

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WORSHIP LEADERS for TODAY ~ May 18

**9 AM: Greeter:** Savanna Harris

**Hostess:** Vicki Waldrop

**Worship Leader:** Gary Indihar

**PP:** Kirk Finley

**11 AM: Usher:** Jeff & Vicki Irons

**Worship Leader:** Tennent Lee

**Readers:** Neva Beasley, Tom Bell

### For this coming week ~ May 18-24

**Care Center Pick Up:** Kate Hosna

**WAVE Team:** Tom & Sharon Bell

**Worship leader schedules are available at**  
[www.bigcovechurch.org](http://www.bigcovechurch.org).

### PRAYER REQUESTS

**Members:** Mary Burnette, Brenda Copeland, Wayne Deaton, Sandy Young

**Friends & Relatives:** **The Brown Family** (Rivertree Church); Terry Bailey (Harvey/Bailey family); the Harvey Family

**The Church:** Rev. Paige McRight, Interim Executive  
Presbyter

**Military & International:** All those serving in the armed forces, including **Houston Harris**, Jeff Harris' nephew, serving in Afghanistan

**For our Nation:** President Obama and our representatives.

**For Big Cove Missions & Ministries:** New Hope Children's Clinic; The CARE Center; Kairos Prison Ministry; The Presbyterian Home for Children; The Vine Pastoral Counseling Center

### Happy Birthday / Anniversary this week

Alaina Harvey on the 18<sup>th</sup> (Today!)

Dixie Elrod on the 19<sup>th</sup>

Conrow Book on the 21<sup>st</sup>

Sherry Sakovich on the 22<sup>nd</sup>

Jane Rutledge on the 23<sup>rd</sup>

Merrie Duncan on the 24<sup>th</sup>

Carlos & Sylvia Romero on the 24<sup>th</sup>

**Special thanks to Glenda Harris** for getting an ad for Big Cove Church in the Hampton Cove magazine. That publication goes to 1200 homes!

**SNY** will hold our *final meeting for the year* tonight: 5:30-7:00.

**Immersion Bible Study** will meet on Wed May 21. Special guest Max Rosenthal will talk about Esther & Ruth from the perspective of Jewish History. Bring a dish to share at 5:30; discussion is at 6.

**The Thursday Prayer Group** will meet at 10 on May 22.

### **Congratulations to this year's graduates:**

~**Alex Indihar**, graduating from New Century High School. He will be attending UAH on a full scholarship.

~**Ryan Pepper** will be entering New Hope High School.

~**Alaina Harvey** will be entering Huntsville High School.

~**Wyatt Smith** will move up to First Grade at Hampton Cove.

**We are proud of all our kids!**

Big Cove Church **especially thanks Todd Worthington and Dexter Gentle** for their loyal and loving Big Cove Youth Leadership as they resign this position. We also thank all who gave time and talent to the Christian Exploration program this year, both for our children and our adults. Please thank those who took the time to be disciples to your children or to you.

**If you are interested in supporting** Covenant PC's Kids to Camp program, please contact Elaine Woodling (Covenant's Outreach Team Chair). You may also contact Debbie Book for more information.

**Please sign up for a week** or two this spring and summer to help spruce up the church's grounds. Sign up on the back table!

**Watch for a repeat of details coming soon about how to sign up** your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, & neighbors for **SONwest ROUNDUP**, Big Cove's VBS June 23-27, 6:00-8:00. Ask Glenda Harris to find out how you can help!

**Watch for details coming soon about Christianity Uncorked!**

**The pastor** will be on vacation May 19-June 2. Contact Mary in the office or Dallas Ferneau, the Elder-on-Call.

## WELCOME TO BIG COVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)



**May 18, 2014**

**"First Light" Worship – Sundays at 9 AM**

**Guitarist:** John Isom

**Pianist:** Dixie Elrod

**Percussionist:** Jimmy Jones

**Traditional Worship – Sundays at 11 AM**

**Music Director:** Carla Feehan

Rev. Rosemary McMahan & Rev. Houston Hodges  
*Nursery Available*

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**9 AM ~ FIRST LIGHT CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**

**Called by God, We Gather**

Call to Worship ~ Ringing of the Bell

**Song of Worship:** Your Love is Amazing

**Greeting: Welcoming Christ Among Us**

**Song to Prepare for Message:** Holy Is the Lord

**Spoken to by God, We Listen**

John 14:1-13  
1 Peter 2:1-10

**The Message**                   “Holy Ground”  
  **Rev. Rosemary McMahan**

**Believing in God, We Respond**

Praise Reports and Prayer Requests  
Announcements

**Celebrating Our Blessings**

**Offertory**                        Shout to the Lord

**Blessed by God, We Give Thanks:**

**Communion Song:**            Sanctuary  
  Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

*(Silent Reflection)*

**Sent by God, We Go Out**

**Sending Song**                 Thankful

**Blessing and Sending**



**11 AM ~ TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**

**Preparing for Worship**

*The prelude marks the beginning of worship and is observed in silence.*

**Prelude**

**Called by God, We Gather**

One: We are called to be the children of light.  
**All: We come to worship to be renewed in our faith that our light might ever shine.**

One: The light of Christ is found in all that is good and right and true.

**All: We gather for worship that we might gather ourselves to do what is good and right and true to Christ.**

One: We come to worship to celebrate and give thanks to God. Let us lift our voices in praise!

**Song of Worship:**        I love to Tell the Story                       560

**Confession and Pardon**

One: This morning, Peter calls us as a Christian community to rid ourselves of "all ill will, all deceit, pretense, envy, and slander." Let us make our prayer of confession together:

**All: Holy God, in this place before you, we are standing on Holy Ground. But we don't always act holy and our thoughts are not always holy. Help us to rid ourselves of whatever keeps us from shining your light and extending your love, especially to each other. Guide us to safeguard this Holy Ground from ill will, deceit, pretense, envy, and slander. Forgive us our failings, and strengthen us in your righteousness.**

One: When we truly confess and seek to change, we are truly forgiven.

**All: Amen.**

**Greeting: Welcoming Christ Among Us**

**Spoken to by God, We Listen**

Anthem                        *The Longer I Serve Him*                       Bill Gaither

New Testament:             Acts 7:55-60                                       776

Response:                     Psalm 25:1-7                                       393

**Song of Reflection:**       Holy Ground                                       654

Gospel:                        John 14:1-13                                       763-764

Epistle:                       1 Peter 2:1-10                                     857-858

**Sermon:**                     “Holy Ground”  
  **Rev. Rosemary McMahan**

**Believing in God, We Respond**

The People’s Prayers  
Announcements

**Celebrating Our Blessings**

**Offertory :**                 *I Will Arise and Go to Jesus*    Arr. Mark Hayes

**Doxology**   34  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

**The Lord’s Prayer** (in unison)  
*Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on Earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

**Sent by God, We Go Out**

**Song of Sending:**   All the Way My Savior Leads Me                       505

**Blessing and Sending**

*The flowers are offered to the glory of God and in memory of our parents by Tommy and Mary Ann Blakemore.*