

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 53 years

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Lasting Legacy

October is shaping up to be a busy month for Parkwood UMC! Our leadership is busy reading reports and budgets and nominations for our annual Charge Conference on November 2nd, we have fun events like our Trunk or Treat and Halloween Hoot on October 25th, and we have the 53rd birthday of a very special place, our church, to celebrate on October 12th. That's just to name a few. Yes, these months are super busy, but they're also the months that remind us of how our church is still alive and thriving in the community around it.

I am convinced, and I pray you are, too, that God still has much planned for the future of our little church in Parkwood. On the 12th, when we look back and celebrate the history of our faithful family we'll see times of great thriving and times of struggle, days where the pews were filled beyond capacity and days where they were sparsely populated. As we reflect on our journey together we will remember the opportunities we seized to live beyond our comfort zone and the moments we were too afraid to take the risk God set before us. But we hold onto all of those moments, the times of strength and the times where we had a lot of space to grow, because all of them have shaped us up until this point. All of them have made us what we are today and all of them were used by God to mold us for his purpose.

But when we come together to celebrate 53 years of ministry, we're not going to remain stuck in the past. We also need to look to our future and ask: What will be the legacy of this church? Where will this church be in ministry 10 years, 20 years, 30 years, and another 50 years from now? Will we seize more of the moments that God has yet to set before us? Will we

embrace his generosity towards our church and community? Will we take risks so that the church continues to thrive instead of simply survive? I wish I knew the answers, but I don't. I only know that God has set before us many paths and promises to walk them with us, no matter what we choose. So what we need to do is seek God, no matter where he leads and no matter the risk.

On October 12th we will continue to celebrate our new Vision as a church: Growing in Christ, Sharing God's Love, and Reaching Out to the World. But we're going to add to that our Mission. A vision is where we see ourselves as a church and the mission is how we get there. We also have a special announcement to share regarding how we can all be involved in keeping our church going years from now. So join us for worship together, celebration of all this church has done and will do, and break bread with us afterwards at one of our best potlucks yet. See you there!



SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES

The Seekers Class

The Seekers Class will complete the study of Deuteronomy and then take a break to join in Nathan's Bible study.

Blessings, Bob

the Jacob Class

the Jacob class has embarked on a study of all the books of Paul in the chronological order. Herb Schwarze and Ron Byrd will be conducting this study.

The Jacob class meets in room 1 at 9:30 am



Pastors Study on 'Making a Sense of the Bible: Rediscovering the Power of Scripture Today.'

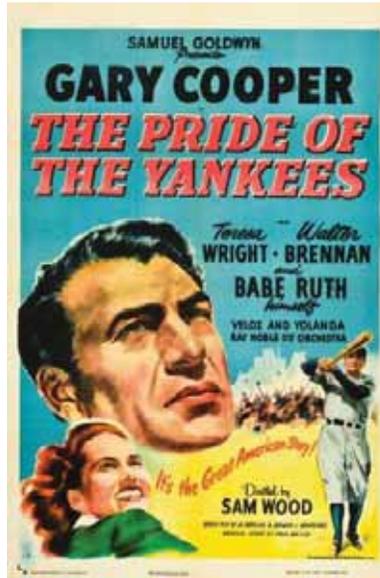
We will be having two time slots for the study. Our Sunday time slot will be during the Sunday school hour (9:30-10:30) and will begin on September 7th. Our Wednesday time slot will be from 6:15-7:15 and will begin on September 10th. Like last time, feel free to bring some food with you if you're rushing over from work. The study is 6 weeks long and will end on October 12th and October 15th respectively.

"Denominations from evangelical to mainline continue to experience deep divisions over universal social issues. The underlying debate isn't about a particular social issue, but instead it is about how we understand the nature of scripture and how we should interpret it. The world's bestselling, most-read, and most-loved book is also one of the most confusing. In *Making Sense of the Bible*, Adam Hamilton, one of the country's leading pastors and Christian authors, addresses the hot-button issues that plague the church and cultural debate, and answers many of the questions frequently asked by Christians and non-Christians alike.

Did God really command Moses to put gay people to death? Did Jesus really teach that everyone who is not a Christian will be assigned to hell? Why would Paul command women to "keep silent in the church?" Were Adam and Eve real people? Is the book of Revelation really about the end times? Who decided which books made it into the scriptures and why? Is the Bible ever wrong? In approachable and inviting language, Hamilton addresses these often misunderstood biblical themes leading readers to a deeper appreciation of the Bible so that we might hear God speak through it and find its words to be life-changing and life-giving."



Friday Nite Movie for September
October 10, 2014



MGM Presents "Pride of the Yankees"
Starring Gary Cooper and Babe Ruth *

Previews of Coming Attractions *

November 7 th	1986	the Mission	Robert DeNiro, Jeremy Irons
December 5 th	1940	Remember the Night	Barbara Stanwyck, Fred MacMurry

And a Special Short Subject

*Subject to Change

Coming in December: The 2015 lineup of films

 **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU** 

Birthdays

Dianne Mitchell Oct. 10

Chris Abbott Oct. 12

Frank Stephens Oct. 18

Betsy Newlin Oct. 21

Marietta Abbott Oct. 23

Desiree Davis-Omboro Oct. 32

Send birthdays and anniversaries to crabbyron@yahoo.com



It's that time of year again...time to sign up to work at the N.C. State Fair, which will be held on October 16 - 26, 2014. This is the largest fundraiser for our church and we can't be successful without everyone's help. The amount of money that we earn is calculated on the number of slots we fill! As in past years, there will be two time slots available (one day-time and one night-time) for each of the 11 fun-filled days! We will carpool from the parking lot each morning and afternoon. Sign-up sheets are posted in the hallway. We are asking that you schedule the days and/or nights that you can work NOW. This is for two reasons: 1) we need to know that we can fill the commitment that we as a church have made; and 2) we must communicate these slots to Creedmoor United Methodist Church. If you have any questions, please contact us at (919) 544-7787 or roger.jarrell@frontier.com.

Janice and Roger Jarrell

Please.....Sign Up Now!!!!



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



*Cub Scout Pack 495 and Parkwood United Methodist Church
invite you to our annual*

Halloween Hoop!

and

Trunk-or-Treat!

Saturday, Oct. 26, 2013

5:00 - 7:00 pm

Parkwood United Methodist Church



Games, Prizes, Food, Costume Contest, Surprises, and MORE!

*Admission is only one canned or non-perishable food item
and will be donated locally through the Scouting for Food program*



Come on out for a boo-tiful evening!



United Methodist Women

September Meeting

to

Parkwood UMW met on Thursday, September 25th in the Jacob Classroom at PUMC. Betty Byrd welcomed eleven women this month the meeting. Members took a few minutes to share joys/health concerns. Refreshments were provided by members Betty Byrd and Aida

Cancel

Charlotte Thompson read from Romans 12: 9-13. She shared stories from the prayer calendar booklet of several women who have devoted their lives to helping others. She ended with a prayer from Mother Teresa.

Betty started the business part of the meeting by having the women read the Mission Statement for UMW. She then turned the program over to Arlene. Arlene passed around several copies of the UMW's new brochure for review. The flyer will go in the new member packets when they are made.

The next item of business was nominations of new officers. Jan stated she had not heard from anyone that they were not holding their positions. This was tabled until next November.

Pat Nestler mentioned she needs nominations for service pins. Several of our women have already responded.

Arlene stated the Rada knife fund raiser was successful. She mentioned if we had orders in the next few days they would be accepted. She is going to place the order and we should have some time in October.

The women decided to have a silent auction bake sale as a fund raiser this fall.

The State Fair signup sheet was passed around so shifts could be filled in. This is the largest fundraiser the church has.

This will be the 53rd. anniversary of the church. A signup sheet has been put up in the main hallway. Betty stated the worship committee men will put up the tables/chairs. Betty stated decoration the hall will be on Saturday. Marietta will make a signup sheet for setup and cleanup. There are always enough people in the kitchen before church to accept food.

The kitchen schedule and guidelines are done. Susan stated the committee needs to proof and laminate. The new guidelines will be placed on the refrigerators. Groups using the kitchen will know what their responsibilities are for clean up after their activity.

The signup sheet for the cleaning of the new kitchen floor is full until next June. It was suggested all we need to do is wash the floor with diluted vinegar in equal parts water, mop and rinse the floor good.

Jan is heading up a service project for Urban Ministries. We are going to make cookies to put in the lunch bags. We will be baking on October 4th. We will meet at 10:00 a.m. to mix, bake, cool and bag the cookies. Jan will bring to Urban Ministries on Tuesday when she goes to work her regular day.

The program for the month of October will be breast cancer awareness. Pam has invited a speaker, Julie McQueen from the Susan G. Komen foundation. We hope all women come to listen. This meeting is October 23rd.at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at Parkwood United Methodist Church.

Hope to see you there.



Parkwood United Methodist Men

The Parkwood UMM will meet on Saturday morning October 18th for breakfast at Beneties Restaurant in the Greenwood Commons shopping center off Sedwick road at 8:00 am.



Knit - Purs - 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



Former members Amanda and Mark Sheriff became the proud parents of Samantha Kate Sheriff born on May 4, 2014. That's right, there's a new Sheriff in town!



Five little pumpkins sitting on a gate,
The first one said, "Oh! My it's getting late"
The second one said,
"There are witches in the air!"
The third one said,
"I don't care!"
The fourth one said,
"Let's run, and run, and run, and run!!!!!"
The fifth one said,

"It's Halloween fun!"

OOOOOOOO went the wind,

And out went the lights;

Then five little pumpkins

Rolled out of sight!



You are invited to join us on Saturday, Oct. 4 at 10:00 a.m. in the church kitchen. We will be baking and packaging cookies for the Urban Ministries Community Cafe. Join us for fun and fellowship, as we do this mission project to help feed hungry people in our community.

**See you there,
Jan Schwarze**



Vintage Halloween Postcards...





Remains of Jewish Sobibor Victims Receiving Proper Burial after 70 Years.



The remains of Jewish victims of Sobibor are finally going to receive a proper burial, some 70 years later.

Chief Rabbis from Israel and members of the Knesset are set to travel to a ceremonial burial in October, to see the proper burying of bones uncovered at the notorious Nazi camp located in Poland.

Some 250,000 Jewish prisoners were killed at Sobibor. Visitors to the camp have noticed in the past small objects on the ground that resemble rocks—these are, in fact, human remains.

“According to Jewish tradition, a person’s soul cannot rest if his or her bones are not buried,” Jonny Daniels, a political consultant and founder and executive director of From the Depths, an organization working to preserve Jewish sites in Poland, told the Jerusalem Post.

“The bones have been sitting there for seven decades. We owe it to those who were lost to properly memorialize them and take care of this.”

Holocaust survivors, Israeli ministers and European lawmakers will also be invited to the event. Daniels said. European leaders in particular were being invited to help raise awareness for the consequences of extremism.

“They need to understand that the incidents happening now can lead to this,” he stated, referring to the Holocaust.

“That’s a strong statement, but I believe it. Europe is a scary place for Jews today.”



Vintage Halloween Postcards...



LORD'S DAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SABBATH
			1 9:30 Senior Exercise 6:15 Making Sense of the Bible	2 6-8 Cubs Rm 7 7 Cubs Rms 1,3,4,5,6	3 9:30 Senior Exercise 7:30 Movie Nite	4
5 9:30 Sunday School Making Sense of the Bible 11:00 Worship 12:00 Mission and Vision 3-5 GS Rms 5,7	6 9:30 Senior Exercise	7 5:30-6:30 GS R5	8 9:30 Senior Exercise 6:15 Making Sense of the Bible	9 6-8 Cubs Rm 7 7 Cubs Rms 1,3,4,5,6	10 9:30 Senior Exercise	11 9-11 Knit, Purf, Pray
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TASK	OCTOBER 5	OCTOBER 12	OCTOBER 19	OCTOBER 26
9:15 Greeters	Marie Porter and David Thompson	Ron & Betty Byrd	Priscilla Thompson	Herb & Jan Schwarze
10:45 Greeters	Charlotte and David Thompson	Ann Farmer and Florine Layman	Steve Jenkins and Aida Cancel	Susan Oglesby and Dianne Mitchell
Infant Nursery	Dianne Mitchell	Dena Roberts	Betty Byrd	Ron Clark
Ushers	Andrew Key and Linnie Skidmore	Frank & Brenda Stephens	David Thompson and Ann Farmer	Ron & Susan Clark
Altar Guild	Pat Nestler	Charlotte Thompson	Priscilla Thompson	Florine Layman
Communion Set-Up	Bev Whitmore and Betty Whitaker			
Altar Flowers				Marietta Abbott
Member Care Cards	Betty Byrd	Susan Oglesby	Pat Nestler	Jan Schwarze
Counters	Roger Jarrell and Frank Stephens	Frank Stephens and Herb Schwarze	Herb Schwarze and Ron Clark	Ron Clark and Dianne Mitchell
FT & Lection Reader	Charlotte Thompson	Marie Porter	Lauren Key	Jan Schwarze
Fellowship Refreshments	Dena Roberts	Ann Farmer	Lisa Greene	Steve Jenkins and Aida Cancel
Office Help	Nathan Wittman	Jan Schwarze	Andrew Key	Marietta Abbott
Acolytes	Caroline Mitchell	Hope Roberts	Beth Bradshaw	Tiffany Jackson

MINISTRY TEAM FOR OCTOBER 2014 *If you can't serve on your day, please arrange for a substitute. Thanks!