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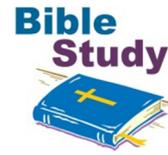


This past week I shared a post on Facebook that a clergy buddy of mine had shared on his page. It was a post written by Jennifer Turnbo Frazier. I don't have any idea who Ms. Frazier is but I do know that I needed to hear what she wrote. I found it so comforting and powerful that I wanted to share it with you because you might not see it otherwise.

Me: Okay, God, here's the thing. I'm scared. I'm trying not to be, but I am.
God: I know. Want to talk about it?
Me: Do we need to? I mean, you already know.
God: Let's talk about it anyway... We've done this before.
Me: I know, I just feel like I should be bigger or stronger or something by now.
God: *waiting patiently, unhurried, undistracted, never annoyed.
Me: Okay. So, I'm afraid I'll do everything I can to protect my family and it won't be enough. I'm afraid of someone I love dying. I'm afraid the world won't go back to what it was before. I'm afraid my life is always going to feel a little bit unsettled.
God: Anything else?
Me: EVERYTHING ELSE.
God: Remember how your son woke up the other night and came running down the hall to your bedroom?
Me: Yes.
God: You were still awake, so when you heard him running, you started calling out to him before he even got to you... remember? Do you remember what you called out to him?
Me: I said, "You're okay! You're okay! You're okay! I'm here." God: Why did you call to him? Why didn't you just wait for him to get to your room?
Me: Because I wanted him to know that I was awake, and I heard him, and he didn't have to be afraid until he reached the end of the dark hallway.
God: Exactly. I hear you, my child. I hear your thoughts racing like feet down the dark hallway. There's another side to all of this. I'm there already. I've seen the end of it, I want you to know right here as you walk through it all, you're okay. I haven't gone to sleep, and I won't.
Me: *crying. Can we sit together awhile? Can we just sit here a minute before I go back to facing it all?
God: There's nothing I'd love more.

Over the last few days I have found myself in multiple conversations. The weariness and the fear in the other person's voice were clearly evident. I could hear and sense it because I feel it too.

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We all do. We all are struggling to hold on to hope for a better tomorrow. This is why I found this particular post helpful.

This poignant conversation between "Me and God" reminds us of something we often lose sight of. As Christians we profess faith in a God who exists outside of time as we know it. We think of time in a linear fashion because that is how we live it. But we believe in a God who exists in the past, present and in the future simultaneously. We may not know what the future holds, but God does. We also believe that God is at work in all time and in all things bringing about what is ultimately good for us in accordance to His will. Such knowledge may not release us from the anxiety and uncertainty that we are walking with, but it does offer us a measure of comfort. It gives us reason to hold on to hope when there is no apparent reason to do so. It may sound foolish to put our faith in God in times like these, but that is exactly what we need so desperately to do.

My friends, I want you to know you are not alone. We all are feeling overwhelmed and tired. But don't give up. Don't give up on yourself. Don't give up on your neighbor. Don't give up on this country we call home. Don't give up on God. "There's another side to all of this." God is already there and one day we will be there too. Until then let us put our faith and our hope in the One who is always good, faithful, and always with us!



The church office will be closed on Monday, September 6th in observance of Labor Day

Bible Study begins on the 7th of September 2021 at 10 O'Clock in the Fellowship Hall. We will be studying David Jeremiah's "What are you afraid of".

Please wear Masks and we will practice social distance until this present trauma is past. It is open to all and we'll be eager to receive you.



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
July 2021:	\$ 1805.48
August 2021:	\$ 896.55
YTD:	\$13,005.91

Total Servings of
Oatmeal: 934

During the month of **SEPTEMBER**,
we will be collecting
BEEF RAVIOLI



Do you have a new phone number or a new email address? Are you receiving our weekly emails and phone calls? If you are not, do you want to? You don't want to miss out on any important information! Contact the church office to update your information!

252-393-8462 or
capecarteretpres@gmail.com

IN SESSION WITH THE SESSION

The session of CCPC meets on the last Sunday of each month, and if necessary, on a called basis to handle the business of the church. As church elders, we pray for God's wisdom to guide our discussions and decisions relating to the church and the congregation. The following is a list of highlights of our August meeting. Jan Holt, Clerk of Session

- Congregational Care – The elders of CCPC along with the pastor are committed to the care of all members and friends of the church. This month's elder training focused on congregational care. A few of the ways we extend care to all is through the card ministry, homebound communion, call all system (to keep everyone informed), and online worship. In addition the session discussed ways we could strengthen congregational care. Ideas include planning a "Meet & Greet" your elder event, sponsoring CPR training and a seminar to assist preparing living wills.
- Pond Update – NCDOT and Coastal Federation have resumed work on repairing the dam between the two ponds. This will take place in stages and should be completed by early spring of 2022.
- Facilities Report – The church workday was a tremendous success. The session extends a special thanks to Carl and Erin Gull for providing equipment and expertise to the church: multiple dead trees were cut down; dead limbs removed, and stumps ground. In addition the Session concurred with the Facilities recommendation that both stoves in the kitchen be replaced. The Men of the Church have will donate funds to procure one. An anonymous

gift has been given to purchase the second one.

- Finance Report – Elder John Bell presented the July 2021 Financial Report. We are in good shape. He also shared that the church finances have been audited and everything was found in order. The auditors have made recommendations and we are working through each recommendation. The Finance committee will meet in September to begin work on the 2022 budget.
- Faith Formation – Sunday school will commence on September 12, 2021. A Rally Day "Grab & Go" breakfast will be available to all attending the first day of SS. The Adult class will be led by Dick Shetzer & Cynthia DeFusco. The K-5 class will have teachers on a rotating basis including Mandy Trammel/Susan Shetzer, Trey & Ferrell Mangus, John & Heather Molfetto, and Carl & Erin Gull. Bible Study will begin September 7th under the guidance of Joyce Brogdon. Rev. Burrows will be teaching a Confirmation Class.
- Pandemic Response – Each meeting the session reviews the current denominational guidelines regarding the pandemic. Our current protocols are in line with both the denomination and CDC. No further changes are recommended at this time.
- The meeting was closed with prayer for our nation, its leaders, and all those suffering from illness & life challenges. The next meeting will be on September 26, 2021 following worship.



**NEWS FOR
PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN.....**

Are you ready to get back into a good routine with gatherings to share time with ladies of the church??? We surely are looking forward to doing just that. In

September our ladies will have our general meeting on the third Saturday. So put the date on your calendar and plan to meet in the fellowship hall of the church at 10:00 AM on September 18. We'll have a short meeting and will have you on your way well before noon. You will be able to receive a new handbook and the study books at this time. (We will observe necessary masks and social distancing protocol)

Then in October we'll resume our monthly meetings on the second Monday evening at 7:00 PM and the second Wednesday morning at 10:00 AM. We have two active circles with lots of talented ladies who enjoy sharing thoughts as we look at the annual study. Remember, this year's study is about the women in the life of Jesus; his grandmothers listed in Matthew 2.

Another activity you will be hearing about in the coming days is our annual TerriLynn nut and candy sale. All proceeds from this fundraiser is donated to local charities.

We'll distribute more information about this at the September gathering. Thank you and celebrate God's blessings to you.

Delores Worrell, Moderator

SEPTEMBER



- 1 Van Riggs
- 4 Irene Hartsog
- 6 Lydia DeMars
- 8 Jany Leiser
- 9 Norman Skinner
- 11 Glenda Sobotta
- 11 Georgianna DeRogatis
- 12 Janet Ferguson
- 14 Sophia Ackerson
- 15 Frank Reich
- 16 Grace Burrows
- 16 Piper Hollifield
- 18 Marjorie Harris
- 19 Linda Brown
- 20 Chuck Lesko
- 21 Jennifer Garman
- 23 Kay Bebout
- 25 Erica Antonelli
- 28 Easton Burch
- 29 Hunter Sutton



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| Ben & Suzanne Burrows | 9/06/92 |
| Scott & Taylor McClellan | 9/12/15 |
| Don & Tara Ackerson | 9/16/00 |
| Mickey & Katie Wood | 9/23/06 |



Congratulations to Amanda and Chris on their new baby girl, Callie Marie, born on 8/2, 8 lbs 5 oz, 20".

Congratulations also go to Jessica and Chris on the birth of their new baby girl, Adelaide Marie, born on 8/13, 9 lbs 5 oz, 21 1/2"!

**Special People
Deserve A
Special Day...**



SEPTEMBER 12, 2021



If you would like to to make your contributions online, go to **our website**, click on the **"GIVING" tab**, then click the **"GIVE NOW"** button.

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

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



**UPCOMING EVENTS
SEPTEMBER 2021**

- We will be observing the Sacrament of Communion on Sunday, September 12th. Please prepare your hearts for this special time.
- All are invited to join us on Sunday September 12th at 9:30 am for our annual Rally Day breakfast! Stay and join us, or grab and go!
- Sunday school classes and Children's Church will both begin on Sunday, September 12th.

SNAPSHOT FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2021

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
-GENERAL FUND*	\$65,591.00	-GENERAL FUND	\$18,225.19
-NON BUDGET FUND**	2,580.13	-NON BUDGET FUND	2,858.06
YEAR-TO-DATE RECEIPTS		YEAR-TO-DATE DISBURSEMENTS	
-GENERAL FUND	194,826.86	-GENERAL FUND	130,653.89
-NON BUDGET FUND	27,137.23	-NON BUDGET FUND	26,703.73
CAPITALCAMPAIGN (GOAL \$250,000.00+)		CAPITAL CAMPAIGN DISBURSEMENTS	
-RECEIPTS FOR MONTH	2,886.86	-DISBURSEMENTS FOR MONTH	-0-
-RECEIPTS-TO-DATE	236,091.19	-DISBURSEMENTS -TO-DATE	249,085.98

*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	\$108,910.68	(GENERAL FUND)	
-NON BUDGET FUND	13,755.98	(BUILDING FUND)	
		(-CAPITAL IMP.FUND)	
CERT. OF DEPOSIT	107,817.32	TOTAL MONEY MKT	\$57,251.41
0.70% INTEREST)			
MO.AVG. ATT	93	YTD AVG. ATT	74
MO.AVG VIRT. VIEWS	51	YTD AVG VIRT. VIEWS	52

OUR WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

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

Assisted Living:

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

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
- Terry Lanier, Gail Skinner's daughter, lymphoma
- Jana Blackman, friend of Linda Wilkins, liver cancer
- Steve Johns, friend of Teri Wright, recovering from liver transplant
- Janet Kolb, recovering from Covid
- Earl Lanier, Cynthia DeFusco's uncle, pancreatic cancer
- Phillip Hastings, multiple illnesses
- Dave Evans, Tracy Antonelli's uncle, aggressive bile duct cancer
- Dean Robinson, Kathe & Larry Smith's friend, heart failure
- Lee Crull, recent breast cancer
- Helen Giltz, recovering at home
- Sue Baker, cousin of Cynthia DeFusco, cancer in gums, receiving chemo and radiation
- Betty Butler, awaiting surgery
- Elizabeth Cox, niece of Cynthia DeFusco, bilateral breast cancer diagnosis
- Rowena Montcourtis, recovering at home from surgery for a broken arm
- Jerry and Ann Rivas family, friends of Joli Brooks, sudden death in the family
- Mary and George Pyott, friends of Carolyn Jagers, both awaiting surgery for cancer