



The eNewsletter

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From the Pen of the Director of Christian Education and Administration...

Looking Ahead...

June 2

Men's Breakfast
Youth Yard Sale at ERPC

June 3

Lord's Supper Celebrated
Promotion Sunday
Fosgate/Hatcher Bridal Shower

June 4

Music Camp

June 5

Music Camp
WM Summer Bible Study

June 6

Music Camp
Mission: Chattanooga

June 7

Music Camp

June 8

Music Camp
Youth Leave for Haiti

June 10

Deacons Meeting
Music Camp Presentation

June 12

WM Summer Bible Study

June 13

Mission: Chattanooga

June 15

Chicks 'n Chocolate

June 16

Youth Return from Haiti

June 17

Father's Day
No Evening Service

June 19

WM Summer Bible Study
Elders/Deacons Meeting

June 20

Mission: Chattanooga

June 21

Memorial Hospital Lunch

June 23

MS Youth Leave for
The Edge Conference

June 24

Lesondak/Wykoff
Bridal Shower
Shepherding Sunday

We were babysitting our two youngest grandsons the other day, when at one point our three year old grandson walked into the kitchen and said, "Gamma, I wanna sing Pwaise God." So, Patty and our three and five year old grandsons sang the Doxology. Then the boys went back to the living room and continued playing with Legos. When Patty told me about that moment I was overwhelmed with thankfulness. We have "no greater joy than to hear that [our] children [and grandchildren] are walking in the truth" (3 John 4). This applies to the children of our CPC family and our own.

We have lots of kids! Patty and I have two daughters and six adorable grandchildren, but that is not what I'm referring to. In our membership here at Covenant Presbyterian Church we have over 190 children age 11 and under. To give you some perspective, 190 is more people than most PCA churches have in attendance on Sunday mornings (adults, teens and children combined). There are more than 190 when you count the regular attenders whose families are not members.

The children are involved in various programs: Sunday School throughout the year, and during the school year, many are involved in Covenant Corps on Wednesday night, and our Sunday evening program, Kids, Inc.

CPC is also blessed with many people who work faithfully to teach those children about Jesus. This coming Sunday, June 3, is our "Promotion Sunday" when all the children and youth will advance to the next class for their respective age group. This would be a great week for you and your child to thank

your child's teacher and the class helpers. These folks give their time and their hearts in ministry to the children and youth of CPC.

We want to assure you parents that "we have your back." Our children's ministry is here to assist you in raising your children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. As the Director of Christian Education, the Session has charged me with the responsibility to ensure that all our children receive solid biblical training. We are very thankful for the curriculum produced by Great Commission Publications. These materials help us fulfill our mandate to consistently teach our children the "whole counsel of God" as the biblical foundation for life. It is the material endorsed by the PCA and has been approved by the Session of CPC.

There isn't space in this article to thank everyone individually here for all they do to help with the children's ministry of CPC, but I do want to thank Holly Lehmann, who serves as our Director of Children's Ministry. She works very hard to make sure we have enough teachers and helpers for each class, and makes sure they have the supplies they need to do an effective job in teaching our children. We are grateful for her service with the children's ministry at CPC.

We have lots of kids at CPC, and we are thankful for every single one. Parents, it is our privilege to serve you and your children through the Christian Education ministry here at CPC. Thank you for allowing me and all of our team to assist you in nurturing these wonderful children.

~Mark Wilson



What's Happening?

Nursery Schedule

June 3

Worship

Infants

Sally Forrester
& Dani Nimmer

Creepers

Josh & Renee Ray

Toddlers

Mike & Jennifer Schleger

Floater

volunteer needed

Sunday School

Infants

Brenda King & Lynda Brown

Creepers

Susan Close
& Amy Creamer

Toddlers

Mark & Linda Lander

P.M.

The Tracy Brown Family

June Coordinator:

Leanna Cathey

BRIDAL SHOWER

A bridal shower for Caitlin Fosgate, bride-elect of Joseph Hatcher, is this Sunday, June 3, from 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. in the Perseverers Class. Caitlin is registered at Macy's and Bed, Bath and Beyond.

MUSIC CAMP

This year's Music Camp is June 4 - 8. The focus will be on the story of King Josiah: "Good Kings Come in Small Packages." Registration forms are available at the Welcome Center or on-line.

ANNUAL YARD SALE

The CPC Youth will sponsor a Yard Sale June 2 from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at East Ridge Presbyterian Church. All proceeds will go to support our Youth Summer Mission Projects. If you have items for the yard sale, please take these items to East Ridge Presbyterian Church. Contact Reba Gregory for more information: rebalovesjesus@yahoo.com.

SWIM DAY

Swim day at the May's pool begins Thursday, June 7, from 11 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. The invitation is open to anyone at CPC. Parents, please remember that you are responsible for the supervision of your children and for clean up.

WM SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

Starting Tuesday, June 5, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the church, Brenda Mason and Babs Leach are teaching *Becoming A Woman of Purpose* by Cynthia Heald. Child care is provided for ages 11 and under. Sign-up sheets are available at the WM Table in the lobby.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

All men are invited to the Men's Breakfast this Saturday, June 2, at 8:30 a.m. Pastor Caines is speaking on "The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly." Men join us for a great time of fellowship, food, discussion and prayer.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

A nurse is available between worship and Sunday school each Sunday, in the office located between Pastor Caines' and Pastor Mullinax's offices.

BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY CALENDAR

The monthly birthday and anniversary calendar is available at the Welcome Center.

MISSION: CHATTANOOGA

This summer at CPC Mission: Chattanooga will meet each Wednesday evening from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

On Campus activities: Knitting / Crocheting; Crafts to Care; Cooking with a Purpose (meets every other week; this week will be kitchen clean-up); Missions Support (stamp ministry & letter writing); Prayer Group and Choir continue.
Off Campus: Visitation (at local nursing homes, assisted living facilities, with our shut-ins); Warehouse Renovation for Amani Ya Juu ministry (420 S. Willow St. in Highland Park area). You may want to meet at 6:30 p.m. at the warehouse.

SHOWER

A shower honoring the adoption of Chloe Carter into the Kemp and CPC families is Wednesday, June 6, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in Schum Fellowship Hall. Chloe is 14 years old and getting ready to decorate her room at her new home. She is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and www.myregistry.com. The family would also appreciate gifts they can use as a family. Dusty and Rachel encourage all families, especially teens and their families, to attend this event.

SOLES FOR SOULS CAMPAIGN

We are collecting shoes to help the Homeless Health Foot Clinic. Please bring used (in good condition) or new gym shoes, sandals, or any kind of shoe that fit young and old. Foot supplies such as socks, bleach, foot powder, triple antibiotic ointment, Band-Aids, nail files, and liquid bottles of shampoo are also being collected. You may also make donations to purchase these items. There are two collection boxes outside Mark Wilson's office. Contact Sherry Baierl if you have any questions at 423-580-4376.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MAPS

Sunday School Maps are in the Welcome Center and on the walls of the first and second floors of the Educational Wing and Office Wing. These maps also list Adult Sunday School Classes, their teacher, and what they are teaching, as well as locations of First Aid Boxes.

THANK YOU

Thanks for your calls, cards, concern, and prayers. I'm recovering well from recent back surgery.

Gratefully, Eric Mullinax