The Reverend Rick Martindale	**Pastor**
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Shanon Venable	**Administrative Assistant**
Sarah Frick	**Nursery Attendant**
Ann Key	**Sexton**
Marie Monroe	**Treasurer**

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Robert Gordon
Margaret Leonard
Bill Russell

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June 2017



Summer Is Coming!

Summer begins this month! Yeah! It is a time to escape to the cool mountains. It is a time to escape to the ocean. It is a time to soak up some sun and start looking bronze and healthy (just don't forget the sunscreen!). It is a time to forget about church!? What? Just making sure you're paying attention.

It is true some activities are getting ready for a break…What's Up Wednesday, Youth Group, Choir, Sunday school for young adults and children (July through the middle of August), and other ministries. Yet, there is still lots happening.

The real question for us is whether there is room for God in our summer schedule? If not, then I will say extra prayers for you. You know, the kind that brings the biggest snakes, tornadoes, and the like to help you see the importance of God in your everyday life!! ☺

Most of us have learned that we need God's constant guidance and direction every day, even in the summer! We are still fighting the challenges of life. We are still wrestling with sin. We know terrible things are still going to happen. In the midst of life, we are still longing to become better disciples of Christ.

We can praise God that God doesn't take a vacation! Thank You Jesus!! Most of us will be taking time off and that is important but we will still be gathering together for things like the Robbins Food Bank, worship at 11 a.m. this month and probably 10 a.m. later this summer (stay tuned for details), Grief Share, celebrations of new beginnings (both happy and sad), Vacation Bible School, and more.

Jesus wants us to grow in our faith. We can do that individually through times of personal prayer, reflection, and scripture reading. He also has called us together to remind us that we are still a part of a larger family. At times, we need one another and other times our church family needs us.

As we embark upon the summer months continue to walk with God. God will surely be walking with us!

Grace and Peace,

Rick

June Calendar Page

Birthdays

1 Silas Stromko
3 Doris Russell
6 Carol Lucas
6 Bryan Monroe
8 John Currie
11 Ginny Buie
12 Benny Cole
14 Joanna Monroe
17 Jonathan Baker
20 Sandra Pearson
22 Brenda Smith
24 Christy Dean
29 Philip Warmbrod
30 Matthew Leonard
30 Jim Lucas

If we do not have your correct birthday or if it is missing please let the church office know. Thanks.

Ushers

4 *Angie Medlin

11 Susan Phillips

18 Cristy Dean

25 Paul White

*Lead Usher

FLOWERS

4 Sarah McLeod

11 Carol & Jimmy Lucas

18 Joan MacLean & Scott Rives

25 VBS

Susan Cole, Flower Chairman, 947-5764

GREETERS

4 Ann and Tom Currie

11

18 Diane and Tom Pangborn

25

In Our Prayers . . .

Bette Allen
Sandra Bibey
John Currie – Tara Plantation
Sheree Kelly
Joan MacLean
Dennis Parks
Kay Patterson
Bonnie Scott
Elizabeth Williams
Jean Bennett - Quail Haven
Linda Busch
Damon Dean
Jim Lucas
Garin Parker
Ina Sue Parks
Jim Phillips – St. Joseph's
Phillip Warmbrod



Linda Ammons – Jim Phillips' sister
Tony Bibey – Jimmy and Sandra's son
Karen Bryant – Friend of JoAnn Wahala
Libby Craven
Lee Cunningham – Marlene Riyevski's Uncle
Judy Durham
Christina Harris- Niece of the Russells
Aaron Ladmin
Ann Parker – Barbara Danley's cousin
Hunter Smith
Skip Vann – Jim Phillips' brother
Gail Barber – Regena Nugent's Sister
Cheryl Bowman
Dean Cameron
Family and Friends of Ginny Cumbee
Robert Davis
Christopher Freeman – Maria Bigger's Grandson
Bo Houff – Elizabeth Barringer's Son-in-Law
David Moore – Geraldine's son
Megan Sanchez – Marlene Riyevski Niece
William Stutts – Bonnie Scott's Brother-in-Law
Linda Ray Winslow – Friend of Pat Jackson

All of our military men and women especially the following: Jonathan Baker, Chris Mohan, Patrick Mohan, Gregory Riyevski, Will Strickland, and Quinn Wicker.

JUNE CALENDAR

1	11:00	P.W. Circle (fellowship hall)
	7:00	Christian Yoga
	7:00	Boy Scouts
3	8:30	Robbins Food Bank
4	9:00	Fellowship and Missionary Committee
	9:45	Sunday School
	11:00	Worship/Pentecost/Graduation Sunday
	12:00	Lemonade on the Lawn
	5:00	Youth Group
7	8:45	Christian Yoga
	10:15	Chair Christian Yoga
	11:00	Grief Share (conference room)
	7:00	Choir
8	7:00	Christian Yoga
10	9:00	Presbytery Meeting (Bethesda Presbyterian Church)
11	9:45	Sunday School
	11:00	Worship
	2:00	Session Meeting (conference room)
14	11:00	Grief Share (conference room)
	7:00	Choir
18	9:45	Sunday School
	11:00	Worship/Communion
20		Deadline for Church Mouse
21	8:45	Christian Yoga
	10:15	Chair Christian Yoga
	11:00	Grief Share
22	7:00	Christian Yoga
23	6:00	Vacation Bible School
24	9:00	Vacation Bible School
25	9:45	Sunday School
	11:00	Worship/VBS Celebration
28	8:45	Christian Yoga
	10:15	Chair Christian Yoga
	11:00	Grief Share
	7:00	Choir
29	7:00	Christian Yoga

FINANCIAL REPORT

MONTH: APRIL YEAR: 2017

CHURCH ATTENDANCE: 1st Sun 74; 2nd Sun 83; 3rd Sun 96; 4th Sun 68; 5th Sun 66 = Average 77

SUN SCH ATTENDANCE: 1st Sun 46; 2nd Sun 55; 3rd Sun 47; 4th Sun 44; 5th Sun 44 = Average 47

OPERATING FUNDS:

Balance in checking account as of Apr 1, 2017	28,267.01
Tithes and Offerings Received	+15,268.00
Sub-Total	43,535.01
Expenditures	-14,635.03
Balance in checking account as of Apr 30, 2017	28,899.98

RESTRICTED FUNDS: (Funds designated for specific projects, etc.)

Restricted Funds held in checking account as of Apr 1, 2017	31,637.84
Employee FICA & w/holding taxes for Apr '17	+496.86
Donations/offerings received (Bldg Fund $6,388; 2 Cents a Meal $213.56; 1 Great Hour of Sharing $169; Grief Share $30)	+6,800.56
Sub-Total	38,935.26
Expenditures: (BB&T mortgage pmt $2,750.87 [prin] + $245.15 [int]=$2,996.02; April 2 Cents a Meal $213.56; 1 Great Hour of Sharing $169; Rose for Baby Collins $21.30; Emp Txs: IRS $1,298.92; NCDR $120; Adj $.02)	-4,818.82
Balance in Restricted Funds as of Apr 30, 2017	34,116.44

RECAP:

Operating Funds Balance	28,899.98
Building Fund Balance: $15,242.54 + 6,388.00 = $21,630.54 - 2,996.02=	+18,634.52
Restricted Funds Balance	+15,481.92
	63,016.42
Apr '17 Payroll Taxes on hand (FICA 358.47; FW/H 98.39; SW/H 40.00)	-496.86
4/30/17 Checkbook Balance	62,519.56

BUILDING FUND REVENUES ON HAND:

Building Fund funds held in BB&T Church checking account	18,634.52
BB&T Investments Brokerage Acc. #JAL-059738, Estimated value	+5,811.58
Total Building Funds on hand	24,446.10

BUSINESS LOAN (for construction):

Principal balance as of 3/31/17	67,304.13
4/27/17 principal payments	-2,750.87
Principal balance as of 4/30/17	64,553.26

With the Women

Circle will meet on Thursday, June 1st at 11:00 am in the fellowship hall. This is our last lesson in this study. We will kick off our new Bible study, "Cloud of Witnesses: The Community of Christ in Hebrews", in August at our Salad Supper. Look for more information in the July Mouse. Ladies Lunch will not meet in June or July, we will meet again in August at Mrs. Lacy's in Sanford.

Thank you for your contributions to the PW annual Birthday Offering. If you are still planning to give to this offering please give your money to Marie Monroe.

The Presbyterian Women would also like to thank you for your support of our projects especially the meals for those who are sick and food for funerals. Lastly, we are updating our contact list. If you are not on our list to be contacted to help please email Helen McDonald. If you do not have an email and would like to help please let Helen McDonald know.

Fall Festival

Our Fall Festival team still needs one person to chair the Doll House Tickets. Thank you to those who have already agreed to help this year, we would love to have more volunteers. Sign up spots are available in the Upper Narthex. Please contact Doris Russell (949-6549 or russell_doris@hotmail.com) for more information.

Youth Group News

The Youth Group will be meeting on June 4th for our last meeting of the school year. **For the month of June we will be collecting Toys and Games for Operation Christmas Child.**

Vacation Bible School

It's Vacation Bible School time! Mark your calendars for Friday, June 23rd (6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.), Saturday, June 24th (9:00 a.m. - 3:30p.m.) with a celebration during worship on Sunday, June 25th. The theme this year is "Maker Fun Factory - Created by God, Built for a Purpose."

You can register online at the church's website: www.fpccarthage.com. Please invite your children, grandchildren, and friends ages 2 through rising 7th graders to come and be a part of this amazing weekend!

Grief Share

Grief Share runs through July 19th. You can begin this weekly video, personal workbook, and group discussion at any time. Each week is self-contained. Sessions begin at 11 a.m. and finish by 1 p.m. If you have dealt with the death of a family member or friend you will discover that this study is very helpful. Please contact the church office (947-2924) or the Russell's (949-6549) to learn more.

Remaining lessons:

7th lesson – Wed. June 7 – Guilt and Anger

8th lesson – Wed. June 14 – Complicating Factors

9th lesson – Wed. June 21 – Stuck

10th lesson – Wed. June 28 – Lessons of Grief; Part 1

11th lesson – Wed, July 5 – Lessons of Grief; Part 2

12th lesson – Wed. July 12 – Heaven

13th lesson – Wed. July 19 – What Do I Live for Now & Grief Share Celebration Session

Camp Monroe Summer Camp

Camp Monroe is dedicated to sharing the love of Jesus Christ and growing young disciples not only through camp activities, but also through daily, intentional, and focused times of Bible study and worship. Camp Monroe offers camp sessions for all ages starting June 18th and running through August 4th. Camp application forms are located on the website at www.monroecamp.org. Money is available to assist those in our church family with camp registration fees. Contact Scott Phillips (947-3736 or sphillips@firsthealth.org) if you are interested in attending or have any questions.

All articles/information for the Mouse should be emailed to Shanon at the church's email address: infofpc@yahoo.com by Tuesday, June 20th.