



The eNewsletter

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From the Pen of the Senior Pastor...

Looking Ahead...

February 15

Valentine's Dinner
Fundraiser for the Choir
Mission Trip to Belarus

February 17

Membership Sunday
Handbell Ensemble
Instrumental Ensemble
Evening Bible Study
Youth Group
Kids, Inc.

February 19

Mothers' Encouragement
Group

February 20

Wednesday Night Supper
Wednesday Night Activities
Session Meeting

February 21

Ladies' Bible Study
Memorial Hospital Lunch

February 22

WM Winter Retreat

February 24

Shepherding Groups Meet

February 27

Wednesday Night Supper
Wednesday Night Activities

February 28

Ladies' Bible Study

March 2

Men's Conference

March 3

Lord's Supper Celebrated
Handbell Ensemble
Instrumental Ensemble
Evening Bible Study
Youth Group
Kids, Inc.

March 5

Mothers' Encouragement
Group

March 6

Wednesday Night Supper
Wednesday Night Activities
Session Meeting

March 7

Ladies' Bible Study

March 8-9

D2S Youth Conference &
Lock-in
Turn Clocks Forward Before
Heading to Bed

"Semper Gumby." That was our motto during construction in 2005-2006. You never knew what changes might occur. For example, you never quite knew which door you would be using to get into the building. For a while we could still use the front door, then we started using the doors of the Sunday School wing, and ended up entering church through the backdoor next to the playground.

Everyone handled it smoothly. I don't remember a single complaint. At least none that I heard.

Well, I've got another change you need to know. It's not nearly so demanding, but it is important.

Our 25th anniversary celebration will be moved from the second week of June to the first Sunday in October. Dr. Robert Rayburn and his wife, Florence, will be our special guests. Dr. Rayburn will preach that morning and also speak that afternoon.

Rob has been the senior pastor of Faith Presbyterian Church in Tacoma, Washington, since 1978. Rob was entering Covenant College as a freshman my senior year and we have served together on the Board of Covenant College for nearly twenty-five years. As some of you may know, Rob's father, also Dr. Robert Rayburn, was the founder of Covenant College, and its first president from 1955-1965.

Those qualifications fade into insignificance compared to the fact that he is also Vangie Wykoff's father, Bryonie and Peter's grandfather, and Moriah Bond's uncle.

Jeremy is responsible for the planning of our celebration. We are thinking about changing our annual church picnic into a dinner on the grounds that afternoon. Following the picnic we will gather again in the sanctuary for a time of remembrance.

Because of this change, Music Camp will be moved back to the first full week in June.

Remember: "Semper Gumby."

I wrote this newsletter last week, because on Monday and Tuesday of this week, Linda and I were in Asheville. Linda's parents returned with us for a four week visit.

~Pastor Caines



What's Happening?

Nursery Schedule

February 17

Worship

Infants

Ester McEachern
& Judy Foster

Creepers

Dawn & Emilia Reynolds

Toddlers

Stephen & Mindy
Haywood

Floater

Lucy Haywood

Sunday School

Infants

Jim & Connie
Hildebrand

Creepers

Jason & Crystal
Middleton

Toddlers

Adam & Leanna Cathey

P.M.

Combined

Clint Wilkie
& Avery Gaines

February Coordinator:

Millie Sanders

MEN'S CONFERENCE

The Men's Ministry Conference is at CPC on Saturday, March 2, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and it includes breakfast. Reverend Joe Novenson, pastor of Lookout Mountain PC, is speaking on "Braveheart - Dying For A Cause."

YOUTH: EVANGELISM TRAINING & LOCK-IN

On March 8 and 9, the Dare-2-Share Youth Evangelism Conference will be held at the Chattanooga Convention Center. Our youth will attend the conference Friday evening and then spend the night at CPC. Saturday morning they will travel back to the conference and spend the day there. The cost is \$69.00. Please see Chris Gregory for more information.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY WINTER RETREAT

Ladies, there are a few more reserved spots open for the WM Winter Retreat, "Made For a Purpose: Trusting That God's Way Is Best." This year the speakers are our own ladies, Bev Mealor, Susan Steere, and Nancy Cooper. They will be talking to us about Biblical womanhood. Call Heather Harris immediately to sign-up for these few spots that are left open.

REAL MEN NEEDED

Some men are needed Sunday, February 24, to be helpers in Sunday School classes and volunteer for nursery duty while the women attend the WM Winter Retreat. If you are a REAL man and can help in either of these areas, please contact Heather Harris or Holly Lehmann. Heather's email is jeh1224@aol.com and Holly Lehmann's email is holly.lehmann@live.com.

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL MINISTRY

Our church has the privilege of being a part of a luncheon ministry at Memorial Hospital. The third Thursday of each month we provide lunch to families in the surgery waiting room. If you can contribute sandwiches, chips, snack cakes or fruit this week, please call or email the church office.

MISSIONARY SPEAKER

On Wednesday evening, March 13, we have the honor of hearing from John and Kathy Lesondak. They will share about their ministry in Slovakia. Please join us in Schum Fellowship Hall at 7:00 p.m.

PRAY FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Remember our college students as you pray. Here are a few of the many we have:

Carolyn Gunter	Chattanooga State
Joshua Haynes	UTC
Taylor Helton	Chattanooga State
David Herberich	UTK

CPC MISSION TRIP TO MICHIGAN

You and your family are invited to minister alongside our brothers and sisters in Christ at New City Presbyterian Church in Detroit, Michigan this summer. During the week of July 7 to 14, we will be assisting this recent PCA church plant by hosting a music camp, canvassing neighborhoods and reaching the community for Christ. The cost is \$300 per individual or \$500 per family. Please contact Eric, Jeremy or Chris if you have further questions.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. and is served until 6:40 p.m. The suggested donation for adults is \$4 and \$2.50 for children ages 5 to 11. Children 4 and under eat for free. The maximum family donation is \$15.

The following shepherding groups have clean-up duty for the month of February: J. Gaines, T. Gaither, M. Griggs and N. Lazor. Please contact your shepherding elder to let him know when you can help.

CHANGES TO MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed in the Infant Nursery during Sunday School on March 3, April 28 and May 26. There is also a need for volunteers in the Toddler Room during Sunday School on April 21.

THANK YOU

Patty and Mark Wilson wish to thank everyone for their encouraging words, cards, emails and especially your prayers. We are grateful to the Lord for the support of our church family as Patty goes through a particularly hard time with the cancer and the chemotherapy. Words cannot describe the encouragement that you are to us. Thank you. God is good - all the time!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU

February 20	Pot Roast
February 27	Spaghetti
March 6	Chicken Casserole
March 13	Breakfast
March 20	Meatball Subs & French Fries
March 27	No Meal-Maundy Thursday
April 3	Chicken Parmesan
April 10	Bar B Que
April 17	Enchiladas with Spanish Rice
April 24	Baked Ziti
May 1	Taco Salad
May 8	Chicken & Rice
May 15	Cowboy Casserole
May 22	Hot Dogs and the fixings