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Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We live in a rapidly changing world. The free exchange of ideas and information has drastically accelerated changes to our institutions, our habits, and our comfort levels. Many of these changes have been good, but some have really shaken us up.

Jesus said that "in this world you have trouble, but fear not, for I have overcome the world (John 16:33b)." In the world in which Jesus said this, ideas were spreading faster than ever. While the oppressive Roman military persecuted many, it also made roads safer to travel on than ever before. This spread ideas from every province back to Rome and out again, thus changing the empire quickly and drastically, leading to the spread of the good news amid the persecution.

Rapid cultural change allowed Christianity to thrive, and in the aftermath of the printing press, the rapid change that instigated many wars, also brought much-needed reforms of the Church and technological progress. Today, we are living in another era of rapid change, as electronic media, beginning with radio, then television, and now the internet, has spread ideas and caused trouble.

When I compare the world in which I live compared to what it was before, and what it will be for my children, I get overwhelmed, but find my **peace comes from knowing** Jesus has already overcome the world.

Knowing this, it is incumbent on us to come together and interpret the world through God's Word. The printing press and the Reformation put Scripture in the hands of common people, which is good. However, **if we are to** <u>interpret our world through</u> <u>Scripture</u>, we must be humble and listen to each other so that we might be changed into Christ's image, who humbly shared in our life. When we interpret Scripture alone, or with only one perspective, we risk arrogantly interpreting Scripture through the world, a method which then instead changes Christ into our image.

The church is at its best when it seeks unity in diversity, and not uniformity. This means listening to different viewpoints, be it from the pulpit, in the Sunday School classroom, or in what we read and other media we consume. A world of all liberals or all conservatives becomes the playground of extremists. However, by welcoming ideas that we might not otherwise hear, we grow by trusting Jesus is in control.

My goal is to share the pulpit regularly and I encourage you to participate in Sunday School. It is good to hear more voices from our congregation and for all of us to be vulnerable enough to share our thoughts and listen to others without judgement in Sunday School, after church, and in our everyday life. **May our mutual sharing allow us to be challenged and help us to further transform us into the image of Christ.**

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From the Desk of Carol Ann

According to Fuller Youth Institute, "Nearly half of all young people raised in Christian families walk away from their faith when they graduate from high school. That's the bad news. But here's the good news: research shows that parents are one of the primary influences on their child's faith."

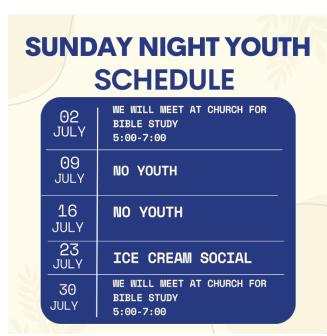
You may think your young people could care less about what you have to say, but current research suggests that the most important influence shaping the religious and spiritual lives of children and youth is their parents. Not only are they listening, but more importantly, they are watching you closely and modeling their lives after you. Whether you believe it or not, parents are the biggest influence in their teens' life. *Friends* influence everyday behavior

Parents influence their child's basic values

Parental factors that make a significant difference in promoting faith in children and youth include:

- 1. Parents' personal faith and practice
- 2. Parent modeling and teaching a religious faith
- 3. Parent involvement in church life and Sunday worship

It is critically important we are authentic examples of what we claim to believe. Our authenticity includes faithful living as well as sharing with our children our struggles and failings. It's hard. We want our children to think we are perfect and we like to think our children are perfect. BUT we are not. We all miss the mark. Talk about it with your children and help them to understand how important it is to ask for forgiveness. We will raise better adults if we, as parents, "practice what we preach" OR "walk the talk."







Thanks for praying for our young people while they are at camp this summer, July 17-22! If you would like to send them a note of encouragement mail in by July 13th.

Camper's Name – Shelby Presbyterian PASSPORT at Berea College CPO 2137

Berea, KY 40404

If you would like to send some snacks with the youth – Homemade cookies…brownies… Please bring to the church on July 16th.

Thank You, Thank you!

The SPC Children and Youth would like to thank everyone who helped to make our 7th Annual Cookout and Dessert Auction a huge success!

The weather was wonderful, and we had a fabulous turnout and great fun. Check out the SPC Facebook page for pictures of everyone enjoying good food and fellowship as well as all the yummy desserts that were auctioned off. After expenses, \$5,385.00 was collected to benefit the summer activities of the children and youth. Thank you so much for your support!



Phifer Holloman Ozimek, grandson of Arthur Graham Phifer and Patricia Jarret Phifer, son of Dr. Chris and Meredith Phifer Ozimek of Greenville, NC, graduated trom Campbell University.

Benjamin Wyatt Schweppe, son of David and Becca Schweppe, grandson of John and Stuart Schweppe graduated from Texas Christian University with a Bachelor of Science.



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FUN & CREATIVE ACTIVITIES JULY 31- AUGUST 4

9:00AM-12:00PM

AGES 4 TO COMPLETED 5TH GRADERS

SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER TODAY!

ITEMS NEEDED FOR KIDS CAMP!

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS! WE NEED YOUR HELP!

animal crackers goldfish froot loops mini marshallows letter beads one bag of rice bottles of water

and we could always use more adult hands



July 4th CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED July 14th CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED July 17th Newsletter Articles due to Miranda <u>miranda@shelbypres.org</u> July 23rd Ice Cream Social July 31st First day of Kids Camp

men of SPC will meet

Restaurant, 1628 S. DeKalb Street.

prayer

Marv's

breakfast and sharing

concerns at Ken &

IMPORTANT DATES

What's Going on at SPC?!



MEN'S Breakfast

JULY 6, 2023 7:00 AM

MASKS ARE NOW OPTIONAL AT ALL CHURCH EVENTS

WHILE MASKS ARE NOW OPTIONAL, THE SESSION SAID THAT ANYONE WHO WISHES TO WEAR A MASK FOR PERSONAL OR MEDICAL REASONS SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO DO SO.

Regardless of the threat of COVID at any given time, it is important we continue to think of our neighbors and do what we can to limit the spread of illness. This includes frequently washing our hands, wearing masks if necessary, and when sick, choosing to participate in worship online.







THE RAINBOW CONNECTION PRESCHOOL

The summer camp weeks in June were so much fun for our preschool children as well as our school age children. They enjoyed crafts, the farmers market, the movies, and water days!

We have one more week of camp in July, and all the children are looking forward to even more fun!

This month we will have our Christmas in July tree if you would like to purchase an item for next school year! We appreciate all you do for us at Rainbow, and we cannot thank you all enough.

> "I can do all this through him who gives me strength." (Philippians 4:13)

> > Abby Goins, Director

IT'S A RAINBOW CONNECTION CHRISTMAS in July and you are invited. A Rainbow Tree is in the Narthex with tags for needed classroom items and school supplies. Show your love for our preschool by picking a tag, buying the gift, and returning it under the tree with your tag. No wrapping is required. Your participation shows SPC's

commitment to the preschool, its teachers, and those cute little kids.

Thank you! Rainbow and Mission and Ministry Committees







News about our Turning Point Partnership:

Back to School is right around the corner, and we will have a few ways that you can help us get our Turning Point team off to a great start next year. There will be a school supply drive and a food drive during the month of August - so please be on the lookout for more information about how you can donate to these events.

This coming year, there will also be a need for volunteers who may be interested in tutoring and mentoring students at Turning Point. This would involve working with students on class work, or spending time with students during lunch/study time, or working with students in their school-to-work program. Please consider this prayerfully, and if this is something you may be interested in, please reach out for more information.

We will soon begin planning for our second year of partnering with Turning Point Academy. We would love to have more people as part of the team, whether with planning and coordinating events, volunteering your time, or providing treats and snacks for students and staff, anything! If you are interested, please let us know.

For more information, contact Molly Brownlee at 704-477-8947 or brownleemolly@gmailcom.

ARE YOU ON DUTY IN JULY?

Chimers

- July 2 Harrison Mangione
 - 9 available
 - 16 available
 - 23 available
 - 30 Annie Moser

Elders Serving Communion

July 2 Susan Bell **Roger Holland** Tom Martin Larry Wilson

Deacons Taking Up Offering <u>& Ushers</u>

Holly Petrilli, captain July Andy Brown Thomas Monroe Elizabeth Schweppe

Worship Liturgist

- July 2 Steve Sisk
 - 9 Rich Coiner
 - 16 June Hobbs
 - 23 Susan Grose
 - 30 Pat Byers

Sound & Video Teams

- July 2 Patrick Glenn Mike Jackson
 - 9 John Brotherton Patrick Glenn
 - 16 Chip Blackley David Grose
 - 23 John Brotherton <u>Joe</u> Petrilli
 - 30 Chip Blackley Mike Jackson

Sanctuary Worship Guild

July

- 2 Beverly Elmore Stuart Schweppe
 - 9 Barbara Blackburn Barbara Hannah
- 16 Lyn Huston Marlene Lovelace
- 23 Harriette Beam Laura Beam
- 30 Paul & Joyce Couey

Sanctuary Flowers July

- 2 available
 - 9 Hartsel McSwain
 - 16 available
 - 23 available
 - 30 available

Kirkin O' The Tartan

Sunday, September 24, 2023

It does not seem like it is that time again, but it is. Shelby Presbyterian Church's Kirkin O' The Tartan service/Heritage Sunday is scheduled for September 24, 2023. If you have an interest in participating, please let the church office or Mary Conner (704-300-1109) know so that we can make sure to include you in the planning. If you are interested in investigating your own heritage to purchase your own flag, please contact Mary Conner as well.

NEWS FROM HABITAT – All volunteer slots for July 15th and 22nd are now full. Thanks to all who have signed up! Regarding the appeal for contributions – please make checks payable to Shelby Presbyterian Church and mark clearly for "Habitat" in the memo line. An additional volunteer opportunity involves our outreach to the neighborhood around Young Oak Square. On Saturday, July 8th at 11:00 a.m. volunteers will deliver goody bags to neighbors in the area which will include Habitat information flyers, snacks, candy, and an invitation to an ice cream social at the worksite on each build day as soon as the workday concludes around 2:30 pm. Neighbors will be able to tour the homes and see the work in progress. If you are interested in helping with this project, please contact Susan Grose.

Summer Sunday School Big Questions Faithful Discussions

June 25th – What is the Bible? July 2nd – What about Church and State? July 9th – How Do We Interpret Scripture? July 16th – What is Evangelism? July 23rd – How Do You Describe Conversion? July 30th – How Do We Relate Science and Scripture? August 6th – Why So Many Denominations?

9:00am- Ellis Hall



We will meet at the church at 9:00am and Journey back in time with an experienced guide through the expansive Hart Square collection, which includes two 19th Century chapels, one of three functioning pre-civil war cotton gins, a tavern, a print shop, a one-room schoolhouse, and countless artifacts that will never be found anywhere else. We can take 11 people on the bus and we can line up drivers. This is geared for Adults but open to all ages.

SIGN UP WITH YOUR \$20 BY AUGUST 6TH.

THIS and THAT at SPC!

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16

SENIOR SUNDAY

May 29, 2023



LAST CHOIR REHEARSAL DINNER

June 1, 2023















HABITAT FOR HUMANITY WOMEN'S BUILD

June 10 & 17





ADULT LUNCH June 13, 2023







7th ANNUAL DESSERT AUCTION June 11, 2023







YOUTH AT DUPONT PARK June 14, 2023





SPC AT LAZY 5 RANCH & AQUARIUM June 19, 2023









BOY SCOUT CAMP TROOP 100 June 24, 2023





Please keep our youth and volunteers in your prayers this summer as they travel and attend camp. The youth will go on the Wilderness Trail Wednesday, July 5th through Monday, July 10th and Passport Camp Monday, July 17th through Saturday, July 22nd.





YOUTH HIKING SOUTH MOUNTAIN June 25, 2023











The goal of the Member Life Ministry Committee is to extend love and care to all of our Shelby Presbyterian Church Family. If you find anyone in need of attention in our church family, in your neighborhood, or beyond, please contact Lori Wehmueller, Member Life Ministry Chairperson, 704.472.5253 or <u>loriwehmueller@gmail.com</u> or the church office 704.487.8503.

Please include the following in your prayers:

JoAnn & George Beattie
Pam Birmingham
Debra Blanton
Dick Bowling
Roger Brady
Donna Buies
Hannah Carpenter
Karen Carpenter
Myra Carpenter
Russ Cheaney & Family
Curt Collins
Joyce Couey

Bert & Joy Cushman Nancy Davis Debbie Ferrell Ina Harrington Robert Hilton Joan Hunt David LeGrand Cheryl Lutz Faye McCants Brooke McCurry Pauline Persing Ann Pharr Finley Price Clay Pruett Diane Richards Steve Sisk & Family Robin Smith & Family Rick Steeves Beverly Styers Doreen Wacaster Jackie Weathers Diane Windham Teresa Wingo

- Children and Staff of Turning Point Academy
- Covid-19 research, caregivers, and patients
- Racial injustices
- U. S. Economy
- All those serving in the military
- Our brothers & sisters of Monte los Olivos
- John McCall in Taiwan
- Food Ministry
- Rainbow Connection
- Christians who are persecuted for their faith
- All disaster victims (volcanoes, floods, fires, etc.)
- All victims of violence
- All refugees

Thank you for expanding your prayer list to include specific children and youth each month. During July, pray for our **Fourth Grader:** Savannah Raudez, Eva Greer, Lilly McCullough, Tristian Ormand, and our **Fifth Graders:** Paxton Warrick.

Prayers and Sympathy

Our prayers and sympathies go out to Robin Smith, Baxter Smith, and Wesley Smith Roberts in the passing of Kip Smith on June 2, 2023. Kip had been a member of SPC for 23 years.

Our prayers and sympathies go out to Russ Cheaney and family in the passing of his father Paul R. Cheaney, Jr. on June 22, 2023.

<u>Happy Birthday!</u>

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July 1	Lee Bryant
July 1	Ina Harrington
July 1	
July 1	Peggy Paksoy
July 1	Annette Wray
July 2	. Alyssa McNeary
July 2	Hartsel McSwain
July 2	Ruth Zehnder
July 3	Marc Stowe
July 4	Carolyn Eddins
July 4	Ruby Raudez
July 7 A	nnie Kate Brown
July 8	Kristin Reese
July 8	Miranda Wood
July 9	Debra Blanton
July 9	. Myra Carpenter
July 9	Vivi Dow
July 10	
July 11	William Glenn
July 11	Emma Goforth
July 12	
July 13 Sa	
July 14	. William Blackley
July 14	
July 15	
July 17	Jake Appling
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July 31	Alyssa Dodd

# SPC Reports & Minutes

# JOINT SESSION & DIACONATE MINUTES MAY 16, 2023

## **Communications**

## Clerk's Report - No Report

Deacon's Report - Michelle Moser reported in person and Elizabeth Schweppe by email:

• Next Blood Drive is June 20, 36 of 50 appointments are filled

• Birthday party for members turning 90 and up on August 27 after church in Ellis Hall. The congregation will be invited to come by for cake and to wish them a Happy Birthday.

• Andy and Ann Brown are moving, will need all Deacons/and or members of congregation to pitch in to fulfill his role as an Usher July, Oct., and January (Elizabeth will soon share a sign up).

• Online Directory continues to be updated, it can be printed for non-tech savvy people in your Neighborhood Group who would find that helpful (ask Miranda)

**Presbytery Report** - Larry Wilson reported:

• Anti-racism policy, paid family leave and Book of Discipline revisions were topics of discussion at Presbytery.

## Pastor's Report: Drew reported:

• Potential options for an increase in the Emergency Fund with the recommendation that the Finance Committee determine a recommendation for the session regarding fund availability.

• Consideration of reinstating "Passing the Peace"

## Session in Separate Session Reports:

## Committee Reports:

Personnel: Laura Lampley reported:

• Miranda's job description is being revised and completed.

- <u>Worship & Music:</u> Richard Dedmon reported:
- May 21 Kyla Roberts Baptism and Walton Moore's Eagle Scout Award
- May 28 Graduation Sunday
- June 25 Pat Byers is scheduled to preach

Finance Committee - Drew reported for Scoot:

• April expenses exceeded budget by \$6,400.00 with pledges above budget.

## Old Business:

• None

## New Business:

• Richard Dedmon inquired about the church's security policy, it was last addressed pre-COVID. Currently working on updating cameras and locking system.

## JUNE 2023 STEWARDSHIP REPORT

<u>JUNE 4:</u>	Received\$26,468.96	Worship123
<b>JUNE 11:</b>	Received\$2,680.00	Worship133
<b>JUNE 18:</b>	Received\$11,491.00	Worship121
<b>JUNE 25:</b>	Received\$14,527.00	Worship126

Livestream View.......85 5¢-A-Meal....... \$327.23 Livestream Views........100 Livestream Views.......115

## MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS RECEIVED IN JUNE

...to the Emergency Assistance Fund in memory of Kip Smith.

...to the Adult Choir Fund in memory of Kip Smith and Cheryl Sisk.

... to the Adult Youth Fund in memory of Melissa DeVane



# SHELBY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH – JULY 2023

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