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July 1, 2007

Pastor's Corner

We will be celebrating the birthday of the USA on Wednesday, July 4th. So I hope that we will all make the effort to come together to celebrate our freedom, to gather for some good food, fun, and fellowship on that day. The Christian Education Committee, along with much help from many other great folks, will be providing us with a terrific opportunity to celebrate God's gift of freedom at First Presbyterian Church. We will gather from 5 – 8pm, and enjoy games for all ages, hamburgers, hotdogs, homemade ice cream, snow cones, sing patriotic hymns, and give thanks for liberty!

We will celebrate not only the political freedom that has been passed along to us through many sacrifices that have been made by people of this generation and through the generations before us, but also the spiritual freedom that has been given to us through the sacrifice made by Jesus Christ, and by those who have died for their faith in Him. You and I should never forget that we are the recipients of so many freedoms – all of which came to us at a great price. As long as sin exists in this world, liberty will never be free, much less will it ever be cheap. So, any liberty we enjoy is always “sacrificial freedom.” Maybe that's the term we should use so that we are ever mindful of the nature and requirement for liberty. I hope that our gratitude for such gifts will be manifested in our own willingness to sacrifice for such freedoms. Let us never cheapen freedom by taking it for granted, but always live in continuous gratitude that we are a people who live in “sacrificial freedom.”

Yours in Christ,

Philip



Wear your patriotic attire and come celebrate the 4th of July right here at FPC as we also celebrate our interdependence with each other as members of the body of Christ! While we are grateful to be dependent from foreign rule, we are also dependent on others for our clothing, food, shelter and friendships. This year we will declare our *interdependence*.

From 5pm - 8pm join us for grilled hamburgers, hotdogs, homemade ice cream and snow cones. Bring your bikes, trikes and pull toys decorated for a parade, we'll have sparklers, 3-legged races, water balloon toss, watermelon seed launching contest, horse shoes and the 4 in 1 'jumpy thing.' These are just some of the activities planned. "Uncle Sam" will even join us for dinner and fun! Mark your calendars for this exciting event!

The Middle School Youth would like to invite the congregation to an appreciation dinner on **Friday, July 13th at 6pm in the Harper Center.** The menu will be pancakes and sausage. The youth group would like to thank you for your support this year and past years. After dinner, the youth have a special program planned. They will be sharing 'how to be spiritually fit.'

Following the dinner the youth will have a lock-in.

July Birthdays

July 1 - Doris McPhaul, Betty Sherrod, Adam Kirkley, Hayden Elizabeth Taylor
 July 2 - Hope Knight, Bud Taylor, Lauren Page
 July 3 - Whitney Simpson, Betty Womble
 July 4 - Charles Ingram, Rex Mann
 July 5 - Delores Register, Jay Riley
 July 7 - Harold York, Gloria Coleman, Alex Marin, Steve Michael
 July 8 - Pryor Tatum, Jeff Norris, Bob Davis
 July 9 - Elton Cameron, Hannah Hatton
 July 10 - Martha Taylor
 July 11 - Daryl Perry
 July 12 - Kathy Henderson
 July 13 - Ken Clark
 July 14 - Wallace Bland
 July 15 - Lauren Cobb
 July 16 - Bill Miller, Rudine Miller, John McPhaul, Peggy Cashion, Richard Cobb
 July 17 - Stuart Shields, Paula Arnold
 July 18 - Joan Bland
 July 19 - Woody Seymour, Doug Thomas, Jenn Lloyd, Laura Spivey
 July 20 - Howell Byrd, Brenda Ingram, Graham Terrell, Nancy Cunningham
 July 21 - Norman Brewer
 July 22 - Tripp Paderick, Mary Ruth Gaidosh, Lois Moffett, Daniel Arnold, Laura West
 July 23 - Karen Cox, Abby Palmer, Jerry Campbell
 July 24 - Pat McCracken, Heath Tatum
 July 25 - Layne Wright
 July 26 - Leigh Ann Byrd, Mary Davenport, Carmen Westbrook
 July 27 - Margaret Jordan Ellis, Lisa Harrington
 July 28 - Tony Quick, Leona Smith, Samantha Goforth
 July 30 - Sherry Fisher
 July 31 - Joan Gustavson, Hallie Harrington, Joseph Marano

I cannot say 'thank you' enough for the food, flowers, cards, calls and prayers and all the love shown me after my operation. Thank you and God bless all of you.

Lucille Cameron

Thank you so much for providing a safe, comfortable, Christian place for us to walk. We have met so many wonderful people on the track. You should know the friendships that are formed, the concerns we have on our hearts that we freely share, the prayer requests passed around among us and the times when walking ceases for a time of prayer. The music is an added blessing and provides the mood for prayer and meditation. Thank you is so little for the value of this ministry.

Love,
 Dot & James King

Breadbasket News

Tuesday, June 12th was our day at the Breadbasket, and it proved to be a busy one.

After preparing the day's meal, our helpers went on to cup up and snap other food items to feed the crowd on another day. It was amazing the culinary tips that can be shared and learned while working in that kitchen!

Our menu for the day included fried

or baked chicken, scalloped potatoes, cole slaw, collard greens, corn, black eyed peas, bread, dessert and drink.

Many thanks to our volunteers for the day: Martha McGee, Helen Ogburn, Helen Lynde and Donna Robertson.

As always, we greatly appreciate the support for our service to the community.

Rexine Lloyd & Emily Kelly
 June Volunteers

*The sympathy of
 the congregation is*

extended to:

*The Family of
 Merlee McDonald,*

*The Family of
 Boyd Childress,*

*Roland and Cath-
 erine York Moess-
 ner in the death of
 Roland's mother,*

*Nancy Henry and
 Family in the
 death of her
 husband.*



Matthew Arnold (UNC); Phyllis Bennett & Family; Dutch Bristow (CCH); Emily Buchanan (Parkview); Lucille Cameron; Dorothy Foushee (Parkview); Margaret Foushee (Oakhaven); Doris Gibson; June Harrington (Liberty Comm.); Dean Hollingsworth; Charlotte Lutton; Janelle & Savanna Phelps; Clyde Rosser; Betty Sherrod; Don Suddarth; Joan Bland's stepfather, DC Holler; Dorothy Boast; Jessica Brewer's mother, Linda Brewer and father, Winslow Brewer; Jerry Campbell's mother, Clarene Campbell; Betty Chatellier; Ann Cook; Bob Davis's father, Willie Davis; Karen Ferkel; Billy Heins; Steve Michael's mother, Nancy Michael; Wanda Perry; Wilson Proctor's sister, Elizabeth Lecroy; Taylor Ridal; Sally Suther's niece, Amanda Mager; Lucretia Sperry's grandmother, Mildred Frady; Karen Tatum's father, Wesley Spence; Elsie Urie; Faye Vann's brother, John Whitman; Brian Voisvert; Joan Wagoner's brother, Paul Johnson; Don Wazenegger's brother, Ron Wazenegger; Elinos Whitlock

Session Report - June

- \$369.00 was collected for the Pentecost Offering. The 2006 and 2007 offerings will be donated to Get Smart, Inc.
- Volunteer auditors are needed.
- Emphasis needs to be placed on donating canned goods for the C.U.O.C. (food pantry) on the first Sunday of each month.

Exploris Museum

The trip to Exploris has been re-scheduled for July 21st. We will meet in the Harper Center parking lot at 9:45am. Wear your FPC t-shirt, if you do not have one yet, contact Susan in the church office. Bring a bag lunch to eat in the park close to Exploris. Admission is \$5.00 per person. Call Susan to register.

ARE YOU MY TYPE?

Check out this chart to see what percentage of the population shares your blood type:

AB Neg	0.6% about 1 in 167
AB Pos	3.4% 1 in 29
O Neg	6.6% 1 in 15
A Pos	35.7% 1 in 3
B Neg	1.5% 1 in 67
A Neg	6.3% 1 in 16
B Pos	8.5% 1 in 12
O Pos	37.4% 1 in 3

Someone, somewhere can benefit from your donation. Please sign up. For more information, call Joanne Hamilton.

July Door

Greeters

- Mary Alice Holmes
- Randy Robertson
- Bill Miller
- Charles Ingram

July

- Meals on Wheels
- Men of the Church
- Church Flowers
- Circle # 7**

Witness & Benevolence Committee Report

One of the responsibilities of the Witness & Benevolence Comm. is to let the congregation be aware of the actions the comm. has taken on your behalf.

The designated local agencies to which funds are given monthly are Breadbasket, Habitat for Humanity, HAVEN House, Helping Hand Clinic, Meals on Wheels, Outreach Missions, Christian United Outreach Center, CUOC (formerly Food Pantry), Hand in Hand, and the Salvation Army. Monthly funds are also sent to the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina. For several years, money, work trips, and supplies have been sent to a Presbyterian affiliated school in Orange Walk, Belize. Unfortunately, this support has been discontinued because the government of Belize has taken control of the school. The committee is currently searching for another international mission project.

A member of the committee serves as a contact between each agency and this church. There are occasions when specific items are needed and/or requested. At this time there are some specific needs:

1. HAVEN House needs full sized toiletries (shampoo, lotion, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, etc.) new women's underwear (all sizes), and gas cards. If a Sunday School class, PW Circle or individuals would care to provide any of these items there is a collection box in the church office area.
2. CUOC (food pantry) has an ongoing need. 25% of Lee County residents live below the poverty level. This results in many children and adults going to bed hungry each night. The committee, with Session approval, has designated the first Sunday of each month as FOOD COLLECTION SUNDAY. When you come to S.S./church bring a can or box of food to be placed in the boxes as you enter the sanctuary.
3. Habitat for Humanity will be begin construction of another house in July. Call J.C. Perry (776-1766) for information.
4. Breadbasket - Volunteers from FPC 'cook' the first Tues. of each month. Additional helpers are always needed. Call Emily Kelly (776-6788) to add your name to the volunteer list. Donations of canned goods, #10 sized can, are also needed and may be left at the church.

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What's Happening in July???

Sun., July 1 - 9am
Contemporary Service;
9:45am Sunday School;
11am Worship

Tues., July 3 - 9am
Staff Meeting; 10am
CDC Chapel; 6pm
Cardio./Sculpting

Wed., July 4 - Church
Office Closed; CDC
Closed

**5pm - 8pm July 4th
Celebration**

Thurs., July 5 - 6pm
Cardio./Sculpting

Sun., July 8 - 9am
Contemporary Service;
9:45am Sunday School;
11am Worship

Mon., July 9 - 6pm
CDC Board Meets

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

Thurs., July 12 - 6pm
Cardio./Sculpting

Fri., July 13 - 6pm
Congregational Dinner
hosted by the Middle
School Youth; Middle
School Youth Lock-In

Sun., July 15 - 9am
Contemporary Service;
9:45am Sunday School;
11am Worship; Sr. High
Youth leave for summer
retreat

Tues., July 17 - 9am
Staff Meeting; 10am
CDC Chapel; 6pm
Cardio./Sculpting

Thurs., July 19 - Sr.
High Youth return from
summer retreat; 6pm
Cardio./Sculpting

Sat., July 21 - 9:45am
Exploris Museum trip

Sun., July 22 - 9am
Contemporary Service;

9:45am Sunday School;
11am Worship; 4pm
Congregational Care
Comm., Witness
Comm.; 4:30pm Chris-
tian Ed. Comm.; 6pm
Youth; 7pm New Mem-
ber Comm., 7:30pm
Committees Meet

Mon., July 23 - 10am
Bible Study

Tues., July 24 - 9am
Staff Meeting; 10am
CDC Chapel; 6pm
Cardio./Sculpting

Thurs., July 26 - 6pm
Cardio./Sculpting

Sun., July 29 - 9am
Contemporary Service;
9:45am Sunday School;
11am Worship

Tues., July 31 - 9am
Staff Meeting; 6pm
Cardio./Sculpting