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Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

A healthy church is not measured by attendance or finance, but the faithfulness of its members to growing closer to God, to one another, and to their community. **I am so grateful for your faithfulness at SPC.** You have shown great hospitality to visitors with a desire to build lasting bonds, great devotion to worship and spiritual exercises, and great generosity in response to the needs of our neighbors.

In terms of building bonds, I was truly amazed by our churchwide retreat at Montreat, when 110 of you took a weekend trip into the mountains to spend time together, grow as a family, and worship together. Now, even more of you have signed up. Your Montreat subcommittee has been planning, and we have a lot in store for you. **Yet as much as we try to plan, the true joy of this event is seeing how the Holy Spirit works in and among us, growing bonds of unity and peace.**

Last year, our theme was "Family Reunion," and we emphasized our need to grow as a church family. **This year, the theme is "Your Piece," to explore how you are one piece in a large puzzle, so that, grounded in our historic faith, all of us bring talents and ideas which will help our church live into its mission in new ways.**

Like last year, you can expect a creative community art project, opportunities to gather as one big group, and still more options to gather in smaller groups for activities. We will again use a Disney film to help us illustrate our theme for all ages, as it is found in God's Word. You can still register before August 13, which is also the deadline for turning in your balance due.

I am continually thankful for how many of you come in person or join worship online, not because attendance numbers matter, but because in doing so, **it is evident that you desire to participate in worship to grow closer to God.** I can gauge this in the feedback many of you give, as well as the growing enthusiasm of our choir and your response to the work they and all our musicians put into their offering each week.

Lastly, I am grateful for your faithful response to needs. You have put so much time and energy into the Habitat for Humanity Church Partnership Build, and you have given generously to fund it. Your faithfulness is also seen in your overwhelming response to the Rainbow Christmas in July, your support for 5 cents-a-meal and the Emergency Assistance fund, the many volunteers in Food Ministry, and your dedication to Turning Point Academy. Thank you!

What a joy it is to walk in ministry alongside such a faithful church and my prayer for us is that we will grow in our faithful response to the gospel, strengthening our bonds with God, with one another, and with our community.

- Drew

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From the Desk of Carol Ann

Some people are 'last minute' people. Maybe it is embedded in the genetics that shape their personality. Maybe it is simply a habit that has developed over time. It often appears to be a simple matter of practicality. For whatever reason, some people wait until the very last minute to make a decision, do a thing, or show up. I am like that with my newsletter article, AND it is about to drive Miranda crazy.

If you are a 'last minute' person with regard to registering for our church's annual retreat to Montreat, this is the last minute. For some of you, registration has fallen off the radar relative to the hundred other things you had to do this summer. Well...the last minute is here.

I want to encourage you and your family to attend this year. We need time together. Our youth have spent time together this summer and I can see the difference it makes. We need to see each other, talk to each other, laugh with each other, cry with each other, catch up with each other, and pray with each other. We need to play games and put puzzles together. The children need to play in the creek, and we all need to have some free and open space to play, laugh and continue to grow. The youth need their connection to the broader church family. We just all need a time of retreat.

It is the last minute. We still have a few rooms available. I hope you will make one of those rooms yours...and I'll see you at Montreat!

Blessing of the BACK PACKS

Students and educators, bring your back packs to church on August 13th for the Blessing of the Back Packs.

AUGUST 13, 2023



JOIN US AT THE

Back to School Bash

AUGUST 27 - 5:00-7:00 PM
RUBY HUNT YMCA POOL

Come ready to swim and fellowship. Pack a picnic to enjoy poolside.

A colorful poster for a 'Back to School Bash' event. The background is a light blue pool with water ripples. There are illustrations of watermelon slices, beach balls, and a picnic basket with fruit. The text is in a mix of fonts and colors, including pink, yellow, and white.

SPC KIDS CAMP

SIGN UP!



FUN & CREATIVE ACTIVITIES
JULY 31- AUGUST 4

9:00AM-12:00PM

AGES 4 TO COMPLETED 5TH GRADERS

SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER TODAY!

A vibrant yellow and blue poster for 'SPC Kids Camp'. It features a QR code, a red arrow pointing to it, and three circular photos showing children at camp. The text is bold and colorful, with a 'SIGN UP!' speech bubble.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR KIDS CAMP!

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!
WE NEED YOUR HELP!

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

A green poster listing items needed for kids camp. It includes a list of items and two circular photos showing children sitting on the floor. The text is white and yellow on a green background.



IMPORTANT DATES

August 6th

Confirmation & Reception

August 13th

Mary Conner preaching

August 18th

Church CLOSED carpets
are being cleaned

August 21st

Newsletter Articles
due to Miranda

miranda@shelbypres.org

August 27th

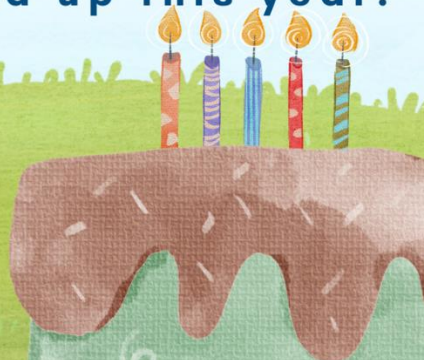
90 & up Birthday
Celebration

What's Going on at SPC?!

Join us for a
**BIRTHDAY
CELEBRATION**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27
after worship

The congregation
is invited for
birthday cake
in Ellis Hall as we
celebrate those
in our
congregation who
are turning 90
and up this year.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

AUGUST 3, 2023
7:00 AM

The men of SPC will meet for
breakfast and sharing prayer
concerns at Ken & Mary's
Restaurant, 1628 S. DeKalb Street.

TAKE A TRIP TO HART SQUARE

AUGUST 8TH
COST \$20

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.



THE RAINBOW CONNECTION PRESCHOOL



We are gearing up for a new school year at Rainbow Connection! All of the Rainbow staff are excited about seeing new and returning faces.

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

We want to say a HUGE and SPECIAL thank you to the Mission and Ministry Committee for our "Christmas in July". Our teachers were thrilled to see all of the items on their wish lists under the rainbow tree. We are beyond blessed to be a part of such a wonderful and supportive community and we appreciate everything SPC does for us.

"The Lord has done great things for us,
and we are filled with joy"
(psalm 126:3)

Abby Goins, Director





BE INVOLVED

WAYS TO SUPPORT TURNING POINT ACADEMY

Turning Point Prayer Walk Sunday, August 13th at 11:30 am. Please join us as we spend some time in community at Turning Point Academy, praying for teachers, staff, and students in preparation of the upcoming school year.

Turning Point Academy Back-to-School Drive: During the month of August, Shelby Presbyterian will be collecting supplies to help support Turning Point as they begin their new school year! All of these much-needed items will go a long way to kick start a successful year for the teachers and students at Turning Point. Please bring your donations to the collection basket in the narthex on Sundays, or bring them to church office during the week. The first two Sundays of August (August 6th and August 13th), we will be collecting school supplies, which will be taken to Turning Point during the Prayer Walk on Sunday, August 13th. The next two Sundays (August 20th and August 27th), we will be collecting food items for the Backpack Ministry/Weekend Food Bags program. Please see the attached list of items that we will be collecting, and thank you in advance for contributing!

School Supplies:

- loose leaf paper
- pencils
- colored pencils
- glue sticks
- hand sanitizer
- student incentive items (stickers, cute erasers, pencils etc.)
- composition books w/tape bindings - not spiral bound
- pocket folders
- dry erase markers
- highlighters
- sanitation wipes

Food Items:

- applesauce - individual size
- sandwich crackers - individual packs of six
- oatmeal - individual packets
- grits - individual packets
- macaroni n cheese - individual size, microwavable
- pudding cups
- fruit snacks
- granola bars
- fruit/cereal bars

ARE YOU ON DUTY IN AUGUST?

Elders Serving Communion

Aug. 6 Fred Blackley
Susan Bell
Richard Dedmon
Kimberly Dixon

Deacons Taking Up Offering & Ushers

Aug. Claire McCullough, captain
Debbie Hart
Jennifer Niblack
Trey Warrick

Worship Liturgist

Aug. 6 Michele Moser
13 Tara Beth Warrick
20 Mystie Brotherton
27 Pat Byers

Sound & Video Teams

Aug. 6 John Brotherton
Patrick Glenn
13 Mike Jackson
Joe Petrilli
20 Chip Blackley
Joe Petrilli
27 Mike Jackson
David Grose

Sanctuary Worship Guild

Aug. 6 Margie Trivett
Lori Wehmuller
13 Judy Greer
Rachel White
20 Beverly Elmore
Stuart Schweppe
27 Barbara Blackburn
Barbara Hannah

Sanctuary Flowers

*A Flower Calendar is posted on the bulletin board at the Harris Street entrance outside the fellowship hall. If there is a Sunday that you would like to reserve, please call the church office and we'll sign you up.

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.

SPC
BLOOD DRIVE



DONATE BLOOD & SAVE LIVES

Our next Blood Drive will be **Tuesday, August 15** from 1:00 - 5:30 p.m. in Ellis Hall. If you would like to make an appointment to donate blood or would like to help with check-in, hospitality, or in some other way, please call Elizabeth Schweppe, 704-477-5686, or use one of the following links:

- To make an appointment:
<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/finddrive>
- To sign up to volunteer:
<https://bit.ly?SPCblood22>

MONTREAT BALANCE DUE AUGUST 13, 2023



SAVE THE DATE

Children's Promotion Sunday
September 3

Wednesday Night Activities
September 6

Rally Day
October 1



Food Ministry Update

Your Food Ministry team has prepared hot lunch to 30-40 people each week in July. Many other people have received groceries at the weekly food distribution, and numerous boxes of food have been given to families and individuals in dire circumstances. This is SPC's response to Jesus's command to "feed my sheep." Thank you for contributing your time, your money, your goods, and/or your prayers to this effort to reduce food insecurity. You are showing your love for God and for the people in our community.

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

SPC GOES TO LIFE ENRICHMENT CENTER

June 29, 2023



YOUTH WILDERNESS TRAIL

July 5 - 10, 2023

"I experienced God helping me go up that hill and helping me not jump off a mountain and the laughter and funny moments."

Madison Ormand



"I feel smarter because I learned how to backpack. I learned that God loves me even when I am not perfect."

Nate Haig



"I feel more connected to God and to the others on the trail. I no longer feel weird to get out of out of my comfort zone."

Khia Hickman



"It means a lot to me because I grew closer to God by hiking in his land."

River Harrill

"I learned and realized that even if my plans don't always match God's plans, it will work out. God also taught me that helping others will sometimes distract me from my own problems and view the problems with a different perspective."

Ann Marie Willis



ADULT FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

July, 11 2023



HABITAT CHURCH PARTNERSHIP BUILD

July 15, 2023



ICE CREAM SOCIAL

July 23, 2023



YOUTH PASSPORT CAMP

July 17 - 21, 2023





Member Care

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 Wehmuller, Member Life Ministry Chairperson, 704.472.5253 or loriwehmuller@gmail.com or the church office 704.487.8503.

Please include the following in your prayers:

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|------------------------|----------------------|
| JoAnn & George Beattie | David Kelley |
| Pam Birmingham | David LeGrand |
| Debra Blanton | Cheryl Lutz |
| Dick Bowling | Faye McCants |
| Donna Buies | Brooke McCurry |
| Hannah Carpenter | Pauline Persing |
| Karen Carpenter | Ann Pharr |
| Myra Carpenter | Finley Price |
| Russ Cheaney & Family | Clay Pruett |
| Curt Collins | Diane Richards |
| Bert & Joy Cushman | Steve Sisk |
| Nancy Davis | Robin Smith & Family |
| Chris Denning | Beverly Styers |
| Debbie Ferrell | Doreen Wacaster |
| Ina Harrington | Jackie Weathers |
| Robert Hilton | Diane Windham |
| Joan Hunt | 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 August, pray for our **Sixth Graders:** Anna Greer, Alex McIntyre, Benjamin Pruitt, Foster Warrick and our **Seventh Graders:** River Harrill, Madison McIntyre and Madison Ormand.

Prayers and Sympathy

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.

Happy Birthday!

- August 1.....Jo Ann Callahan
- August 1.....Darlene Riggs
- August 2.....Millie Melton
- August 4.....Luke Ware
- August 5.....Roger Martin
- August 6.....Kathryn Bridges
- August 6.....Beverly Elmore
- August 6.....Lori Stites
- August 7.....Amy Goforth
- August 8.....Tonya Beam
- August 8.....Tori Beth Harrington
- August 8.....Zion Roberts
- August 10.....Ann Beam
- August 10.....Rich Coiner
- August 10.....Foster Warrick
- August 11.....David Wilkison
- August 12.....Elizabeth Couch
- August 12.....Bill Sherwood
- August 13.....Marty Allen
- August 15.....Suzi Kennedy
- August 15.....Drew Mangione
- August 15.....Rose Underwood
- August 17.....Jeanne McCord
- August 18.....Susan Bell
- August 18.....Lilly McCullough
- August 18.....Alex Raudez
- August 19.....Darlene Gravett
- August 20.....Dennis Stitzel
- August 21.....Dean Butler
- August 22.....Trip Boinest
- August 23.....Debbie Hart
- August 24.....Ed Blake
- August 24.....Kyle Persing
- August 25.....Steve Harrington
- August 26.....Harriette Beam
- August 26.....Debbie Ferrell
- August 29.....Sandy Brenneman
- August 29.....Jan Dedmon
- August 29.....Sydney Lampley
- August 31.....Carolyn Brooks
- August 31.....Marc Byers

SPC Reports & Minutes

SESSION MINUTES JUNE 20, 2023

Communications

Clerk's Report - No Report

Deacon's Report - No Report

Pastor's Report - Drew reported:

- Regarding Mask Policy, on motion by Roger Holland, seconded by Bill Jobe, to dissolve the COVID Committee with the policy of mask wearing to be optional. Unanimous approval.
- Session meeting originally scheduled for July 18th, postponed to July 25th.
- Ratification of the worship funeral for Kip Smith, upon motion by Laura Lampley, seconded by Susan Bell.
- Motion for approval of minutes of May 16 - Joint Session and Diaconate Meeting upon motion by Scoot Dixon, seconded by Richard Dedmon, approved unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Member Life - Bill Jobe reported:

- Reported on the removal of one family from the church roll by request.
- August 27th will be celebration for those in their age 90 and above.

Personnel Committee - Laura Lampley reported: Job description for church administrator has been approved.

Finance Committee - Scoot Dixon reported:

- To date we have not applied any carryover expenses and expenses only over revenue by \$340.00.
- Operational policy for the new church van to be completed, however the same is currently insured as registered.

Fellowship Committee: Kimberly Dixon reported: The ice cream social at Hannah Park will be July 23rd from 3-5:00 p.m.

Mission & Ministry Committee: Drew reported:

- Emergency Assistance procedures approved by Mission & Ministry that assistance be limited to \$250.00 one time in a 12-month period with payments made directly to the entity owed - unanimous approval.
- Rainbow request playground improvements in the amount of \$2,000.00, not currently in the budget - Fred Blackley further suggested and agreed to check to confirm that the materials to be used are institutional quality.

Property Committee - Fred Blackley reported:

- Bill Jobe is able to install the wiring for motion light to be located on the Harrill House.
- Lock replacements and door repairs are moving forward for Harris and Holland Street doors.

Worship & Music: Richard Dedmon reported:

- Mary Connor will preach on August 13th.
- Tartan fabric order has been approved and there will be enough fabric for members to purchase.
- Patrick Glenn hopes to improve wiring, security cameras.

Action Items from tonight's meeting - Fred will follow up on Rainbow expenditures and the door repairs on Harris and Holland Streets.

JULY 2023 STEWARDSHIP REPORT

2023 Operating Budget\$645,006.00
Needed Weekly.....\$12,403.96

<u>JULY 2:</u> Received.....\$14,545.30	Worship.....119	Livestream View.....118	5¢-A-Meal..... \$253.93
<u>JULY 9:</u> Received.....\$6,335.00	Worship.....107	Livestream Views.....105	
<u>JULY 16:</u> Received.....\$5,320.00	Worship.....132	Livestream Views.....127	
<u>JULY 23:</u> Received.....\$9,668.61	Worship.....102	Livestream Views.....106	

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS RECEIVED IN JULY

- ...to the Emergency Assistance Fund in memory of Kip Smith.
- ...to the Choir Fund in memory of Harriett Allen.
- ...to the Courtyard/Columbarium Fund in memory of Nancy Bowles.
- ...to the Memorial Fund in memory of Joseph Hendrick and Joanne Schenck.
- ...to the Piano Fund in memory of Betsy Martin.
- ...to the Youth Fund in memory of Cheryl Sisk.

SHELBY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH – AUGUST 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 Kids Camp • 10:30 Staff Meeting • 7:00 Worship & Music 	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 Kids Camp • 11:00 Member Life • 5:00 Property Cmte. 	3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7:00 Men’s Breakfast at Ken & Mary’s • 9:00 Kids Camp • 8:00 AA & Al-Anon 	4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 Kids Camp 	5
6 10th Sunday after Pentecost Five-Cents-A-Meal Offering Communion Confirmation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 Sunday School • 10:00 Worship in Sanctuary & livestreaming on YouTube & Facebook. • 11:30 Confirmation Reception • 2:00 Ellis Hall Reserved • 5:00 Youth Night @ Big E • 5:00 Deacons Meeting 	7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30 Hot Lunch Ministry • 6:00 Discipleship Ministry • 7:00 Boy Scouts • 8:00 AA 	8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 Hart Square • 10:30 Staff Meeting • 2:00 Clerk’s Council 	9	10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12:00 Finance Cmte. • 8:00 AA & Al-Anon 	11	12
13 11th Sunday after Pentecost Blessing of the Backpacks Mary Conner preaching <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 Sunday School • 10:00 Worship in Sanctuary & livestreaming on YouTube & Facebook. • 11:30 Prayer Walk @ TPA Montreat balance DUE	14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30 Hot Lunch Ministry • 7:00 Boy Scouts • 8:00 AA 	15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:30 Staff Meeting • 1:00 Blood Drive • 5:00 Personnel • 6:30 Session 	16 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7:00 Choir 	17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:00 Mission & Ministry • 8:00 AA & Al-Anon 	18 CHURCH CLOSED carpet cleaning	19
20 12th Sunday after Pentecost Pruitt & Warrick Baptism <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 Sunday School • 10:00 Worship in Sanctuary & livestreaming on YouTube & Facebook. • 5:00 Youth Night 	21 Newsletters Due <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30 Hot Lunch Ministry • 7:00 Boy Scouts • 8:00 AA 	22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:45 Rainbow Teacher Workday • 10:30 Staff Meeting • 6:00 Fellowship Cmte. • 6:30 Media Cmte. 	23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:45 Rainbow Teacher Workday • 7:00 Choir 	24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:45 Rainbow Teacher Workday • 6:00 Rainbow Orientation • 8:00 AA & Al-Anon 	25	26
27 13th Sunday after Pentecost <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 Sunday School • 10:00 Worship in Sanctuary & livestreaming on YouTube & Facebook. • 11:30 90 & Up Birthday • 5:00 Back to School Bash @ YMCA 	28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30 Hot Lunch Ministry • 7:00 Boy Scouts • 8:00 AA 	29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:30 Staff Meeting 	30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7:00 Choir 	31 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:00 AA & Al-Anon 		

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