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PASTOR'S CORNER

"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven." (Ecclesiastes 3:1 RSV)

Dear EPPC Members and Friends,

This month I am writing to formally announce to the congregation my intention to retire as the pastor of the Enslow Park Presbyterian Church – effective January 1, 2019. It has been a privilege to serve as the pastor of this wonderful congregation for the last nine plus years and while I have never thought of age as a deciding factor and still don't, it simply feels to Bunny and I like the right time for us to move into a new chapter of our lives. A good friend of mine who retired a year ago put it like this: "I can't expect God to write the next chapter in my life if I don't open the page." Bunny and I are ready for that next chapter.

There are a variety of things that my beloved wife and I would like to do in the next few years. Having a double digit and steadily growing horde of grandchildren (a new one is expected in October) there is a lot of family fraternization on our agenda. We also have something of a wish to re-establish our former rapport with a wide range of our far flung friends of yesteryear as well. And of course, we have to toss in a bit of traveling from our perch in the North Carolina mountains. Indeed, we have every intention of metamorphosing into that most common of the aged avian species: the snowbird. For my part, I would like to finally spend a bit of time banging out some tunes on the piano and more fully enjoying the encompassing wonders which music has to offer. Toss in the occasional sermon at a local church, the intermittent nursing home visitation, taking in a lot of mountainous vistas, the writing of the odd piece of fiction and some quality one on one time with God and Wa-La! Our dance card will be more than filled!

As I make this transition over the months ahead I will ask you to remember this above all else: while I am moving on from your lives, God is staying put. In the words of God's spokesman,

Jeremiah: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart." (Jeremiah 29:11-13)

God Bless Always, Chris



UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS at ENSLOW PARK

WELCOME BACK SUNDAY – September 9
SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES begin Sept. 9
LILIES GATHERINGS begin September 16
SHARING YOUR FAITH begins in September
GUITAR LESSONS begin September 8
UKULELE ORCHESTRA begins September 8
KIDS' GAME NIGHT begins September 13
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY – October 7
MU SENIOR RECITALS at EPPC - October
KIRKIN' of the TARTANS SERVICE
& RECEPTION – October 28
UNICEF & HALLOWEEN PARTY – October
SOCCER PRACTICES - TBA

ENGLISH CONVERSATION CLASS – TBA

Here's the Scoop for "Welcome Home Sunday"



Everyone come on September 9th!...let's celebrate the last days of summer with a big party to welcome the fall start of many of our church classes and programs. To add to the festive mood, you can dress for church in your summer bright apparel and Hawaiian shirts!

Sunday School Classes at 9:45 Coffee Fellowship at 10:30 Worship at 11:00 After Worship...

...the EPPC Fellowship Team will host an End-of-the-Summer "Hot Dogs & Ice Cream Social"

with plenty of Dogs and Ice Cream!





Ok...we'll provide the dogs, you can leave yours at home.





Please plan to attend this important event with your EPPC Church Family.



<u> August Birthdays</u>

- 5 Iris Malcom
- 6 Emily Goetz Tom Lilly Chris Perkins
- 10 Sara Ann Hawkins Frank Lambertus
- 15 Diana Allen Arch Keller
- 17 Michael Gerber
- 18 Johan Botes
- 21 Aspen Pyles
- 29 Marilyn Goetz Mary Olson



Thank You!
from
Cabell-Lincoln
Workcamp

On behalf of Cabell-Lincoln Workcamp, a huge

to all who helped in so many different ways to make this summer's Workcamp a great success. From providing desserts, monetary donations for dinner, cooking and serving dinners and prayers for the Workcamp's success, your support was invaluable! Over twenty homes were made warm, safe and dry. Homeowners were so appreciative plus knowing that teenagers and young adults' lives were changed by being part of this Workcamp! Thank you for your assistance with this wonderful project.

~ Linda Brewster

Hope Chest

Our Hope Chest "Items of the Month" for **AUGUST** are **PIZZA PANS**.



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.

Food & Clothing Pantry

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

36 Jars of Peanut Butter in August

If you would like to be a volunteer at the Cridlin Food & Clothing Pantry,



which is located in the Trinity Epicopal Church, you can go Monday, Wednesday or Friday, 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. and Monday 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Sanctuary Flowers

Thank you to everyone who has given flowers this year that enhance the beauty of our worship services.

If you would like to give Flowers for the August or September Worship Services please sign the Flower Chart in the Donaldson Room or call Jane Jones, our Flower Coordinator, 304-525-0820.



Recipe of the Month: <u>Best Ever Chocolate Chip</u> <u>Croissant Bread Pudding</u>

Submitted by Linda Brewster Served at the VBS Breakfast.

Ingredients:

1 (10-13 oz.) pkg. croissants

2 (8 oz.) cream cheese

1 1/3 c. sugar

4 eggs

2 t. vanilla

2 c. milk

2 c. semi-sweet chocolate chips



Directions:

Lightly spray a 9x13 pan and place torn or cut-up croissants on bottom. Sprinkle with chocolate chips. Beat cream cheese, sugar, eggs and vanilla in mixer until well-blended. Add milk and combine. Pour over croissant pieces. Let stand 20 minutes or cover and refrigerate overnight.



Bake uncovered 35-40 minutes at 350 until set in center

Delicious served warm with a dab of whipped cream or vanilla ice cream on top! Enjoy!

<u>Coffee Fellowship</u>

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.

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.

<u>THANK YOU</u> from the Fellowship Team! ...and from the Children...of all ages ... 1 – 99!!