

Hey Youth!

Mark your calendar and invite your friends! We are going to Carowinds on Saturday, October 12th! We will leave the church at 8am, so be ready for a day of fun!

Calling All Kids!

We are going to the corn maze on Saturday, October 26th at 5pm! We will go to Clodbuster Farms for a dusk walk through the corn maze so bring a flashlight! We will enjoy marshmallows by the campfires when we make our way out of the maze. Invite a friend! Then, our Trunk or Treat is Wednesday night, October 30th at 6:30. Wear your Halloween costume, bring your trick or treat bag, and invite your friends to come to the church for some treats!



October Birthdays

10/2	Trevor Ward
10/3	Robert Phillips
10/4	Teresa Riggs
10/5	Tina Church, Ned Freeman, Amy Turner
10/7	Steven Beaver
10/8	Michael Buckner, Madyson Daniels
10/10	Jodi Smith
10/12	Jacob Weavil
10/13	Barbara Dortch, Kathy Idol
10/20	Norrine Clodfelter
10/21	Robinell Haneline
10/25	Mark Ashworth, Ralph Hedgecock
10/26	Ann Canada
10/27	Durham Clodfelter
10/28	Angie Weavil
10/30	John Dortch

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Celebrate Fall with these Church Events:

**Youth Group
 Carowinds
 October 12th @ 8:00 am**

**Homecoming
 Sunday, October 20th**

**Children's Group
 Clodbuster Farms
 Corn Maze
 October 26th @ 5:00 pm**

**Trunk or Treat
 & Chili Cook-Off
 October 30th @ 6:30 pm**

Dr. H. Mark Ashworth
 Rev. Erin Lyse
 Mrs. Gayle Wimbrow
 Rev. Marty Daniels
 Mrs. Angie Weavil
 Mrs. Becky Longworth
 Mrs. Teresa Tucker

Pastor
 Minister to Families
 Minister of Music
 Minister of Education
 Organist
 Pianist
 Secretary

Mark's Musings

I spent all of Monday at a preaching conference at Wake Forest. It was excellent. One of the preachers, Anna Carter Florence from Columbia Seminary in Atlanta, was talking about the book of Numbers. Numbers tells of the children of Israel's time in the wilderness. And it's a pretty chaotic time, with ten different big rebellions during the forty years. But in talking about those stories, she said something that stuck with me. She said, "Even liberation requires a certain amount of grieving."

We usually think of grieving strictly as something we do after a loss. But the truth is that we often have to lose something or give up something to move forward. We have to give up being stuck in the past if we're to seize the future. We have to give up the security of the known if we're to move toward the unknown. These things aren't easy. At times the children of Israel wanted to go back to Egypt. At times all of us want to turn back to what we once had or hold on to what we know. But God is always leading us onward. As Jeremiah 29: 11 says, "For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." What will you and I have to give up to claim that hope-filled future? May God give us courage, wisdom, and strength to move forward with trust.

Grace and peace,
Mark

Come celebrate **Ned Freeman's 80th birthday** with him and his family on Saturday, October 5th from 2pm – 4pm (floating) in the fellowship hall. No gifts please



Excitement is building as Homecoming 2013 fast approaches. Please join us on Sunday, October 20th and welcome back Beth and Dr. Chuck Towery as our guests and, hopefully, their children. Beth will be our main speaker, assisted by Chuck. Using all electronics at your disposal, get the word out by telephone, email, text, tweet, etc. to contact past church members to invite them back for this time of great food and fellowship as we celebrate Homecoming. A special offering will be received to benefit our General Fund. We'll have dinner-on-the-grounds following our worship service. Bring your covered dishes and be ready for a good time. There will be NO evening activities. There will be a **clean-up day** to prepare our facilities and grounds for homecoming on Sat., October 12th beginning at 8:00 a.m. Rain date will be Sat., October 19th.

Nursery Schedule

October 2, 2013 (Wed)	Nancy Clodfelter PM
October 6, 2013 (Sun)	Alice Striplin AM
	Brenda Grose PM
October 9, 2013 (Wed)	Edna Bond PM
October 13, 2013 (Sun)	Beverly Weavil AM
	Nancy Clodfelter PM
October 16, 2013 (Wed)	Alice Striplin PM
October 20, 2013 (Sun)	Kathy Horton AM
	No Evening Activities PM
October 23, 2013 (Wed)	Brenda Grose PM
October 27, 2013 (Sun)	Marianne & CC Casas AM
	Beverly Weavil PM
October 30, 2013 (Wed)	No Nursery- Trunk or Treat PM

Children's Church & Wee Church Schedule

October 6, (Children's)	Julie Striplin & Dale Lakey
October 6, (Wee)	Jane Sutphin
October 13, (Children's)	Erin Lysse
October 13, (Wee)	Susie Hilton
October 20, (Children's)	Randy & Cathy Honeycutt
October 20, (Wee)	Tina Church
October 27 (Children's)	Carole Blakley
October 27, (Wee)	Sharon Thompson

Financial Summary

	September 1, 2013	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 5,008.59
Designated Gifts		\$ 305.25
Total Offering		\$ 5,313.84
	September 8, 2013	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 3,505.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 147.40
Total Offering		\$ 3,652.40
	September 15, 2013	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 1,508.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 31.50
Total Offering		\$ 1,539.50
	September 22, 2013	
Undesignated Gifts		\$ 4,088.00
Designated Gifts		\$ 241.20
Total Offering		\$ 4,329.20
	General Fund	
August General Fund Receipts		\$ 16,210.69
August General Fund Expenses		-\$ 17,909.43
August General Fund Net		-\$ 1,698.74
August Fund Balance		-\$ 20,752.82



Thank you for your tremendous donations to the Hospice Homes in Winston-Salem and High Point. Remember home-baked cookies are really needed along with all breakfast items. Soups, microwavable mac 'n cheese, fruit cups and snacks will be greatly appreciated. Our next *Hospice Sunday* will be **October 6.**

You will recall the report in last month's newsletter regarding the wonderful amount of donations delivered to Senior Services. Well, I am especially happy to report the donations for Glenn High less fortunate students were just as wonderful. A total of 305 have been delivered. Blessings to each of you who participated.

The September mission emphasis was collecting breakfast items for the families staying at the Ronald McDonald House and hopefully I will be report soon that this mission venture was just as successful.

Attention bargain hunters: Be on the lookout for economical Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box gifts and also for things on sale for children birth through middle school for the Baptist Toy Store. Details and gift ideas will be released at our next meeting and in upcoming publications.

October 2 will be the date of our next WOM meeting and all ladies of the church are invited.

May we all work together to show our community how **UNION CROSS REACHES OUT TO SHOW HIS LOVE.**

New Deacon Officers for the 2013/2014 church year are: *Beverly Weavil* - Chair, *Dale Lakey* - Vice Chair, *Donald Wimbrow* - Secretary, and *Don Sutphin* - Assistant Secretary.

Senior Moments Highlights

We are going to Wytheville Va. on the 3rd to see a salute to John Denver. Our covered dish luncheon will be on the 24th at 11:00am.

Trunk or Treat & Chili Cook-off Fundraiser

Trunk or Treat! Grab your costume and trick-or-treat bag and join us for a night filled with treats! Fill your trunks with lots of good treats to share. The Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser will be on the 30th beginning at 6:30pm. This fundraiser is for our Raise the Roof Campaign. There will be signup sheets in all three buildings on October 6th. The chili will be judged by those tasting and prizes will be handed out to first, second and third place chili, as well as free Roloids to all who are brave enough to try the chili. Come One Come All !!!!!