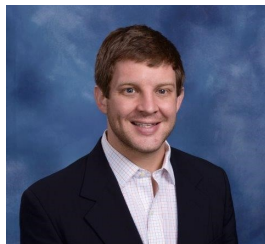


Beyond the Columns

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR



Sometimes when a new month comes along, I have to go back into my files to make sure I don't repeat myself too much in these newsletter articles. While I have not repeated any sermon series, the rhythms and routines of the year invite a certain amount of duplication in any particular month. In June, I usually note that the summer has come and that we will all be scattered, but June of 2017 provides us with many opportunities to be together!

I will be preaching on two Sundays in June, wrapping up our series on 1 Thessalonians, called "Faith... and then What?" On June 11 and 18, we will look at different parts of 1 Thessalonians 4—one dealing with life (or how to live) and the other dealing with death (or how we have life beyond it). Bob Ramey will preach on June 4 and Jackson Weller will lead our annual Youth Sunday service on June 25.

I am also looking forward to our new format for Vacation Bible School! Jackson and a bunch of volunteers have planned a four-day evening program that will include supper each night followed by lessons and activities for both children and adults. Because the theme is "Hero Central," I will lead lessons on heroes of the faith, both in the Bible and throughout the history of the church.

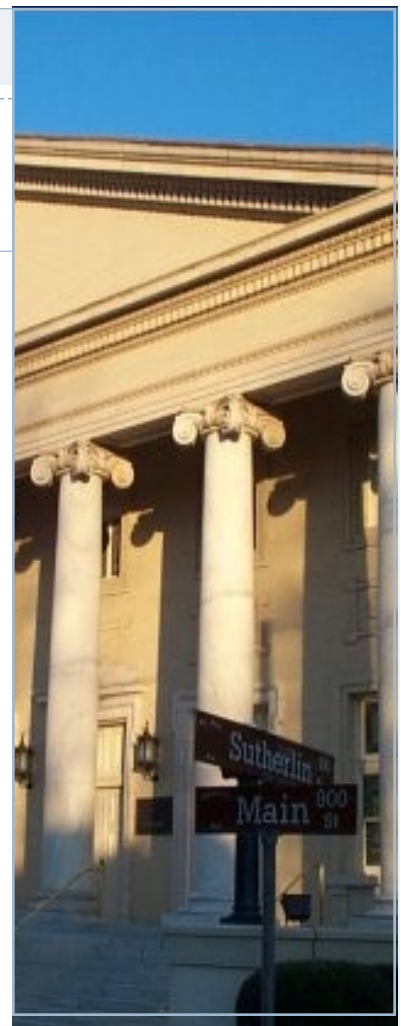
At the end of the first night of VBS, we will have our third monthly community prayer service (7:00 PM, June 19, Sanctuary). We prayed for our local law enforcement officers in April and our fire safety personnel in May, and we will recognize and lift up in prayer our elected city and county leaders in June. Thanks go to Jarrod Brown, who has diligently and prayerfully crafted these services, and to those who have been able to attend and make them so meaningful.

On the Sunday following VBS, we will make our annual trip to the Danville Braves' home opener, which has been one of the most popular events on our calendar the past few years. It is always fun to get outside of the church walls and enjoy one another's company, and it is even better if we can support something local and unique. Be sure to keep an eye on ticket sales through the month.

Finally, as you come and go through the month, be sure to congratulate our music director, Heather Anderson (soon-to-be Perryman), on her marriage! Heather and frequent FPC visitor David Perryman will exchange vows on June 3 and Heather will be back in worship with us on June 11. Special thanks go to Martha Bell for leading music on June 4.

So, as we go into the month of June, it appears that we might be seeing one another quite a bit. Regardless, we should still pray for one another in our comings and goings and ask God how He is calling us to be his hands and feet in Danville and wherever we might be. I look forward to sharing this month with you and hearing how Jesus is at work through you!

In Christ,
Allen



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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Stewardship in Action, Recipe of the Month, and more.

First Presbyterian Church, Danville, VA, Holidays in United States

Jun 2017 (Eastern Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
				5:30pm - Ch. Choir	Office closed	10:45am - Bib. Study 11:15am - Lunch
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9am - Worship Cmte. 9:45am - Sun. Sch. 10:40am - Fellowship @ 11am - Worship	9:30am - Prayer Group 10am - Staff Mtg.	6pm - Deacons 7pm - Property Cmte.	6pm - Youth	5:30pm - Ch. Choir	Office closed	10:45am - Bib. Study 11:15am - Lunch
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9am - Administrative 9:45am - Sun. Sch. 10:40am - Fellowship @ 11am - Worship	9:30am - Prayer Group 10am - Staff Mtg. 11am - VIP	7pm - Session	6pm - Youth	5:30pm - Ch. Choir 5:30pm - Stewardship	Office closed	10:45am - Bib. Study 11:15am - Lunch
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Father's Day 9am - Missions 9:45am - Sun. Sch. 10:40am - Fellowship @ 11am - Worship	5:30pm - Vacation Bible School 9:30am - Prayer Group 10am - Staff Mtg. 7pm - Community		6pm - Youth	5:30pm - Ch. Choir	Office closed	10:45am - Bib. Study 11:15am - Lunch
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
Youth Sunday 9:45am - Sun. Sch. 10:40am - Fellowship @ 11am - Worship 5pm - Danville Braves	9:30am - Prayer Group 10am - Staff Mtg. 4:30pm - Christian 6:30pm - Membership		6pm - Youth	5:30pm - Ch. Choir	Office closed	



Mark your calendars:

Hero Central VBS and Adult VBS June 19-22, 5:30-8 p.m.

(See Below for Details)

Join us for a **Community Prayer Service** for the City of Danville in the Sanctuary on June 19 at 7 p.m.

Danville Braves vs. Princeton June 25

Gametime 6 p.m.

There will be a tailgate before the game with hotdogs, etc. Time of the tailgate to be determined.

Cost is \$7 and we have 30 tickets available. Tickets will be available in the juice room, but you can reserve seats by contacting John Parris (johnparrissr@gmail.com or 793-9239).



Contact Jackson for details: Jackson@fpcdanville.com or 434.792.7822 ext. 3

Children: June 4 – Pentecost Processional – Please meet in the Narthex (Main St Sanctuary Entrance) at 10:55 am.

Children will process into the sanctuary carrying the flame of the Holy Spirit (not real fire).

June 19-22, 5:30pm-8:00pm—Vacation Bible School – Join us each night to discover your strength in God at Hero Central VBS!!!! Please make sure you have filled out a registration form for your child(ren). All forms need to be returned to the Church Office by June 12th.

Youth: Bovotionals – June 13, 20, 27 – Meet at Bojangles at 9:00am for breakfast and a devotion (please make sure you bring \$\$ for breakfast).

Youth Group – June 14 and 28 (No Youth Group June 7 and 21)

Lunch Ministry – June 24

Youth Sunday – June 25th We will recognize and honor our graduates and commission our youth missionaries.



Who: YOU!!! (Children 4 yrs old- 5th grade)

What: VBS Hero Central

When: June 19-22 5:30pm-8:00pm (Dinner included)

Where: First Presbyterian Church

Why: Discover Your Strength in God!!!

Registration Form

Name of Child _____

Name of Parent _____

Age and T-Shirt Size _____

Phone Number _____

Allergies _____

Please return registration form to the Church Office By June 12th.





PRAYERS AND PRAISES

PASTORAL CONCERNS—

Martha Bell, Chuck Bolt, Lisa Bolt, Alice & Randy Bradshaw, Beth Brown, Bill Brown, Claire Campbell, John Cao, Nelson R. Clark,

Judy Cox (Kristen Cox's sister-in-law), Maude Dalton, Rev. Cecil Eanes, Clarence Edmunds, Bill Erwin, Pauline Fitts, Betty Fitzgerald, Fred Gunn, Lois Hayes, Christina Hermetz (Kelsey Thompson's sister), Tim Hooker, Kathy Huggins, Kay Huggins (son-in-law of Thomas and Alice Saunders), Conner Jones, Doug Jones, Jana Keen and family, Angela Langford, Ruth Lawton, Larry Mann, Ruth Meadors, Thelma Meadors, Carolyn Miles, Larry Miller, A. B. Motley, Debbie Perrin Neal, Rhoda Neal, Judy Poythress (Mike Reynolds' sister), Carson Roberds and parents Ashleigh and Alex Roberds, Ella Ryan, Alice Saunders, Lynn Saunders, Alan Sweeney, Linda Terriberry, Emily Weller, Tom West

ON THE MEND--(Praise & Gratitude for improved condition) Kevin Bailey, Martha Bell, Chlodine Bittner (Jackson Weller's grandmother), Kelvin Gunn, Grace Litzenberg, Thomas Peyton Mahaffey, Erica Mann, Lee Norman, Russell Vandiver

Our condolences to Ray Beale and family in the death of his brother, Buck.

Our condolences to the family of Audrey Cocke on her passing Wednesday, May 3.

OUR VIPs—Maude Dalton, Rev. Cecil Eanes, Clarence Edmunds, Bill Erwin, Lois Hayes, Kathy Huggins, Ruth Lawton, Grace Litzenberg, Malcolm Mallery, Thelma Meadors, Carolyn Miles, A. B. Motley, Linda Terriberry, Nultie Wiseman

CAREGIVERS

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

SATURDAY LUNCH MINISTRY

WHAT: Serving a hot lunch to the community

WHEN: Every Saturday; volunteers work from 10:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m.

WHO: Different groups are in charge each week. **EXTRA HELP IS ALWAYS APPRECIATED!** Cooking, clean up, greeting, Bible Study, chatting with guests.

June 3: Women's Circle

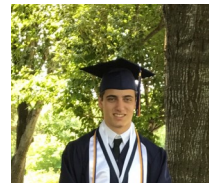
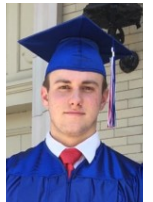
June 10: TBD

June 17: Unity Presbyterian

June 24: FPC Youth



May **Graduations** we celebrated : Brannon Blount from Virginia Tech (left), Edward Blount from Dan River High School (top right), Colin Meadors (lower right) from GWHS, Brooke Atkinson (lower left) from Virginia Episcopal School. Congrats Graduates! We are so proud of you and thank God for all He has given you to steward. We look forward to following your next move!



CONGRATULATIONS on the start of something beautiful!

Congratulations to Heather Anderson & David Perryman on their nuptials, June 3, 2017.





SUNDAY FLOWERS

Flowers on the Reredos

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary in praise and to the glory of God and...

June 18: The flowers today are given in honor and remembrance of all fathers by Ava and Tom Barrett.

June 25: The flowers today are given in memory of Mr. Guy T. Fowlkes and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Kirk by the family.

Open dates are available for May. For information, please contact Rebecca Atkinson at 434.203.1666 or rebeccaatkinson@comcast.net.

After the service, flowers are distributed to those persons on our prayer list or as directed by the sponsor. In charge of this month's distribution is Seekers Bible Class.



VIP OF THE WEEK

Please remember our VIPs in prayer each week and drop them a card or note to let them know how much they are loved.

June 4 Randy Bradshaw
Stratford Health Care 1111 Main Street, Danville 24541

June 11 Alice Bradshaw
Stratford Health Care 1111 Main Street, Danville 24541

June 18 Nultie Wiseman
5969 Dry Fork Road, Dry Fork VA 24549

June 25 Flo Hall
Brookdale Piedmont 149 Executive Ct Rm 23, Danville 24541



Property Committee

Bob's To-Do List

Paint Stucco material at front steps

Power wash walk, front steps

Obtain estimate for roof

Determine cause of ceiling leak, room 108. Repair.

Touch up paint in nursery area.

Completed items:

Additional grab bars, ladies restroom

Replace light fixture in nursery

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Worship Committee
Jarrod Brown, Chair

Worship Committee will meet on Sunday, June 4 at 9 a.m. in the Parlor.

Christian Education Committee
Brenna Takata, Chair

Christian Education will meet on Monday, June 26 at 4:30 p.m. in the Parlor.



A list of duties, committee Information, and more is available at

<http://fpcdanville.com/duties-and-committees/>

On Sunday, May 21st we celebrated the **Sacrament of Baptism of Mallie Elizabeth Walden & Lawrence Wilson Walden, Jr.**, son of Lee & Wilson Walden, with grandparents Keith & Elizabeth Walden and great grandmother Betzy Wilson.



PRESBYTERIAN MISSION EMPHASIS

There are a lot of things First Presbyterian has done in the past 190 years. Some have come and some have gone, but one of the mission projects locally that has lasted for more than 20 years is our **Saturday Lunch Ministry**.

Rain or Shine (even snow) volunteers come out to prepare a meal for those around our church

Gosney and the average attendance is about nine, most of whom are very faithful in attending. Thanks be to God for His grace and blessings to First Pres in abundance!

Did you know that each Saturday a specific group prepares the meal but that Roy Pinckney always buys the food and is always there to



who are in need. We really are perfectly located for this particular ministry which shows in the number of guests we have every Saturday. A lot of them have actually come for almost that length of time!

About 6 years ago we started the Lunch Ministry Bible Study through Pastor Joe and Earline

meet & greet?

Did you know that this ministry is an evolving thing and that volunteers are ALWAYS welcome and quite needed at some Saturdays?

If God puts it on your heart to come help, contact the church office and they will connect you.

NEWS FROM CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Don't forget, VBS isn't just for children! Rev. Thompson will be leading our study on heroes of the faith, both in the Bible and in church history. Join us!

PASTA SALAD

COURTESY OF MARIE-LOUISE CRANE

From the 2009 Stewardship Supper Cookbook

1 dinner spoon of balsamic vinegar	7 dinner spoons of extra virgin olive oil
1 t. of prepared mustard	2 t. of basil pesto
5 oz. of roasted pine nuts	1 box of penne or farfalle pasta
1 bag of baby leaf spinach or basil	1 onion finely chopped
1/2 clove crushed garlic	Fresh Italian herbs to taste
1 box of baby tomatoes, quartered	Grated parmesan cheese

Mix the vinegar, oil, mustard, and pesto, plus the herbs. Roast the pine nuts golden and add to the dressing. Cut up the tomatoes and add to the dressing. Boil the pasta *al dente*, drain, and put back into the pan, adding the dressing; let sit for 20 minutes and add the spinach and/or basil. Put the parmesan cheese on top and serve on a platter. *Bon Appetite!*

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION



Last month in this column we highlighted a special form of stewardship practiced by Charles and Lib Cuttle. This month, let's play a guessing game! Our special person practices stewardship in so many ways. She's a leader (current diaconate member and past session member), a teacher (Day School and Sat. Lunch Bible Study), a singer (Chancel and Sanctuary choirs), a performer in the Handbell choir, and active on many committees.

If you haven't already guessed, our person for June is **Marie-Louise Crane**. ML serves the Lord in so many ways, but it's her many behind the scenes activities that endear her to everyone. If there's something that needs to be done, she's one of the first to volunteer. And then there's Little James. The relationship between them is so special and she has meant so much to the Gill family. She is an outstanding ambassador for our church and a perfect example of "Stewardship in Action". Thanks ML!

Stewardship Corner

April 2017 Financials

	MTD Actual (This Year)	YTD Actual (This Year)	YTD Actual (Last Year)	YTD Budget (This Year)	YTD Bud/Act (This Year)
Contributions	\$29,723	\$105,957	\$91,859	\$103,500	\$2,457
Other Income	\$688	\$1,146	\$113,378	\$3,249	(\$2,103)
Transfers	\$32,688	\$41,796	\$28,880	\$31,172	\$10,624
Total Revenues	\$63,099	\$148,898	\$234,117	\$137,921	\$10,978
Expenses	\$57,851	\$155,126	\$248,097	\$137,088	(\$18,038)
Net Total	\$5,248	(\$6,227)	(\$13,980)	\$833	(\$7,060)

Stewardship News

On Mother's Day, we began discussing a special offering for the basics of caring for older adults. This offering will be collected on Father's Day. We will do this through the Sunnyside Communities. Sunnyside Communities is a non-profit organization with the goal of matching revenues to expenses as closely as possible. Sunnyside relies heavily on contributions from residents, families, friends and neighbors to create outstanding programs and services for their residents. Please give generously to support this organization.

Stewardship thought for June

The Stewardship theme for 2017 is "Bearing Fruit; Using our talents". This theme is taken from John 15:8 and will be the focus of many upcoming activities. For example, the "Stewardship in Action" articles in the monthly newsletter, highlights individuals using the many talents to serve the Lord.



June 2 Clarence Edmonds
3 Tom West
4 Malcolm Mallory ,
 Carol Stoakley
8 Emma Jones,
 Nicole Bracey
9 Lib Cuttle
10 Anne Pritchett
11 Eddie Blount & Jean
 Pritchett
12 Marissa Meadors
16 Charles Cuttle
16 Erin Parris
22 Marie L. Crane,
 Linda Kile, Jarrod Brown
23 Diane Shelton
24 Mikayla Kassa
25 Royal Motley, Carpenter
 Walden
28 Sallie Abreu, Susan
 Mathena
30 Sue Miller, Betzy Wilson

Anniversaries: 14 June 1952
 Betty & Bill
 8 June 1963 Carol & Charles
 19 June 1971 Ava & Tom
 19 June 1976 David & Donna
 23 June 1979 Lib & Charles
 24 June 1972 David & Sally
 30 June 2012 Allen & Kelsey

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Founded in 1826, we were the first organized congregation in Danville. Our sanctuary and offices are located at 937 Main St, next door to the Sutherlin Mansion and Museum and a few blocks west of downtown.

On Sundays, Sunday School classes meet at 9:45 AM and worship services are at 11:00 AM in the sanctuary. For all other events, please see our calendar and missions page. You can also follow us on Twitter and like us facebook.

You can reach us at
(434) 792-7822 or
office@fpcdanville.com

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN BIRTHDAY OFFERING TEA

The Presbyterian Women held their annual **Birthday Offering** gathering as a Tea for all women at FPC, organized by the Evening Circle ladies with their cookie exchange. They honored PW **Nancy Wilson** with an Honorary Life Membership for all her years of service in various roles at our church. Thank you again, Nancy, for all you did and do.



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