



# FPC News

First Presbyterian  
Church

August 15, 2007

## Rally Day

We Learn, We Love - *TOGETHER*

It's hard to believe we are beginning another year of learning and loving together. Rally Day will be Sunday, August 26th. The breakfast last year was such a success, the Christian Education Committee decided to host another one! Breakfast at 9:30 a.m. in the Harper Center for EVERYONE! The adults will go to their Sunday School classes while the children remain in the Harper Center for joint activities. Then at 10:20 a.m., the adults are asked to return to the Harper Center to sing their favorite church songs. Each class is asked to turn in a nomination for their favorite hymn and everyone is invited to sing together! We are looking forward to another great year of learning and loving *TOGETHER!*

## Wednesday Night Activities

Our Wed. night activities resume Sept. 5th. The schedule is posted in the colonnade with dates, topics, children's leaders and meals. ***We need volunteers for meals and children's activities.*** Please prayerfully consider helping in this way for the Fall. We look forward to another 10 week session of fellowship, learning and eating together.

This series will begin with an intergenerational activity entitled "B.C." (before computers.) We will have fun the 'good old-fashioned way.' Before there were computers, video games and televisions, families often spent time together playing cards, board games and listening to stories about their day or week. We are asking everyone to bring old pictures to share with everyone. (Woody Seymour will have a special presentation for everyone to HEAR.) There will also be a time to share your family's favorite activity with the group. So bring your old pictures, quilts, or attire and let's remember how to have fun the good ol' way!

## Sunday School Teacher Meeting

We will have a S.S. Teacher meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 22nd at 6:30 p.m. in the Session Room. If you would like materials earlier, please contact Susan in the church office. We are looking forward to an exciting year of Christian Education!

Thank you to all of the teachers who volunteered this past year. You have helped make a difference in a child's spiritual life. Those who taught last year are Misty Gerstmyer and Rebecca Wilson (2's), Joan Bland and Jessica Brewer (Preschool), Mary Sue Riddle, Donna Robertson, and Joan Suddarth (K-2nd Grade), Susan Silva and Leah Terrell (4th-5th Grade), Debbie Campbell and Suzanne Mills (Middle School) and Randy Robertson and Carolyn Washburn (Sr. High.).

**Mark Your Calendars for the  
Red Cross Blood Drive!  
Thursday, September 20th  
3pm - 8pm  
Harper Center**

## Youth Advisor Meeting

We will have a Youth Advisor meeting on Tuesday, August 28th at 6:30 p.m. in the Hobson Classroom. Please contact Susan Patterson if you cannot attend.

## Treasurer's Report

August 2007

	<u>Jan-July 07</u>	<u>Jan-July 06</u>
Income		
Operating Income	<u>275,386</u>	<u>297,334</u>
Total Income	275,386	297,334
Expense		
Witness	15,843	17,221
Administration	142,278	153,730
Property	76,848	85,504
Worship	3,997	1,850
Christian Education	9,557	7,669
Congregational Care	(2,325)	(3,996)
New Membership	86	0
Stewardship	1,212	0
Building Loan Payment	<u>50,334</u>	<u>55,430</u>
Total Expenses	303,831	317,398
Net Income	(28,445)	(20,064)
Financial Update		
• "It's Time to be Mortgage Free" Status - through 7-31-07		
Pledged	\$270,413.56	
Collected	\$153,670.52	
Match Received	\$135,100.68	
Paid on Loan Principal	\$280,000.00	
Mortgage Balance	\$1,007,175.08	
• Benevolence Offerings This Year		
Bangladesh	\$1,306.47	
One Great Hour	\$1,420.34	
Pentecost	\$526.00	

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**The Witness and Benevolence Comm., with the support of the Session, is asking members and friends at First Presbyterian to bring non-perishable food items for the community food pantry on the first Sunday of each month. Of course, any time you bring food items the containers at the back of the sanctuary and McIver Hall will be in place to accept your donation! The Committee members thought that bringing food pantry items the same Sunday as we bring 'Pennies for Hunger' could help us all remember. Thank you for helping those who are having special difficulties at this time.**

A container has been placed in the church office area where items requested for HAVEN house can be placed. Items especially needed are: full sized bottles of hand/body lotion, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, hair brushes & combs, deodorant, hair spray, bars of soap, lip balm, new ladies underwear (all sizes), razors, emery boards, or anything else that might be needed when leaving your home with only the clothes you are wearing. This is a project sponsored by the Witness & Benevolence Committee with the support of the Session.

If you or someone you know needs transportation to church, please call the church office, 775-5216.

## What's Happening in August??

**Wed., Aug. 15** - 7:30pm Choir Practice

**Thurs., Aug. 16** - 6pm Cardio./Sculpting

**Sun., Aug. 19** - 9am Contemporary Service; 9:45am Sunday School; 11am Worship; 5pm Stephen Ministers/Leaders Meet

**Tues., Aug. 21** - 9am Staff Meeting; 10am CDC Chapel; 6pm Cardio./Sculpting

**Wed., Aug. 22** - 6:30pm S.S. Teacher meeting; 7:30pm Choir Practice

**Thurs., Aug. 23** - 6pm Cardio./Sculpting

**Fri., Aug. 24** - 6pm Dietrick Class Party

**Sat., Aug. 25** - Ross Wedding

**Sun., Aug. 26** - 9am Contemporary Service; 9:30am Rally Day Breakfast in Harper Center; 9:45am Sunday School; 10:20am Choir Sing in Harper Center;

11am Worship; 4pm Congregational Care Comm.; 4:30pm Christian Ed. Comm.; 7pm New Member Comm.; 7:30pm Committees Meet

**Tues., Aug. 28** - 9am Staff Meeting; 10am CDC Chapel; 6pm Cardio./Sculpting; 6:30pm Youth Advisor meeting

**Wed., Aug. 29** - 7:30pm Choir Practice

**Thurs., Aug. 30** - 6pm Cardio./Sculpting