

Hey Youth!

Our trip to PassportMissions camp is July 15th-20th at Averett University in Danville, VA. See Erin for your camp information sheet and your medical release form!



This year's VBS is an **Everywhere Fun Fair: Where God's World Comes Together!** Join us July 7th – 12th from 6 – 8pm as we experience God's World and the welcoming love God has for all people! We need: small group leaders and tailgating tents! See Erin for details! Also, we will begin decorating for VBS on Monday and Tuesday, July 1st and 2nd. An intern from the Pilot Mountain Baptist Association will be coming to help us get started, so jump in and lend your hand as well!



July Birthdays

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| 7/1 | Gary Hilton, Barbara Snyder |
| 7/8 | Kyle Wilson |
| 7/9 | Jordan Dunlap |
| 7/11 | Jean Foster |
| 7/14 | Margaret Baker |
| 7/15 | Rick Slaydon |
| 7/16 | Amy Smith |
| 7/17 | Eric Farmer |
| 7/19 | Scott Venable |
| 7/20 | Tim Weavil |
| 7/21 | Bill Grose |
| 7/22 | Faye Eller |
| 7/23 | Jim Dunlap |
| 7/27 | Bobby Beaver |
| 7/28 | Peggy Beaver, Jane Sutphin |
| 7/31 | Adam Wilson |

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Vacation Bible School

July 7th - 12th

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. nightly

Sunday through Thursday

Closing Celebration will be

Friday 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Mark's Musings

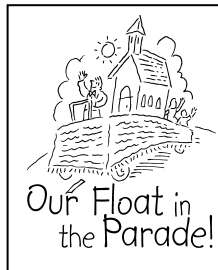
So July is upon us. For all of us that inevitably calls to mind the first big observance of the month. If John Adams had been correct in his prediction to his wife Abigail, we would all be celebrating on Tuesday, July 2. That was, after all, the date the Continental Congress officially approved the Declaration of Independence. But the date on the widely-publicized document was July 4, and from nearly the beginning that is the date that stuck.

Thinking about that historical tidbit leads me to reflect on why some days seem more important than others. There is nothing magical about any date, whether it is July 4 or December 25 or even my birthday (well, my birthday is also Ralph Hedgecock's birthday, so maybe we'll make an exception for that one!) Seriously, though, we all have days or dates that carry national or personal significance to us. Dates don't have power. But memories certainly do. In his letter to Abigail, John Adams said of July 2, "It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty." Good thought, Mr. Adams. May the deep memories that special days call forth always call us back to the presence of God, in whom we can always trust.

Grace and peace,
Mark



Resource Room – This important space in our Fellowship Hall has recently been cleaned out and reorganized (Thank you, Robin French!). As you are preparing lessons or special events for children or youth please check the Resource Room for materials you may need before you go purchase anything. If you would like to donate items for use in the Resource Room please place those items in the designated bin. See Erin for more info!



The church will be sponsoring a float in the Kernersville 4th of July Parade incorporating this year's VBS theme combined with outreach to the community. See Mike Simmons to discuss decorating ideas or to get specifics about riding on the float. Please help us in this fun OUTREACH opportunity!"

Nursery Schedule

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| July 3, 2013 (Wed) | No Activities PM |
| July 7, 2013 (Sun) | Alice Striplin AM |
| | VBS, No Nursery PM |
| July 10, 2013 (Wed) | VBS, No Nursery PM |
| July 14, 2013 (Sun) | Mattie & Clint McCann AM |
| | Edna Bond PM |
| July 17, 2013 (Wed) | Nancy Clodfelter PM |
| July 21, 2013 (Sun) | Kathy Idol AM |
| | Brenda Grose PM |
| July 24, 2013 (Wed) | Edna Bond PM |
| July 28, 2013 (Sun) | Marianne & CC Casas AM |
| | Nancy Clodfelter PM |
| July 31, 2013 (Wed) | Alice Striplin PM |

Children's Church & Wee Church Schedule

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|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| July 7, (Children's) | Julie Striplin & Dale Lakey |
| July 7, (Wee) | Jane Sutphin |
| July 14, (Children's) | Lindsey & Neal Parnell |
| July 14, (Wee) | Susie Hilton |
| July 21, (Children's) | Randy & Cathy Honeycutt |
| July 21, (Wee) | Sharon Thompson |
| July 28 (Children's) | Carole Blakley |
| July 28, (Wee) | Tina Church |

Financial Summary

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| | June 2, 2013 | |
| Undesignated Gifts | | \$ 6,146.00 |
| Designated Gifts | | \$ 659.45 |
| Total Offering | | \$ 6,805.45 |
| | June 9, 2013 | |
| Undesignated Gifts | | \$ 2,273.00 |
| Designated Gifts | | \$ 955.94 |
| Total Offering | | \$ 3,228.94 |
| | June 16, 2013 | |
| Undesignated Gifts | | \$ 3,512.59 |
| Designated Gifts | | \$ 726.00 |
| Total Offering | | \$ 4,238.59 |
| | June 23, 2013 | |
| Undesignated Gifts | | \$ 3,537.04 |
| Designated Gifts | | \$ 446.25 |
| Total Offering | | \$ 3,983.29 |

General Fund

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| May General Fund Receipts | \$17,429.82 |
| May General Fund Expenses | -\$15,875.28 |
| May General Fund Net | \$ 1,554.54 |
| May Fund Balance | -\$22,640.02 |



As is our usual practice, cookies and snacks were delivered to both Hospice Homes on June 9th and 10th and again to the HP location on June 25. **Remember our next "Cookies for Hospice" Sunday will be July 7.**

At our June meeting, everyone signed a card for Aaron Reavis who is currently serving in the US Army. Then on June 8th, our WOM hosted a hot dog luncheon to honor veterans in our church and community. There were 64 in attendance and to all the vets and their families, we again would like to say thank you for giving of yourselves for our country. Without you, we certainly would not have the freedom we have today. God Bless Each of You!!!!

A brief called meeting was held on June 23 wherein we discussed the Lowes Food Store partnership to fight hunger this summer for local children. We approved taking \$100 from WOM funds to help feed hungry children by providing breakfast and lunch food. With the \$100, plus an additional \$20 in private donations, **15 bags of food** were purchased at Lowes for this purpose.

Although we are not scheduled to have a meeting in July, our monthly mission emphasis will be Senior Services of Forsyth County "Christmas in July". Items being requested are:

| <u>Food</u> | <u>Personal Care</u> |
|--|--|
| Canned Meats | Adult diapers (not tabbed) M, L & XL |
| Peanut Butter | Hand sanitizer |
| Crackers | Tissues |
| Canned fruit or fruit cups | Anti-bacterial liquid soap |
| Cereal | Adult wipes/towelettes |
| Nutrition supplements (i.e. Boost or Ensure) | Disposable bed pads |
| Mac 'n Cheese | Deodorant, shaving cream & body lotion |

May we continue to support others this summer as, **UNION CROSS REACHES OUT TO SHOW HIS LOVE.**



Mark your calendar for Saturday, September 21st at 7:00pm for a benefit concert with proceeds going to our Endowment Fund.