

BIG COVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MID-WEEK REMINDERS

Week of August 24-30, 2014



WORSHIP LEADERS for *this coming Sunday, August 31:*

9 AM: Greeter: Kirk Finley
Host/Hostess: Michele Pepper
Worship Leader: Ross Rutledge
Power Point: Gary Indihar

11 AM: Usher: Pat Lutz
Worship Leader: Tennent Lee
Readers: Larry Clark, Mike Feehan

Care Center and Wave Team leaders for *the rest of this week, through August 23:*

Care Center Pick-up: Kay Hanks
WAVE Team: Jane Rutledge

Care Center and Wave Team leaders for *next week, August 24-30:*

Care Center Pick-up: Kate Hosna
WAVE Team: Connie Sharp

The Children's Home Box brought in **\$46.00** this week. Thank you!

MEETINGS and Activities this week:

- **Thursday morning prayer group** will meet at 10:00 on August 28.
- **Something Different: First Light Worship** at 9 am will be held outside this Sunday on the parking lot next to the white church! 11 AM service will be "Prayer and Praise," filled with some of your favorite hymns!

Important Announcements, Events-to-Come, Deadlines, Etc.

- **The September Christianity Uncorked:** next Tuesday, September 2 at 6 at El Omeca on Highway 431. The topic will be “A Christian Response to Homosexuality.” Note the change of location!
- **An important change** is taking place in the **Second Saturday Bible Time** -- which has traditionally been aimed at Men only. Hooray, the barrier has been breached, and **next time will be Open To All!** Come try it, on Saturday, September 13, at 9:30 am, in the upstairs classroom. A special time, under the tutelage of David Lilly, a free and open discussion of the Gospel of Luke, starting at Ch. 14! **Check out the September newsletter for more details!**
- **The Fall Gathering for Presbyterian Women:** September 9 at Camp Maranatha. Registration begins at 9:15 and the meeting starts at 10:00 am. The Rev. Tammy Gregory Brown, our new Executive Presbyter, will lead the group in our Bible study review "Reconciling Paul: A Contemporary Study of 2 Corinthians." Lunch is \$10.00. Contact Gail Birdsong for reservations. **The deadline for reservations is August 29!!**
- **The Vine Pastoral Counseling Center** is pleased to offer several opportunities this Fall that are free to you as a member of a supporting church. Please contact our office to register or for more information (256)-270-7399 or visit our website www.vinepcc.com.

Service of Worship for Healing. Tuesdays Sept 9, Oct 14, Nov 4, Dec 9 12:00-12:45,
Gideon Blackburn House of First Presbyterian Church. By: Dr. Amanda W. Ragland.

Restoring Broken Trust. Led by author Rev. Mark Beaird. September 21, 2014 4:00
pm-6:00pm. Ridley Hall-Church of the Nativity Episcopal, Books available for sale.

Emotional Health for Teens. Led by Dr. Amanda Ragland. Free pizza by First Baptist,
Huntsville. Worship and praise to open and close. November 2, 2014 6:00pm-8:30pm.
Location: First Baptist Church Huntsville—Youth Center.

Marriage Ministry. (all free to members of supporting churches as long as initial
funding lasts. \$50 per session after that.) Premarital Counseling, Marriage
Intervention, Marriage Check-Up.

*****Opportunities for service**

- ****** Please help in this season of extraordinary humanitarian crisis
throughout the Middle East and West Africa**
THE WHOLE CREATION GROANS . . . (Romans 8:22–23) waiting for God’s redemption
from war, disease, and deprivation. Help us be Christ’s body of compassion bringing relief and
hope to those who suffer and pray for redemption.
Your gifts are desperately needed to help the church respond to these overwhelming crises in
Iraq, Syria, Gaza, West Africa. Won’t you stand *in the Gap* (**Give, Act, Pray**) with Presbyterian
Disaster Assistance and Presbyterian World Mission to help bring aid and hope to those impacted
by this devastation? Checks may be made to PDA and mailed to Presbyterian Disaster
Assistance, 100 Witherspoon Street, Louisville, KY 40202. Thank you!

- ****Friends, Parents, Neighbors,

Will you please prayerfully consider adopting a child who receives *Bags of Blessings*? We are experiencing a shortfall and deficit for kids who receive free breakfast and lunch at school. This ministry is critical because we know that when kids are able to eat more nutritiously on the weekend they return to school (attendance is up), they have the ability to focus (test scores are up), and there are fewer behavior issues. This is a pro-graduation initiative of The CARE Center.

Today we are asking for your help to support 650 students in 3 Title I schools. They receive their Bags of Blessings EVERY Friday... (you can do the math). Please join us in the fight against childhood hunger and consider adopting 1 child.

You can adopt 1 child for a year, a half year, a month, or a day.

One year - \$200 half year - \$100
one month - \$20 one day - \$5

Thank you for your heartfelt support to these kids. They are just like your kids...fun, loving, creative, smart, athletic. You know what I mean. Love your neighbor as yourself....that is what we are called to do and is one of the greatest commandments.

I pray you will join in me in the fight against childhood hunger.

To make a quick and easy online donation to Bags of Blessings, click here:

<http://thecarecenter.us/areasofservice/care-about-schools/bags-of-blessings.html>

Thank you all and God bless!

~Angela Hawke, Executive Director

- *****For the rest of August, focused donations for The CARE Center** include these items that are ALWAYS in demand:

Canned Fruit
Canned Vegetables

In September, focused donations will be: Instant Mashed Potatoes Peanut Butter and Jelly
Rice/Dried Beans Boxed Macaroni & Cheese

Thank you!

- *****Big Cove Offers a Volunteer Weekend at Presbyterian Home for Children**

Please begin thinking and praying about volunteering the weekend of **October 25th**. We will offer overnight lodging from Friday evening until Sunday morning. You may choose to stay the entire weekend or arrive for Saturday workday only. Watch for more information as the PHFC staff schedules the volunteer weekends. This opportunity is open to all. (Students under the age of 21 must be accompanied by a parent.) --Linda Wheeler, PHFC Liaison for Outreach Ministry Team.

- *****Big Cove Holiday Bazaar!** The Raffle Committee is accepting donations from members and friends of Big Cove. If you would like to donate an item for the raffle baskets, please contact Linda Wheeler. The committee will accept new or handcrafted gift items (*unwrapped*) and/or monetary donations to purchase items from local vendors. Please ask your favorite restaurant and store managers if they will donate a product or gift certificate. Please let them know ALL proceeds from the Big Cove Holiday Bazaar will be given to Bags of Blessings, a project of the C.A.R.E. Center, New Hope, AL and to the Presbyterian Home for Children, Talladega, AL. Donation letters are available for you to present or mail to the donor.

Happy Birthday this week!

Sandy Young on the 26th
Dexter Gentle on the 31st

Happy Anniversary this week!

Todd & Pam Worthington on the 27th