

## The Covenanter

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The summer is coming! The summer is coming! The summer is...here?!

The summer months have a bit of a reputation among the church staff for being a bit lazy. It's quiet in our halls. School is out, families are on vacation, events begin to slow down in the wake of lower numbers, and some of our members who shall remain nameless retreat to the northern states where it is all together cooler than Florida.

For me, the summer months are possibly my favorite here at Winter Park Presbyterian Church. To me they present an opportunity for growth. For youth and children to spend time with the church in a way they cannot when they are in the midst of school.

For our High School Youth, our summer festivities are kicking off early—the first week of June. From June 4-11, three of our High School girls will have the opportunity to attend the Montreat Youth Conference for the first time. Anyone who has ever been to these conferences knows the deep spiritual impact they often have on our youth. It is a week of fun, worship, fellowship, and small groups that encourage them to examine their faith and how it impacts the world. This year the theme at Montreat is *The Missing Peace*. I am excited to see the anticipation on their faces, and to learn and walk in this experience with them!

The Montreat Youth Conference is not the only thing that will take place in June. Vacation Bible School is right around the corner! Super Heroes are certainly all the rage this year, especially in the box office. This year, our *Hero Central* theme will take us into the world of Biblical Heroes. We will explore what makes us a hero to God and how we can be heroes to those we meet each and every day!

It would seem that these two events have enough packed into them to keep ourselves busy all year, but our Youth will not be stopping there. With three days on the calendar in July and August the youth will be participating in Mission Mornings. They'll be stocking shelves, cleaning lawns, assisting with VBS, and returning to last year's favorite location, *Give Kids the World*, an organization geared toward allowing families with children who have special needs to visit the attractions that Orlando has to offer without breaking the bank.

Too often people think of "service" as a duty, something to be done and set aside until the next time it is required. But not our Youth. One of my favorite parts of watching our Youth serve last year wasn't just that they participated, but the fun that they had doing it. Even when they were tasked with the organization and stocking of shelves in 82 degree heat, they laughed, they joked, they had fun with each other, and fulfilled every duty placed before them. I'm looking forward to spending another summer with them serving the Orlando Area.

Summer is here. It may seem as though many things are winding down, but make no mistake that what goes on in these halls (and outside of them) this summer is just as important as what happens during the school year. I'm looking forward to all the fun and service that this summer has to offer our children, youth, and adults and thank all for their support and dedication to making these great things happen!

Emily Wasser

Associate Pastor for Family Discipleship

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#### R in A (Relationships in Action) **Sunday School Lessons for June**

#### June 4

Virgi Mills, Consumer Outreach Manager for MED-EL, a hearing implant company, will share the findings of research of Dr. Frank Lin of Johns Hopkins. He has demonstrated a link between hearing loss and an increased risk for dementia. However, research is also encouraging in that we can take advantage of the brain's amazing capacity of neuro-plasticity and learn new treatment options.

#### <u>June 11</u>

Postmodernism, Truth, and the Kingdom of God: This intriguing subject will be presented by Jay Van Hook.

#### June 18

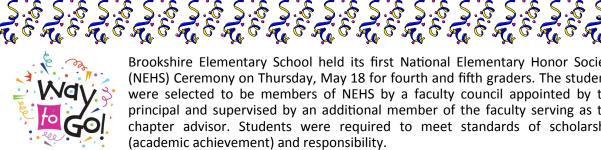
#### The Making of the New Testament Canon: The Other Gospels.

Lesson 7 in this series will explore Gospels beyond the familiar Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. These writings, representing works by early Christians, were not included in the New Testament. Focus will be on their authorship, date of publication and their value as historical documents. Discussion will be led by Gene Pickler.

#### June 25

The Making of the New Testament Canon: Apocalpticism and the Apocalypse of John. The Revelation is probably the most misunderstood book of the New Testament. In it is described a calamitous future filled with devastating events. But was it really about the future? Lesson 8 in this series seeks to place the Book of Revelation in its own historical context to see how it would have made sense to readers of the first century within the context of events transpiring in their own day. Discussion will be led by Gene Pickler.





Brookshire Elementary School held its first National Elementary Honor Society (NEHS) Ceremony on Thursday, May 18 for fourth and fifth graders. The students were selected to be members of NEHS by a faculty council appointed by the principal and supervised by an additional member of the faculty serving as the chapter advisor. Students were required to meet standards of scholarship (academic achievement) and responsibility.

Annabelle Bartholomew, a fifth grader at Brookshire, was inducted as a member of the NEHS. She has consistently been on the honor roll for her grades, was selected and volunteers at school as a Safety Patrol and in the Audio Visual Department, and also enjoyed participating with the WPPC Children's Choir and doing gymnastics during her free time.

Matthew and Nicholas MacDonald, grandsons of Anne and Fred Murray, were also inducted. Matthew and Nicholas are in fourth grade and are currently training to become school patrols in the fall. They both play violin at Brookshire, play soccer with the Maitland Soccer Club and are in the WPPC Children's Choir.

Congratulations Annabelle, Matthew, and Nicholas!

### Habitat for Humanity



WPPC members carried out a long term church tradition of working with other community volunteers and the home owners to help build a Habitat for Humanity house in Winter Park. They swept, cleaned, painted, did yard work and whatever else was needed during April and May. Volunteers included Abbie, Tasha and Mariya Lampe, Jayne Leach, Griffin and Larry Seel, Pam Eastburn, Matt Straub, Tresha Nelson, Garsha Thomas, Ethan Thomas, Jerry Osterhaus, Stephan and Ivan Smith, and Mary VanHook.

Pictures are from the hard working crew in April. WPPC has been engaged in building houses with Habitat for Humanity since the 1990s and was responsible for building and paying for three houses. Prior to Habitat Winter Park, we built out first house under the leadership of Rev. Bob Gray upon the occasion of the General Assembly meeting in Orlando. 

"Compassion Committee"













## Book Club - The Abibliophobes (for those afraid of running out of reading material) Monday, June 5 @ 7:00 PM in room 303

The book for June is:

Georgia: A Novel of Georgia O'Keeffe by Dawn Tripp

The group discussion is open for everyone who likes to read!



### Friendship Club Have a great summer!

The Friendship Club will not meet in June, July and August.



### Hannah Circle Monday, June 12 @ 7:00 PM in room 301

The Hannah Circle meets monthly on the second Monday. They will not meet in July.



## Elizabeth Circle Have a great summer!

The Elizabeth Circle meets monthly on the second Tuesday. They will not meet in June, July and August.



#### <u>Ladies Game Night</u> <u>Monday, June 19 @ 7:00 PM in room 102, CE Bldg.</u>

All WPPC women are invited to join us at our monthly game night (the 3rd Monday of each month). We typically play Hand & Foot and Bridge, but feel free to come and introduce your favorite game. 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/munchies for later. Come alone or bring a friend. Questions? Call Carla Gehrig at 407-678-8396.



#### Cell phones for Soldiers and Glasses for VOSH

Thanks for all the cell phones and glasses that have been brought to the church. This is an ongoing ministry, and it proves how just one congregation can make a difference. From the faithful WPPC members we have collected thousands of pairs of glasses in the years since we started, and the cell phones number over 100! The drop boxes are on the white cabinet in Fellowship Hall.



June is traditionally the month for weddings as brides and grooms join together in holy matrimony. Following the wedding and the honeymoon, sometimes sooner, and sometimes years later, the couple welcome an addition to their family. The new baby changes the life of the couple and

we as a congregation love to see the little ones grow up. The church participates in many ways, including baptism, Sunday School, children's worship, and youth group. The Deacons participate by taking a "Welcome Baby" basket to the family. This lets the family know that their church family is happy and praying for them and the health of the baby.

Let the Church office know of any new births or adoptions in our church family. A Deacon will visit with a basket full of things a new baby needs.

On a sadder note, a memorial service and reception for Karly Ellard was held on May 6. May she rest in peace.

On a happier note, be sure to wish all the fathers a Happy Father's Day on June 18.

On a prayerful note, please consider members of our congregation who would make good deacons. The Nominating Committee will be sending out requests soon and will meet during the summer to present a slate of nominees for a vote in the fall. Six men and women are needed to fill the next class for a three-year term who will faithfully serve all the missions the Deacons undertake for the church. Your consideration and prayers are gratefully appreciated.

Three new books have been ordered for the library by authors who have written on various subjects:



"Love Heals," by Becca Stevens. Becca believes love heals all kinds of wounds and has written of the ways we can put them into practice.

"Hope Sings," by Susanna Aughtmon, reminds us that even when we are fearful and anxious about the circumstances that surround us, we have real hope when we have faith in God's mercy, peace, and grace.

"The Sense of Wonder: A Celebration of Nature for Parents and Children," by Rachel Carson. This book is a reissue of an award winning classic published 30 years ago.

The library has a list of books of the Bible that would apply to various subjects and where to find them in the Old and New Testaments:

- Scripture applying to "law" can be found in the first eights books of the Old Testament.
- "Poetry" in the next five books beginning with Job.
- "Prophets" in the next four books.
- ♦ "History" in the next nine books.

Come and check us out!



Susan and Dennis, long term missionaries for WPPC, visited us on May 21 and informed the congregation about their work.

Susan is the youngest daughter of Alan and Alma Gordon. She and Dennis have worked in East Asia since 1996. They serve the 2.5 million speakers of "Zee" language. During the past few years, Dennis and Susan have helped the young Zee church translate Old Testament portions, develop Biblebased literacy materials, create indigenous worship music, and engage their communities with Bible story telling.

Dennis and Susan have three children: Dale began college last fall; Evelyn recently graduated from high school and will be serving on the OM ship *Logos Hope* for the next two years; Gary has two more years of high school. They have just returned to the US for a year of home assignment and will be based in Dallas, TX.

WPPC helps support their important work through the Compassion Committee funds.

~Compassion Committee

#### **Pentecost Offering**

#### An Opportunity to Give and Make a Difference In the Lives of Children at-risk, Youth and Young Adults

#### Sunday, June 4, 2017

Each year on Pentecost Sunday we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit, bringing us a new life. With the Spirit's coming, we no longer need to settle for business as usual but can know the transforming, redeeming love of God that makes the impossible "possible."

The Pentecost offering is one of the four Special Offerings of the PC (USA). Gifts to the Pentecost Offering help bring God's transforming, redeeming love to children at-risk, guide and nurture young people's growing faith and provide opportunities for young adults to become spiritual leaders—all in the name of Jesus Christ.

Sixty percent of the offering will be forwarded to the Presbyterian Ministry Agency for ministries with children at-risk, youth and young adults.

Forty percent of this offering will be used by our congregation on behalf of children at-risk in our own community. This year we are supporting Thornwell's local mission, the Building Families Program, a community-based child abuse and neglect prevention program providing in-home counseling services to families with tools to thrive and not merely survive. A Family Specialist works alongside families experiencing crises—any situation that disrupts the peace and harmony of the family. Rebekah McConn is the Family Specialist, hosted at Maitland Presbyterian Church. She is a master's level family therapist and began working in our community in July 2016. Anyone may refer a family to the Building Families Program, even the family itself! Call Rebekah at 407-906-9087 or e-mail her at Rebekah.mcconn@thornwell.org with your questions.

With your support, these agencies can help meet the needs of these vulnerable neighbors. Thank you for your support on Sunday June 4, 2017. 

The Compassion Committee



#### One Great Hour of Sharing:

Our congregation donated \$1619.31 to One Great Hour of Sharing this year. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance will receive 32%; Presbyterian Hunger Programs will receive 36%; and Self-Development of People will receive 32%. The beneficiaries of these gifts will learn that through Christ's love all things are possible.

#### Two Cents A Meal:

Our congregation donated \$131.29 to Two Cents A Meal this quarter. The beneficiaries of this donation are Second Harvest Food Bank, Society of St. Andrew (SoSA), Alliance for International Reforestation (AIR) and Madagascar Project.

Thank you to all who were able to be a part of these supportive efforts.

~ The Compassion Committee

# **Bible Quiz**

The "Trinitarian formula" occurs only once in the Bible. In which New Testament book do we read "in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit," and who said these words?



- A. Romans; Paul
- B. 1 Peter; Simon Peter
- C. The Acts of the Apostles; Luke
- D. Matthew; Jesus

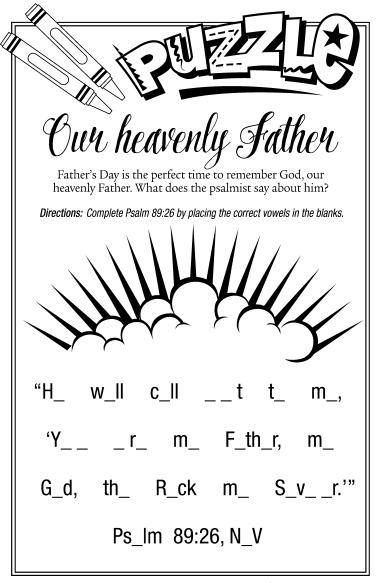
Bible Quiz Answer-D (See Matthew 28:19.)



"If we're all God's children, just think of all the cards he gets on Father's Day."

Locate the names of all the Old Testament books, using your Bible's table of contents for reference. Numbered books, such as 1 Samuel, appear only once — without numbers.

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Answer: "He will call out to me, 'You are my Father, my God, the Rock my





#### **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. Because of reduced space in the new facility, volunteers will be limited to 15.

What	When
Bake brownies & mix PB&J (Bonnie Gaughan 407-804-2565)	Wed 6/21 9:00-11:00 am
Prepare meal - (Mary Van Hook 407-359-2388)	Thurs 6/22 9:00-11:00 am
Bag brownies; make PB&J sandwiches	Fri 6/23 9:00-11:00 am
<b>Donate</b> travel-size toiletries (soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, disposable razors), Handi-Wipes & gallon Zip-Lock bags to hold them. The folks also appreciate gently used baseball caps, granola type bars, environmentally-friendly tote bags, and plastic grocery bags to carry toiletries and PB&J sandwiches. Contact Nancy Galyean (407-929-0903)	All month: Place in COALTION giant storage box located in Fellowship Hall
Sort and bag toiletries & reading donations (Marilyn Bryant 407-252-7499)	Fri 6/23 10:00 am-Noon
<b>Reading Donations:</b> Magazines for men (sports, cars, news), religious magazines/booklets, devotionals, paperback books.	
<b>Prepare</b> to transport: gather supplies, load food & supplies into van (Nancy Galyean 407-929-0903)	Fri 6/23 4:30-5:15 pm
<b>Serve</b> 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 6/23 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 6/23 8:00-8:30 pm
<b>Financial Donation</b> : 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:

- Pick up donated pastries/bread from Panera at 9 p.m. and deliver to church (2 hrs/mo)
- Sort/bag toiletries at church (2 hrs/mo)
- Make PB&J sandwiches (seated) at church (1.5 hrs/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



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Will McGowan	<u>18</u>	Don Paulsen
	Kelly Droste	
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Jerry Cobb Steve House	<u>21</u>	
Carolyn Wolf	Fern Barnard	
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Kayleigh Mcrae	Enid Marr	
Craig Osterhaus	Christina Pantoliano	
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#### **MISSIONARIES**

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