sponsored churches in Sertao, Brazil. We will also hold a silent auction with items donated by local businesses and individuals. Please consider donating items to the auction, including personal services.

Also begin praying for this mission team as well as for the mission work in northeast Brazil. Pray that God will give us generous hearts so that we can send a significant contribution to our brothers and sisters in Christ in Brazil. If you have any questions or suggestions for the presentation or the mission trip, please talk to Joe and Hugo.

Newspaper Recycling

We encourage everyone to recycle your old newspapers in the newspaper bin located in the back of the church. The church receives money each month from the recycling program.

Bible Quiz

Fifty days after the Resurrection, a number of people who believed that Jesus was the long-awaited Christ gathered in a Jerusalem home. Suddenly, a sound like a violent wind filled the house and something like tongues of fire rested on each person. They became filled with the Holy Spirit and their faces glowed with holiness. They began to utter other languages that the Spirit had given them the sudden ability to speak. It was an uncanny occurrence, one which the church recalls with awe and appreciation every Pentecost.

In a way, the unique and powerful experience was the birthday of the church. So many people were filled with the Spirit that their enthusiasm and charisma influenced a large number of other people to become Christians that very day.

On that day how many people devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship?

- A. 2,000 B. 3,000 C. 4,000 D. 5,000

Vacation Bible School

June 4-8

6:00—8:30 p.m.



Everyone is invited to attend **Vacation Bible School** this summer. We will begin the week's activities on Sunday night with a delicious meal. A light supper will be served the following four nights. The theme this year is *Gospel Express*. Plan to be a part of a vacation church school experience where you will explore creativity and learn about our Creator.

We still need volunteers! If you would like to volunteer, please call the church office at 444-1360. Whether you are a participant or volunteer, this is a wonderful opportunity to be with your church family.

Youth News

- **June 4th** —Vacation Bible School. All Jr. High and Sr. High students are invited to participate and help.
- **June 24th and 25th** — Movie Night: "The Roach Approach: Don't Miss the Boat!" and snacks. Camping at Cedars of Lebanon with Sunday participation at the Cedar Forest worship service.
- **June 26th**—PYC Meeting, 5-7 p.m. @ First Presbyterian Church, Franklin

If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 444-1360.

Bible Quiz Answer: B

Lectionary Readings

- June 4 Acts 2: 1-21
Romans 8: 22-27
John 15: 26-24, 16: 4-15
- June 11 Isaiah 6: 1-8
Romans 8: 12-17
John 3: 1-17
- June 18 1 Samuel 15: 34-16: 13
2 Corinthians 5: 6-10 (11-13)
Mark 4: 26-34
- June 25 1 Samuel 17: 1, 4-11, 19-23
2 Corinthians 6: 1-13
Mark 4: 35-41

Session Highlights

- A suggestion was made to ask all of the congregation to please recycle their newspapers in the recycling bin in the back of the church. The church receives money from the recycling program every month.
- The motion was made and passed to collect the Monroe Harding offering on Father's Day instead of Mother's Day.
- The motion was made and passed to set up the building fund for the Development of Campus and Family Life Center. Contributions are greatly needed.
- The Session voted to form a Visitation Committee with the help of Dr. Cheetham and Gwynn Lanus. Anyone wanting to participate in this wonderful program is ask to contact the church office.
- The motion was made and passed to have a Second Annual Blood Drive in memory of Wendell Kopp on Monday, August 28th from 12-5 p.m.
- The Personnel Committee reported that they are in the process of interviewing applicants for the position of the Mother's Day Out Director.
- The Member Care Committee reported that they will hold a potluck luncheon on Thursday, June 1st at 11:30 a.m.
- The Kitchen Committee reported that Judy Leonard will work with Suzie on the menus in the fall. We still need volunteers to help with set up, serving and taking up money.
- The Deacons reported that they will check into having a booth at the fair to represent our church. They will need people to man the booth.

June 2006

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

Sunday 8:45 & 11:00 Worship 9:45 AM Church School				1 6:30pm Contemp	2	3
4 Day of Pentecost 6:00 pm Christian Ed Communion	5	6 9:45 am Morn- ing Circle	7 6:00 Bell 7:15 Choir	8 6:30pm Contemp	9	10
—Vacation Bible School—						
11 6:30 pm Session Graduate Recognition Sunday	12	13	14 6:00 Bell 7:15 Choir	15 6:30pm Contemp	16	17
18 Father's Day	19 6:00 p.m. Bingo Group	20	21 6:00 Bell 7:15 Choir	22 6:30pm Contemp	23 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Steepletalk Deadline</div>	24 6:00 pm Youth Movie Night
25 6:00 pm Deacons <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">4 Cents a Meal</div>	26	27	28 6:00 Bell 7:15 Choir	29 6:30pm Contemp	30	
—Dr. Cheetham on Vacation until July 9—						

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