



The Lamplighter

West Asheville Presbyterian Church

June, 2017

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PASTOR'S PAGE

God doesn't go on vacation -

As we move into summer, we naturally slack off on obligations and activities. The lake calls, the mountains call... It is actually very important that we all take some kind of break each year. As a retiree, I'm still trying to figure out what this means for Margo and me. However, in our society this is the traditional time for "rebooting" our lives. I encourage you do to do.

On the other hand, this doesn't mean we stop eating for the Summer. Or leave our family for the Summer. Or abandon God for the Summer. Wherever you are, whatever you are doing, God is with you: loving, guiding, supporting you. Will you be with God during that time? Will you keep checking in with God through regular prayer? Will you find some worshiping community, whether here or at your Summer place or on the road? This is important for your spiritual health and should be a part of the "rebooting" R&R of Summer.

If you are in town, I hope to see you in church, if you are away, I hope to hear about your worship experiences when you return to your West Asheville Presbyterian family.

Love,

Kent

(P.S. Don't forget that we are dependent on your tithes, whether you are in town or not!)



Community on Haywood

First and third (and fifth) Wednesday evening of each month, there is a community supper at 5:30 p.m. and Worship at 6:00 p.m. Bible & Brew meeting every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month. We meet at the Westville Pub at 6:00 p.m. for an hour of Bible study and conversation led by James Lewis. Come and experience what the Christian community is all about, and invite your friends to be a part of what is happening at The Community on Haywood. Check our web site:

TheCommunityOnHaywood.org for details and for other events such as mission.

June Calendar

**June 7 5:30 pm Supper
6:00 pm Worship**
June 14 6:00 pm Bible & Brew
**June 21 5:30 pm Supper
6:00 pm Worship**
June 28 6:00 pm Bible & Brew

YOUTH GROUP

**PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH
CONNECTION** www.westashepres.org

CHRISTIAN ED

Sunday School
Classes begin at 9:45 a.m.
each Sunday. The Nursery
and Preschool classrooms are
on the ground floor of the
Education wing.



SESSION

Next Regular Session Meeting, June 19th at 6:00 p.m.

Attendance Averages

	2016	2017
Sunday School April	8	8
Worship April	40	39
CoH April	14	15
Finance- General Operating Budget		
As of April 2017		
Revenue Received	\$44,534	
Operating Expenses	\$47,445	

Finance Committee

You can use the pew envelopes for special offerings if no envelope is provided in the bulletin. (mark the envelope with the special offering).

Summer is coming. Please remember the church during the summer months when our members are traveling.

Cheryl Miller, Treasurer



On-Line Giving

The system is operating smoothly and several people have set up automated giving. You can go to our web site (www.westashepres.org), go to the on-line giving page, click on the link to set up an account or to make a gift to the church. They will send an acknowledgment by e-mail within 48 hours.

Centennial Endowment Fund

For the time being write your check to the church, while we set up the investment process

Graduations –

Maria Schlegelmilch will graduate from Erwin High School on June 10th. Maria will be attending Lees–McRae College in the fall.



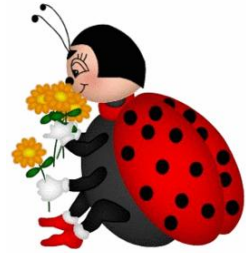
WORSHIP & MUSIC

The Worship Committee is always looking for more people to help usher, if you would like to help please contact Bob Spencer at 254-3063.

Greeter/Readers
June 4 Bob Spencer
11 Norma Spencer
18 Melissa Allen
25 Judy Albertson
July 2 Judy Goode

Nursery
June 4 Martha Clontz
11 Amy Hawkins
18 Norma Spener
25 Martha Clontz
July 2 Amy Hawkins

Ushers
June 4 Cheryl Miller, Lynn Logan
11 Wilson Hawes, Don Hawkins
18 James Lewis, Amy Hawkins
25 Melissa Allen, Barbara Clark
July 2 Judy Albertson, Cheryl Miller



FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP

June 4 - Open
11 - Open
18 - Open
25 - Opne



The 2017 flower calendar is posted on the bulletin board in the Parlor. Please help us by placing flowers in the sanctuary in memory of someone or to honor a special occasion.

God's Cafe – God's Cafe Bible Study Group will be on vacation June, July and August. The group will resume their studies in September.



Hand Bell Choir

For more information call Karen Hawkins, 683-9048.

PMO/PRESCHOOL

We have completed our 2016-2017 school year. We have had the best year. Thanks to the students and their families for all their dedication to the program. Thank you to the staff for your hard work and dedication.

Back to school "Fun Week" will be the week of August 28th. Daily rate is \$11.00. The new school year, 2017-2018, will begin September 5th.

Peace and love,
Connie

Visit our new web page - www.wapcpreschool.org



Preschool Graduation

(Above) Our graduating 4 year old class – Zachary Balnis, Mason Frisella, Titus Henry, Willow Berry and Gabe Hutcherson



(Above) Our 2 year old and 3 year old classes preformed a number of songs

Ms. Connie with Willow Berry, a graduating 4 year old

Food Service Committee

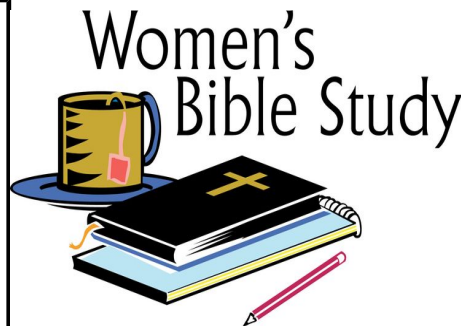
Our committee was put together quickly and I apologize if anyone felt left out. The FIRST group used our fellowship hall for their meetings and our group provided the meals to add to our Centennial Endowment. We were able to add \$3,151.49. A big thank-you to all who cooked Norma Price, Barbara Clark, Jennifer Hester, Judy Albertson, Lynn Logan and Margie Stewart. They were all so helpful and fun to work with. Thanks for all the prayers and support for this project. We may get a chance to do this again in the fall to help raise money for our Church.

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP

The Women's Bible Study group will meet June 13, 2017 at 2:00 pm, in the John Calvin room. We will move outside New Testament to explore Jesus through the Abrahamic faiths Judaism and Islam. Hope to see all ladies that day.

Leaders:

Elizabeth Hawkins & Barbara Clark



Helping our Community – The 12 Baskets Cafe

Left over food from church event, large party, or other food related activity?

“The 12 Baskets Cafe receives donations of already prepared food from local organizations currently being thrown away.” They will take pretty much anything if it is of enough quantity to make it worth working with. They take cooked foods and fresh fruits. The Cafe is located at 610 Haywood Rd beneath Firestorm Bookstore - entrance is in the back, but parking is fierce. Their hours are Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 11:30-1:00. Try to get there a little before 11:30 with the food. You can also stay for a good lunch! They have 20-30 people eat there each day: some can afford to pay for their meal, and do, but those who can't pay are fed regardless.

MISSION

June 4th is the Pentecost Offering. At Pentecost we celebrate the arrival of the Holy Spirit as a bringer of new life with an offering intended to nurture the faith of those newest among us. As one of the four special offerings of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) the Pentecost Offering unite us in a church wide effort to support young people in Christ and inspire them to share their faith, ideas and unique gifts with the church and the world. Presbyterian congregations are finding new ways to minister to children at risk in their own communities. General Assembly programs are advocating for children and developing youth and young adult leaders. By giving to the Pentecost Offering, our congregation participates in the promise of the Holy Spirit which is “for you, for your children and for all” Acts 2:39.

June 18th is designated as Tools of Hope/Father’s Day Offering. It is especially needed by Church World Service to distribute to areas of our country that have been hit hard by heavy rain and tornadoes which need tools and supplies to make a difference in their lives.

The Mother’s Day Blanket Offering on May 14 netted \$175.00. Many thanks to all who gave.

Elizabeth Hawkins, Chair

Tentative 2017 Special Offering

Jan. 8	Five-Cents-A-Meal \$50.00	July 9	Habitat for Humanity
Feb. 5	Souper Bowl of Caring \$74.00, 65 cans	August 6	Five-Cents-A-Meal
March 5	Five-Cents-A-Meal \$52.00	October 1	Peacemaking
April 16	One Great Hour of Sharing \$310.00	Nov. 19	Thanksgiving —Black Mtn. Home for Children
May 14	Mother’s Day Blanket \$175.00	Dec. 17	Christmas Joy Offering
June 4	Pentecost		
June 18	Tools of Hope		



CONGREGATION CARE



*July 23rd is the Date
Weaver Park is the Place*

4:00 p.m. is the Time

*Let's celebrate our church with
an old time picnic!*

*More information in the July
newsletter!*

Prayer List

If you would like to place a person on the Prayer List, please call Judy Goode, 254-7675, if no answer leave you name and phone number, or call the church office, 258-0903

If you have placed a concern or person on the prayer list, please contact us regularly with updates, even for long term requests.

CLEANING GUILD **Wednesday June 7th** **9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon**

We will do some spring cleaning and organizing of various spaces within the church. Help make our church shine. Give of your time (any amount) between 9:00 am and Noon (times will vary).

Bring your favorite cleaning supplies. If you are not able to join us this month but see something that needs attention please contact Judy Albertson at (845-430-4034) or e-mail at judith.albertson@gmail.com.

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

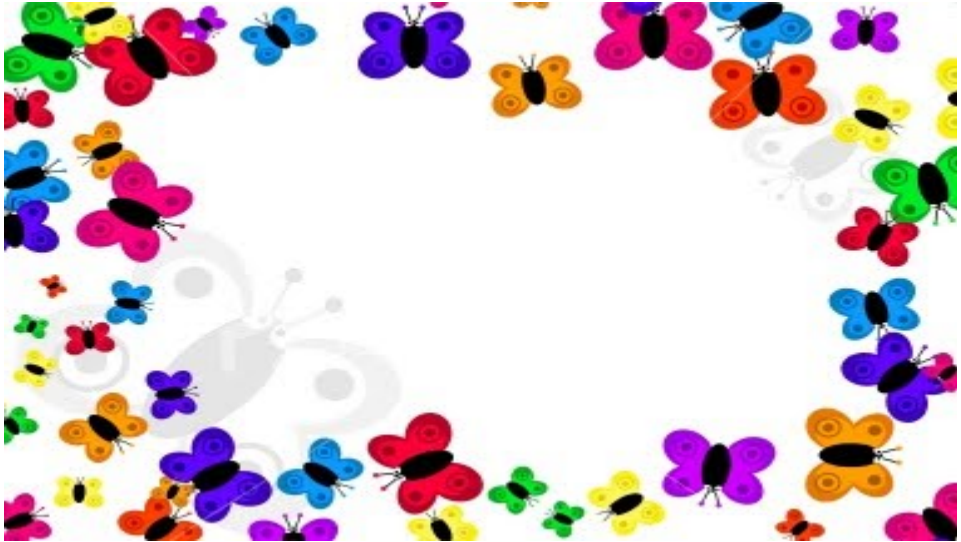
June Fellowship Sunday – June 4

**Hosts: Karen and Amy Hawkins
and Lynn Logan**

Thank you to all have volunteered to host. We are looking for a host for October Fellowship Sunday. If interested to host, the sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Parlor or contact Judy Albertson.

The first Sunday of the month, the congregation has a gathering after morning worship. A host/Hostess is needed for each Fellowship Sunday. Please check the bulletin board in the Parlor for a sign up sheet and also the "5 Easy Steps" on hosting. Contact Judy Albertson for more information.

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STAFF

Rev. Kent L. Smith	Pastor	669-8511 (home)
Aaron Price	Director of Music/Organist	216-6584(pager/cell)
Joan Martin	Church Secretary	628-3223 (home)
Barbara Clark	Clerk of Session	676-0618 (home)
Cheryl Miller	Church Treasurer	670-5323 (home)
Connie Roberts	Preschool/PMO Director	670-9725 (home)
Karen Hawkins	Hand Bell Choir Director	683-9048 (home)

THE SESSION

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
Wilson Hawes	Judy Albertson	Melissa Allen
Don Hawkins	Elizabeth Hawkins	Norma Spencer
James Lewis	Cheryl Miller	
Cliff Schelegelmilch		
Bob Spencer		

CIRCLE LEADERS

Women's Prayer Group

Elizabeth Hawkins 253-2910 Barbara Clark 676-0618

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