



Winter Park
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Covenanter

JULY 2019

Prepare yourselves, for what I'm about to say is very un-Presbyterian.

I love a good change.

Yup, you heard that right - I love a good change. I love the kind of change that summer presents us with: a simple, lovely, change of pace. Don't get me wrong, I love the predictability that comes with the other seasons, with school being in session and meetings that are consistent week after week. But I love the change of pace that summer affords. It's not slower, though I could see how someone from the outside might perceive that. Instead, the change of pace that summer brings is intense bursts of activity that demand hard work, sweat, and devotion that I don't get to see over the school year.


No, youth group is not "in session" at the moment, but our summer "Mission Mornings" are in full swing. Instead of meeting for two hours every week to share a meal and discussion, the youth and I meet, roughly every other week on a Wednesday for several long hours to fulfill various mission needs throughout the Central Florida area. These needs include packing lunches for school children who struggle with hunger when school is not in session, organizing the Winter Park Presbyterian Church library, and volunteering in a cafeteria at *Give Kids the World*, bussing tables, serving breakfast, and providing drinks to families who have never had the opportunity to have a "normal vacation". The hours are long. At the end of the day feet are usually very sore, and sometimes bodies feel very weary. But as we sit down to our fellowship meal at the end (let's not forget that we are Presbyterian and food is a necessity for gatherings), there is a feeling of satisfaction that we don't usually get to feel after a Sunday night discussion. We speak of the jobs that we've done and the experiences we've had, and the impact it's had on our thinking. It never ceases to amaze me that in one morning or afternoon session it feels as though we have accomplished more than we do in a month of Youth Group meetings. Difficult as the work may sometimes be, these trips are what the Youth will count down to all year long. That kind of excitement is contagious. It's life giving. It drains the energy but renews the Spirit in wonderful and unimaginable ways.

Last week, I had the honor and privilege to once again direct Vacation Bible School at Winter Park Presbyterian Church. If you want to know what the Youth feel on their Mission Mornings then Vacation Bible School is, in my opinion, the closest you can come as an adult. VBS is a roller coaster. From start to finish. It's an exhilarating ride that I get to experience every year with well over 35 volunteers; a wild experience that we participate in with roughly 70 children. It's tiring. It drains the energy. By the end of the week there are more than a few jokes going around about needing naps, snacks, and baths. But it's worth it. When all is said and done, after the naps are taken and the snacks are consumed and volunteers feel like they can walk again, year after year I am astonished to find just how many people look forward to working this event. I'm encouraged by the ways that you let it shape and guide your lives for years to come.

I may still need a nap or two before I'm recovered, but to the Youth who give so much of themselves during Summer Mission Mornings and the Adults who work fervently with me for Vacation Bible School, you have my many, many thanks! Thank you, not only for your work, but for inspiring me throughout our summer, and for astounding me by what can be accomplished when many minds act as one and all hearts are turned toward Christ in service.

Emily

	MONDAY 1	TUESDAY 2	WEDNESDAY 3	THURSDAY 4	FRIDAY 5	SATURDAY 6
	Library Open 9am-Noon Tai Chi 11:30am, FH Book Club 7pm, Rm 303	Staff Meeting 10:30am, Rm 301	Worship Mtg. 4pm, Rm 303	Office Closed 		
SUNDAY 7	MONDAY 8	TUESDAY 9	WEDNESDAY 10	THURSDAY 11	FRIDAY 12	SATURDAY 13
Communion 8:15am-Chapel 10:30am-Sanctuary Sunday School 9:15-10:15am Library Open 9:30am-Noon PNC Meeting Noon, Rm 317	Library Open 9am-Noon Tai Chi 11:30am, FH	Staff Meeting 10:30am, Rm 301	Worship Mtg. 4pm, Rm 303	Library Open 9am-Noon Communion at Westminster WP 11am	Tai Chi 11:30am, FH	
SUNDAY 14	MONDAY 15	TUESDAY 16	WEDNESDAY 17	THURSDAY 18	FRIDAY 19	SATURDAY 20
Worship Svc. 8:15am-Chapel 10:30 am-Sanctuary Sunday School 9:15-10:15am Library Open 9:30am-Noon PNC Meeting Noon, Rm 317	Library Open 9am-Noon Tai Chi 11:30am, FH Ladies' Game Night 6pm-Dinner 7pm-Games, Rm 317	Staff Meeting 10:30am, Rm 301	Worship Mtg. 4pm, Rm 303	Library Open 9am-Noon	Tai Chi 11:30am, CE Bldg.	
SUNDAY 21	MONDAY 22	TUESDAY 23	WEDNESDAY 24	THURSDAY 25	FRIDAY 26	SATURDAY 27
Worship Svc. 8:15am-Chapel 10:30 am-Sanctuary Sunday School 9:15-10:15am Library Open 9:30am-Noon PNC Meeting Noon, Rm 317	Library Open 9am-Noon Tai Chi 11:30am, FH	Staff Meeting 10:30am, Rm 301	Coalition Food Prep 9am/Kitchen Worship Mtg. 4pm, Rm 303	Library Open 9am-Noon Coalition Prepare Meal 9:30am/Kitchen	Coalition Food Prep 9am/Kitchen Sort Toiletries 10am/Kitchen Serve the Meal 4:30pm/FH-gather 5:30pm Depart	
SUNDAY 28	MONDAY 29	TUESDAY 30	WEDNESDAY 31			
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NO CLASSES
in July

**THE RELATIONSHIPS IN ACTION CLASS
WILL TAKE A BREAK FOR THE
MONTH OF JULY.**

WE WILL START BACK AUGUST 4TH.



**JACKET AND SUPPLY DRIVE FOR STUDENTS IN NEED AT:
ALOMA, BROOKSHIRE, AND KILLARNEY ELEMENTARY**

DONATIONS WILL BE COLLECTED JULY 14TH - AUGUST 11TH

**LOOK FOR THE BIN IN FELLOWSHIP HALL LABELED
"BACK TO SCHOOL JACKET AND SUPPLY DRIVE"**

ITEMS NEEDED

GENTLY USED OR NEW BACKPACKS

Lined Paper • Spiral Notebooks (Wide Ruled)
Composition Notebooks (Wide Ruled)
Folders with pockets • #2 pencils
Cap Erasers • Pink Erasers • Pencil Pouch
Glue Sticks • Elmer's Glue • Safety Scissors
Washable Markers • Colored Pencils • Crayons
Boxed Facial Tissue • Hand Sanitizer
Expo Dry Erase Markers

Lightweight jackets for youth sizes S, M, L & XL

**Everyone is invited to help fill the backpacks after the
10:30 service on August 11th in the Fellowship Hall.**

The compassion committee thanks you for your support of this local Mission.



2 CENTS A MEAL

Sunday, July 28, is our 3rd quarterly collection for 2 Cents A Meal. Please continue your support for P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer To Hunger). Your contributions support the Second Harvest Food Bank, which distributes meals to partner feeding programs across our six-county area; Society of St. Andrew (SoSA), which coordinates gleaning events with volunteers to provide fresh, nutritious produce to local food banks; Alliance for International Reforestation (AIR) in Guatemala which plants trees to provide fruit and prevent mudslides, as well as build and install fuel-efficient brick stoves in remote, poverty-stricken villages; and Madagascar Project [Dan and Elizabeth Turk, PC (USA) Missionaries]. Dan trains seminary students in the planting and cultivation of fruit trees, and helps Elizabeth implement a community health program, teach AIDS awareness and advise the family planning program.



Your contributions help our partners combat hunger in so many ways and in so many places. Thank you for your continued support. ~ The Compassion Committee



SPECIAL OFFERINGS UPDATE—THANKS TO YOU!

CARING FOR GENERATIONS:

Our congregation donated \$255.00 to Caring for Generations this year, collected on May 12, 2019, Mother's Day. One hundred percent of these monies will be sent to the Westminster Retirement Communities Foundation to help support the residents of Florida Presbyterian Homes and Westminster Communities who have outlived their financial resources. Because of your gifts and the gifts of others, no resident in these facilities has ever been asked to leave their home because of insufficient funds.

“...whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of Mine, you did for me.”

Matthew 25:40



Attention all 9th graders and above! Starting in Fall of 2019, Winter Park Presbyterian Church will have a Confirmation Class for all unconfirmed 9th and 10th graders, as well as anyone older who has not been confirmed. Please pay close attention in the coming months for more information. In the meantime, if you are a 9th or 10th grader, or an older unconfirmed youth, please contact the office to be sure you are on the list to be contacted for updates concerning Confirmation! Thank you!



Your WPPC Chancel Choir is officially on their summer break! During the summer we will be having an array of soloists and instrumentalists performing music for our offertories. We greatly appreciate the congregational support of our music programs at WPPC! The Chancel Choir will be singing on June 23rd, July 7th, and August 4th. If you're interested in joining us just come to the Chancel at 9:45 those mornings for a quick and fun rehearsal. Questions? Email Justin Chase at Justin.Chase@ocps.net.



"Jesus loves me, this I know/For the Bible tells me so ..."

We learned this song in Sunday School when we were children, and it was our introduction to God, Jesus, love, the Bible, and more lessons about life than can be described here. When we read and hear a Bible verse, then discuss it, we learn its meaning. When the same verse is set to music, we learn its impact on our sense of awareness of the tone, the highs and lows, loud and soft, fast and slow. Music affects our mood and enhances our understanding of the words. Here are a few examples of Bible verses set to music. Feel free to sing along.

The Psalms – The most well-known of the 150 Psalms is number twenty-three. It has been set to music more times than any other and is familiar to us because it is often read or sung at funerals and memorial services. *"The King of love my shepherd is/ His goodness faileth never./ I nothing lack for I am His/ and He is mine forever."* What comforting words set to a soothing tune. There is a project to set all of the Psalms to music because they are, in essence, songs. We only wish we knew how they were sung in King David's time.

Christmas – "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" (from Isaiah 11:1) is sweetly melodic and speaks of the rose that comes from the stump of Jesse, from which we learn of the ancestor of Jesus. Then there is the soaring "Angels We Have Heard on High" (from Luke 2:8-14) with the refrain of *"Gloria in excelsis deo"* echoed from the different parts of the choir. It brings to mind a picture of the heavenly hosts announcing the Holy birth by singing "Glory to God in the Highest".

Easter – "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" (from I Corinthians 15:3-4) is often used as the processional on Easter Sunday; and, of course, the "Hallelujah" chorus from Handel's "Messiah", which we use as the benediction response. Both are very triumphant songs to celebrate the resurrection of Christ, so we want to stand up and cheer. We remember that the cross was for death, but the empty tomb denotes victory over death.

We are moved emotionally by music but should also look deeper to understand how the music interprets the words. Writing about music and listening to music are two different aspects of learning more about it. Just remember this from Psalm 66 when you hear any worship music: *"Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;/ sing the glory of his name;/ give to him glorious praise."*



Friendship Club: The Friendship Club is taking a break and will meet again on 10/4.

Book Club: The WPPC Book Club (aka The Abibliophobes [those that are afraid of running out of reading material]) generally meets on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 PM in Room 303 of the church. The books, which include a wide variety of new fiction, classics, and non-fiction, are selected by the participants for several months in advance. Upcoming books are: 7/1—*The Great Alone* (Kristen Hannah); 8/5—*A Prayer for Owen Meany* (John Irving); 9/3—*Little Women* (Louisa May Alcott). Newcomers are welcome at any time to enjoy the discussion and to experience the fellowship. For more information contact Drew Byrne—drewbyrne26@gmail.com.

Hannah Circle: The Hannah Circle meets monthly on the second Monday at 7:00 PM in room 301. They are taking a little summer break and our next meeting will be 8/12.

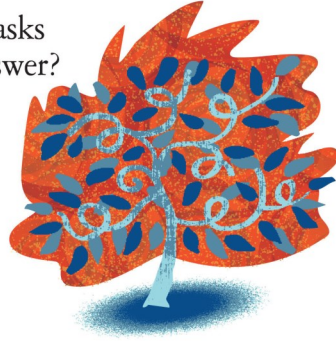
Elizabeth Bible Study: The Elizabeth Study Group meets monthly on the second Tuesday at 10:00 AM in the Parlor. They will resume meeting on 11/12.

Ladies Game Night: All women are invited to join us at our monthly game night. We typically meet the 3rd Monday of each month, at 7:00 PM. Better yet, come at 6:00 PM and build a salad. One lady brings greens and everyone else brings a cup of something to go into the salad such as onions, beets, chopped eggs, beans, corn, cheese, or anything of your choosing. Bring your own drink and favorite salad dressing and, if you would like, a snack/munchie for later. Come alone or bring a friend! Our next Game Night is July 15th. Questions? Call Carla Gehrig at 407-678-8396.

?? Bible Quiz ??

At the burning bush, Moses asks God's name. What is God's answer?

- A. The Lord
- B. I AM
- C. The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob
- D. All of the above



Answer: D (See Exodus 3:14-15.)



Puzzle!

Determine the letter patterns and fill in the blanks to complete Galatians 5:1, NIV.

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

F Q L V C R O
G R K U D Q P
H S J T E P Q

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I O B H A L P Q K D W
H P C G B M O R J C V
G Q D F C N N S I B U

F E U L P W E D V
E F T K Q V F C U
D G S J R U G B T

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P B Q R V C O H B
Q C R S U D P G C
R D S T T E Q F D

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Answer: It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. (Galatians 5:1, NIV)

PUZZLE

"INDEPENDENCE" DAY!

Always live "in dependence" on God.

Directions: Use the vowel code to complete Psalm 16:8, NIV.

A= E= I= O= U=

k _ _ p my _ y _ s
_ lw _ ys _ n th _ L _ RD.
W _ th h _ m _ t my
r _ ght h _ nd,
w _ ll n _ t b _ sh _ k _ n.
Ps _ lm 16:8, N _ V

Answer: I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken. Psalm 16:8, NIV



COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS - Here's How to Help

We are delighted to be serving in the new Men's Service Center which has brought many positive changes. Now 250 "residents" are housed there; the "residents" and the folks coming in from the outside "community," are served separately. We are asking volunteer servers to please sign up on the Coalition serving list posted in the hallway near the office. Volunteers are limited to 15.

What	When
Bake brownies & mix PB&J (Bonnie Gaughan 407-804-2565)	Wed 7/24 9:00-11:00 AM
Prepare meal - (Mary Van Hook 407-359-2388)	Thurs 7/25 9:30-11:30 AM
Bag brownies ; make PB&J sandwiches (Eileen Silvers 407-376-2133)	Fri 7/26 9:00-10:00 AM
Donate unopened travel-size toiletries (soap, shampoo, antiperspirant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, disposable razors), Handi-Wipes & quart Zip-Lock bags to hold them. The folks also appreciate environmentally-friendly tote bags, and plastic grocery bags to carry toiletries and PB&J sandwiches. NO CLOTHING PLEASE. Contact Nancy Galyean (407-929-0903) Reading Donations: Magazines for men (sports, cars, National Geographic, news), religious magazines/booklets, paperback books.	All month: Place in COALITION giant storage box located in Fellowship Hall
Sort and bag toiletries & reading donations (Marilyn Bryant 407-252-7499)	Fri 7/26 10:00-11:00 AM
Prepare to transport: gather supplies, load food & supplies into van (Nancy Galyean 407-929-0903)	Fri 7/26 4:30-5:15 PM
Serve the Meal. Please join us in the WPPC Kitchen for departure to the Coalition for the Homeless at 5:30 pm and return by 8:00 PM. Volunteers please wear closed toed shoes to the Homeless Coalition. It is a violation of the health code to wear flip-flops. Please call Nancy Galyean (407-929-0903) by the Wednesday before if you would like to serve.	Fri 7/26 5:30-8:00 PM NOTE: THE CHURCH VAN IS RESERVED FOR THIS FUNCTION.
Cleanup kitchen - wash, sanitize items used; store supplies (Nancy Galyean 407-929-0903)	Fri 7/26 8:00-8:30 PM
Financial Donation: Make check out to WPPC. Note on the memo line "Coalition for the Homeless" - mail to WPPC or bring to the church office.	Any Time

HOMELESS COALITION TEAM NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Each month about 50 devoted WPPC volunteers handle the many tasks to provide a wonderful meal and a bag of toiletries to our guests at the Coalition. We are in need of additional volunteers for various projects, and backup volunteers when regulars must be absent:

- ◆ Sort/bag toiletries at church (1 hr/mo)
- ◆ Make PB&J sandwiches (seated) at church (1 hr/mo)

If you could help out with this special mission, please call or email Nancy Galyean (info below).



Any of the above gifts, or your time, are so appreciated!
To help in any way, please contact: **Nancy Galyean**
407-929-0903 or nangalyean@embarqmail.com

Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida is a Compassion Committee Ministry.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Paul Danley</i>	2	3	4 <i>Peggy Bargar Carolyn Deatrick Alison Frazier</i>	5	6 <i>Michelle Trahan</i>
7	8 <i>Jeremiah Boyle Wade Edwards Dee Herschel</i>	9 <i>Catherine Fields Jennifer Fields</i>	10 <i>Lou Hazzard Shanda Needham</i>	11 <i>Anne Bensinger Jayne Leach</i>	12 <i>Ann Paulsen Tricia Wilson</i>	13 <i>Yvonne Manking Cynthia Skelton</i>
14	15 <i>Jean Cumming</i>	16	17	18 <i>Melissa Storey Mark Wilson</i>	19	20 <i>Nancy Miller</i>
21	22 <i>Donna Brokop</i>	23 <i>Christina Trexler</i>	24 <i>Lorraine Stewart</i>	25	26 <i>Charles Wagenhauser</i>	27
28 <i>Jennifer Roe</i>	29	30 <i>Bryce Mulock Joshua Mulock</i>	31 <i>Leeann Lee Gene Pickler</i>			



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 Susan Davis, Director of Handbells & Children's Music
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 Jorge Barrios, Sunday Assistant Sexton

SESSION

2019

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 Will McCurdy
 Rachel Myers
 Dail Pribil
 Doug Reece
 Debby Tallungan

2020

Doris Anguish
 Marilyn Bryant
 Rick Davis
 Steve House
 Larry Seel
 Bob White

2021

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 Lisa Dreasher
 Jayne Leach
 Shaheed Mohammed
 Peter Rice
 Nelson Roe

DIACONATE

2019

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 Barbara Edwards
 Bonnie Gaughan
 Fran Morrissey
 Cynthia Nants
 Eileen Silvers

2020

Ardyth Austin
 Caroline James
 Jim McKinney
 Ellenorr Osterhaus
 Dennis Schmalstig
 Matt Straub

2021

Mike Galyean
 Reta Jackson
 Julie Kent
 Curtis Koon
 Sara Van Arsdel
 Jeanne Vinci

MISSIONARIES

Rev. Gordon and Dorothy Gartrell - Brazil
 Jenny Bent - Dominican Republic
 Mark Hare - Haiti
 Dr. Dan & Elizabeth Turk - Madagascar

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