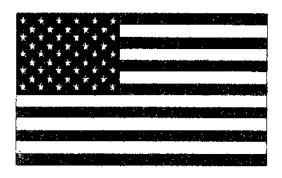
The Messenger

July, 2015



Sunday Schedule

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship Service

11:45 AM Fellowship

1459 White Memorial Church Rd. Willow Spring, NC 27592 919-639-9973 www.wmpcwillowspring.org

MISSION STATEMENT

Remembering God's grace, the mission of White Memorial Presbyterian Church in Willow Spring is:

Come to be joyous and thoughtful in worship;

Walk with God's guidance into deeper faith and knowledge;

Stretch out to the needy with tangible acts of service;

Be loving and generous with time, talents, and treasures;

Go out into the world to welcome and invite.

Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus! As a native of New Jersey, I have never experienced a North Carolina summer before. And Good Lord, does it get hot here! So, I say as we head into July, it is my prayer that we don't let the heat keep us from coming to Church! We need one another to fully experience Christ together in community. As Jesus says in Mattew 18:20, "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." God wants us to grow into his likeness as individuals, that is for sure, but God also wants us to be more like Jesus together, as a community. So keep coming to Church! And invite your friends! Tell others how we at White Memorial are a congregation on fire for Jesus Christ. Tell others how we have powerful, authentic worship. Tell others how we have on Sunday morning strong, bibically based preaching, great hymn singing, enlightening Bible study at 9:30 AM. Let others know what's going on at our church! When we are gathered together, Jesus is present, and when Jesus is present, powerful, life transformational moments can occur. So keep coming to Church and invite your friends! An expect Jesus to be here, even when that hot, North Carolina sun is beating down on us.

In His name,

Henry

SUMMER BOOK READING:

Who: Good women and men of God who want to join together in reading and discussing a good book while enjoying one another's company!

Where: Our wonderful Fellowship Hall

When: The 2nd and 4th Wednesday starting in July. At 6:00 PM (this is negotiable). Dates are 7/8, 7/22, 8/12, 8/26. I recognize that the summer can be a busy time for folks, so if you can't make a gathering, no worries! What: Being a Christian: Baptism, Bible, Eucharist, Prayer. By Rowan Williams. If you would like, I will pick up a copy for you that you can pick up at our first gathering on July 8th. Books are going for \$9.00.

Please invite your friends! All are welcome to join in as we read together and discuss how it is that a person can actually learn to "be" a Christian through the practices of Christian faith.

Any Questions? Please do not hesitate to be in contact. Henry

<u>Prayer Concerns</u>

- Condolences to the family and friends of Bobby Stephenson who passed away on June 18th after a long battle with cancer. Bobby is Ronnie's brother.
- · Continued prayers for Paul Dunn, Lynn and their family, as hospice care has come in to assist.
- Prayers for Jeremy Chapman as he continues to heal from knee surgery. Jeremy has returned to work but will be several more weeks for total healing.
- Pansy Grimes father, Troy Byrd Jr. fell and broke his hip.
- Many cancer patients who are undergoing treatment, John Sullivan, Cindy Calloway, Nell Stephenson.
- Gail Coats, Ronnie & Becky's neighbor, as she receives medical treatment in Maryland.
- Gary Aspen as he recovers from heart condition.
- · Condolences to Betty Selder and her family whose son passed away. She is also recovering from an accident. Betty has joined us in worship several times with Mike Stewart.
- · Prayers for our first responders, EMS, and firefighters are they encounter difficult situations. Peace to them for seeing people in desperate need.
- Prayers for the family and friends of the motorcyclist who was killed in an accident on Hwy. 210
- Pam Grimes's father has a staff infection. She asked for prayers that she and her father reconcile their relationship.
- Henry's friend, Robin Ivy, needs prayer for her child.
- Prayers for Henry as he continues his journey in ministry and becoming ordained.
- Safe travels to all as summer vacations take place.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

* Paul Dunn

* Frances Seagroves

* Kaylan King * Alyce Faye Hawley

* Stephen Marcinko

* Mitch Parrish

* Meagan Poole

THOSE IN NURSING HOMES OR ASSISTED LIVING

- Danny Matthews, Hester Family Care Center, 154 Haven Lane, Princeton, NC 27569
- Pauline Jones, Liberty Commons, 2315 Hwy. 242, Benson, NC 27504
- Vada Allen, Oak Hill Living Center, 9767 NC Hwy 210, Angier, NC 27501
- Alene Stamey, North Chase Nursing Facility, 3015 Enterprise, Wilmington, NC

JOYS

Thanks to Building and Grounds Committee for restoring the handicap ramp. Most of the expenses were paid from contributions to Katherine Smith's memorial fund.

Thanks to Christian Ed. Committee for organizing a fun Vacation Bible School for our community and church children.

SERVICE AND CELEBRATION PAGE JULY, 2015

USHERS

Helen Smith and Ronnie Stephenson

NURSERY

5 - Jenn Baoudoux, 12 - Joyce Byrd, 19 - Michelle Johnaon 26 - Monica Chapman

BIRTHDAYS

4 - Marisa Grace Jackson, 5 - Laura Katherine Smith 15 - Jeremy Chapman, 22 - Cassie Bedwell, 22 - Blake Chapman, 22 - Pam Grimes, 30 - Bobby Talton

LITURGISTS

5 – Judy Morris, 12 – Sandy Parrish, 19 – Glenda Talton, 26 – Don Smith

ELDER OF THE MONTH

Ronnie Stephenson

CLEANING

4 - Volunteer needed, 18- Monica Chapman and Glenda Talton

SECRETARY HOURS

Sandy Parrish – Secretary
Wednesdays – 11AM to when tasks are completed
Thursdays – 12:30 PM to when tasks are completed

JULY 2015 MOUSE NEWS

- * VBS is under way this hot last week of June. As usual the Christian Education Committee worked their magic. The place is transformed with a "super highway" running through Fellowship Hall, into the Basement story room. The theme is G-FORCE--GOD'S LOVE IN ACTION. I heard the number 30 for kids on this 3rd day. Some parents stay along with church volunteers, making the meal time over 50 people. Meals are delicious and well received. The kitchen crew is to be praised and thanked. IT TAKES THE VILLAGE. The VBS is "mission-based" this year, collecting canned goods and non-perishables to be given to a food distribution center. If you would like to help with the expenses of VBS or the mission project, please send your money ear-marked for VBS. WMPC has a lot of talented people and a lot of willing hands and hearts. Pastor Carol came several nights, gathering the kids to learn THE LORD'S PRAYER and the supper prayer. Steve Rimbey cooked hot dogs and hamburgers Sunday night. Lisa Stanley was VBS Director and "cool cute" daughter helped out every night. Judy did a good job of Master of Ceremonies. Michelle Johnson played the puppet, Crackers. Nancy organized the games with Stephanye's help gathering the supplies. Jenn did crafts. Deirdre, Mike, Susan, Pastor Carole, and Glenda all taught one night. Teresa, Anne, and Nancy took turns leading music. Kitchen crew included Margaret, Helen, Florence, Joyce, Linda, Connie. and Lisa. Willing workers who led the kids or assisted in other ways as of Tuesday night. Glenda, Monica, Michelle, Janee, Ken, Sharen, Joan, Sandy, Tammy, Darlene, and the teens, Kaylee, Hailee, and her cousin and others--TO BE ANNOUNCED ...next month.
- * This summer the Smiths are cleaning out belongings from Katherine's house, that is unoccupied again. But not for long...Myron and Sarah's son, Mitch is planning to move in once the cleanout is complete.
- * Steven and Lisa Penny and family vacationed a week at the Outer Banks.
- * Don Smith is stepping away from his part-time job to catch up on some personal and home improvement projects and to get ready for Daughter, Laura's November wedding!
- * Laura and Arnulfo will be living close by, a house near Cleveland Middle School.

The Adult SS Class will have read <u>one half</u> of the Bible when June ends. Isn't that great? The combined class continues faithful and interested. Thanks Be to God. Anyone can begin at any time. If interested just come to SS at 9:30.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH. WE BECOME LIKE WHO WE WORSHIP.

July 2015

un	Mon	Tı	ue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
				Music Minis Practice, 7:15 PM	1 stry	2	3 Inde Day	pendence
Sunday School 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM	5	6	7	Music Minis Practice 7:15 PM	8 stry	9	10	1
1 Sunday School 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM		8	14 Music and Worship Meeting, 7:00PM	Music Mini Practice 7:15 PM	15 stry	16	17	1
1 Sunday School 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM		20	21	Music Mini Practice 7:15 PM	22 stry	23	24	2
2 Sunday School 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM	6		28 Building and Grounds Meeting 7:00 PM	Music Mini Practice 7:15 PM	29 stry	30	31	