



ENGLEWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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ROB'S REVELATIONS BY DR. ROB WESTLUND

Dear Family,
I hope you enjoyed meeting and hearing Chris from Forest Hills EPC and Keith from Hollywood EPC. They were both astounded at our welcome and fellowship. I too enjoyed being at the Hollywood EPC and Forest Hills EPC, but I have to say there is no place like home. The carpet installation took a little longer than expected, but it looks great and has given us an updated and fresh look. I want to give a shout out and thanks to Johnny Long who oversaw the process and to everyone who helped move furniture - you are the best!

August 4th, September 1st, and October 6th are our regular Sundays to serve communion, but starting August 4th we are entering a season where communion is going to

be served every Sunday. First I want to remind you that this is not a Catholic or Episcopal "thing." It is an early church practice. It is also a Presbyterian practice. Our forefather, John Calvin, even defied the law in Switzerland that prohibited churches from serving communion every Sunday. Calvin did this by setting up churches to stagger their communion services so the faithful could take communion every Sunday by attending different churches.

The session and I realize that this may not be for everyone and we don't want every Sunday communion to seem like a ritual - I Corinthians 11:17-34. First let me ask you to consider that we as Presbyterians, along with other Protestants believe that something special is happening during communion.

We are meeting Jesus in the bread and juice by the power of the Holy Spirit in a very real moment as we remember what Jesus did for us. There is a special measure of grace offered during communion through the Holy Spirit that is offered at no other time. It is this special measure of grace that invites us to celebrate communion more than once a month.

If that has still not convinced you that communion every Sunday is exciting, we are offering an opportunity to exit. After the Sermon there will be a hymn, during the last few verses of that hymn you are welcome to exit quietly. I will not be taking notes as to who is leaving and there won't be any shame or guilt in leaving.

In Jesus
Rob

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Weekly Communion begins, 8/4
- Missions Team, 8/5
- Congregational Care Team, 8/7
- Blood Drive, 8/8 & 8/9
- Betty Smith's 90th Birthday Celebration, 8/18
- Presbyterian Men, 8/20
- Walk/Run For Life, 9/21, see page 2 for registration info



Happy Birthday

The Smith family invites you to celebrate

Betty Smith's 90th Birthday

on Sunday, August 18, 2-4 pm
in the EPC fellowship hall.

No gifts please!

Women's Retreat

The Evangelical Presbyterian Women of Mid-Atlantic Presbytery are hosting a Women's Retreat at Caraway Conference Center and Camp in Sophia NC November 1-3 and all ladies are invited! The registration deadline is August 29.

Breakout sessions include: Mentoring, Expressing the Kingdom of God Through Creativity, My Race/My Ministry/My Church, "Becoming all things so that. . .", and EPC Resources.

They have planned an inspiring time of worship, prayer, fellowship, and fun to help us do amazing things with our churches in our communities.

YCRC Walk for Life

Your Choice Resource Center's Walk or 5K Run for Life (new this year) will be held Saturday, September 21, with registration beginning at 8 am and the opening ceremony starting at 9 at the Rocky Mount Sports Complex (600 Independence Drive). This is a critical fund-raising event as over 28% of their operating income is expected to come from this event alone.

You can pick up your pledge packet from the table in the church lobby or you can sign up to receive your pledges online at www.friendsofycrc.org/WalkRun.html. Then put on your walking or running shoes and join others in a fun-filled event for all ages featuring face painting, music, fellowship, food, and fun!

The YCRC is a local Christian ministry of crisis intervention, emotional support, and practical assistance — All FREE! In offering an alternative to abortion, the Center extends the love of Christ to women in crisis.

It's easy to obtain pledges! Go to your neighbors, friends, relatives, co-workers, etc., and ask them to sponsor you to walk two miles.

Be a part of a positive solution! If you have any questions, please see Jean Feagans.

Presbyterian Men

The Presbyterian Men will hold their monthly dinner and meeting on Tuesday, August 20 at 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall.

Be sure to sign-up on the sheet provided on the bulletin board in the church lobby.

Rock the Mount

We will once again be setting up a booth during Rock the Mount After Dark at NC Wesleyan College on Tuesday, August 27, 6:30 pm

We will have a table set up on the lawn at NCWC to provide hot dogs, chips, cookies, and drinks to the students. We need you to provide individual chips, drinks, and home-made cookies (please wait to bring the cookies until a day or two before).

Volunteers are needed to help us get the word out about The Outpost!



August Birthdays

- 1 Sadie Bissette
Lori Rammel
- 2 Paul Harris
- 3 Amy Kirkwood
- 11 Ray Stander
- 15 Bradley Jackson
- 17 Mariann Jacobs
- 18 Brody O'Brien
Betty Smith
- 20 Jenny Brooks
- 21 John Feagans
- 25 Mia Owen
- 27 Dionycia Johnson
- 30 Paulette Pitt



August Anniversaries

- 5 Rex and Denise Bissette
Carl and Jackie Lewis
- 8 David and Ginny Hodges
- 15 Keen and Ashlin Gravely
- 18 Richard and Karen Rose
- 21 Troy and Elizabeth Langston
- 29 Harvey and Sandra Hardy
- 31 John and Jean Feagans

Serving in August

Greeters

- 8/4 Carol Barden and Janet Slack
- 8/11 Richard and Karen Rose
- 8/18 John and Jean Feagans
- 8/25 Betty Smith and Pat Harper

Ushers

- 8/4 Dan Jordan and Daxie Dozier
- 8/11 Ed Moore and Jeff Proctor
- 8/18 Johnny and Frances Long
- 8/25 Rex Bissette and Rusty Bryant

Soundboard

- 8/4 Yvonne McLeod and Cierra Devine
- 8/11 Jeff Proctor and Caleb Chesis
- 8/18 Jeff Slack and Leona Briggs
- 8/25 Denise Bissette and Cierra Devine

Children's Church

- 8/4 Leona Briggs
- 8/11 Ginny Hodges
- 8/18 Ellen Henson
& Ashley Harris
- 8/25 Jill O'Brien

Lay Reader

- Denise Bissette
- Daxie Dozier
- Phil Briggs
- Buck Young

Elders of the Month: Henry Dancy and Karen Rose

Thank You

I appreciate so much your kindness when my brother Bill passed away. Your cards, thoughts, devotions, and prayers will never be forgotten. How blessed I am to have such a wonderful church family.

In Christ, Sadie Bissette

Dear Church Family: Thank you for your many prayers and cards. You've gotten me through some very rough times. I still has a long way to go, but with your prayers and God answering the, I know I'm in God's hands. Lou says thank you for prayers for him too!

In Christian Love, Mariann & Lou Jacobs

August 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Stitches of Love, YB, 10:30 am	2	3
4 SS, 9:15 am Fellowship, 10 am Worship, 10:30 am	5 Prayer Service, SAN, 6:30 pm Missions Team, LIB, 7 pm	6	7 CORE, HI, 6:45 am Congregational Care Team, LIB, 10:45 am Choir, 7 pm	8 Stitches of Love, YB, 10:30 am Blood Drive, FH, noon to 6 pm	9 Blood Drive, FH, 11 am to 4:30 pm	10
11 SS, 9:15 am Fellowship, 10 am Worship, 10:30 am	12 Prayer Service, SAN, 6:30 pm Outpost Meeting, LIB, 7 pm	13	14 CORE, HI, 6:45 am Choir, 7 pm	15 Stitches of Love, YB, 10:30 am Session, LIB, 7 pm	16	17
18 SS, 9:15 am Fellowship, 10 am Worship, 10:30 am FH in use, 1-5 pm	19 Prayer Service, SAN, 6:30 pm	20 Presbyterian Men, FH, 6:30 pm	21 CORE, HI, 6:45 am Choir, 7 pm	22 Stitches of Love, YB, 10:30 am	23	24
25 SS, 9:15 am Fellowship, 10 am Worship, 10:30 am	26 Prayer Service, SAN, 6:30 pm	27 Rock the Mount After Dark, NCWC, 6:30 pm	28 CORE, HI, 6:45 am Choir, 7 pm	29 Stitches of Love, YB, 10:30 am	30	31

Financial Information for July

	July		
	Actual	Budget	Difference
Tithes and Offerings	\$19,145.26	\$27,949.51	(\$8,804.25)
Other Income	115.00	273.08	(158.08)
Total	19,260.26	28,222.59	(8,962.33)
Expenses	28,037.42	30,440.61	2,403.19
Total Income Or (Expense)	(\$ 8,777.16)	(\$ 2,218.02)	(\$ 6,559.14)
	Year to Date		
	Actual	Budget	Difference
Tithes and Offerings	\$167,219.16	\$195,646.57	(\$28,427.41)
Other Income	738.16	1,856.56	(1,118.40)
Total	167,957.32	197,503.13	(29,545.81)
Expenses	188,594.95	202,638.27	14,043.32
Total Income Or (Expense)	(\$ 20,637.63)	(\$ 5,135.14)	(\$15,502.49)

Memorials

Gifts have been given in memory of Bill Fitts (Sadie Bissette's brother) by Betty Smith, Ray and Anita Stander, Jim and Sarah Wade

Gifts have been given in memory and honor of all Charter Members by Dianne Barbee

2020 Budget Forms

Team Chairs: Your 2020 Budget Sheets will be in your team packets (for those with monthly meetings) or in your cubby in the copier room starting August 1. Please fill them out and get them back to the church office by **September 9.**

Changed Lives

"I want to tell you something from observation:

- I have never met anyone who tithed who did not tend to be happy about the fact he did. He was not just happy about tithing, but about a lot of other things.
- I never met anybody who tithed very long, who gave it up.
- I have never met anyone who tithed who did not say at sometime it has been difficult.
- Generous people seem to be the happy ones, miserly people seem to be the unhappy ones.
- The critical spirit is with those who are not giving people.
- Just look around you and you can tell."

[Ben Haden]



Blood Drive

Thursday, August 8
12:00 pm to 6:00 pm

and

Friday, August
11:00 am to 4:30 pm

We need volunteers and donors!
The volunteer sign-up sheet is on the bulletin
board in the church lobby

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