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Big Meeting Is Coming!

Since 1801, this church has celebrated an annual revival meeting, affectionately called "Big Meeting."

This year's festivities will be **September 7-14**. Big Meeting starts with a Rockathon and a Low Country Boil on **Saturday, September 7**; and ends with a golf tournament on **Saturday, September 14**.

The Big Meeting Rockathon trophy is up for grabs again. This annual fundraiser to benefit the APC Food Pantry happens **Saturday morning, September 7, 9:30-11:30 a.m.**

This year's theme is "Movies!" Form up teams of four people, choose your movie, plan your costumes and set design, and recruit sponsors.

Register your team with Connie Fish (336.392.2735) or the church office (info@alamancechurch.org).

Winning team gets to keep the fabulous "golden" rocking chair trophy for a full calendar year.



The Low Country Boil, a popular annual fundraiser, happens later that day, **Saturday evening, September 7**. You may enroll **now** to help the event run smoothly — sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary door to the breezeway.

Tickets for the Low Country Boil will be on sale soon, and will be available by contacting either Darren Hadley (336.402.0297, darren.hadley@triad.rr.com) or the church office (336.697.0488 ext. 121; info@alamancechurch.org).

Stay alert for news of the Big Meeting Golf Tournament, on **Saturday morning, September 14**.

Current Officers

The Session is the governing body of our congregation. Our officers are called "Elders." They serve a three-year term, called a "class."

Stated meeting is on the **fourth Sunday of each month, at 6 p.m.** in the Scott-Monroe-Anderson room — unless otherwise noted.

Class of 2019:

Harold Alexander
Allison Brown
Ken Carraway
Dana Smith
Tommie Lynn Sullivan

Class of 2020:

Clint Aydelette
Elizabeth Hadley
Lee Shores
Sara Strandberg
Kirby Ward

Class of 2021:

Pam Dixon
Randy Maness
Wendy Mills
Keith Morris
Gary Trull

Youth Elder:

Nick Purvis



August Birthdays

- 6 Susan Hodgkin, Anna Pearsall
- 8 Julia Fergus
- 10 Brent Craft, Nancy Durham,
Barbara Reece
- 11 Alexis Sullivan
- 13 Susan Marsh
- 14 Andrew Carraway,
Herman Dixon
- 15 Christin Fields
- 16 Dana Smith, Sawyer Ward
- 17 Jackie Fogleman, Jack Holt,
Leah Goncharow
- 19 Tracy Gibbs
- 20 Claude Church
- 21 Phyllis Monroe, LaVerne Starr
- 22 Pam Dixon, Mary Ellen Shores
- 24 Jonah Brown, Mayla Ward
- 25 Vicki Sharpe
- 26 Ally Hobbs
- 27 Barbara Tew
- 29 Patty Church, David Padgett,
John Rea
- 31 Janet Hartsell



M.E.E.T.S. Meets

M.E.E.T.S. meets **Sunday, August 18.** for a Music on Sunday Eventing at the Park (MUSEP) at Latham Park.

Meet, Eat, Entertain, Travel, Socialize is an adults only fellowship group — designed for “empty nesters” but any adult may attend. Singles and couples welcome.

Monthly Mission Offering

The Missions Ministry Team meets on **third Wed. each month, at 5 p.m.**, in the New Scott-Monroe-Anderson room. The team designates recipients of special missions offerings for each month of the year.

You may use the little Missions envelope in the pews to make a donation to special missions. Or, you may simply designate your check that you want the money to go to that cause.

Designated missions (subject to change, as need arises):

- **August:** Todd Luke’s ministry in Campeche, Mexico

From Todd’s most recent page on The Outreach Foundation website:

Forming respectful relationships with the poor in a manner that allows them to activate their work, talents, and knowledge are key components of Todd and Maria Luke’s Gospel-driven outreach.

Native Ch’ol Presbyterian laymen organize families to work together building family-owned cisterns to collect rainfall. During the process, Mexican partners teach useful construction skills, demonstrate the value of partnership, pray together, and share the Good News in a casual and natural manner.

In a recent update Todd wrote, “By the end of summer, we hope to have built at least 45 cisterns during 2018. Partners will join our Mexican friends to help take the total cistern tally beyond #490. Cistern #500 is not far away.” Visiting work teams are welcome.

The Outreach Foundation seeks gifts totaling \$50,400 for Todd Luke’s support funds; and \$2,000 for the cost of one cistern.

www.theoutreachfoundation.org

Parking Spaces

Friends, on occasion — I wish it were every week — our parking lots are full to capacity on Sunday morning.

This presents challenges, mainly to those with mobility needs. We have made three changes to our parking, to improve our hospitality, and to care for those with mobility needs.

1. We’ve added four visitor spaces in the upper parking lot, beside the handicap spaces near the road. We intend to reserve these spaces for **visitors** on Sunday mornings. However, if all the handicap parking spaces are filled, those with mobility needs may park in the open parking spaces. **We intend for you to park in the visitor spaces only if no others are available to you.** If utilized, these visitor spaces will increase our capacity for handicap parking.
2. Please, take advantage of the double spaces in the upper lot. I make it my habit to park there, because I know I will be among the last to leave. I encourage everyone to do the same. Almost all of us leave church at the same time. If those who park behind another car are mindful about it at the end of church, no one will be inconvenienced. Think of parking in that forward space as an act of stewardship, one small way to serve one another on Sunday.
3. We have begun to park buses and vans at the far side of the lower lot. Please make note of this, if you take out one of our vehicles.

Thank you in advance, for helping us make these needed adjustments in



order to love our neighbors as ourselves, just a little more faithfully.

Kyle

Presbyterian Women of Alamance Presbyterian Church

Six circles of women meet regularly, as outlined below. Together, they form the Presbyterian Women of Alamance Presbyterian Church. All dates, times, and meeting places are subject to change, as needed.

Agapé: Meets on **second Tuesday** at **11 a.m.** to go out and eat; **12:30 p.m.** in the Uffman classroom.

JoAnn Camp: Meets at **6:30 p.m. on second Tuesdays**, usually in members' homes.

L.I.F.T. (Ladies in Fellowship Together): meets **every Sunday** as a Sunday school class, **9-9:50 a.m.**, in the Community Room. Circle meeting is the second Sunday of each month.

Martha Brown: Meets at **1 p.m. on the second Wednesday** (on weeks when second Tuesday and second Wednesday happen in the same week), in the Coble House.

Mary, Martha, Lydia, and Ruth: Meets at **11 a.m. on the second Tuesday**, (when second Tuesday and second Wednesday happen in the same week), in the Parlor.

Red Hat: Group decides monthly where and when to meet.

The PW of APC meets together as a group in January, at an annual Gathering. They meet together with other Salem Presbytery PW groups at a Spring Gathering and a Fall Gathering.

The website presbyterianwomen.org has more information — or contact Brenda Bayne (bjbusa@aol.com) with any questions about the Presbyterian Women of Alamance Presbyterian Church.



L.I.F.T. Pool Party in July



<https://diningforwomen.org>

Dining For Women breaks for the summer: there will be **no gatherings in August**. Gatherings resume in **September**.

All women are invited to meetings of the *Dining For Women* APC chapter. This is an opportunity to commune with other women of the church. Bring your sister, mother, daughter, friend, neighbor. Bring a dish to share, and a donation equivalent to what you would spend if you went out to eat. No donation is too small.

When: **Second Thursday of each month, at 7 p.m., except in June, July, and August.**

Where: Coble House Center for Outreach.

What to bring: A covered dish to share, and a monetary donation to *Dining for Women*.

How it works: Women gather to eat, to socialize, to learn about a different grantee, to make a donation (equal to what would have been spent dining out, or whatever you wish to give), and to help women in extreme poverty better themselves.

Members are expected to sign up to host: to set up for the meal, prepare beverages, etc. — since DFW meets at the Coble House, hosts don't have to clean their own homes first!

For more about Dining for Women, check their website: <https://diningforwomen.org>. Or, contact Kathy Fay with your questions (kathyefay@gmail.com).

September Session

Dining for Women meets on **Thursday, September 12**, at **7 p.m.** in the Coble House. To celebrate Big Meeting 2019, APC DFW will support a local cause, instead of the DFW grantee for the month.

An APC DFW member, Phyllis Hajnos, will present information about Kitchen Table Conversations. Phyllis was a stay-at-home mom, looking for something to fill the void when she became an “empty nester.” She eventually founded a non-profit organization that serves women during times of struggle, by providing spiritual mentoring and encouragement.

Bring a dish and donation (they DO have an online donation option), and hear about how KTC helps local women. You can read more about the organization on their website: <http://www.ktcgso.com/>.

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Who Is My Neighbor?

As pastor, a persistent question pops up with a frequency that I find somewhat puzzling. I have struggled to find adequate answers. I have thought on it more and more; and have concluded that the reason I have a difficult time answering is because I fundamentally see the issue differently than those who raise the question.

I want to validate and affirm those who wrestle with this differently than I do, yet I must conclude that my *theological* (my understanding of God), *ecclesiological* (my understanding of Church), and *missiological* (my understanding of God's mission for the Church) approaches lead me to different conclusions.

My frame of reference is different — and so I am afraid that my answers do not satisfy the question or the reason it is asked. For that, I ask your patience and forbearance.

The question: “Why are we working so hard to help people in other countries (other states, other places, etc.) when there are so many people in our own community who are suffering?”

I have a hard time with the question, because I have a hard time seeing proximity as a meaningful distinction. I believe we are all more entangled than that.

My answer to the question begins in Jesus' prime directive, his two great commandments, to love *God* and to love *neighbor*.

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus helpfully follows up those commandments with the parable of the Good Samaritan. In that parable, the “neighbor” is not the one who looks, thinks, acts, or believes just like man in great need. The “neighbor” is the one who, despite those differences, reaches out to help in compassion, kindness, and generosity.

Other than the scriptural witness, there has been no greater teacher of the concept of *neighbor* than the Rev. Fred Rogers, Presbyterian pastor and creator of the Public Broadcast program *Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood*.

In each episode — by using song, story, and dialogue — Mr. Rogers invited children to be his neighbor; and to think about whom else was neighbor to them.

Fred Rogers imagined that, through the medium of television, a neighbor could be anywhere in the country. He was right.

He taught that neighbors could be those who looked, thought, acted, and believed differently than he did. His witness was deeply human, rooted completely in his Christian faith; and life-changing for the little ones who tuned in day after day and week after week.

Mr. Roger's witness was about loving God and loving neighbor, by being a friend and helper. Perhaps his most famous quote (other than “Won't you be my neighbor?”) is this one:

“My mother would say to me, ‘Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping.’ To this day, especially in times of disaster, I remember my mother's words, and I am always comforted by realizing that there are still so many helpers — so many caring people in this world.”

Friends, **we** are the helpers. He meant **us!** We love God and neighbor by being the helpers. Just as in the cliché State Farm jingle: “Like a good neighbor, ... ” **we** are there.

And so, we fill grocery carts with food and distribute them to our literal neighbors every week.

And, so when people come to the office and share a need with the pastors, we give to them out of the pastors' discretionary fund. And

so, we collect pennies for hunger; and get in our cars to deliver Meals on Wheels. And so, we go down to the southeast side of Greensboro to serve meals and to build houses for the homeless and impoverished people in those communities — who live just across the highway, but in some ways a world away.

And so, we support fair trade of goods worldwide through Ten Thousand Villages. (They just opened at their new Battleground Avenue location. Check them out!)

And so, we glean; and we help ministries like Peacehaven Farm. And so, we pack a bag and head out to rural Appalachia, or New Orleans, or Atlanta, or Washington, D.C. to make a difference in another community.

And so, if we have the means, we buy a ticket and fly to the U.S./Mexico Border, or Oaxaca, or Peru, or Uganda. And so, we fill suitcases for missionaries, or give to support the work of Bible translation.

In my frame of reference, all of those efforts (and many others besides) are complementary; and thus not to be valued differently, whether they happen at our back door or on the other side of the planet. They are complementary because **we** are the helpers, the Good Samaritans, and everyone we help is **our** neighbor.

Now, I certainly agree that there can be shortsightedness, and possible pitfalls to be avoided. In recent months, our Mission Ministry Team has studied what experts call “toxic charity.” For instance, we can be so enamored of our exotic travel plans that we fail to recognize the reasons we are traveling. We can be so focused on distant needs that we neglect those much closer to home — even those within our congregation.

The opposite can also be true. We can be so focused on being present in our community that we forget that we belong to a much wider Church, and a much wider human family.

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There is, of course, value precisely in helping those who look, think, act, and believe differently than us; especially when the helpers are not as plentiful for them as they are for the people right here at home.

Friends, that is my frame of reference for the question "Why are we working so hard to help people in other places, when there are so many people in our own community who are suffering?"

I understand the possibility that you might think, believe — and thus act — in a different way. **My** answer to the question as it is asked can only genuinely be: "Because they are our neighbors, too."

In Christ's Love and Light,

Kyle

Guest on August 4

The Rev. Dr. Kyle Goodman and his family are on vacation **through Aug. 5**. Until then, he will be unavailable for contact by telephone or e-mail.

Other members of the staff will be pleased to assist you during the time that he is gone, to the best of their abilities.

And thus, we welcome a guest speaker to our pulpit on **Sunday, August 4**.

The Rev. Nate Sell is a pastoral resident at First Presbyterian Church, Greensboro. He has served as Upper School Chaplain at St. Paul's School in Baltimore, Maryland. Nate is a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, where he met his wife, the Rev. Caroline Sell. They expect their first child in November. Nate likes backpacking, canoeing, lacrosse, reading, and writing.

Knit, Pray, Love Ministry Explained

Can you share your skills, to make prayer shawls and/or chemo or baby caps? Use your favorite patterns — or try something new.

Knit, Pray, Love meets on the **third Tuesday** of each month at **7:15 p.m.**, in the Parlor.

Here are the "rules" for KPL:

- You do NOT have to attend the gatherings.
- There is no set pattern for the shawls or caps.
- You can work on your projects ANYTIME. You don't have to be in the presence of the group.
- You may provide your own yarn. You may use some of the raw materials in the KPL closet in the Parlor.
- You may ask your friends and relatives to give your *their* scraps and odd balls of precious yarn.
- Shawls can be made of any weight of yarn you choose. There is no standard size. The premise of the shawls is that they are for comfort, and to express love.

Right now, the KPL stock of shawls is greatly diminished. There's very little risk in joining KPL: the only commitment is to make a shawl or cap (or two, or 50, or 365) and leave your gift with Linda Aydelette or in the closet in the Parlor.

At present, the ministry only asks for finished items. They do not need donations of thread, or string, or yarn, or rope, or wire, or cables.

Any questions? Contact Linda Aydelette via e-mail, or see her at church.

linda.aydelette@gmail.com

Beginners' class to learn to knit and/or crochet begins on **Tuesday, October 8**, and meets **each Tuesday until November 19**, from **7:30-8:30 p.m.** in the parlor. Contact Linda Aydelette with your interest in either joining or teaching this class.



KPL-made items piled up to be blessed, before distribution

Musically Speaking ...

Adult Choir changes hours for summer

Summer hours are from **6:30-8 p.m.** The APC Adult Choir rehearses nearly every **Wednesday evening** of the year, in the choir loft.

Singers provide choral music during worship, by performing anthems and by leading the congregation in singing hymns and responses. This musical ministry is open to anyone of high school age or older, to make a joyful noise during worship services. Ability to read music is helpful but not required. We help each other to be our best selves, in the choir loft.

A request: The APC Adult choir meets from **9-9:45 a.m.** in the sanctuary, **each Sunday**, to rehearse music for that day's worship service — and to hold devotions. This time serves as Sunday school for those who forgo a “regular” class in order to sing in the choir. Please, wait until **after 9:45** to enter the sanctuary. If you come into that space for a time of quiet personal prayer, please maintain silence so that the choir can enjoy their Sunday school just as you do.

APC Handbells

The APC Ringers, a handbell ensemble, sound out the news: They rehearse their art in the afternoon, on the **first and third Sundays of each month**, from **4-5:30 p.m.** They practice in the sanctuary. Because rehearsals are bi-monthly, there's not much time to dwell on teaching bell basics! At present, you must have some previous experience and a basic knowledge of technique to play with this group. Ability to read music is helpful. Ability to count is imperative.

The church owns four octaves of Schulmerich handbells and three octaves of chimes, donated about 30 years ago. The bells were recently refurbished; and new tables, pads, and covers have been obtained, thanks to generous contributions from the congregation.

APC Ringers currently enhance worship with small ensembles of ringers, as well as accompanying anthems for both adult and children's choirs. The bells ring out on special occasions throughout the church year.

Each of the ringers considers their time and effort ringing to be a ministry to the church.

Contact Katie Hensley at katie@alamancechurch.org for further information.

Live-streaming Worship Services

It's now possible to look and listen to Sunday morning worship at Alamance live, on-line. A few steps before you start are simple to accomplish:

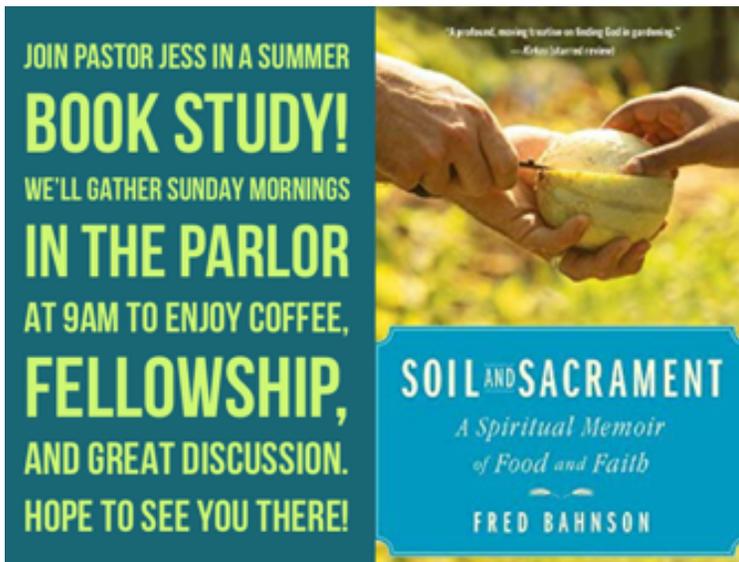
1. First, go to our website, www.alamancechurch.org. Scroll down the homepage for the *Live Sunday Worship & Info* box — and choose that option, to go to the *Worship* page. (Or, go to *Connect* at the **top** of the page, and choose *Worship* from the drop-down list.)

2. On the *Worship* page, the box for *Worship Live Streaming* is on the **top right** of your screen. It sends you to the Livestream page for Alamance Presbyterian Church (www.livestream.com).

3. **Before you can access the live streaming service**, you'll be required to open an account with Livestream, either with your e-mail or your Facebook account. The Livestream site will prompt you to enter your e-mail. It will then send you an e-mail that will instruct you how to enter a password of your own choosing.

4. On the Alamance Presbyterian Church website, the *Worship Live Streaming* page has all the recorded services still available; and options for services still to come. (The not-yet-happened ones are listed so you can log in on those Sundays at **10:15 a.m.** to experience worship with the rest of the congregation, as it unfolds in real time.)





Rev. Jess Rigel leads a group study of the book *Soil and Sacrament: A Spiritual Memoir of Food and Faith*, by Fred Bahnson.

Obtain your own copy of the book. Read the assigned text ahead of time. Meet in the Parlor during Sunday school (9-9:50 a.m.) on these days:

- **Sunday, August 4:** Chapters 2 and 3
- **Sunday, August 11:** Chapters 4 and 5
- **Sunday, August 18:** Chapters 6 and 7
- **Sunday, August 25:** Epilogue — and a “local food” breakfast potluck celebration!



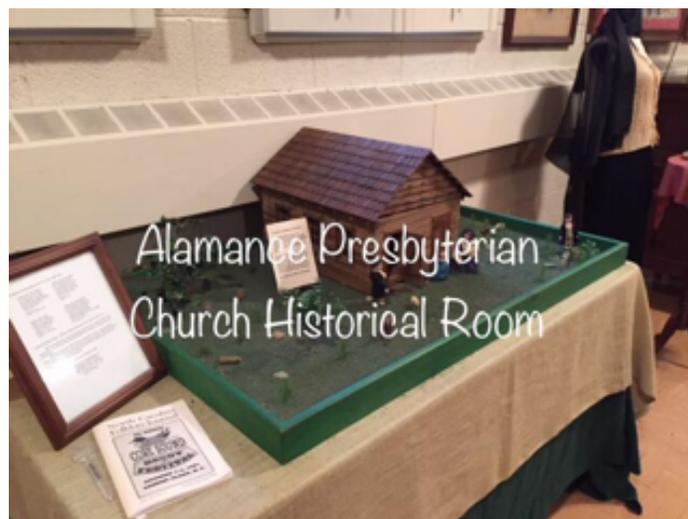
Author Fred Bahnson

Historical Room Open for Viewing

The Edna Smith Jobe Historical Room will open for your viewing pleasure on Big Meeting Sunday, **September 8**, from **9-9:50 a.m.**; and for **30 minutes after our worship service that Sunday.**

Stop by the room for a few minutes to see recently added displays, to revisit your old favorites in the room, and to greet the lovely hosts who are there.

The Edna Smith Jobe Historical Room is located on the lower level of the sanctuary building, across the hall from the Community Room.



Archivists for the Edna Smith Jobe Historical Room: Linda Aydelette, Melinda White, and Barbara Keeler.

Youth Trip to Washington, D.C.

We send our youth out on an out-of-state missional trip this summer! In **August**, from the **13th-18th** of that month, they will swelter in Washington, D.C. The APC Youth Group has pledged 60 “homeless bags” for the National Coalition for the Homeless’ weekly outreach to the homeless population of our nation’s capital. They ask for donations to help them fulfill the pledge.

NCH is a national network of people committed to a single mission: To prevent and end homelessness, while ensuring that the immediate needs of those experiencing homelessness are met, and that their civil rights are protected.

NCH began 30 years ago, as an organization that welcomes the participation of people who had experienced homelessness, and makes certain that there would always be a place at the table for their input and decision making. Throughout NCH’s history, homeless-led advocacy has worked to create lasting local solutions to the national problem of homelessness.

Thanks to your generosity, we already have enough of some of the items requested! We are still in need of some items. All items should be travel size, so that an entire kit can fit into a gallon-sized zip top bag. Please do not include any items that contain alcohol.

Place your donations in the marked boxes outside each sanctuary entrance. Want to give money instead, so the youth can purchase items that are needed? Please direct your donation to Andrew Long, Youth Coordinator.

These are the items most wanted for the bags:

- Chapstick
- Deodorant
- Brush / comb
- Shampoo
- Wet-wipes
- Band-aids
- Nail clippers
- Rain poncho
- Socks
- Slim Jims
- Granola bars
- Bandana



We already have enough toothbrushes and toothpaste!

Pray for our youth, and for their leaders and chaperones. Pray for their physical safety. Pray that they will make new friendships, and deepen old friendships. Pray that they will learn to see God in fresh ways, in places they never thought to look for God. Pray that they will learn to listen for God in the voices of strangers. Pray that they come back to us renewed in body and spirit.

Montreat Memories

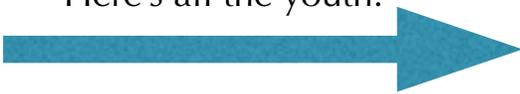


Banner by Andrew Burgess

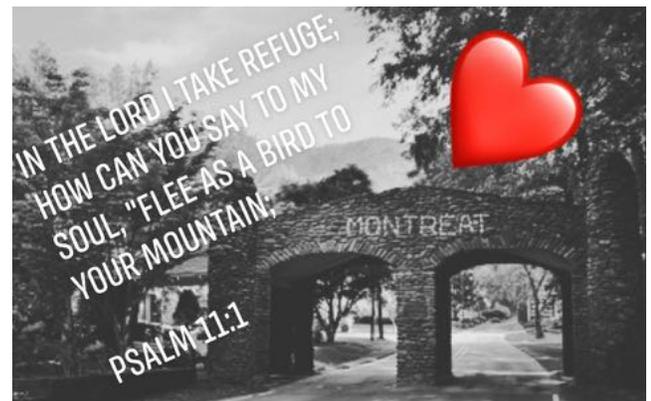


Thirteen youths and their adult advisors spent a happy week at the Montreat Youth Conference this summer.

Here's all the youth.



Here's Andrew Long, Youth Coordinator, ... and all the graduating seniors.



Children's worship and fellowship

Join us for one or all! ALL children are welcome, whether they attend church regularly, occasionally, or just stop by to check us out.

The APC Children's Ministry at Alamance Presbyterian Church strives to provide a safe and loving church community where children will learn who Jesus is, experience his love, and grow to become his followers.

Sunday school

All children from PreK-5th grade meet together from **9-9:50 a.m. each Sunday during the school year**. The curriculum is *Godly Play*. The Godly Play space is on the lower level of the Grant building.

Nota bene: Godly Play will **not** meet during June, July, or August. The class resumes **Sunday, September 8**.

Children's Church

Joy Thomas, Dir. of Children's Ministries, and helpers lead this worship. Children are ALWAYS welcome in the sanctuary — Children's Church is offered for children to stay through a children's message, then leave for a lesson of their own. They return after the sermon to continue worship.

Childcare is provided for infants through 3-year-olds, in a nursery in the Education Building, staffed by approved volunteers.

Kids R.O.C.K.

Kids Reaching Out to Christ's Kingdom is a fellowship group for 2nd-5th grades. Kids R.O.C.K. meets from **5-6:30 p.m. every Sunday during the school year**, for a simple meal and a program that explores Christian life from a child's perspective.

Nota bene: Kids R.O.C.K. will **not** meet during June, July, or August. They resume on **Sunday, September 8**.



“God’s kingdom is made up of people like these.” - from **Matthew 19:14**

Athens: Paul's Dangerous Journey to Share the Truth

Thank you to all who made this possible:

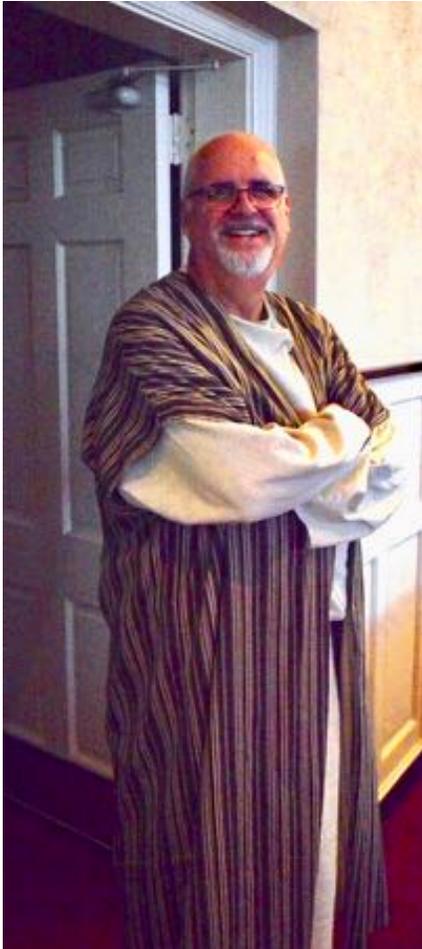
- **Parents:** Thank you for bringing your children.
- **Wendy Mills:** For working beside me all the way, as Assistant Director.
- **Kyle Goodman, Doug Clapp, and Jay Busby:** For taking photos of the fun.
- **Andrew Long, Jonah Thomas, and Branson Linnens:** For running sound so we could sing, dance, and praise through music.
- **Kitchen Crew:** Thank you for fueling our fun.
Darren Hadley, Toby Jobe, Susan Marsh, Jan Smith, Dena Fail, Barbara Alexander, and Amy Yow
- **Shopkeepers:** Thank you for teaching us and helping us make cool things.
 - Toy Making Shop, Olympic Shop:** Lou and Lucinda Gonzalez
 - Law Court:** Elizabeth Hadley and Emily Brame
 - Rock Studio:** Wendy Mills, Shannon Haynes, Morgan Haynes, and Jean Poe
 - Pottery Studio:** Terri, Jay, Miranda Busby
 - Scribe Shop:** Linda Aydelette, Pam Dixon
 - Music Shop:** Doug Clapp and Robin Long
 - Geometry School:** Mary Ellen Shores and Connie Fish
- **Music:** Thank you for teaching us how to worship and praise through songs.
Katie Hensley, Gay Hensley, Michelle Goodman

- **Arena Games:** Thank you for teaching us with play.
Allison Brown, Owen Smith, Naomi Church
- **Oikos Guides:** Thank you for helping us move through Athens, and taking care of us.
 - **PreK/K:** Ciara Thomas, Jonah Thomas, Branson Linnens, Kendra Trull, Kiara Meyers, Glenda Goncharow, Connie Fish, Cheryl Rigel, Harold Alexander
 - **1st/2nd:** Teddi Irwin, Jackie, Haines, Diane Clapp, Cayce Church, and Melanie Church
 - **3rd/4th:** Michael Brown, Sydney Mills, Jess Rigel, Jim Rigel, Jessica Donoho, and Dara Reece
 - **5th/6th:** Dana Smith, Lea Ledford, and Marlie Sullivan
- **Paul and Damaris:** (David Hensley & Barb Keeler) Thank you for sharing your journey to share the truth; and teaching us that God loves us all, takes care of us, loves us when others don't, sent his son Jesus, and wants us to share his love with others.
- **Alamance Fire Department:** for providing a fun water finale to our Vacation Bible School.
- **To ALL** who donated and loaned supplies!!

Forgive me if I forgot anyone!!!

Joy Thomas, Director of Children's Ministry









Memorials and Honoraria

To the Operating Fund: In memory of Don Brooks by Thelma Greeson, Joe & Dodie Miller. In memory of Jean Foust by Phillip Way. In memory of Bill Kirkman by Willie & Glenda Goncharow, Lewis & Joyce Clemmer, Marie Hodgins, the John Watkins family, Thomas Neese Jr., Charles & Jacklyn Melvin, Thelma Greeson. In memory of Linda Fleming Carraway by Willie & Glenda Goncharow, Marie Hodgins, Ginnie Hanner. In memory of Eddie Nelson by Marie Hodgins. In memory of Paneen Sizemore Bean by Marie Hodgins. In memory of Virginia Andrews by Marie Hodgins. In memory of O.L. & Lottie Watkins by the John Watkins family.

To the Culinary Arts Team: In memory of Linda Fleming Carraway by Harold & Barbara Alexander.

To the Building Improvement Fund: In memory of Bill Kirkman by Jackie Fogleman, Geneva Boswell. In memory of Linda Fleming Carraway by Mike & Lisa Winslow, Jackie Fogleman, Geneva Boswell.

To the Cemetery Care Fund: In memory of Lacy Fogleman Jr. by Floyd, Tony, and Craig Fogleman. In memory of Linda Fleming Carraway by Darrell Parker.

To the Children's Ministry: In memory of Linda Fleming Carraway by Harold & Barbara Alexander.

To the Music Fund: In memory of Lacy Fogleman Jr. by Jackie Fogleman, Willie & Glenda Goncharow, Thelma Greeson. In memory of Jean Foust by Thelma Greeson. In memory of Eddie Nelson by Thelma Greeson. In memory of Paneen Sizemore Bean by Thelma Greeson.

To the Bereavement Ministry Fund: In memory of Linda Fleming Carraway by the Red Hat Circle, Thelma Greeson.

Cemetery Notes

The Alamance Presbyterian cemetery is 8.73 acres of treeless, windswept hillside, buffeted by breezes all year.

In good weather, grave flowers are moved out of the mowers' way. During storms, floral arrangements can be blown away, unless securely fastened.

Storms drop flying debris into the ditches beside Presbyterian Road — including unsecured flowers. Orphaned floral arrangements are placed behind the brown shed near the dumpsters. Search for them there, to replace them on graves.

It is not the responsibility of the church staff or the grounds crew to identify individual floral tributes and replace them onto graves.

Families are responsible for removing wilted and dead flowers, after a funeral. Disassemble the stands and forms, and place plant material in the compost bins beside the brown shed. Dispose of stands and forms in dumpsters.

Food Pantry Special Collections

The Alamance Presbyterian Church Food Pantry started a monthly directed food collection in 2016. Each month, the APC Food Pantry designates specific food items to be donated in the big box in the Gathering Place.

Here's a list of those specific items wanted for each month of the year.

- **August** Canned pasta
- **September** Cereal, oatmeal
- **October** Canned meats
- **November** Dry pasta, and spaghetti sauce
- **December:** Soups
- **January** Canned beans
- **February** Rice
- **March** Peanut butter, jelly
- **April** Canned fruits
- **May** Canned vegetables
- **June** Macaroni-and-cheese
- **July** Crackers



APC Food Pantry

Since 2010, this church has offered groceries to up to 30 hungry families each week. Distribution is on **Saturday mornings, from 10:30-11:30**. Set-up for the week's distribution starts well before that.

This mission has priority to use Brown Fellowship Hall. That's why we don't schedule events there on Saturday mornings.

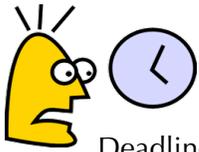
We need volunteers to help with distribution to our guests, each Saturday morning!

Ask Connie Fish how **you** can help with the work. You can now schedule your own workdays at <http://signup.com/go/h2b6xy>.

Potter's House

Since July of 2004, this church has served supper to hungry guests at Potter's House on the third Saturday of each odd-numbered month of the year. Remaining dates in **2019: September 21, November 16**.

The work is intense while it lasts. Arrive at **6 p.m.** to set up for the meal. Food is served from **7-7:45 p.m.** We are cleaned up and out the door by **8:15 p.m.**



Newsletter Deadline

Deadline for the **September, 2019** issue of *The Relay*, our church newsletter, is **Monday, August 26**. Post your articles by "snail mail," by e-mail (lynn@alamancechurch.org), phone the office (697-0488 x 121) — or hitch up your wagon and drive to the church to deliver it in person.



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... and check our website!

The church website is found at www.alamancechurch.org.

Coffee hour Volunteers

- Aug. 4: Burgess**
- Aug. 11: Sullivan**
- Aug. 18: Hadley**
- Aug. 25: Alexander**



Sunday Morning Volunteers

Ushers/Greeters

1st Sunday

Jon Garrett, Patty Starr
Side Door: Pat Lovell

2nd Sunday

Ada Nelson, Patty and Cayce Church
Side Door: Birdie and Nora Church

3rd Sunday & 5th Sunday

Jackie Fogleman, Telia Carroll
Side door: Jean Poe

4th Sunday

Dena Fail, Leta Pillion
Side door: JoAnn Camp

Offering Collectors

1st Sunday

Graham Dail, Tina Garrett
Lee Shores, Tommie Lynn Sullivan

2nd Sunday

Naomi Church, Pam Dixon,
Tony Sizemore, Gary Trull

3rd Sunday & 5th Sunday

Nick Purvis, Albert Smith,
Steve Starr, Kirby Ward

4th Sunday

Harold Alexander, Bobby Jobe,
Willie Goncharow, Ed Gonzalez

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See pages 11-14 for even more evidence of a successful Vacation Bible School!