

Cornerstone

Meet New Member, Abbi England

Abigail, "Abbi", England is the daughter of Kevin and Rebecca England and has been a part of the Highland Heights family since 2012. Abbi is 10 years old and attends Donelson Elementary in Arlington where she is now in 5th grade. She is excited about her second year in the Donelson chorus! Last year she had the opportunity to sing the national anthem at a Grizzlies basketball game and this year she gets to do it again at a Redbirds game. Abbi is an excellent student and made the principal's honor roll for the past 3 years and enjoys the challenges she gets by participating in her APEX program.

Outside of school Abbi enjoys dancing ballet with Ballet Memphis, taking piano lessons, and most of all Girl Scouts. She achieved the highest level award a Junior

Girl Scout can achieve, the Bronze Award. She worked to help to raise money to buy supplies to make over 100 blankets and to buy dog toys to donate to StreetDog Foundation. When a dog goes to its forever home, one of these blankets and toys goes with them.

Here's a fun fact about Abbi: she has been to Disney World 16 times!!! When not participating in Girl Scouts, Abbi likes to spend time with her friends, doing arts and crafts, writing, and playing Minecraft.

Abbi made her Profession of Faith on Easter Sunday, March 27th.







Proud
Parents are
Jeremy and
Courtney
(Getman)
Tucker.

Proud
Grandparents
are Chuck
and Peggy
Getman.

September 2016



We are having a Back to School Cookout on September 10th beginning at 5:30. We will have fun activities for the kids and we will serve hamburgers and hotdogs. There is no cost and

this is not a potluck.
Just come and have fun
with your Church
Family as we settle in
to a new school year.
Bring a friend!



You can sign your family up on the Events page @ http://hhpc.org/ under Back to School Cookout.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 The Lord's Supper	5 Labor Day Office Closed	6	7 Wonderful Wednesday resumes 5:30 Supper 6:00 Kid's Choir 6:30 Activities 7:30 Choir	8 6:30 Men's Supper 6:30 Forever Young	9	10 5:30 Back to School Cookout
11 12: 15 Christmas Play Rehearsal	12	13 10:00 TOPS to go to Elmwood	14 5:30 Supper 6:00 Kid's Choir 6:30 Activities 7:30 Choir	15 10:30 Hope Circle	16	17
18 12: 15 Young Couples Lunch 12:15 Christmas Play Rehearsal	19	20 7:00 Marine Corps League	21 5:30 Supper 6:00 Kid's Choir 6:30 Activities 7:30 Choir	22 11:30 Sarah Circle 6:30 Session	23 3:00 Presbytery meeting at St. Patrick's EPC	Presbytery meeting at St. Patrick's EPC concludes at noon
25 12: 15 Christmas Play Rehearsal	26	27	28 5:30 Supper 6:00 Kid's Choir 6:30 Activities 7:30 Choir	29	30	





FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Two members of our church recently received journey back to health.

123,000 Americans are on waiting lists for major organs; every ten minutes another person is added to a transplant list. On average 79 Americans receive an organ transplant per day - approximately 29,000 annually. On average 22 Americans die every love you, and please day, because the organs they needed were not available - approximately 8,000 annually. There are 330 million people in the country. If only half were organ donors, no one would have to die because of a lack of organs.

Those stats ought to give us pause. If you're not an organ donor, please pray about it. One of the first steps is to talk to your family about it. For more information go to www.organdonor.gov.

Did you know that organ donation is at the organ transplants. Steve Cooper's new kidney came heart of the Christian faith? The Lord promises to from one of his sons, and Larry Maxwell's new liver "remove our hearts of stone and replace them with came from an organ donor whose death literally saved hearts of flesh, so that we will be able to follow His Larry's life. As their pastor, I had the privilege of decrees and keep His laws" (Ezekiel 11:19-20). Just as going with them and their families through their there are those who need an organ transplant to live, all of us need a heart transplant to live abundantly with the Lord in this life and eternally with Him in the life to come. In both cases, it's a matter of life and death.

> Remember that I continue to be faithful in worship and in giving.

Your Pastor and Friend,





CHURCH LEADERSHIP

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Rev. Dr. Tim Foster, Senior Pastor Rev. Jerry Brundle, Assistant Pastor Iason Gatlin, Youth Director John Knox Foster, Young Adults Mary Smith, Financial Administrator Rosie Blatt, Administrative Assistant Larry Denman, Music Director Lauren Fiveash, Ensemble Director & Pianist Cindy Phillips, Organist Jason Gatlin, Sound Technician Chrissy Thornton, Parents' Day Out Director Bob Donan, Clerk of Session Lesa Hart, Moderator of the Board of Deacons Richard Armour, Treasurer

Session

Class of 2016 Kendra Bowers Jason Gatlin Janis McCarty Shirley McLaurine Fred Tremont

Class of 2017 Ronnie Billings Rob McCleary Perk Perkins Connie Thornton

Class of 2018 Tom Bright Lin Fryman Steve Deaux

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Class of 2016 Lori Brown Terry Davis Traci Gatlin E.W. Golden Brenda Paoni

Class of 2017 Clint Bowden Lesa Hart Lydia Johnson **David Thornton**

Class of 2018 Steve Allen Kim Batson Joy Bowden David Dennie Linda Melear



FROM THE ASSISTANT PASTOR'S DESK

As most of you know, for the better part of the last three months Barb and I have been living in the small town of Anna, IL (pop. 4500). I have not lived in a small town since I was 6 years old, and I had forgotten how different it was, and still is. It's not at all like living in a suburb of a major city, where people come and go, businesses come and go, and while we may have a group of friends the vast majority we see in the grocery store, or the doctor's office, or in the school that our children attend are strangers to us. Not only are they strangers to us, but in most cases we are not particularly interested in sharing our lives with them, and we certainly don't want them sharing their lives with us.

How different from a small town. It is still true that, in spite of modern technology and mobility, most everyone knows everyone else. When we patronize a small shop, we know the owners, and we know how important our business is to them. When a shop goes out of business, we know the owners, and the struggles they are having now that they have lost their livelihoods. When we visit the doctor's office, we know everyone in the waiting room, or at least someone who is related to them, and we learn of their health issues. When someone dies, it affects everyone in some way, because everyone knew either them, or someone in their family. Everyone depends upon everyone else more in a small town. If someone is going through hard times and needs assistance, people help out as best they can. Indeed, a small town is very much like a large family. The lives of the people are intimately intertwined. So people care about each other more, tolerate each other more, and share their lives with each other more.

That's what life was like for most people in Jesus' day. And that makes it easier for us to understand why Jesus commanded the people, "Love your

neighbor as yourself." (Matthew 22:39). And why the apostle Paul wrote to the church in Galatia, "Carry each others burdens." (Galatians 6: 2). It is difficult for us to do these things to and for people we do not know. But both Jesus and Paul were

speaking about people that their audience knew, neighbors and fellow church members. We cannot bear the problems and needs of the world, nor even the problems and needs of the tens of thousands of people who are a part of our community. But we can care for our neighbors, meaning people whom



we know and/or know about in our neighborhoods, and people whom we know or know about whom the Lord prompts us to help.

But for most of us, our "small town" is our church family. We know, or can know, every member, and can care about every member as if they were family. That's why Scripture repeatedly refers to church members as family, as brothers and sisters. We are a family in God's sight. May we be also our own "small town," not closed and inward-looking only, but especially sensitive to the needs of our church family. May none of us go through times of loss, or struggle or pain alone. May we, even more than citizens of a small town, carry each others burdens. We are, after all, more than neighbors. We are family.

With much love, Jerry Brundle, Assistant Pastor



HAVE YOU NOTICED THESE FLYERS?

Sherry Cook and Charle Dunstan wanted to make sure you know about this musical event. They are part of the Memphis City Sound Chorus and will be performing on Saturday, September 17th, at 7:30 p.m. in the brand new Halloran Centre right next door to the Orpheum Theatre.

This is the same group that did the benefit performance here at HHPC for our children in Kenya.

This is an opportunity to see the new Halloran Centre and to help support the Young Singers Foundation ... and to see Sherry and Charle perform. For tickets call 901-525-3000 or 1-800-982-ARTS or go on the website at orpheum-memphis.com.





GET OUT.

While there are many ways to describe evangelism, these two words are the most direct.

Scripture states: "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation" Mark 16:15. Today our church does this each time a group provides lunch at the homeless shelter at First Presbyterian Church, offer help through our food pantry, the visits to Berclair Elementary School, and even further through our mission work in France, Mongolia, and Kenya. Each one is a great example of showing God's love to others!

This month, I am asking you to think of how we go into all the world.... in Cordova, Lakeland, Bartlett, and Arlington. God placed our church in this location to also serve those in our community.

Let's start small. Do you belong to a civic group, neighborhood association, or community group that needs volunteers for a project or a place to hold a special event? Think of the impact it would make when "church people" come to a school, sports team, or club and help when there is no money or no other way to do something they need. Let's stretch further to think about the impact our church could make with our district representatives, fire station, police officers, sheriff deputies, library, or charity who would be surprised and pleased when a church asks - what can we do to help.

This is a big list to help us to start thinking how to reach out but, let's start small. I welcome any idea, please email me at rmccleary38@gmail.com or my cell is 901 568-6729.

Many people know where the church is located, but they do not know us. So, let's follow God's instruction and GET OUT!

September Birthdays				
3rd	Elizabeth Pritt Jeff Bowers			
6th	Susie Morrison			
7th	Don Wade Lori Brown			
8th	Brenda Paoni			
9th	Judy McMillen			
12th	Tom Bright			
13th	Morris Hudspeth - 96 Boyd Griffin			
14th	Joan Lanphere			
16th	Justin Bryant			
18th	David Dennie			
19th	Ralph Hyde			
22nd	Peggy Getman			
25th	Samantha McKeller			
26th	Samantha IIsley			
29th	Emily Bringhurst			
30th	John Boughton Eli Womack			

The "Sew 'n' Sews" Have Been Busy!



This group has been making dresses for girls and shorts for boys in Ghana. Nancy Howland is showing us one of the colorful dresses. They have made 50 dresses and are beginning work on the shorts. These are some of the people in the group and the group isn't *all* ladies.





Have You Done Your Homework?

Homework? You ask. Yes, your Summer reading assignment. When we resume Wonderful Wednesdays on September 7th, the adult Bible Survey class will be starting on the Gospel of Matthew. The assignment was to read all 28 chapters. *Hint:* You can have it read to you on biblegateway.com

If you had been a Christian living in the earliest years of the church, you probably would have learned about the life teaching of Jesus through the Gospel of Matthew. This Gospel was the most widely read of all the Gospels during those early days, and it still speaks powerfully to us today. Matthew is a comprehensive Gospel, telling us first and foremost about Jesus Christ but also about God's master plan, about the new community of faith called the church, about how we are supposed to relate to one another, and about our mission in this world. Matthew touches on almost all of life. As you read and study Matthew, you can expect God to speak to you about many things from various angles.

Matthew's main concern is to show that Jesus is the true King and Messiah. From the very beginning Jesus is revealed as the "Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham." Matthew wants to show that this new movement within Judaism (eventually identified as Christianity) is authentic Judaism because the people are following the true Messiah. Jesus fulfills God's plan to bring salvation to all nations.

Upcoming TOPS Events for September & October

Our September 13 TOPS trip to Elmwood Cemetery Chapel to hear actors tell about their Yellow Fever experience in Memphis sold out...and oversold. Thanks to Elmwood for allowing HHPC TOPS to have three seats over our reserved number of 25.

If Memphis Yellow Fever doesn't ring your bell, maybe our October visit to Idlewild Presbyterian Church will. Senior Carillonneur David Caudill, Associate Carillonneur Peggy McClure and the ladies of Idlewild offer this invitation: "Come Meet Our Southern Bells."

Make plans now, and invite your friends, to enjoy lunch, hear a presentation, see a video, and hear a mini-concert of the carillon, a 48-bell (26,890 pounds, valued at \$1.6 million) instrument imported from a foundry in Annecy, France. At the conclusion of the program, those who are interested in viewing the bells of the carillon and seeing the sights of midtown and downtown may climb the 84 stairs of the 120' stone tower – and of course, take pictures.



So, mark Tuesday, October 11, on your calendar, set aside \$8 for lunch served by the Idlewild women, and join us. The van will leave HHPC at 10:30, and the program and lunch will begin at 11:15 at IPC. Please contact Linda Rush at 386-4762 or lrrush@aol.com if you have questions.

MOST of our senior adults don't chase Pokémons, but they are great conversationalists and so much fun!



SESSION NOTES

From the July 28, 2016 meeting:

- 1) Ralph and Donna Hyde joined the Church by Transfer of Membership from Christ United Methodist Church on June 19th.
- 2) Susan Schubert joined the Church by Reaffirmation of Faith on July 10th.
- 3) Bikram Ranapheli was hired as our new guitarist. His first Sunday will be August 14th.
- 4) A new ladies' Bible study group will have their first meeting on Thursday, August 18th, at 10:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.
- 5) Assistant Pastor Jerry Brundle is continuing to serve as the interim pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Anna, Illinois.
- 6) Thank you to those who are helping fulfill our pledge to feed **80** children three meals/day for a year at a cost of \$1300/month in our adopted orphanage in Kenya.
- 7) \$9,020 is in The Reverend Dr. James Quillin Memorial Fund, established for the purpose of purchasing a new church sign.
- 8) Debt Reduction Campaign receipts through July 28th were \$152,338, which is 60.94% of the goal of \$250,000.
- 9) Through July 28th, General Operating Fund receipts were \$224,349 and expenses were \$236,199 for a deficit of \$11,850. The reserve checking account balance is \$53,404.

Please continue to pray for our pastors, elders and congregation

WHAT DO YOU IMAGINE YOU WILL BE DOING AT NEARLY 96?

This is Morris Hudspeth, one of our "shut-ins" and our oldest member. He lives in assisted living at The Solana. He is Lin Fryman's father.

He has an audience of grandchildren and great grandchildren and other relatives.

The link below will take you to the youtube video where you can hear this serenade.

https://youtu.be/Z26UIWSYGdU



September Anniversaries				
1st	Gerhard & Susan Schubert - 16			
20th	Paul & Jenny Redding - 13 Chris & Laura Drewry - 8			
30th	Ed & Kristi Peel - 27 Jim & Jean Whitaker - 66			



Ralph & Donna Hyde joined June 19th



Susan Schubert joined July 10th



SEPTEMBER				1	2	3
4 Revelation	5	6	7 Wed. night meals resume	8	9	10 Lures & Giant Soccer at the Cookout
11 Revelation	12	13	14 Lesson & activity	15	16	17
18 In this world not of it	19	20	21 Art Night for Fundraiser	22	23	24
25 In this world not of it	26	27	28 Lesson & activity	29	30	

Youth News



September 10th is the Back to School Cookout - Fall kick off party. The Wed Night Kids are sponsoring a giant soccer ball game with the Game Truck. You will be <u>in</u> a ball playing soccer. Also for the Pokémon trainers, we will have lures

running the entire time for the party.

September 21st we are going to have an art night. These pics will be used to "decorate" the youth room and some may be sold as a fund raiser for the youth. So bring your artistic hats and let's get artsy.

Lastly the dates for the Nathan Bedford Forrest Fall Retreat are October 7 – 9. More info on that to come. Hope to see you all there with a friend or two.



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