

The Bulletin Board

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Congregational meeting scheduled New officers and purchase of property

The annual meeting of the congregation for the purpose of electing elders and deacons will begin following worship on Sunday, October 10. At that meeting nominations will be received from the nominating committee as well as from the floor. Members should have received through the mail information about the persons the nominating committee will nominate. You may nominate additional persons from the floor, but permission must first be obtained from them before you place their names in nomination. Nominations will be made on October 10, and voting will begin the following Sunday on October 17, at both services, and will continue each Sunday until eight persons are elected as elders (seven to the Class of 2007 and one to the Class of 2005 to fill the unexpired term of Phifer Johnson) and seven persons are elected as deacons (all to the Class of 2007). Persons must be elected by a majority vote. Only active members in attendance are eligible to vote; no provision is made in the *Book of Order* for absentee voting.

The Session has requested that, in addition to voting for officers, the congregation at the meeting following the 11:00 a.m. worship service on October 17 act on the recommendation of the Session to purchase property on the southwest corner of South Broad Street and West Center Avenue from the Fred and Helen Brown Irrevocable Charitable Remainder Trust for \$300,000; and that the trustees and the Finance Committee be authorized to choose the financial institution from either Piedmont Bank, BB&T, or Mooresville Savings Bank and agree to the terms from which to secure a loan to finance the purchase. The property is 60 feet by 140 feet and is adjacent to our church parking lot.

Ed Lewis retires as pastor Well done, good and faithful servant!

After 34 years at First Presbyterian Church, Ed Lewis will deliver his final sermon as Pastor on Sunday, October 3, at the 11:00 o'clock worship service (there will be no 8:30 a.m. service that day). It is fitting that his last Sunday falls on World Communion Sunday, a day when Christians around the world remember and celebrate the special fellowship and unity shared in Christ around the Holy Table of the Lord's Supper. It is a poignant reminder that neither circumstance of time nor of geography can ever separate those who are one in Christ Jesus.



Lewis family in 1970 after arriving in Mooresville

Though Ed and Martha will be sorely missed, we rejoice that they will now have the years of retirement to enjoy the richness of life with family and friends, both old and new. As we have been so richly blessed through Ed's ministry, may God so bless Ed and Martha with good health, long life and the satisfaction in knowing that they literally have been a Godsend to so many.

The Personnel Committee has planned a reserved seat luncheon in honor of Ed's retirement that will follow worship on October 3 at 1:00 o'clock in the Mooresville Citizen Center. Following the buffet, Ed and Martha will be honored as memories of Ed's ministry are shared and fond farewells are expressed. Ed and Martha will reside in Salisbury, NC, where they will welcome any and all non-pastoral contact.

A word from our pastor

As I approach the end of my pastoral ministry here at Mooresville First Presbyterian, I have more thoughts and feelings than I have time and space to express. However, I thank God for the incredible privilege of serving this congregation as pastor. I thank Martha and the rest of my family for their love and support. I thank all of you, members and friends, for your kindness and support, and I shall remember you with gratitude to God. I cherish the many memories I have.

I am told that special retirement activities will take place on Sunday, October 3, at the 11 a.m. worship service in our sanctuary and at the 1 p.m. luncheon at the Charles Mack Citizen Center. I am not privy to all the plans, but I hope you can be present to share the memories and to let me thank you again.

One of the reasons I have been privileged to share deeply in the life of so many of you is because you have shared the special events of your lives—births, baptisms, weddings, deaths, etc.—with me as your pastor. It is important that you provide my successor with the same privilege.

To assure and facilitate such professional courtesy and ethics, our Presbytery has approved guidelines that address the relation of ministers to their former congregations, guidelines with which I agree. The bottom line is, with the exception of services already planned (four weddings and the baptism of a granddaughter), I will no longer be available to provide pastoral services here. Fred Coates and/or my successor will be privileged to provide them, as I have been the last 34 years.

Martha and I will move this month to our new home at 236 Richmond Drive, Salisbury, NC 28144-2850, where the telephone number is 704-633-5544. We are about six miles from our daughter Melanie and her family, and only two or three blocks from my brother Bob and his wife. Please stay in touch and come to visit. We love you all.

May God continue to bless you and our great church!

Ed Lewis

Harrington and Auten serving at Presbytery level

After completing training over the last year, Diane Harrington, who serves as one of our elders, will be commissioned as a lay pastor by Salem Presbytery at its meeting at North Wilkesboro Church on October 26. We extend our congratulations, prayers and best wishes to her as she continues to serve our Lord and his church.

Mark Auten, another of our elders, has served for several years on the Joint (representing Charlotte, Salem and Western North Carolina Presbyteries) Outdoor Christian Ministries Committee, the committee which oversees Camp Grier. He was recently named chair of the JOCM Committee. Let us pray for Mark and the JOCM Committee, as well as its search committee which recently began the process of looking for a director of Camp Grier.

Transition Committee hard at work

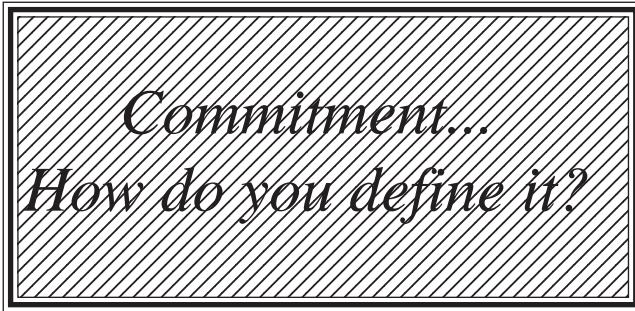
The Transition Committee—composed of Gary Roach, chair, Chris Ahearn, Jill Herring, Smith Kirk, Sue Stevens and Ginger White—has already met two or three times, and is now in the process of searching for a person who will serve our congregation as

Interim Pastor. In time, the Transition Committee will work with the Interim Pastor in helping the congregation do a self-study, preparing us for the selection and arrival of a new pastor.



Robert Howard, pastor of Centre Presbyterian Church, is serving as Salem Presbytery's liaison to help guide us through the pastoral transition process.

Commitment Corner



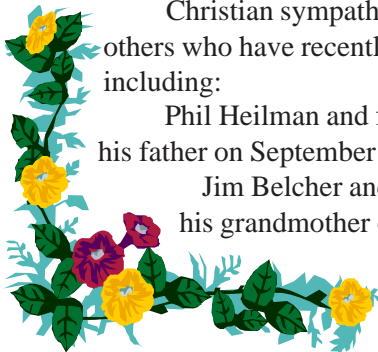
Joe Crowell, Jr. passes

Joe Crowell, Jr., age 46, died at his residence on September 19 following an extended illness. The son of the late Joe and Gwen Crowell, he was a lifelong member of our congregation. He was a graduate of UNC at Chapel Hill and a pharmacist. We express our Christian sympathy to his sisters Nancy Robinson and Jody Oliphant as well as other family members and friends.

Christian sympathy is also expressed to others who have recently lost loved ones, including:

Phil Heilman and family in the death of his father on September 8.

Jim Belcher and family in the death of his grandmother on September 22.



The Bloodmobile is coming

First Presbyterian Church is sponsoring the Bloodmobile on Wednesday, November 10, at the Charles Mack Citizen Center from 2:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Everyone who is able is encouraged to participate!



Cemetery lots for sale

Due to the generosity of one of our members, the church is in possession of two cemetery/burial spaces in the "Garden of Memories" section of Sharon Memorial Park in Charlotte. Anyone interested in purchasing these lots please contact Bob Campbell at 704-662-8286.



Bob Dobbins to build



Bob Dobbins of our congregation will be a member of the annual Jimmy Carter Work Project as part of Habitat for Humanity again this month on October 23-31. The project this year will be in two cities in Mexico—Puebla and Vera Cruz, where they will build a total of 150 houses. Bob will serve in Vera Cruz, a city on the Gulf of Mexico, due east of Mexico City. We assure Bob of our thoughts and prayers as he, along with the other volunteers, goes to Mexico to serve in the name of Christ.

Catechism Club participant is recognized

Nell Herring was recognized at the August 29 worship service for memorization of the 150 questions in *The First Catechism*.

Congratulations to Nell on this big accomplishment. Nell received a beaded bracelet in recognition of her memory work. Thanks also to Nell's mentor, Judith McLean.



A note of thanks

Eddie and Alicia Miller express their appreciation to members of the congregation for praying for them. Eddie to get a job and Alicia for wholeness during back surgery - as well as for food, cards and visits. Eddie is now working at Bloom Market on NC 150 west of I-77.

Camp Grier Retreat

Approximately one hundred members of our church family enjoyed the beauty and relaxation of Camp Grier over the Labor Day weekend. The group enjoyed the “regular” Camp Grier favorites – hiking to the fire tower, the Discovery Trail, new and renewed Polar Bear Club memberships, hiking to the rock slide, a delicious barbecue supper, opportunities to make new friends, a campfire complete with s’mores and singing, boat races, swimming, boating, and lots of opportunity for fellowship!



Thanks to the following people who helped make the weekend a success:

Mac Herring and his famous barbecue crew
Harding Rogers for the barbecue wood
The “campfire crew”

Reid and Sally Brodie for leading all the boat race activities, along with some new “Olympic “ events

The teenagers for helping with childcare
Fred Coates for providing inspirational Bible studies and worship

Pat Culberson for helping with money and registration

Valerie Mauney and Mary Ellen Auten for helping with the dance

Marti Estes for helping with dining hall helpers
Eleanor Templeton for making posters
Jean Coates for helping with registration and housing

Put next September 2-4 on your 2005 calendar, for another fabulous weekend at Camp Grier, “The Place to Be.”

More Churchmice needed

The Churchmouse Program is in need of some more “mice!” We have 42 students living away from home this year. We need 20 more to make the program successful this year. I KNOW you will come through, you always do, but we get a little panicky when it is time to start and we are short some mice. It is really an important part of our church, so please take time to think about it and give Eleanor Templeton (704-987-1309) or Carolyn Poteat (704-663-2992) a call soon. We have enthusiastic mice ready to get started, and we have already assigned them a student. Some great news is that we have some gentlemen who have joined the “Churchmouse” pack this year. We are looking forward to a great year, so please join us. We appreciate all of you who have joined us, and we look forward to hearing from others who want to participate in this meaningful service to the church. Maybe some of you parents who have or have had your child in this program might like to reciprocate and be a churchmouse to someone else’s child this year! Think about it. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

A helpful hint for those mice who are anxious to get started, it to mail a package that contains everything orange in it. The month of October brings to mind fall colors and this is a bright one and a time of year that is plentiful with ideas of orange. Churchmice, you might also ask your student to please let you know if they got your package and that you would love to hear from them sometime. Let them know how much you care and look forward to getting to know them. Have a good time “mousing” and thank you for your support!

Eleanor Templeton and Carolyn Poteat

All Saints’ Eve

Make plans to attend our congregation’s annual All Saints’ Eve Fall Festival, scheduled for Sunday, October 31, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. This year’s activities are being coordinated by Ben and Melissa Beaver, along with lots of help from PYF members.

Plan to join our church family for some FUN at the festivities! There will be a hot dog supper, games, popcorn, prizes, candy, baked goods, a cake walk, bingo, moonwalk in the courtyard, and costumes galore (please dress in non-scary costumes); there will be a costume parade for young children.

We need lots of help with the activities. Contact the church office



(704-664-5275) or Ben and Melissa (704-663-1588) if you can help in any of these areas:

Donating: Individually wrapped candy (put in box inside church office)

Baked goods (bring to church kitchen by Sunday, October 31)

Bingo prizes

Funds to offset costs.

Helping: Decorate fellowship hall on Saturday, October 30

Help in the kitchen for hot dog supper

Staff games on October 31

Help with clean up

While all activities are free of charge (including the hot dog supper), donations will be accepted to help offset costs.

Babies are baptized



Since the last newsletter, six infants have received the sacrament of Christian initiation. In their baptisms, we as a congregation promised to guide and nurture them, encouraging them to know and follow Christ and to be

faithful members of his church. The newly baptized are:

Joshua Hunter Nantz, son of Anita and Michael Nantz, 389 Winecoff Street, Troutman, NC 28166; grandparents Ron and Jean Chislighi will serve as sponsors.

Ava Grace Hinton, daughter of Mike and Missy Hinton, 1740 Landis Highway, Mooresville, NC 28115; Warren and Jennifer Boger will serve as sponsors.

Katelyn Jane Vergakis, daughter of Brent and Misty Vergakis, 7042 Blakeney Greens Blvd., Charlotte, NC 28277; grandparents Rick and Debbie Giroux will serve as sponsors.

William Holloway Craig, son of Cathy Craig, 1035 Winterfield Drive, Mooresville, NC 28115; Judi Archer will serve as sponsor.

Jackson Christopher Schaen, son of Josh and Ashley Schaen, 155 Stone Ridge Lane, Mooresville, NC 28117; Mark and Jen McNeely will serve as sponsors.

Whitney Owen Wright, son of Danny and Melissa Wright, 2601 Bay Street, Charlotte, NC 28205; grandparents Ernie and Diane Crymes will serve as sponsors.

Zachary Ryan London, son of Joe and Jennifer London, 7505 Henderson Park Road, Huntersville, NC 28078; Vivian Rogers-Canon will serve as sponsor, and Thomas Eddleman and Jocelyn London will be Godparents.

Nursery News



Additional adult nursery workers are needed for the following Sundays:

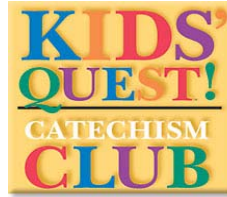
8:30 a.m. worship service:

3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays - 3, 4, & 5 year olds
Contact Stephanie Woodring (704-664-4452)

11:00 a.m. worship service:

1st and 3rd Sunday - 2 & 3 year olds
4th Sunday - 4 & 5 year olds
Contact Jennifer London (704-947-8837; or capehatt@bellsouth.net)

Catechism Club begins new year



The 2004-2005 Catechism Club began meeting on September 12, with five participants, along with their parents. Participants this year include Carson Bridges, Maclean Bridges, P.J. DeCastro, Anna Rhyne and Lee Rhyne. We look forward to a wonderful year of learning, and anticipate recognizing these participants for their memory work in spring 2005.

New Members

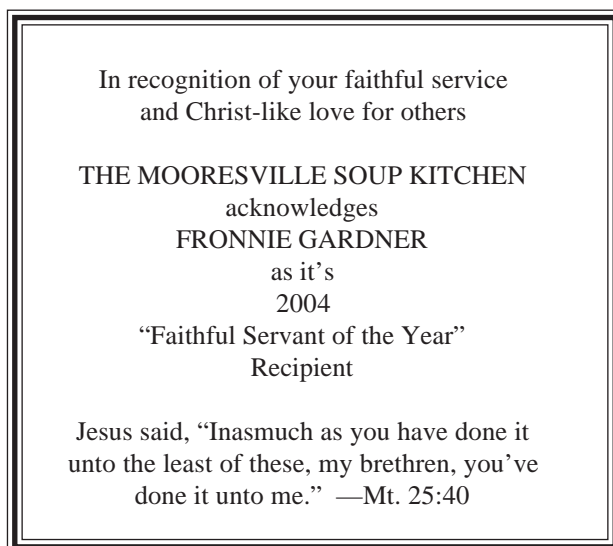


Karen Miller was received by profession of faith on September 26. She works as an English teacher at Mooresville High School, where she is also the advisor of the student council. Her hobbies include reading and gardening. She is married to Kerry Miller of our congregation, who remodels houses and is working toward a real estate career. They have two daughters, also members of our congregation—Sarah, a freshman at Erskine College, and Lindsey, a junior at Lake Norman High School, but an exchange student in Sweden this semester. Karen and her family live at 169 Wood Duck Loop, Mooresville, NC 28117; telephone 704-663-2210. They are part of Neighborhood Group 18.



Information was included in the newsletter last month about Fay Alexander, who united with our congregation in August by reaffirmation of faith. However, we did not have a picture of her last month, but this month we have a picture of Fay and her husband. She is married to Ricky Alexander of our congregation, and they have three sons—twins Jordan and Ryan, who are eighth graders, and Nathan, who is four years old. They live at 253 Chandeleur Drive, Mooresville, NC 28117; telephone 704-660-9649.

Mooresville Soup Kitchen honors Fronnie Gardner



The above plaque was presented to Fronnie Gardner on Thursday, September 16, 2004 at the Annual Volunteer Luncheon for all volunteers of the Mooresville Soup Kitchen. This was the first time such an award, which will be given annually in the future, was presented. Fronnie is one of over 350 volunteers that serve in this ministry. The event was held at the Williamson Chapel United Methodist Church with over 110 volunteers attending.

The Mooresville Soup Kitchen was begun in January, 1987, serving 3,726 meals that year. In 2003, 20,069 meals were served to a hungry community.

In 1987 the founders of the Soup Kitchen, the late Marge Rogers and Susie Kiser, felt a need to have a weekly Bible study for any clients who wished to attend. In 1987, Fronnie Gardener was asked to lead that Bible study. Unless Fronnie is sick or out of town, she is at the Soup Kitchen every Monday morning leading a Bible Study, prayer time, and sometimes sharing her love of music on her harmonica. Fronnie is loved and appreciated by all the volunteers of the Soup Kitchen and by the many clients with whom she shares the message of Jesus Christ.

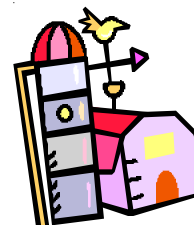
October Preschool Newsletter



September was packed with fun activities as the children studied Community Helpers, Making Friends, Let's Go Camping, Mud & Bugs and shared pictures of their home and family. The children are happily settled into their classroom routines and have bonded with their teachers and each other. We were able to be outside every dry day and thoroughly enjoyed our playground time.

A major event that we look forward to in September is a visit from our Firemen Friends, and we always enjoy the wonderful program from Fire Marshal Bobby Compton and all the firemen. Having Sparky and Freddie the Firetruck is such a treat, and all the children were able to climb up into the fire engine! It was pure excitement!

As we gear up for our busy holiday season we are looking forward to all of our October activities and units on Farm Animals and Harvest Time. The teachers will be sending home letters detailing our **Farm Day** event on **October 28th and 29th**. We will be having a hayride, a pumpkin picking, games and a real live Petting Zoo! Watch for my letter with the scheduled time that your child will be getting acquainted with Homer the Burro, Hopper the Rabbit, Myrtle the Mule, the chickens, Red & Chickie, and the always popular pigs, Maxie & Lulu. Please remember that we will be **closed October 4th – 8th** for fall break, and our **conference day will be October 11th**.



We would also like to say thank you to all our parents and grandparents for getting this year off to such a great start and for sending your little ones to us. We truly feel blessed to have such a fun job!

With love,
Mrs. Nancy

Logos/MSM



“Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.” Mark 10:14

September had been a busy month for both Logos and MSM. We are truly blessed with a wonderful group of children.

Our October themes will begin with “Night at the Movies” (an all-time favorite), followed by “Teddy Bear Picnic” and “Masquerade Madness.” So get your costumes ready because dressing for theme is a **BIG** part of the **FUN!** We appreciate the time, effort and creativity parents and children put into these costumes.

The Logos choir served the Lord through song at the September 19 8:30 am worship service and the MSM hand-bell choir rang at the September 26 11:00 am service. It is wonderful to see (and hear) them help lead our worship services in this way. We thank all of the parents who brought their children to these worship services. We hope that you enjoyed sharing the experience of your child glorifying the Lord.

On October 27, we are encouraging every Logos and MSM child to “bring a friend.” We would love to double our numbers on that night! We will send home a reminder as this date draws closer, but start planning now for this fun-filled night. One way that we are planning for Bring a Friend Night right now is by calling in extra help.

If you are a parent, congregation member, former volunteer or former graduate of this program, we would love to have you come and volunteer to fellowship with our visitors. If you are interested in helping with recreation, assisting with bible study, or serving as a table parent please contact one of us.

We have a new nightly theme this year and we are very excited about it! On November 10 encourage all Logos and MSM participants to invite a veteran to sit with them during Family Time and eat dinner. This can be a family member, a congregation member, or any veteran that you know from the community. We would like to use this evening of fellowship to allow the children an opportunity to break bread with and to offer appreciation and hospitality to the men and women who is a veteran. There is room for all and all are welcome! If you are a veteran who would like to join us, or if you are inviting a veteran visitor, please contact us so that we can plan accordingly.

Please continue to encourage your child to attend Logos or MSM every Wednesday, to attend church school and worship service on Sunday and to pray regularly with you. Happy fall and blessings on everyone who has contributed time and effort toward getting Logos/MSM off to such a great start!

Christina McElroy
(704-664-4369)

Jennifer Boger
(704-660-0715)

Valerie Mauney
(704-663-7540)

Dates to Remember: October 27 - Bring a Friend Night
November 10 - Invite a Veteran Guest

Four attend Logos Leadership Training School

Ellen Auten, Jennifer Boger, Darrin Bridges and Valerie Mauney attended the Logos Leadership Training School at Sardis Presbyterian Church in Charlotte on September 9-11. Led by leaders from Logos national headquarters, the school is a wonderful opportunity to refresh, recharge, and renew your church’s Logos program. The school gave us an understanding of the Logos System and Program, and presented the design, theology, and leadership standards of a sound Logos Program. We participated in all four parts of the Logos program in a variety of “hands-on” activities, and enjoyed many opportunities to plan together, based on ideas we learned at the school.

Following are comments from the participants who attended the school:

“Logos training taught the importance of forming Christian relationships with children within the church so that they can better form a relationship with Jesus

Christ. What can be more important than that?”
Jennifer Boger

“I thoroughly enjoyed the school and the opportunity to have the time to plan and discuss ideas with Jennifer, Darirn, and Valerie. I was impressed with the school’s leadership team, and the commitment they have to the Logos Program nationwide. Their enthusiasm and dedication is contagious!”
Ellen Auten



“I would first of all like to thank First Presbyterian Church for allowing me to attend the Logos Training School this year. It was a very refreshing look at what we are offering our children with our Logos Ministry. There were many things that I learned while attending the training and one of them was having a “Call” to do something I feel that our church has that “Call” in helping our children have a stronger relationship with God, and I am very proud to be a part of that “Call.”
Thank you, Darrin Bridges

Sunday

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Tuesday



<p>27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 3 World Communion Sunday <i>No Early Worship Today</i> 9:45am Church School 11:00am Worship 1:00pm Luncheon to honor Ed & Martha Lewis on his retirement</p>	<p>4 7:30pm Bible Study with Fred and Jean Coates</p>	<p>5 5:30pm PYF Supper Club at Bojangles 6:15pm Exaltation Ringers</p>																																																	
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2004-2005 COLLEGE STUDENTS

Listed below are the names and addresses of our college and prep school students for the 2004-2005 school year. If there are mistakes or omissions, please inform the church (704-664-5275) as soon as possible. Our students are an important part of our church family, even though most of them are unable to worship regularly with us. If your child's school address changes, please let us know so church bulletins, newsletters and other information can be sent without interruption. In addition, volunteers in our church serve as "church mice," keeping in anonymous touch with our students throughout the school year.

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Operation Christmas Child

Reaching the world, one shoe box at a time

Once again, our church family is invited to participate in Operation Christmas Child, sponsored by Samaritan's Purse, by packing shoe boxes for needy children.

There are a variety of ways you can be involved in this exciting and worthwhile ministry:

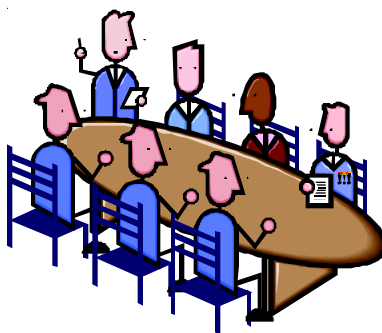
1. Pray for the ministry of Operation Christmas Child. Prayer guides will be available.
2. Attend the Sunday, November 7, church night supper, where we will participate in a "shoe box packing event" following supper. We will set up tables with supplies needed to fill shoe boxes, so be looking out for items such as small dolls and trucks, balls, school supplies, personal hygiene items such as soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc., and bring these items to the shoe box packing event.
3. Volunteer at the Charlotte Processing Center, located at 2345 Township Road in Charlotte, on Tuesday, December 7, for a late afternoon session. The group plans to leave at 2:15 p.m., and should return by 8:00 p.m. If you cannot help on that day, the Processing Center welcomes volunteers Monday through Saturday, from November through December, 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m., except Thanksgiving Day. You should call the Processing Center at 704-583-1463 to confirm your time. Recommended volunteer hours are four hour shifts.

Session recommends purchase of property

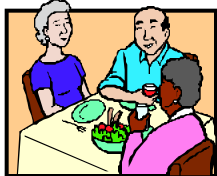
Sets special offering for victims of hurricanes

Highlights of the Session's work last month includes the following:

- Received Karen Miller into the membership of our congregation.
- Removed Judith Dellinger from membership since she is now a member of Salem Presbytery, having been ordained to the ministry on August 1, 2004.
- Recommended to the congregation the purchase of property on the southwest corner of South Broad Street and West Center Avenue from the Fred and Helen Brown Irrevocable Charitable Remainder Trust for \$300,000, and that the trustees and the Finance Committee be authorized to choose the financial institution (Piedmont Bank, BB&T or Mooresville Savings Bank) and agree to the terms from which to secure a loan to finance the purchase.
- Called the annual meeting of the congregation to begin on October 10 to elect eight persons as elders and seven persons as deacons and also on October 17 to act on the recommendation from the Session to purchase the Brown property on the southwest corner of South Broad Street and West Center Avenue.
- Approved the dates for celebrating the sacraments during 2005: **Baptism:** January 9, March 27, May 1 (confirmands only), May 15, August 7 and October 23. **Holy Communion:** January 2, February 13, March 24, April 10, May 1, June 5, July 10, August 21, October 2, October 30 and November 27.
- Invited Ed Lewis to perform weddings previously planned and to baptize his granddaughter.
- Agreed to include Camp Grier as an Alternative Christmas Gift this year.
- Elected Christine Davidson and Diane Harrington as our representatives to the meeting of Salem Presbytery at North Wilkesboro Church on October 26.
- Approved additional leadership for PYF and Logos.
- Invited David Smithey and youth from the North Wilkesboro Church to present a puppet show for Church School on December 19, and approved a special offering at Church School that day to help cover the group's expenses.
- Approved new curricula for the Church School.
- Agreed to invite the national Logos Program to hold a leadership training school at our church within the next couple of years.
- Heard a report on the work of the Transition Committee.
- Approved a special offering on October 17 to aid the victims of recent hurricanes.
- Agreed to make a contribution from the Session to Mooresville Area Bible Teachers' Association in memory of Phifer Johnson, a director of MABTA and one of our elders who died last August 2.
- Removed the dead tree from the vacant lot on West McLelland Avenue.
- Prayed for church activities, as well as members and friends with special needs.



News from Saints Alive



Author Dori Sanders delights luncheon guests

The Saints Alive group enjoyed a wonderful luncheon on Tuesday, September 21, and enjoyed being together once again following a three month summer break. We were so happy to have fifty-three guests for lunch!

Thanks to church hostess Jennifer Jordan and her kitchen crew for a delicious luncheon of baked chicken stroganoff, broccoli vegetable medley and homemade apple blueberry cobbler, made from Dori Sanders' recipe featured in *Gourmet* magazine.

Our program was presented by author Dori Sanders, who entertained the group with stories of growing up on a farm in rural York County, South Carolina, in a family of ten children. Dori related how she was inspired to write the novel, *Clover*, which has been translated into several languages and was on the best-seller list. She had wonderful stories to tell about the writing of her second novel, *Her Own Place*, and how her cookbook, *Dori Sanders' Country Cooking*, was written and edited. She spoke of her experiences with Julia Child, the Today Show's Matt Lauer, and other "celebrity" appearances with candor and humor, and entertained us with her travel experiences. Dori is a childhood acquaintance of Mary Fortanbary, and we appreciate Mary's help in arranging this interesting program. We all look forward to another visit with Dori in the future!

Southern Christmas Show

Saints Alive is making plans to attend the annual Southern Christmas Show at the Charlotte Merchandise Mart on Thursday, November 18; tickets are \$6.50. This year's theme is "Ringing in Christmas," and will feature festive decorations, fancy trees and decorations, tasty holiday treats, friendly shopkeepers, and shopping galore! Please contact

Ellen Auten if you are interested in this trip.



Saints to travel to the Grand Strand

Forty-eight Saints are registered for the annual Saints Alive beach trip to Sea Island Inn on Wednesday, September 29, through Saturday, October 2. Final payments for show tickets

should be made prior to leaving for the trip; hotel payments may be made before leaving, or while at the beach. All checks should be earmarked "Saints Alive beach trip."



Saints plan trip to Seagrove Pottery in October

Join the Saints Alive group on a day trip to the "Potters of Seagrove" near Asheboro, NC, on Tuesday, October 26. We will plan to leave at 9:00 a.m., visit a variety of pottery shops in the Asheboro area, enjoy lunch together, and return home in the late afternoon. Cost of the trip is gas money and a dutch treat lunch.

Seagrove has a two hundred year history as a pottery making community, and is now home to over eighty potteries, where you can find everything from simple cups and bowls to museum quality works of art.

Saints Alive luncheon will feature "Winey Bears"

The October Saints Alive luncheon (\$3) will be held on Tuesday, October 19, at 12:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The program will be presented by Sally Winey of "Winey Bears," located at 364 Williamson Road in Mooresville. Sally Winey is an internationally renowned teddy bear artist and designer, who has been making bears for over twenty years. She makes one-of-a-kind teddy bears from keepsake and sentimental fabrics, such as old quilts, coats, blankets, etc. Sally suggests that participants bring their old bears to the luncheon, and she will be able to tell you something of the value and history of your bear. Should be a "beary" interesting and fun luncheon!



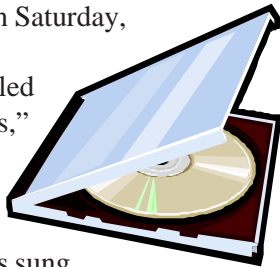
Music Notes by Alan Sledge

*Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides upon the clouds;
his name is the Lord, exult before him! Psalm 68:4*

Chancel Choir CD

Pre-orders now in the church office

The Chancel Choir CD project will be recorded in our sanctuary on Saturday, October 16. The first ever recording of our choir, entitled "Speak Lord, in the Stillness," will be a collection of anthems. The anthems, chosen by the members of the choir, represent favorites sung throughout the years in our worship services. The choir will be joined by flutist and oboist Carl Rohleder. Carl, a past member of our church and the choir, now resides in Gaffney, South Carolina, where he works with Hames Music. The CD is expected to be available on December 1 and pre-orders are now being taken in the church office. The cost of the CD is \$12.



Ready, Set, Ring

new high school handbell choir kicks off

Our handbells will be getting a little busier this month as a new high school choir begins. At an organizational meeting last week, a dozen or so teenagers signed on to ring. Many are experienced from our middle school handbells or Chapel Ringers and are looking to continue, while still others are searching for a new experience. This ensemble is open to anyone in grades 9-12, regardless of experience. The yet-to-be named choir will rehearse on Sunday evenings following PYF from 7-8 p.m.. A special thanks to Jerilyn Fair for her efforts in establishing this new and exciting musical group. If you or someone you know would like to be a part of this choir, contact me or the church office. **The kickoff rehearsal will be Sunday, October 10.**



Hymnal Trivia from www.cyberhymnal.org

First hymn written in English for public worship

Behold the Glories of the Lamb
(Isaac Watts, circa 1688).

Oldest hymn for which we know the author

Shepherd of Tender Youth
(Clement of Alexandria, circa 200).

Most popular hymn

Based on Cyber Hymnal traffic,
Amazing Grace is the runaway winner.
Blessed Assurance is the runner up.

Hymns whose authors never heard them sung

- Abide with Me
- Beneath the Cross of Jesus
- Great God of Wonders
- Happy the Home When God Is There
- Into the Woods
- My Redeemer
- This Is My Father's World



Youngest hymnist

Our guess is John Milton, who was 15 years old when he wrote Let Us with a Gladsome Mind.
Runners up include:
William Ralph Featherstone, 16, My Jesus, I Love Thee
Anna L. Coghill, 18, Work, for the Night Is Coming
Henry K. White, 19, When Marshaled on the Nightly Plain

Oldest hymnist

The current contender is Fanny Crosby: The day before her death at age 95, she wrote her last hymn, to console a neighbor who had lost a child. Another work from Fanny's later years is The Blood-Washed Throng, whose words and music she wrote at age 86.

Choirs in the Service for October

Exaltation Ringers	17 th 11:00 am
Logos Choir	24 th 11:00 am
MSM Bells	31 st 8:30 am

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2005 Mission Trip:

Schuylkill County, PA

It has now become a solid tradition... PYF does summer mission work! Next summer we are planning a week-long trip to be rural Pennsylvania (Schuylkill County) just north of the Philadelphia area. The dates are set for July 10-17. Many of you have already signed up and made your \$100 deposit (26 out of our allotment of 35 spots are already filled!). The trip is open to all youth in grades 7-12 which means that current 6th graders may participate next summer. If you are a sixth grader interested in being a part of the trip, let Fred Coates know now so a spot can be "reserved" for you.

Once again we will be working under the auspices of YouthWorks. The site description on their website reads:

Known as the "coal region," Schuylkill County is found in east central Pennsylvania, just west of the Pocono Mountains and on the northern edge of the Pennsylvania Dutch County. Typical of booming coal towns during the Industrial Revolution, Schuylkill County currently faces problems of environmental issues, unemployment and lack of growth. Yet, in the midst of these problems, this region consists of breathtaking outdoor beauty, significant history and a fighting spirit. Your group will have the opportunity to learn an important piece of American history while bringing the love of Christ to a community.

Cost of the trip will be approximately \$300 per person (includes food, lodging). This is going to be a week to remember, so, sign up now!



We've got you covered

PYF now has new tee shirts

Those who participated in the lockin on September 10-12 all received a new tee shirt with the SALTeens logo on it. These custom designed shirts are grey, long sleeved with the PCUSA logo on the front

and the "cracker box" on the back. If you didn't get one on the trip, you can get one at PYF for \$16. Make checks out to FPC and earmark them "PYF shirts."

Fifth Quarter has resumed

Event follows MHS home football games

Join us for the fun after each Mooresville High School home football game. We meet in the Youth Room at 10:00 p.m. (or immediately after the game) and enjoy some hot pizza and warm fellowship! It's a great chance to talk about the game, catch up on what's happening with your "homeys" and even to reflect on a devotional thought or two.

Make plans to join us following the game on Friday nights, September 24, October 1, October 15 and October 29. Invite a friend and make the scene in the YR!



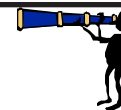
Council election results

The following persons were elected to the Youth Council on September 26: Elizabeth Brawley, Donovan Fair, Hannah Crawford, Laura Auten, Adam McElroy, Bailey Belcher and Ryan Trimble. Congratulations, now the work begins!

Oculate October

The "eyes" have it! You can see from the schedule below that PYF has a lot coming up. Though there's a chill in the air ...there's warmth in our fellowship! Come join us for some good times:

- Oct 1** - Fifth Quarter, 10:00 p.m.
- 3** - No meeting (Ed Lewis' retirement day)
- 5** - Supper Club at Bojangles, 5:30 p.m.
- 10** - PYF SALTeens, 5:13 p.m.
- 12** - Supper Club at Big Time Subs, 5:30 p.m.
- 15** - Fifth Quarter, 10:00 p.m.
- 17** - PYF SALTeens, 5:13 p.m.
- 19** - Supper Club at Pie in the Sky, 5:30 p.m.
- 24** - PYF SALTeens, 5:13 p.m.
- 26** - Supper Club at Trackside, 5:30 p.m.
- 29** - Fifth Quarter, 10:00 p.m.
- 31** - PYF sponsors All Saints' Eve Celebration



Men's Breakfast

Men of the church are invited to join us on Sunday Oct. 10 at 8:30a.m. for food, fellowship and a great speaker.

We are pleased to have Mr. Tom Kilroe, President and CEO, of the Thomas John Company, a local developer here in Mooresville. Tom will be making a presentation on his latest project (The Cornerstone Development) in downtown Mooresville. Since the project will be rising in close proximity to our church, this will be a great opportunity to learn more about how Tom's new urbanism blending of the old and the new will be helping to transform and revitalize the Mooresville downtown district.

So be sure to come and join us for a great meal prepared by our crack breakfast chefs and a wonderful program to boot. See you all at the Men's Breakfast.



**TURN YOUR
CLOCKS
BACK!**

Sunday, October 31



The Prospect Prsbyterian Church in partnership with Medicap Pharmacy, Lake Norman Regional Medical Center and Advanced Health Care presents a community Health Fair on Saturday, October 2 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Church Fellowship Hall at 9425 West 152 Highway. Services provided are:

Flu Shots (Medicare Billing Provided)

Free for Medicare/\$20 for everyone else

*Cholesterol Check

Total Cholesterol/Triglycerides - \$20

Cholesterol - HDL only - \$15

*Bone Density Test - \$20

Diabetes Test - \$5

Blood Pressure Check - Free

***Appointment required** - call the church for a

reservation at 704-664-1514

Added bonus: The Prospect Youth Fellowship will wash your car while you participate in the health fair. Donations accepted for this service.

Please remember that the 8:30 a.m. service has been canceled on October 3

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