

A Beacon of God to all People

Growing in Christ.....Sharing God's Love..... Reaching Out to the World



Believe.....Belong.....Serve

The Newsletter of the Parkwood United Methodist Church
Proudly serving the Parkwood Community for 54 years

Mark 1: 14-15

March 2015



Come to the Table

March 28th at 5:30! That's when you're invited to 'Come to the Table' for food, fellowship, and worship. You may be wondering why it would be beneficial to worship around the dinner table. Is this any different than worship and THEN a potluck after church or breakfast and THEN we gather to worship? Why ensure that these things are happening together? As always, you know the right questions to ask!

Think back to the fondest memories we have with family and friends. Why are they fond memories? What were we doing together? The speaker at our last Corridor District meeting, Norman Wirzba, mentioned how often food is a part of those enduring memories. And thinking back, I feel he's right! We are a people that need to eat, love to eat, and eat to live. When I think back I remember the feast of chicken and barbecue at our wedding, the rush to get Bojangle's after the birth of our son, our Thanksgiving and Christmas tradition of mom's special breakfast casserole or gathering for the first time in a long time at Zinburger over at Southpoint with a

friend. Maybe I just love food and that's why the details are so fresh, but I think there's something very powerful that can happen around the dinner table.

We follow a Savior who loved to gather around food. A quick stroll through the Gospels and we'll see him turn water into wine at the wedding FEAST, building relationships with society's outcasts through eating DINNER with them, instituting Holy Communion and washing the disciples feet at the LAST SUPPER, and revealing who he was to Emmaus travelers when they BROKE BREAD together. It should come as no surprise that a reward for our commitment to Christ is the FEAST of heaven and that we will be allowed to EAT of the Tree of Life. Friendships are made, memories formed, and love shared through the many potlucks and dinners we celebrate and through the meals given in times of need.

So...that is why I think something truly amazing can happen when we gather to worship around the dinner table. As we take in the food that keeps our body going, we will take in the Bread of Life that feeds the soul and give thanks to God for it. What new memories will be formed around this new table on March 28th? How will we get a taste of heaven? Well...you'll just have to stop on by at 5:30 to find out. Oh! And bring some food and some friends, too!

Pastor Nathan



Daylight Savings Time Begins at

2 A.M.

March, 8, 2015

Sign up sheets available if you want a wakeup call at 2 am to set clocks forward

SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES

The Seekers Class

The Seekers will be joining in Nathan's study of The Rebel Jesus. After Lent we will look at the book of Daniel as it is on the Catholic Bible which includes several apocryphal segments.

the Jacob Class

the Jacob class will be joining in Pastor Nathan's study of "The Rebel Jesus". After Lent we will look at the book of Romans as we continue our journey through the Bible and discuss certain segments of the book. Our class will start the Book of Romans on April 5th at 9:30 am in room 1 at

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2015

12:15 p.m.

FELLOWSHIP HALL

(Donation for Capital Campaign of PUMC)



A TIME FOR IRISH TREATS

**Stew – Corn Beef & Cabbage – Potato Soup – Salad &
Bread – Desserts**

Please come and join us for a wonderful luncheon of fellowship and fun. "Green" will be the color of the day

Friday Nite Movies Previews of Coming Attractions*

April 10	Top Hat	1935	Fred Astaire & Ginger Rodger
May 1	Loch Ness	1996	Ted Danson & Joely Richardson
June 5	Bringing Up Baby	1938	Cary Grant & Katharine Hepburn
July 3	Brigadoon	1954	Gene Kelly & Van Johnson
August 7	Million Dollar Arm	2014	Jon Hamm & Bill Paxton
Sept. 4	the Time of Their Lives	1946	Bud Abbott & Lou Costello
Oct. 2	How to Train our Dragon 2	2014	voices of Cate Blanchett & Gerard Butler
Nov. 6	The Quiet Man	1952	John Wayne & Maureen O'Hara
Dec. 4	Heaven is For Real	2014	Greg Kinnear & Kelly Reilly



Birthdays

Linda Youngblood March 19th
 Laura Moore March 21st
 Taylor Potter March 21st
 Clint Robson March 27th
 Linnie Skidmore March 31st

Anniversaries

Frank & Brenda Stephen's March 20th

Send birthdays and anniversaries to crabbyron@yahoo.com



You are cordially invited to join the Chancel Choir at
 Parkwood United Methodist Church. The choir meets
 weekly on Wednesday nights from 7:30



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Parkwood United Methodist Men

The Parkwood UMM will meet on Saturday morning March 21st.

For breakfast at Beneties Restaurant in the Greenwood Commons shopping center off Sedwick road at 8:00 am



United Methodist Women

The Parkwood UMW met on February 21st in the Fellowship Hall at PUMC. Betty Byrd welcomed 15 women who attended the meeting to make hygiene kits for Urban Ministries.

Charlotte started the meeting off with a Lenten prayer on fasting and we finished by all singing the Doxology.

The women discussed the plans for the March 15th. St. Patrick's Day luncheon immediately following church service. The signup sheets for the meal items are on their UMC bulletin board.

We briefly discussed our first spiritual retreat on March 21st. A number of our women will be attending this one day event near Greenville, NC, We invite all the women of our church family to join us in this outing to relax and refresh our bodies and souls.

Betty and Jan Schwarze then instructed the group on how to stuff a sock within a sock to make these hygiene kits with all the items that were donated by the church. **We are thankful to all who very generously donated these items. We were able to make 70 hygiene kits to take to Urban Ministries. Thank you for supporting our mission.**

We will not be having a regularly scheduled meeting in March due to the spiritual retreat.

Images Related to Pastor Nathans Message found on Mt. Nebo

Pastors Message "Only Son" on 2-22-2015



K nit – Purl – Pray

Parkwood United Methodist Church

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

2nd. and 4th. Saturday



If you are an experienced knitter/crochet, beginner or a novice; you are welcome. We all have our own level of expertise and love to share



Capital Campaign:

We'd like to introduce you to Ted Meyers, who holds a position with the NCCU Law School as Director of Development and is one of the recent persons to join our church. Very soon Ted will be helping us out by meeting with our congregation and finding out what the needs and concerns of our congregation are as we move forward as a church.

Monthly Devotional from Rev. Alistair Begg of the Truth for Life Ministry

You shall call his name Jesus. [Matthew 1:21](#)

When a person is dear, everything connected with him becomes dear for his sake. Thus, so precious is the person of the Lord Jesus in the estimation of all true believers that everything about Him they consider to be inestimable beyond all price. "Your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and aloes and cassia," said David,¹ as if the very vestments of the Savior were so sweetened by His person that he could not but love them. It is certain that there is not a spot where His hallowed foot has trod, there is not a word that His blessed lips have uttered, nor a thought that His loving Word has revealed that is not precious to us beyond all price.

And this is true of the names of Christ--they are all sweet in the believer's ear. Whether He is called the Husband of the church, her Bridegroom, her Friend; whether He is referred to as the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world--the King, the Prophet, or the Priest--every title of our Master--Shiloh, Emmanuel, Wonderful, the Mighty Counselor--every name is like the honeycomb dropping with honey, and luscious are the drops that distill from it.

But if there is one name sweeter than another in the believer's ear, it is the name Jesus. Jesus! It is the name that moves the harps of heaven to melody. Jesus! The life of all our joys. If there is one name more charming, more precious than another, it is this name. It is the melody of our psalms. Many of our hymns begin with it, and scarcely any, that are good for anything, end without it. It is the sum total of all delights. It is the music with which the bells of heaven ring, a song in a word, an ocean for comprehension, a matchless oratorio in two syllables, a gathering up of the hallelujahs of eternity in five letters.

*Jesus, I love Thy charming name,
'Tis music to my ear.*

1) Psalm 45:8



March 15 from 5:30-7 the youth will have a meeting and dinner will be provided

March 22 the youth are preparing homeless kits to be handed out to all church members that would like to have one. We will begin collecting supplies for the kits on March 8th. Stay tuned for more information



Here is a picture of Kaden Van Dine, Pack 495,
The winner of the District Pinewood Derby
Fastest Car trophy, Tiger division.

Kaden Van Dine



LORD'S DAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SABBATH
1 9:30 Sunday School Renegade Gospel: Rebel Jesus 11:00 Worship 3-5 GS Rms 5,7	2 9:30 Senior Exercise	3 5:30-6:30 GS R5	4 9:30 Senior Exercise 6:15 Renegade Gospel: Rebel Jesus	5 6-8 Cubs Rm 7 7 Cubs Rms 1,3,4,5,6	6 9:30 Senior Exercise 7:30 Movie Nite "Amazing Grace"	7
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29 9:30 Sunday School Renegade Gospel: Rebel Jesus 11:00 Palm Sunday (We'll gather outside to process in	30 9:30 Senior Exercise	31 5:30-6:30 GS R5		Parkwood United Methodist Church	March	2015

TASK	MARCH 1	MARCH 8	MARCH 15	MARCH 22	MARCH 29
9:15 Greeters	Herb & Jan Schwarze	Jimmy & Florine Layman	Marie Porter and David Thompson	Ron & Betty Byrd	Herb & Jan Schwarze
10:45 Greeters	Priscilla Thompson & Janie Henderson	Ron & Betty Byrd	Marietta Abbott	Ron & Susan Clark	Charlotte & David Thompson
Infant Nursery	Betty Byrd	Debbie Kavanaugh	Marietta Abbott	Dianne Mitchell	Dena Roberts
Ushers	Clint & Natalie Robson	Ron & Betty Byrd	Priscilla Thompson & Janie Henderson	Marie Porter & Dena Roberts	Linnie Skidmore & Donald Lennon
Altar Guild	Charlotte Thompson	Priscilla Thompson	Florine Layman	Marietta Abbott	Jan Schwarze
Communion Set-Up	Pam Skidmore and Priscilla Thompson				
Altar Flowers	Margaret Eiland	Betty Byrd	Janie Henderson		Jan & Herb Schwarze
Member Care Cards	Betty Byrd	Susan Oglesby	Pat Nestler	Jan Schwarze	Betty Byrd
Counters	Herb Schwarze & Ron Clark	Ron Clark & Jan Schwarze	Jan Schwarze & Dianne Mitchell	Dianne Mitchell & Ron Byrd	Ron Byrd & Bob Newlin
FT & Lection Reader	Betty Byrd	Charlotte Thompson	Marie Porter	Jan Schwarze	Herb Schwarze
Fellowship Refreshments	Brenda Stephans	Debbie Kavanaugh	Florine Layman	Betsy Newlin	Jan Schwarze
Office Help	Ron Byrd	Jan Schwarze	Marietta Abbott	Bob Newlin	Nathan Wittman

MINISTRY TEAM FOR MARCH 2015 *If you can't serve on your day, please arrange for a substitute. Thanks!