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“Keeping Sabbath” is the topic of our July sermon series. I wonder what comes to your mind when you hear the word Sabbath. I suspect that a good number of folks hear the word and first think of the 10 commandments. “Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy” is indeed one of them. Sabbath keeping is right there among the prohibition from worshipping other gods, stealing, lying and other important ways to live. Clearly this spiritual act is important. Important enough that God specifically pointed it out.

Others may hear the word Sabbath and immediately equate it with Sunday. That would certainly make sense. For many Christians, Sabbath is the day we go to church. But is that all Sabbath is? Is it a designated day and perhaps even a specific hour (11 o'clock of course)? Is God asking us to worship him once a week and then we are free to live and do as we please the remaining 6 days and 23 hours?

The word Sabbath has been co-opted in our society. While many of us do equate it with worshipping God, many more also liken it to rest. In other words keeping Sabbath doesn't really have any spiritual significance. It is a break from the grind of everyday life. It is a pause button for our busyness. Without a doubt a significant part of Sabbath keeping is rest, but surely God intended it to be more than a time out.

Do any of you remember Blue Laws? I maybe showing my age here but I do. There was a time when stores were closed on Sunday. You couldn't buy alcohol on the Lord's Day. The idea being that the whole community would stop, go to church, visit family and rest up for the week ahead. Of course those days are long gone. Our world goes non-stop and on occasion when we aren't able to buy what we want, when we want, we feel inconvenienced and irritated. I dare say if some politician proposed bringing back Blue Laws, they would be run out of office. It's enough to make you wonder if we can even keep Sabbath in a day and age where nothing stops and we are always connected.

So how do you and I keep Sabbath today? What does that look like? What does that mean? Is Sabbath keeping still relevant? Is it important for our faith? Can we keep Sabbath on Saturday? Can we observe the Sabbath in a bar while having a cocktail or a nice IPA? Do we only keep the Sabbath by coming to church or can we keep Sabbath while fishing or laying on the beach? What if we have to work on Sunday? Does this mean that we are breaking one of God's commandments and therefore a doomed sinner? These are just a few questions that have bubbled up in my heart and mind as I have prepared for our time together. I bet you have some really good ones too.

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MEN OF THE CHURCH

I invite you to join me this month as we explore this very important and timely topic. I believe we have a lot to learn by diving deep into God's Word and letting it guide and challenge us as we reflect on why God would ask us to: "Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy."

Peace,
Ben



BACKPACK FRIENDS

Monetary donations received in

January 2021:	\$3247.20
February 2021:	\$2314.40
March 2021:	\$1518.58
April 2021:	\$1407.22
May 2021:	\$1037.00
June 2021:	\$ 782.48
YTD:	\$10303.88

Total Servings of

Goldfish / May : 629
Soup / June: 395

During the month of **JULY**,
 we will be collecting **cans of**
Crackers/Nabs
(Peanut Butter or Cheese)



New Address:
 Betty Butler
 485 Melvista Ave
 Rock Hill, SC 29732

The men meet every month on the second Saturday from September to June at 8:00 AM. We take turns preparing breakfast for the group. After having breakfast and fellowship we have a meeting. A typical meeting would have a devotional prepared by one of the men and then a discussion about things we have planned for the future. After the meeting we usually have some chores to do around the church.

We have several purposes. One that I mentioned earlier is the fellowship the group enjoys. Another is to provide some annual events that we feel are very important to the church. The first is the 4th of July luncheon. We haven't been able to do it the past 2 summers because of COVID-19. We usually feed over 100 people after church that day. We also have our Sweetheart Banquet for Valentine's Day week. We prepare a prime rib dinner for 120 people to honor our sweethearts. We always make sure to include our widows who we also consider to be our sweethearts. After the meal we have entertainment. The last two times a singing group called "3 Old Men" performed. They were great and everyone enjoyed the music. One of our primary purposes is to help church members that sometimes need a helping hand. There are some things we can't do, but we are always there for things that we can handle. We receive great satisfaction in helping others.



The men met on Saturday, the 26th of June. We had hamburgers on the grill outside baked beans. We had our regular meeting and did a little work around the church.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN NEWS

One of the collections that is taken at the Presbyterian Women's group for helping others is the Birthday Offering. It was begun in 1922 to help Miss Dowd's School for Girls in Japan. Just shy of 100 years, it is still going strong. It is suggested that each woman give one penny for each year of her life as a "birthday gift" toward missions throughout the world.

This year's recipients are:

\$150,000 given to Garden Gate Ranch, Inc in Des Moines, Iowa, which is a Christian organization that provides safe housing and restorative and transitional services for sexually-exploited women and their children. This offering will assist GGR in their mission by providing a separate education enter for programming, therapeutic services and vocational rehabilitation.

\$77,061 given to Memorial Drive Ministries, Inc. in Stone Mountain, Georgia, provides a welcoming environment for the vibrant ministries where sewing, karate, dance, frisbee, badminton, basketball and other after-school activities take place. This assistance will hopefully repair a desperately needed roof in the gymnasium.

\$129,145 given to Nkhoma Mission Hospital in Nkhoma, Malawi, offers affordable, accessible health care services for all. This Birthday Offering grant will provide funds to build an obstetrics and gynecology-specific operating room next to the existing maternity wards. This new area will help decrease delays and reduce maternal deaths caused by having to move patients a significant distance across the grounds.

If you wish to contribute to the Birthday Offering at any given time, please see one of the active ladies of our local PW. Please remember, all women of Cape Carteret Presbyterian Church are members of our local PW; but, not all are able to attend our monthly meetings.

Blessings, Delores Worrell, Moderator

JULY HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Rick & Beth Stevens	7/08/89
Norman & Gail Skinner	7/05/86
David & Suzanne Gould	7/11/92
Carl & Erin Gull	7/18/08
Lee & Susan Johns	7/25/70



6	Max Morton	13	Sandra Reopelle
7	Rick Stevens	15	Erin Gull
7	Aleksandra DeMars	21	Dick Shetzer
8	Sunnie Bree Burch	26	Don Ackerson
11	Ann Wedemann	26	Tom Ackerson
11	Ellie Ackerson	30	Janet Kolb
13	Trish Brown	30	Joyce Brogdon



Our worship services are streaming online on our YouTube Channel. You can find them at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8-YuWEKYmg0KuCq8uUtKgg>



The church office will be closed on Monday, July 5th in observance of Independence Day.

**SNAPSHOT FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2021**

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
-GENERAL FUND*	\$23,064.49	-GENERAL FUND	\$29,112.51
-NON BUDGET FUND**	3,506.76	-NON BUDGET FUND	3,579.96
YEAR-TO-DATE RECEIPTS		YEAR-TO-DATE DISBURSEMENTS	
-GENERAL FUND	88,998.28	-GENERAL FUND	73,922.45
-NON BUDGET FUND	17,305.81	-NON BUDGET FUND	18,242.21
CAPITALCAMPAIGN (GOAL \$250,000.00+)		CAPITAL CAMPAIGN DISBURSEMENTS	
-RECEIPTS FOR MONTH	52,685.56	-DISBURSEMENTS FOR MONTH	-0-
-RECEIPTS-TO-DATE	229,846.79	-DISBURSEMENTS -TO-DATE	144,541.34

*Building fund is now included with General Fund

**Wash fund is now included with Non Budget Fund

FUND BALANCE

CHECKING ACCOUNT		MONEY MARKET ACCT	
-GENERAL FUND	\$60,879.61	(GENERAL FUND)	
-NON BUDGET FUND	12,385.98	(BUILDING FUND)	
		(-CAPITAL IMP.FUND)	
CERT. OF DEPOSIT	107,817.32	TOTAL MONEY MKT	\$154,755.36
0.70% INTEREST)			
MO.AVG. ATT	83	YTD AVG. ATT	66
MO.AVG VIRT. VIEWS	62	YTD AVG VIRT. VIEWS	65

OUR WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your daily prayers the following,
Addresses are available in the church office

Assisted Living:

Carteret House Jim Yoder	Room 303	Brookdale-Morehead City Shirley Lowder
Pennybryn Vivian Gibson	Apt 133	Brookdale-Loma Linda Anne Stanley Room 115
Martha Jefferson House Harriet Mozingo		Crystal Bluffs Helen Giltz Room 402

Concerns and Joys:

- Our nation and its leaders
- Please remember all those who have served and are serving, especially those who are deployed
- Caregivers
- Pastors, elders, CCPC adult choir, Sunday school teachers, preschool & preschool teachers
- Avery Cooper (14), family friend of Janet Kolb, brain cancer
- Gail Skinner, Waldenstrom's lymphoma
- Laura Lauffer, Vivian Gibson's niece
- Robert Gray, Ruth Smith's brother-in-law, myelodysplastic syndrome
- The Harbolt Family
- Stephanie Fleischer, friend of Joli Brooks, breast cancer
- Terry Lanier, Gail Skinner's daughter, lymphoma
- Jana Blackman, friend of Linda Wilkins, liver cancer
- Steve Johns, friend of Teri Wright, liver failure
- Janet Kolb, undergoing neurological assessment
- Earl Lanier, Cynthia DeFusco's uncle, pancreatic cancer
- Phillip Hastings, multiple illnesses
- Cindy Sales, recovering from surgery
- Dave Evans, Tracy Antonelli's uncle, aggressive bile duct cancer
- The Hicks family, as they prepare for their transfer to Italy
- Dean Robinson, Kathe & Larry Smith's friend, heart failure
- Lee Crull, recent breast cancer diagnosis
- Helen Giltz, recovering at Crystal Bluffs
- Sue Baker, cousin of Cynthia DeFusco, cancer in gums, recovering from surgery, more surgery to follow