



The Torch

Simplify Your Domestic Church

Clear out the clutter ... make room for Grace

There is something about the lazy, hazy days of summer that inspire some of us to purge, paint, and putter in our homes. Perhaps it is the heat outside and the light pouring through the windows. Perhaps it is the looming chaos we sense will be inevitable when a new school year begins. Regardless of its genesis, the summer home beautification project may begin in earnest.

Abby Sasscer, author of [Simplifying Your Domestic Church](#) and a professional organizer for fifteen years, knows a thing or two about de-cluttering homes. Abby reminds us that the goal is order and not necessarily orderliness. "True order does not always mean orderliness. True order lies in loving God first, then spouse, then children, then home, and lastly, community," Abby noted. She said that in some homes, authentically living these priorities will result in a home that might be untidy at times.

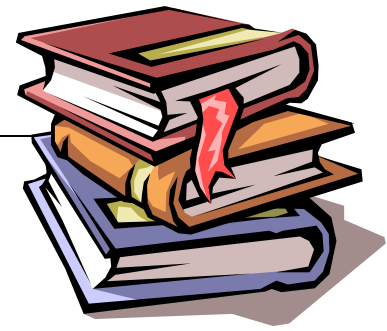
With every chapter, Abby provides a simple, clean page with lots of white space to answer some very probing questions. There is a section for every chapter featuring words of wisdom from the saints. Abby asserts that it is "critical to spend 20 minutes of quiet time every day because we have so much to learn about ourselves and what God has in mind for us. We need to let God fill us with thoughts and ideas on how we're going to make it today." Abby says, "Don't get so caught up doing the work of the Lord that you neglect the Lord of the work. God needs to be loved like everybody else on our list. If he doesn't change your circumstance, he'll change your heart."

Abby says that the greatest lesson she has learned and the focus of her ministry is that our goal is not perfectly clean, organized empty homes. Our goal is Heaven and we can look at our domestic duties as an opportunity to practice virtue rather than seeing them as mere chores. Instead of approaching domestic duties with a heavy heart, we are called to see the virtue behind the chore and ask God for strength and grace to meet the challenge of the task.

Often our domestic duties take on either a "Martha" or "Mary" role. To both extremes, Sasscer admonishes that, "Holiness is wholeness and wholeness is balance. We need to meet in the middle. We are called to be both a Martha and a Mary."

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FROM THE INTERIM PASTOR'S STUDY



Looking Back, Looking Ahead

Dear Tuckahoe Family,

The month of May (2012) has been a memorable one for Tuckahoe Presbyterian Church. We have been celebrating our history and listening to our young people and enjoying God's favor. The month dawned for me in England. I celebrated a birthday on May 1 by enjoying dinner with a friend—a fellow Presbyterian pastor also studying in Oxford. On May 2, I met with my doctoral supervisor and listened to his advice and asked my latest round of questions about how to write my next chapter.

A day later I was flying home in time for Tuckahoe's 60th Anniversary. It was a celebration weekend with a picnic and a concert and special guests and spirited worship and charter members and much more. Thanks to everyone who worked long and hard to make the anniversary festivities happen. The next weekend was Mother's day and our annual Youth Sunday. Our young people did their usual fine work in leading Sunday morning worship. May 20 followed and saw our Confirmation Youth participate in worship and renew their baptismal covenants.

The final weekend in May was Memorial Day weekend—and Sunday, May 27 also happened to be Pentecost Sunday. Pentecost often is called the birthday of the church! Acts 2 tells the story of all those unusual Holy Spirit phenomena: rushing wind, tongues of fire, hearing Good News in many languages, Peter's sermon and 3,000 people declaring their faith in Jesus. That is pretty good church growth as well! Actually, it is phenomenal church growth.

So May began for us with our Tuckahoe anniversary. Then the month concluded with another anniversary or birthday—the birth of the first church in Jerusalem. That is a lot of history to consider and to celebrate in the space of one 30 day period.

Sometimes it is good to look back and see how far we have come. It is good to recall God's faithfulness across the generations. It encourages our spirits to note milestones marking our spiritual journeys. Of course, we need to look forward as well. Soon Tuckahoe will be reaching anniversary #61. I doubt we will throw a big party for that number. Maybe the next party comes when we turn "70" or "75." Our 61st year may be significant, however, in ways we cannot anticipate. We will elect new elders and deacons in 2012. We may be ready to call a new pastor. We will engage in Christian mission. We will study the Scriptures. We will grow in faith and service. Young people will move up a grade and some will graduate.

Time marches on. And God is faithful to his covenant people. Let's keep in step with the Spirit. We will be preaching on the work of the Spirit recorded by Luke in Acts 1 and Acts 2 during the month of June. The wind blows where it wills. We cannot predict what the Spirit will lead us to do in the realm of God's kingdom. But let's stay alert. Let's pay attention. Let's be ready to serve in old ways and new ways. And let's take time along the journey to celebrate God's goodness displayed in so many ways.

Grace and Peace,
Richard

60th Anniversary Weekend...Follow-up

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Where do we begin to thank all the members responsible for making our 60th Anniversary weekend such a huge success? Walter Hogan and the Worship Division; Ruth Ann Hoge and the Fellowship Committee; Bob Glass for his photography; Jennifer Albertson for children's games; and all the extra "hearts, hands, voices and feet", too numerous to name, who helped pull this weekend off in perfect fashion. The picnic on Saturday night with the Richmond Swing Orchestra concert was full to overflowing and worship on Sunday brought back former members and staff to join in our celebration of sixty years of ministry. Kudos to all who made it possible!

CELEBRATING RETURNING STAFF, CHARTER MEMBERS & DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS

At the picnic on Saturday we welcomed back former staff members Debbie Kirk, Carroll and Susie Londonner, Dick and Sarah Sommers, Kim and Anne Sydnor, and Sherry and Bob Von Oeyen!

Both Saturday and Sunday we celebrated our **Charter Members:**

Mary Louise Byrne

Gladys Crawford Challoner

Gladys Firebaugh

Harriette Kent

Wesley Walker

And on Sunday we recognized the precious, dedicated years of service from **Dick Dawes for over 50 years as Assistant Treasurer and Rachel Gray for 7 years as our Editor of The Torch!**

NOTES OF REMEMBRANCE AND THANKS

Bill Arthur writes: *"I wish it were possible for me to be with you to celebrate Tuckahoe's 60th Anniversary...however, I will be en route with about 50 folks from my book club at First Presbyterian Church of Spartanburg, SC. When Tuckahoe celebrated its 50th, we were engaged, as I recall, in a similar venture. Hence my regret is compounded to once again miss a big day in the life of a congregation we loved and enjoyed....Now, in what is supposed to be retirement, we make our home in Greenville, SC, near children and grandchildren. I am a part-time parish associate at FPC and am a partner in a consulting firm working with non-profits....Our love and best to all!"*

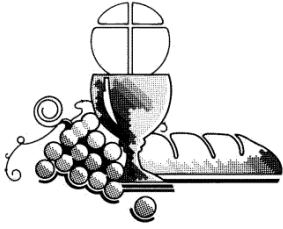
Rocky Laha writes: *"Sally and I have already agreed to attend that weekend in Shreveport, LA at my former church where they are celebrating a \$13 million renovation....I have so many fond memories of my time at Tuckahoe and of the good people who make up that congregation. Please pass on my deep regret in not being available and tell them how much I love and appreciate their faithful ministry over the last 60 years."*

Debbie Kirk writes: *"Dear Friends, Congratulations on the 60th Anniversary! It was so much fun to join you for the Saturday night celebration. I regret not having more time to visit with folks at dinner and those who attended on Sunday as well, but the brief conversations we had reminded me of what a welcoming community Tuckahoe has been from the beginning through every one of its 60 years. Thanks to Richard, Mary and all the staff for the hospitality – as soon as I walked in the door I felt right at home! There is a special spirit at Tuckahoe and I am so grateful to be a part of the TPC Family."*

Kim Sydnor writes: *"Anne and I knew it would be fun "meeting again" our long time friends of Tuckahoe. The reality of doing so was greater than our anticipation. We had a wonderful time Saturday evening. I wish we could have been present Sunday. Thanks for a grand time. Godspeed!"*

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

CHILDREN'S COMMUNION CLASS



The children's Communion Education Class will conclude and culminate on Trinity Sunday, June 3. Children and their families will be seated together in church behind the Communion servers and will receive Holy Communion. Class members are: Lily DeBolt, Kiel Mahoney, Hannah Ray, M.J. Ray, and Abby Williams. It will be quite a special day! Please be sure to greet these young ones in our church family at fellowship time on Trinity Sunday, and to offer your prayers of thanksgiving for them and their families. Thanks be to God!

"The Lord's Supper is therefore more than a reminder of Christ's sacrificial death and resurrection. It is a means, given us by Christ, through which the risen Lord is truly present as a continuing power and reality, until the day of his coming. While the meaning of Christ's sacrificial death is at the heart of this sacrament, it is a resurrected, living Christ whom we encounter through the bread and the cup." -from the Book of Common Worship.

-Becky Loggins, Director of Children's Ministries

To All Underwater Adventurers, Beach Lovers and Construction Workers

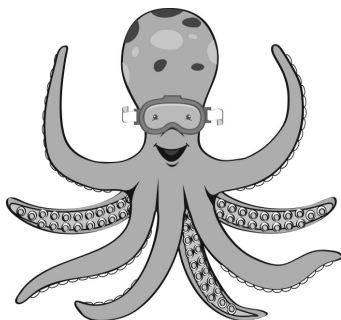
You, your underwater / diving related items, and your construction abilities are wanted to help our decorating lead, Jennifer Albertson, prepare for Vacation Bible School! We want to make Duntreath Hall and the hallways look like the depths of the sea as children learn about deep faith. Picture an underwater universe with its draped blue cellophane "water", pool noodle & loofah sea plants, suspended fish and more!



Now that you've pictured such a cool transformation, decide how you can help make it happen! Preparation - making and loaning items - needs to start now. The transformation takes place the week before VBS, with final touches done on Sunday, July 15. See our wish list of items needed on the following page.

Please contact Jennifer to help!

Email: jhalbertson@yahoo.com Phone: 354-5583



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT: VBS MEETING for ALL Vacation Bible School volunteers (adults and youth)

Sunday, June 3 in Room 106

immediately following 10:00 worship.

Materials will be distributed and details discussed.

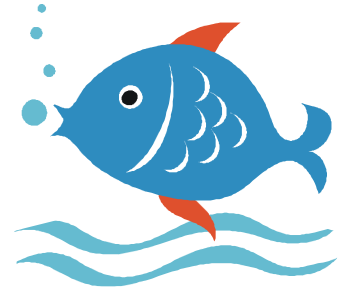
Please see all volunteer information and the wish list in this newsletter! Help is still needed!.

Vacation Bible School Wish List

Items can be brought to the church office M, W, Th between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm, Tue & Fri between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. or on Sunday mornings.

- *Blue cellophane
- *Curling ribbon
- *Crepe paper
- *Pool noodles
- *Rounded bath sponges/loofahs
- *Plastic disposable colored bowls (to make jellyfish)
- *Small bottles of Elmer's brand glue (prefer 4 oz. size, but 8 oz. will work, too)
- *Anything diving, fish or underwater-related (be sure your name is on everything that is loaned)
- *blue or turquoise colored tablecloths
- *fishing nets
- *driftwood pieces
- *65 children registered - remember that this is not a "Tuckahoe only" event. Give forms to your family, friends, and neighbors! Please find the registration form on page 14 of *The Torch*.**

Questions? Contact Becky Loggins, phone: 201-0571 or email bg18@comcast.net



A Prayer for Vacation Bible School

Almighty God, without whom we can do nothing, help us to dedicate our hearts to a time of personal relationship with you, and to hear what you desire of us as we prepare for Vacation Bible School. Thank you for the gifts you have given to us and call us to use for your Glory through VBS Ministry this summer. We pray that Your Holy Spirit will lead us and guide us through the days to come; that we will allow you to guide us and to put your will before all else; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen

REACH OUT AND JOIN IN!

A NIGHT AT THE DIAMOND

The Fellowship Committee is planning a night at the Diamond to see the **Flying Squirrels** play the **Akron Aeros**. Mark your calendar for **Thursday, July 19 at 7:00 p.m.** The game will be followed by **fireworks**. If we purchase at least twenty tickets we get reserved seats at a special price of **\$7.00 each**.

Write your check to Tuckahoe Presbyterian Church for the purchase of the number of tickets you want. On the memo line of your check write: "baseball tickets" and mail to Kit Crawford, 4809 Candlelight Place, Glen Allen, Virginia 23060. The sooner we get our checks in, the better. Children, friends, and neighbors are welcome. There is no charge for children three and under if they sit in parents' laps. There is parking behind the Diamond (\$3.00 per car). Carpools can be arranged. **Questions? Call Kit: 346-0616.**



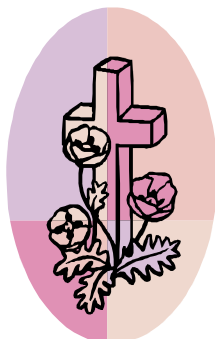
THE MEMORIAL RECEPTION COMMITTEE CAN USE YOUR HELP!!

This committee provides a valuable service to Tuckahoe families as the preparers and servers for the receptions following a funeral or memorial service here at Tuckahoe.

Many of you are skilled cooks, preparers and presenters of great food and your gifts can be used in a very meaningful way when grieving families can use the caring of others.

Ann Watson seeks more volunteers to be available to call on for food preparation and assistance with set up, serving and clean up the day of a reception. Please contact Ann if you would be willing to help out.

Ann's email is missannie@verizon.net and her phone number is 288-6937.



SUNDAY, JULY 1 FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN JOINS TUCKAHOE IN WORSHIP

Join us for Worship and Music with First United Presbyterian Church on Sunday, July 1. Reverend Dr. Willie Woodson, Pastor, will preach and members of the First United Congregation will join us for our Sunday Worship service and Fellowship Hour.

Plan to attend with your whole family and extend the hand of fellowship to our "Sister Church" and its members.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

Even though many of our children are still in school, recruiting for Bright Beginnings volunteers is already underway. Each year the Richmond Area YMCAs provide hundreds of underprivileged children with new clothes and school supplies to start the school year with the same excitement and confidence as their peers.

This program typically pairs two volunteer "shoppers" with a child. Together, they share a meal and shop for "back to school" clothes. The child's sizes, etc. are provided to you to make shopping easier. At the end of the shopping trip, the child receives a backpack filled with age appropriate schools supplies. All of this is paid for with donations collected by the YMCA. The impact of this program is amazing!

We have volunteer spaces available for the following shopping trips:

Thursday, 8/2/12 at 5:30pm

Tuesday, 8/7/12 at 5:30pm

Thursday, 8/9/12 at 5:30pm

Tuesday, 8/14/12 at 12:30pm

Thursday, 8/16/12 at 5:30pm

Tuesday, 8/21/12 at 5:30pm

Thursday, 8/23/12 at 5:30pm

**Tuesday, 8/28/12 at 12:30pm (Please be

advised that this is an overflow date and we may not need a trip this date).

You may sign up with a friend, your own child (middle school age or older), or individually and be paired with another person. It's a wonderful way to spend a couple hours of your day.

Please email Amanda Carr (Amanda.Carr@longandfoster.com) or phone her at 673-0787 with the date that you would like to help. Thanks for supporting this worthwhile cause!



LOCAL OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY

The Outreach Division is planning a local mission trip on August 16, 17, and 18 (Th-F-S). Members of our congregation will be working with the **RENEW CREW** of **project:Homes**. The **RENEW CREW** works in the Greater Richmond area, assisting low-income, elderly and disabled people. The small, critical projects done with community volunteers help residents stay in their homes. Types of assistance include: painting, railing and porch repair, overgrown yard cleaning, outbuilding demolition, grab bar installation, and modular wheelchair ramp construction and installation.



Can't make a three day commitment? No problem! You can sign up for 1 or 2 days or even a portion of a day. The sign-up sheets are on the Outreach Bulletin Board (located in the main hallway across from the mailboxes). Make plans now to help our neighbors in need right here in the Richmond Area. For additional information contact Dot Smith at 282-3297.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

SUMMER MISSION TRIP TO TENNESSEE

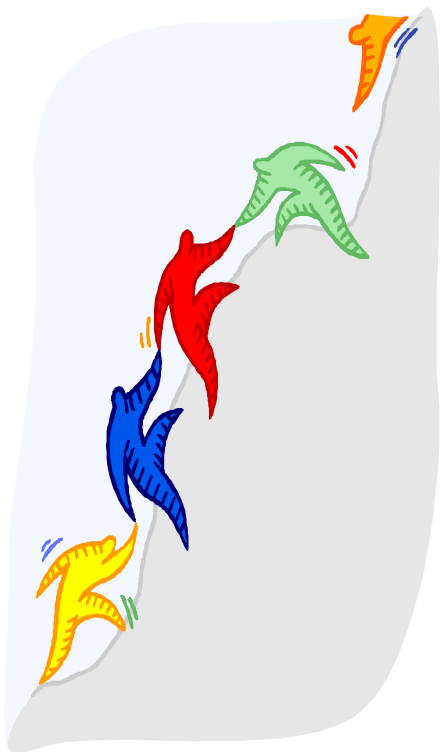
On Saturday, June 23, 22 members of Tuckahoe will start a week long mission trip to Sunbright, TN, working with Appalachia Service Project. Of our volunteers, half are youth, half adults, half are first timers, even half are male and half female! All these halves are what some call a "God-wink", something seemingly coincidental! But these pieces of the whole provide a strong reminder that we are members of the body of Christ lead by the Spirit to be His heart, voice, hands and feet. ASP's theme this year, "ALL FOR ONE" (1 Corinthians 12: 4-6) fits our team of volunteers by reminding us that "There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone."

All volunteers are asked to meet June 10 in room 106, following worship, to cover important information.

If anyone at Tuckahoe has an open trailer on which we can carry materials for our work in TN, please consider a loan for our trip and call Nancy Millsaps at 288-0996.

Please be partners with us in prayer, in joining us for our commissioning on Sunday, June 17, at the TPC worship service, and in your enthusiastic support.

~OUR MISSION TRIP TEAM~ LENDING THEIR HEARTS, VOICES, HANDS AND FEET



Amelia Adair
Owen Ayers
Alison Blevins
Carter Blevins
Greg Blevins
James Blevins
Pam Burch
Rachel Burch
Marshall Cooke
A. W. Dickerson
Claire Galvin

Colin Hogg
Steve Kramer
Dick Mateer
Nancy Millsaps
Aubrey Shade
Jack Shade
Shawna Shade
Dot Smith
Walter Smith
Bill Stallings
Mary Chris Werner

MISSION AND OUTREACH

3RD ANNUAL YARD SALE COMING IN SEPTEMBER!

Tuckahoe's third annual Yard Sale will be held Saturday, September 8. The money raised from the Yard Sale goes to help support Tuckahoe's mission trips.

Here is what you can do now:

Please put the date on your calendar! (September 8)

Begin putting aside your "treasures" for the yard sale. We appreciate if your clothing donations (gently used please!!) are already on hangers. Hold onto your treasures until September! Because of the lack of storage space at Tuckahoe, we cannot accept donations until September 5 - 7. Look for more details in the summer Torch.



Meet the Neighbors.....

Sheri Cantor – Tuckahoe's June neighbor of the month!

Sheri is originally from Richmond and grew up on Westham Parkway. She graduated from Collegiate High School and then went on to earn a degree in economics from Vanderbilt University. Sheri is a loan officer at Trustmor Mortgage where she is very busy these days with helping people to re-finance their homes.

Sheri and her partner, Aileen Cruz, have been Tuckahoe's neighbors for over ten years. Aileen is a state certified nursing assistant. One person Aileen cares for happens to be Tuckahoe's oldest neighbor: Selma Mann who will turn 101 in October!

Sheri enjoys exercising and gardening. If she had been at our Youth Sunday service, the talent she would have written on her red paper would be working with feral cats. I learn something from every neighbor I interview and Sheri was no exception. Feral cats have not been socialized to people so they are not adoptable. The program Sheri works with is called Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) in which the feral cat is caught, then spayed or neutered, vaccinated, eartipped (a way to signify a cat has been vaccinated and neutered) and finally returned to their outdoor home. This program stops the reproductive cycles of feral cats. I learned that in one year, two feral cats who have not been spayed or neutered can become 428 cats! You can go to www.alleycat.org to learn more about the TNR program.

By Pam Burch



YOUTH MINISTRIES

Meet our June youth of the month, Colin Hogg! Colin lives with his guardians, Ray and Ruth Anne Hoge, and is a rising junior at Godwin High School. He has two dogs, Astro and Buddy, and is fondly known as C. Hoggy by TPC youth.

At TPC, Colin is a bass in the Chancel Choir and an active youth group member. He has been to Montreat once and very much enjoyed spending time with his small group during the trip. Outside of church, Colin enjoys playing soccer and is currently a member of the Germany Striker's team. About two months ago, he was very excited to receive his driver's license. In school, Colin's least favorite subject is Algebra II and his favorite class is Chemistry. He says that he loves Chemistry because it "comes naturally" to him (if only we were all that lucky!).

One of the reasons I enjoy interviewing a TPC youth each month is that I always learn something about them that I otherwise would never have known. For example, through this interview, I learned that Colin's favorite flower is the petunia and that his favorite kind of ice cream is Moose Tracks. His favorite food is a tie between Jambalaya and a Chipotle burrito. Colin's favorite television show is "How I Met Your Mother" and his favorite movie is "Forrest Gump."

Colin's interview was especially entertaining because several of my questions were not answered by Colin, but by his good friend, Dylan. Questions such as favorite song and food would leave Colin stumped, but Dylan would always know the answer. In this respect, Dylan completes the cliché of knowing his friend better than he knows himself. Colin is currently searching for the perfect summer job. He doesn't know where he wants to go to college yet, but is confident that he will go to a great school.

When I asked Colin what his favorite part of TPC is, he responded that he loves Tuckahoe because the people are the most welcoming and charismatic that he's ever met. Thanks, Colin, for being our youth of the month!

By Rachel Burch



Associate Pastor and Five Youth Journey to Taizé, France

Why Go to Taizé?

"From its beginning the community has been inspired by two aims: to live in communion with God through prayer and to be a leaven of peace and trust in the midst of the human family."

Please keep Steven and Jill Good, Maggie Beane, Anna Lacy, Sarah Shimer, Sally Sommers and Morgan Turner in your prayers for a safe and meaningful pilgrimage to France.

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Things tend to slow-down a bit in the summer months, but we will still continue to gather.

Take a minute to note the exciting opportunities in store while you're on break. In case you've misplaced your decoder ring, I've provided a description for each of the events below.

SWAG TUESDAY—SWAG (Super Wicked Awesome Game)

Tuesdays are everything you hope they might be, and more. Indoor, Outdoor, Active, Inactive, we're going to hang out, have some snacks and just play. Bring yourselves, your friends, your X-Box joysticks, (we have an X-Box 360 w/ Kinect) your running shoes. It will be super wicked awesome! Meet in the Sr. High Room.

ULTIMATE—Quite possibly the official sport of Presbyterians worldwide, we'll get together at Bandy Field (Next to the Village Shopping Center on Three Chopt) and chase a 175g plastic disc (not to be confused with a Frisbee). Bring shoes or cleats and friends.

SUMMER YOUTH GROUP—

If you thought a typical youth group night was laid-back, see what happens when we get into summer mode. We'll join together for some recreation, singing, and have a conversation about Jesus. Because that's what we do.

— From Steven Good —

SUMMER SCHEDULE		
Dates	Time	Event
June 3	6:00-8:00	Year End Worship Service
June 10	1:30-4:00	Pool Party @ Shimers 1117 Islandview Dr.
June 22 - July 2	All Day	Taizé Pilgrimage
July 14	6:00-8:00	Summer Youth Group
July 10	1:30-4:00	SWAG Tuesday
July 17	1:00-4:30	SWAG Tuesday
July 21-28	All Day	Montreat
July 31	1:30-4:00	SWAG Tuesday
August 11	6:00-8:00	Summer Youth Group
August 13	10:00-12:00	Ultimate @ Bandy Field
August 20	1:30-4:00	SWAG Tuesday

MONTREAT— Our annual trip to the youth conference will be July 23-30. Registration closes June 15. Please contact Steven Good for more information.

FROM OUR MEMBERS

English as Second Language

TUTORING OPPORTUNITY!

Have extra time on your hands in the fall? Valerie Calhoun, ESL teacher at Holladay Elementary, is looking for volunteers who would be interested in either helping to teach English to low income Hispanic mothers, helping elementary-aged ESL students with their homework, or playing with the younger siblings from 2:30-3:30 twice a week. This would probably start in October and run through April. This after school program is still in its planning stages, so aspects of it may change. However, if you (or someone that you know) would like to know more about this opportunity, contact Valerie at 360-9034 or at calhoun80@verizon.net.



OPPORTUNITY TO HOST AN EXCHANGE STUDENT

Becky Theuer is assisting a 17 year old German girl in searching for a host family for the upcoming school year. Would you be interested in opening your home to this young woman, or know of anyone who might be?

She would prefer a family that still has a young person living at home, although this is not required. She will attend high school and become involved in the life of the community for 11 months. She is a daughter of the family with which William Theuer will be living in the next year as an exchange student in the same program. The Theuer family has contact information if you would be interested in considering this opportunity. Please contact Becky Theuer at 364-8161 or rbsrt@gmail.com.

Alice Gilleece writes: *"Thank you for the flowers. They were beautiful. Jim and I were almost Charter Members. Our youngest son was named for Bill Wilson. I miss seeing you.
Love, Alice"*

Dana Frostick writes: *"On behalf of my entire family, thank you for attending my Mom's Memorial Service. We all appreciate the wonderful turnout in her honor and the Flower Committee was so nice to provide such a lovely arrangement in the sanctuary. Sincerely, Dana."*



WITHIN THE CHURCH

The **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN** enjoyed a delightful end of year meeting and luncheon on May 1. Forty-two women and guests attended. Thanks to Circle 5 for preparing a delicious meal. Rosalind Banbury from First Presbyterian Church presented an inspiring lesson to conclude our study of The Beatitudes.

A highlight of the May luncheon is always the presentation of the Life Membership award. The recipient is chosen through months of careful consideration by a committee whose work is confidential. **This year's award was presented to Rachel Gray, in recognition of her years of service to the Presbyterian Women and as Editor of the Torch.** We thank her for her many contributions to Tuckahoe.

New officers were installed at the luncheon as follows:

Moderator - Ruth Anna Langdon
Vice-Moderator - Ruth Ann Hoge
Secretary - Becky Theuer
Treasurer - Meg Packard
Historian - Katharine Calhoun
Search Moderator - Jinny Self



Thank you to all who donated items for Hilliard House. Have a great summer. We look forward to seeing everyone again in September.

Summer Worship Schedule

Beginning Sunday, June 3rd our Sunday morning worship service will begin at 10:00 a.m.

We resume our regular schedule of 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School and 11:00 a.m. worship on Sunday, September 9th.

LUNCH BUNCH IS BACK!

Make your plans to attend the Lunch Bunch on Monday, June 4th at noon in Duntreath Hall. Come and join us for fellowship and food. *Remember to bring a donation for Lamb's Basket!*



SIGN UP TO HOST A SUMMER FELLOWSHIP ~HOUR~

The following Sundays are available:

June 17

July 8, 15, 22, 29

August 5, 12, 19, 26

Sign up on the calendar in the hallway or contact Dianne St. John with questions:

dstjohn@richmon.edu



Registrants AND volunteers please complete and return!

Vacation Bible School will be held from **9:00 a.m. to 12:10 p.m.** the week of **July 16th - 20th**. VBS is open to all children ages three years (born by 1/1/09) through rising fifth graders. Please note that all participants must be toilet trained. Nursery will be available only for younger children of VBS volunteers. This summer's program is **"Operation Overboard - Dare to Go Deep with God!"**

At Operation Overboard, your children will become "divers-in-training" as they explore God's underwater universe. They will dive into:

- Daily Ocean Insights and Sea Scriptures; Deep Sea Voyage Bible Stories of people showing deep faith;
- Ocho's Cove (assembly time); Choral Reef (music); Aquatic Arts (crafts); caring Outreach projects; High Tide Hangout (recreation); and the Diver's Diner (cooking), and much, much more!

PLEASE consider being a volunteer for Vacation Bible School and complete the information at the bottom of this form.

We need many people to make this week a success.

Please register each child with the information below and return the registration forms (to the church office, mailing address below, or to the VBS mailbox inside the church) **with a check for \$10 per child (a maximum of \$25 per family)** to Tuckahoe Presbyterian Church **as soon as possible**. Please contact Becky Loggins, 201-0571 or bg18@comcast.net if you have any questions or need additional forms.

"Faith is the reality of what we hope for, the proof of what we don't see." - Hebrews 11:1

Child's Name _____ Sex _____ Age on 7/16/12 _____ Birthdate _____
 Street Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Parents' Names _____ Email Address _____
 Home phone _____ Work phone _____ Cell phone _____
 Child will be entering: _____ Preschool or _____ Kindergarten or the _____ Grade in the fall of 2012.
 Attends what church? _____

How did you hear about Vacation Bible School? _____
 Other Emergency Contact & Relationship _____ Phone _____
 Allergies or Conditions: _____

Pediatrician's Name _____ and phone number _____

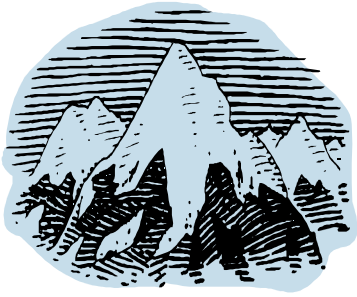
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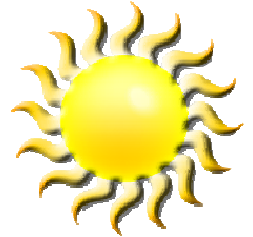
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WHAT MAKES A DAD

God took the strength of a mountain,
The majesty of a tree,
The warmth of a summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea,
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night,
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle's flight,
The joy of a morning in spring,
The faith of a mustard seed,
The patience of eternity,
The depth of a family need,
Then God combined these qualities,
When there was nothing more to add,
He knew His masterpiece was complete,
And so,



He called it ... Dad

~~Author Unknown.~~

Happy Father's Day

CHURCH CALENDAR 2012



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
					1	2 9:00 am Officer's Retreat -WC
3 10:00 am Worship & Fellowship Hour 11:00 am VBS Mtg. 6:00 pm Youth Groups	4 9:30 am Stephen Ministry 3:00 pm Swing Band 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry	5 7:00 pm PNC 8:00 pm Pops Band	6 9:15 am Staff Mtg.	7 7:00 am Men's Bible Study 8:00 pm AA	8 10:30 am Meals on Wheels	9
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17 10:00 am Worship & Fellowship Hour HAPPY FATHER'S DAY	18 TORCH DEADLINE 8:00am SPARC 9:30 am Stephen Ministry 3:00 pm Swing Band 7:00 pm A&P, Stephen Ministry	19 8:00 am SPARC 9:00 am Presbytery Meeting 7:00 pm PNC 8:00 pm Pops Band	20 8:00 am SPARC 9:15 am Staff Meeting 7:30 pm Diaconate	21 7:00 am Men's Bible Study 8:00 am SPARC 9:30 am Lamb's Basket 8:00 pm AA	22 TAIZE TRIP LEAVES FOR FRANCE 8:00 am SPARC	23 MISSION TRIP LEAVES FOR TN
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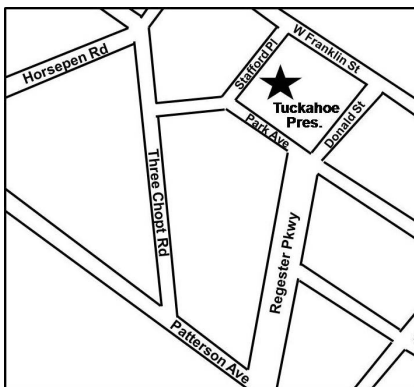
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