

CORNERSTONE

Monthly Newsletter

What does and doesn't happen in July?

We continue to take a break from Wonderful Wednesdays. The choir, handbells and ensemble have continued to practice. During the month of July they will not practice on Wednesday nights. Fear not, they will still sing. They have a repertoire of songs they already know.

The women's Bible study groups (Hope & Sarah Circles) and Forever Young fellowship group will meet in July.

TOPS is not meeting in July. Stayed tuned for information for the August plans.

On the 3rd, a group will be attending a Redbirds' game that will culminate with fireworks.

Pastor Tim will host a luncheon for those who want to know more about HHPC on the 7th.

Enjoy July because when the calendar turns the page it will already be time to go back to school.

The Long-Awaited Screens are Here!

This screen is retractable and will only cover the stained-glass window when in use. Otherwise it is neatly out of the way.



People in the pews will see the screen while people on the Chancel will see the same images on the monitor that is positioned under the sound booth.



Church Leadership

Staff

Tim Foster **Senior Pastor**
 Jason Gatlin **Youth Director**
 Brien Chambers **Young Adult Ministry Director**
 Patrick Holmes **Contemporary Music Leader**
 Marie Schroeder
Children's Ministry Director
 Matthew Wade
Recreation Ministry Director
 Mary Smith
Financial Administrator
 Rosie Blatt
Administrative Assistant
 Chiquita Paulson **Music Director**
 Lauren Fiveash
Ensemble Director & Pianist
 Cindy Phillips **Organist**
 Russell Mann **Guitarist**
 Jason Gatlin **Sound Technician**
 Chrissy Thornton **Parents' Day Out Director**

Elders

Bob Donan - **Clerk**

Class of 2019

Josh Bond
 Kendra Bowers
 Jason Gatlin
 Janis McCarty

Class of 2020

Richard Armour - **Treasurer**
 Lesa Hart
 Rob McCleary

Class of 2021

Steve Allen
 Steve Deaux
 Charle Dunstan

Deacons

Class of 2019

Nikki Bond - **Moderator**
 Lori Brown
 Traci Gatlin

Class of 2020

Barb James
 Don Rush
 Linda Rush
 David Thornton

Class of 2021

Joey Clark
 George Krug
 Debra Wright

Pastor's Remarks



While Rene and I were in the United Kingdom last month, **we worshipped in three different churches.** The first was St. Paul's Cathedral in London. We had been sight-seeing all day and barely made it in time for a weekday Evensong at 5 pm. It was a service of Scripture readings and choral music.

The second church we attended was St. George's Chapel at Windsor Castle on Sunday, June 9th. It is the church where Prince Harry and his **American bride**, Meghan Markle, were married last year. The organ and choir music were some of the most beautiful we've ever heard. The sermon was spot-on, and we took communion. The youth in their confirmation class made their professions of faith.

The following Sunday we attended Snizort Free Presbyterian Church on the Isle of Skye in Scotland. It is a small congregation. They only sing the Psalms, and they sing A cappella. The only other elements in their service are one prayer led by the Pastor, two Scripture lessons and the sermon. We felt like we had gone back in time to the days of the Protestant Reformation in the 1500's. We had lunch with the Pastor and his family in their home.

Rene had found out that the Brits still dress up for Sunday morning worship. So she wore a dress; most of the women had on hats, too. I wore a coat and tie, **a patriotic one** with the American flag and the words "In God We Trust" and "God Bless America" on it. It ended up being a conversation starter. Several people commented on it. **What a joy it is to be an American Christian!**

Remember that I love you, and please continue to be faithful in worship and in giving.

Your Pastor and Friend,

JULY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 June Patriotic Service and potluck lunch	1 Rosie Blatt	2 Chris & Marie Schroeder	3 5:30 Van leaving the Church for the Redbirds game 6:00 Youth/Young Adults 6:30 Men's Bible Study Amaa & Dolgor Amgalan	4 Independence Day Office Closed Mary Laura Caples	5 Office Closed Phyllis Agnew	6 David Thornton Blake Stackhouse
7 The Lord's Supper 12:15 Exploring Highland Heights luncheon	8	9	10 6:00 Youth/Young Adults 6:30 Men's Bible Study	11 6:30 Forever Young - Women's Fellowship 6:30 Men's Supper	12	13 Noah Sussey Betty Goodwin Ashley Wade
14 12:30 Deacons' Mtg. Wayne Johnston	15 Don Forte	16 7:00 Marine Corps League Christopher Buchanan Lucy Gilliam	17 6:00 Youth/Young Adults 6:30 Men's Bible Study JT Bowers Danny & Kathe Spencer	18 10:30 Hope Circle	19 Bill & Phyllis Agnew	20 Pete & Janis McCarty
21 Thomas Holmes	22 Kendra Bowers Keira Bowers	23	24 No Youth as they will be at camp. 6:30 Men's Bible Study Heather Griffin Abby Rodriguez	25 10:30 Sarah Circle 6:30 Elders' Mtg. Donna Hyde Jenny McCleary George Linder	26 Will Brockwell Don Rush	27 Terry Davis Jim Nichols Jackson Peel
28 G.C. Lewis Cortney Stone	29 Sue Frost	30	31 6:00 Youth/Young Adults 6:30 Men's Bible Study Linda Mace Jerry & Barb Brundle			

Blue names = Birthdays

Red couples = Anniversaries

Mercy Mission Church Progress!



Church building continues at Mercy Mission in Kiminini, Kenya. Vegetables are being harvested, eggs are being sold to help fund school books.



Jesus loves the little children... all the children in the world.



Preschool News

Highland Heights Presbyterian PDO/Pre-K

Summertime, an' the livin' is easy

Some of you may remember this old Gershwin tune from Porgy & Bess. These PDO kids are livin' easy on water day. They are soaking up the sunshine, outdoor air, water, fun and playing with their friends.



If you want to know more about our Parents' Day Out program, just call 901-385-9000 and ask for our PDO Director, Chrissy Thornton.

Note: The Fall term begins August 12th with Open House on the 8th.



Let's Start Planning for Shoebox season.



Last year's packing party went so well and everyone seemed to enjoy it. We thought we would do it again. We are telling you about it in July because school supplies will be on sale

very soon. It seems like school just got out for the Summer but it is already time to start planning for school to begin again. We will set out a receptacle to receive items for the shoeboxes. In a few weeks we will have more suggested items to bring. Then we will set a time to pack the boxes together; probably a Wednesday night (after supper) in October. We want the children to be able to participate in packing the boxes. This method made it possible for us to send more boxes as a congregation. Please keep the size of the shoebox in mind as you make your purchases. Terry Davis is our contact person for **Operation Christmas Child**. She can always use more help. Please contact her if you would like to help with this project.

Good News. Great Joy.
National Collection Week
is Nov 18-25, 2019.

Let's keep in touch!
Clint & Joy Bowden have moved to
Alabama. Here's their new address:

205 Chesser Way
Chelsea, AL 35043



The Deacons' **July** Service Sunday will be making back-to-school treat bags for HHPC PDO and Lakeland Elementary School teachers.

Items needed:

Hard candy

Miniature candy bars

Hersey kisses

Small packs of gum

K-cups of coffee, tea or hot cocoa

(Bags, ribbon, and a special message are already provided)



Let's bless our local teachers with your donations! All items can be brought to Rosie's office during the month of July. Treat bags will be assembled on Sunday, July 28th. POC: Nikki Bond



Shanon Fortolis wrote: Yesterday (June 25th) marked 20 years of Naval Service for **Andrew Fortolis**! I could not be more proud of him. He has sacrificed many months of being with us throughout his 20 years. He is a great example for our children. He shows them hard work, commitment, and dedication on a daily basis. We love you, Andy! Thanks for taking such good care of us. ❤️

YOUTH



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July

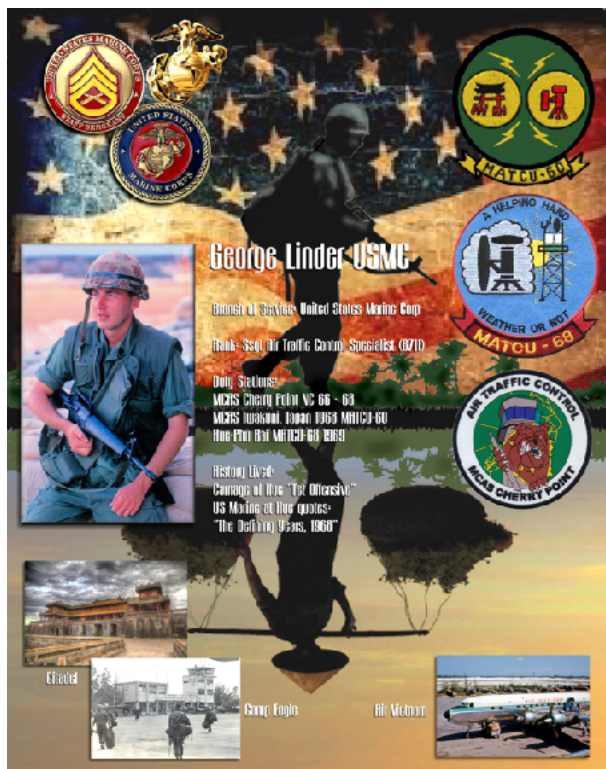
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Fireworks? Will discuss	4	5	6
7 Lesson Crazy Love	8	9	10 Lesson & Activity	11	12	13
14 Lesson Crazy Love	15	16	17 Lesson & Activity	18	19	20
21 Trip Prep	22	23	24	25	26	27 Return from Summer Camp
	SUMMER CAMP					
28 Trip Recap	29	30	31 Lesson & Activity			

Youth News

For July we are excitedly approaching our annual summer camp. I will be speaking to the congregation soon to look for some donations into the youth fund to help pay for some students who may not be able to cover the full cost and to cover some expenses for the trip. Members of the HHPC congregation helped to cover several students and expenses last year for which I thank you again.

We should be able to wrap up Crazy Love this month. We have been moving through the book and have been reminded of God's creation and the love He must possess for us to create such an amazing world.

We will discuss fireworks on July 3rd. This is also the date for the Redbirds game, so I will be checking with the youth that may not be attending the game nor attending fireworks with family. Bartlett has their fireworks that evening so we may look to attend.



Highland Heights Loves Our Veterans!

If you are a Veteran, has Danny Spencer found you? One of the hallways beside the Sanctuary is dedicated to our Veterans. If you haven't spent any time in that hallway, you need to see all the men and women who have given of themselves for our country.

When Danny creates a Veteran's plaque for the hallway, he also creates a smaller version for that person to take home. These plaques are presented in a worship service.

The plaque to the left is George Linder's. It was presented Memorial Day weekend by Danny Spencer and Navy CDR (ret.) Kendra Bowers.

Veterans, if you are not already on the wall, start gathering items to let Danny create your plaque. You will be in very good company.



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GERMANTOWN HELPS IS A VOLUNTEER TEAM CREATED BY NEIGHBORS
TO SERVE FAMILIES AFFECTED BY THE RECENT FLOOD.

SERVE:

Seeking volunteers (skilled labor + those willing to learn)
to sign up on our website:

- Drywall Installation
- Cleaning
- Flooring Installation
- Heavy lifting
- Delivering/serving meals
- Painting
- Professional/expert renovation skills

We love to plug in groups and businesses! Sign up online and make a note in the "availability" field to arrange a date to serve.

GIVE:

- Immediate Needs: Cash, gift cards, bulk supplies accepted
- Long-term Assistance: Donations may be given to the Flood Relief Fund at local IBERIABANK locations, payable to "Germantown GIVES," or visit www.germantownkiwanis.org to donate online.

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How Can We Help?

On June 7th, **Sue Frost's** father and step mother woke up to 3 feet of water in their home. This has been a devastating loss to the entire neighborhood. Over a hundred homes were affected. These homes are not in the flood plain. Almost no one had flood insurance. The local news has continued to report on this story as the community has come together to help. There is so much left to do to make these families whole again. Germantown Helps is trying to organize volunteers, skilled labor and donors to help these families be able to live in their homes again. Hope Presbyterian has also played a role in serving the needs of this neighborhood. The graphic on the left came from Germantown Helps Facebook page. There is information about how to sign up to help or where to go if you would like to make a monetary donation. They have said it will be some time before people can live in their homes again. Sue's father and step mother are living with her. They are lucky to have family who can accommodate them. Please continue to pray for these families.

Elders' Notes - 5.23.19

- 1) On April 28th, Ben and Mary White **joined the Church** by Reaffirmation of Faith.
- 2) Also May 5, Sue Frost **joined the Church** by Reaffirmation of Faith.
- 3) On May 18th, Lori and Wray and Darren Remington were **married** by Dr. Foster in the Sanctuary.
- 4) On May 19th, Lori Remington **joined the Church** by Reaffirmation of Faith.
- 5) Just a reminder: **Nursery** is for children up to 4 years old, and **Children's Church** is for children in Kindergarten - 3rd grade.
- 6) **Vacation Bible School** will be Monday-Thursday, June 10th-13th, from 5:30-8:00. Have you registered?
- 7) Installation of a **retractable center screen and projector** in the Sanctuary was approved. Work on it will begin soon.
- 8) The Deacons have divided up the congregation into **Care Groups** in an effort to stay in touch and provide TLC.
- 9) **Debt Reduction Campaign** receipts through May 23rd were \$178,282, which is 71% of the goal of \$250,000.
- 10) **General Fund** income through April 30th was \$144,474 and expenses were \$148,133 for a difference of \$3,659. The reserve checking account balance is currently \$32,618.



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