

## PASTOR'S CORNER

*“Spiritual direction is a continuous process of formation and guidance, in which a Christian is led and encouraged in his special vocation, so that by faithful correspondence to the graces of the Holy Spirit he may attain to the particular end of his vocation and to union with God” - Thomas Merton*

Several years ago Bunny and I became acquainted with one of the wonders of modern technology: the Global Positioning System or GPS as it is generally known. Now despite its ease-of-usage sometimes, whether it was by intention or by accident, we didn't follow the GPS' directions precisely enough and we found ourselves chastised by a feminine voice who uttered the dread word, “re-calculating” – a fairly reliable sign that a course correction might be in order.

In a way it strikes me that life in Christ often ends up being full of such recalculating moments. Even the most devoted followers of Christ will from time to time find that they've strayed off course. Whether it's a moment of self-glorifying pride or others-demeaning lust, our thoughts and actions will betray the “already and not-yet” reality of the Christian experience. But we shouldn't feel alone. The Apostle Paul confessed to his own ungodly detours: *“So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?”* (Romans 7:21-24)

Of course the answer Paul provides to his own question is none other than Jesus. For Paul – and any and all followers of the Triune God of the Bible – Christ and His Spirit are our SPS (Spiritual Positioning System). God works in us to save us and then to steer us toward full maturity in Christ so that day by day we approach completion. Our job is relatively simply. We must learn to learn to trust the Spirit's promptings and then to recalculate our thoughts, decisions, and actions so that they align

with very heart of God. We might be trolling the internet intent on visiting websites that clearly don't align with God's purposes or planning on posting a particularly biting response on Facebook – when suddenly the Spirit reaches out to us through a twinge of conviction. It's in these moments that we need to learn to recalculate (also known as repenting.)

It could be that we've heard all year long that God desires us to invite people to come to church with us and wants us to take our friendships toward deeper, more Christ focused avenues, but we've kept putting it off. We know that the Bible clearly encourages and even commands such behavior, but we've refused to recalculate the choices we make. It's like we trust our knowledge of and preferences for human intercourse more than the Spirit's wisdom. Yet, while Google maps and GPS satellites have been known to mess up directions from time to time, there is one thing we can count on absolutely: God's Spirit is always right!

So as we head out on the highways and byways this summer let's be attuned to more than that droning mechanical voice of the GPS. Instead let's open ourselves to the Holy Spirit and let our very own SPS provide the recalculation and recalibration that we need to follow God's will. While it might lead to a road less traveled, I suspect that it *will* lead to a destination that is out of this world!

God Bless Always,  
Chris



# Guitar Summer Camp



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*You can help the*  
**June 17-22**  
**Cabell-Lincoln**  
**Work Camp:**

**Desserts, Dinner Preparation or**  
**Donations for Dinner**

1. Cabell-Lincoln Work Camp is asking Enslow Park for donations of: **DESSERTS for the June 20<sup>th</sup> dinner – please bring them to the Donaldson Room by Noon that Wednesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>.**
2. **EPPC will be preparing the DINNER** on Wednesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> of Work Camp. Volunteers are needed to **help PREPARE and/or SERVE THE DINNER.** Menu: Sub Sandwiches & fixings.
3. If you would like to make a **MONETARY DONATION** to help fund the dinner items, and the Cabell-Lincoln Work Camp, please **make your check to EPPC and put “work camp” in the memo.**

Please **SIGN UP IN THE DONALDSON ROOM** or contact **Linda Brewster** (304-633-0614) if you can help **cook, serve or furnish desserts!!** for the Wednesday Dinner – on June 20<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!!



Enslow Park Presbyterian Church, sponsored by Strings by Mail and Cabell Huntington Hospital, is offering 10 scholarships for the Guitar Summer Camp. Here is the basic information about the course:

**The courses will start on June 5th and end on July 19th;**

**2 Group Classes:** twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays;

**Group A** = kids from 9 - 11 years old.  
**Beginning Time: 10:00 a.m.**

**Group B** = kids from 12 - 14 years old;  
**Beginning Time: 11:00 a.m.**

- ~ The course will be held in the church in the Fellowship Hall (2nd Floor);
- ~ No need of background in music;
- ~ EPPC can provide the guitar for those that do not have one during lessons.  
(The instruments are EPPC's property, therefore, they shall not leave the building);
- ~ EPPC will provide a book containing exercises, pieces, and explanation about the guitar.
- ~ A one-time \$5 dollars fee will be asked;
- ~ This course will present the basic features of the guitar and its technique giving a solid base for future musicians;

**The scholarships are based on first come, first served. So please, hurry up!**

Send an e-mail to Rodrigo Almeida at [eppcoutreach@gmail.com](mailto:eppcoutreach@gmail.com) with the subject "EPPC Guitar Summer Camp".

Let's have fun!



Soccer Camp will be held  
on the side lawn of Enslow Park  
**Tuesdays & Wednesdays**  
**June 5<sup>th</sup> - July 19<sup>th</sup>**

This is a great opportunity for those kids who want to learn about the game and for those who want to keep up their skills.

Rodrigo Almeida will lead the sessions. Rodrigo has the F and E coach License from WV and is also a former soccer player in Brazil.

**Two groups:**

**Group A - kids 6 - 9 years-old**

**Meet on Tuesdays, 6:00-7:30 p.m.**

**June 5, 12, 19, 26, July 3, 10 & 17**

Goals: focusing on first touch, passing, dribbles, and developing skills with both feet.

**Group B - kids 10 - 13 years-old**

**Meet on Wednesdays, 6:00-7:30 p.m.**

**June 6, 13, 20, 27, July 4, 11 & 18**

Goals: focusing on first touch, passing, dribble skills, foot agility, strength, shooting, and tactical formation.

**Kids should bring their ball, water,  
and wear cleats.**

For more information please contact

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Bring your friends and let's learn and have fun playing soccer this Summer!



**VBS at Enslow Park!**

**Sunday - Thursday**

**July 22<sup>nd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

Venture onto an uncharted island where kids are rescued by Jesus! Be anchored in the truth that Jesus carries them through every storm in life. Through Bible stories, crafts, and skits, kids will learn to hold onto God's promises when they are lonely, they worry, they struggle, do wrong, and feel powerless.

One of the best parts of Shipwrecked VBS is its award-winning music! Fun songs from amazing musicians your kids will want to listen to again and again—sure to become new family favorites!

This VBS will be led by an Episcopal mission group from Pennsylvania.

They are a well-funded group that will be staying at the Marshall Campus.

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## Consider "The Lilies"



The LILIES are planning  
**"A Night Out at the Olive Garden"**  
Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>  
at 5:30 p.m.



We will be meeting at The Olive Garden at the Huntington Mall at 5:30. All the ladies of the church, and their friends, are invited.

Please contact Susan Fabry  
by Monday, June the 4<sup>th</sup>  
if you (and any guests) are planning  
to attend this fun evening.  
[susankfabry@msn.com](mailto:susankfabry@msn.com)

304-633-5434  
Susan will make the arrangements  
and then send an email reminder  
to everyone that has RSVP'd.

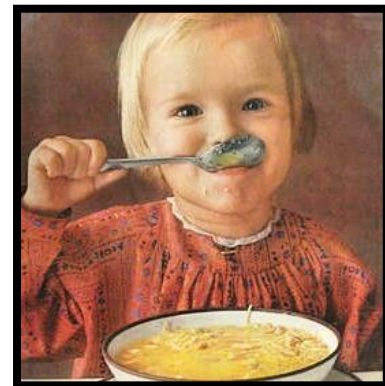
We are looking forward to  
this special gathering of EPPC ladies!

## Food & Clothing Pantry

Christian Associates' Cridlin Food & Clothing Pantry has asked EPPC to contribute:



36 Cans of  
**Spaghetti-Os**  
in JUNE.



36 Cans of  
**Chicken Noodle Soup**  
in JULY

Our Collection Box is in the Donaldson Room.

Special Needs: **Men's XL Boxers**  
**Bath & hand towels & wash cloths**  
**Bed sheets (mark the size)**

If you would like to be a volunteer at the Cridlin Food & Clothing Pantry, which is located in the Trinity Episcopal Church, you can go Monday, Wednesday or Friday, 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. and Monday 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.





# Our Hope Chest "Items of the Month"

## June Birthdays

- 1 - Mike Bonyak
- 5 - Myrrandah Harris
- 10 - Linda Brewster
- 21 - Stuart Sowards
- 22 - Abby Sowards

## July Birthdays

- 3- Joshua Bonyak
- 10 - Sharon Frazier
- 12 - Jan Gossett
- 15- Harry Faulk
- 16- Alice Wehrle
- 18 - Kirsten Bagley
- 19 - Josh Chambers
- 21 - Kayla Chambers
- 23 - Tyler Baire
- 24 - Kade Baire
- 27 - John Chambers  
Barbara Foard  
Forrest McGuire
- 28 - Scott Damron



**JUNE:**  
**SHEETS &**  
**BLANKETS**



**JULY:**  
**CUPS &**  
**DRINKING**  
**GLASSES**

Please leave your donations on the table in the Donaldson Room. The Hope Chest items are distributed to Huntington City Mission, Cridlin Food & Clothing Pantry, and Harmony House.

**Coffee**  
**Fellowship**  
Every Sunday  
Morning  
10:30 – 11:00



If you would like to volunteer to host a Coffee Fellowship, please "sign-up" on the bulletin board in the Donaldson Room.

~ **Hosts are needed for June 3, 17 & 24** ~

Coffee, creamer, sugar, cups, plates & napkins are all provided. You need only bring a bottle of juice, home-baked or store bought baked goods, and fruit if you would like.

**THANK YOU** from the Fellowship Team!  
...and from the Children...of all ages ... 1 – 99!!

**Congratulations**  
**2018 Graduate!**  
*We're so proud of you!!*



**Ben Barber**, son of Scott Barber and Melissa Matthews, and brother of Meg Barber, graduated from Huntington High School on May 24<sup>th</sup>.

Ben will be attending the University of the Virgin Islands in St. Thomas, USVI, beginning in mid-August! He plans to major in Marine Biology.