

WORSHIP LEADERS for TODAY ~ June 26

9 AM: Greeter: Alaina Harvey

Host/Hostess: Melinda Harvey

Worship Leader: Clay Weir

Power Point: Vicki Waldrop

11 AM: Usher: Gary Bass

Worship Leader: Tennent Lee

Reader: Neva Beasley

For this coming week --June 26-July2 :

Care Center Pick-up: Gail Birdsong

WAVE Team: Linda Wheeler

Worship leader schedules are available at

www.bigcovechurch.org

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members: Ann Sublett; Brenda and Don Copeland; Robyn Birdsong; Merrie Duncan; Sandy Young; Mary Burnette

Friends & Relatives: Will Lee (Tennent Lee's son); Phyllis Rader (Renay Nunn's mother); Jillian Shandra (Melinda Harvey's daughter); Jerry Price (Kay Hanks' brother-in-law); Janie Putnam (friend of Gail Birdsong); Beulah Wooten & Carol Loggins (Julie Loggins' grandmother & mother); Lynn Nixon

The Church: The Pastor Nominating Committee; Rev. Dr. Mel Strain; Big Cove Presbyterian; the Session; Rev. Dr. Tammy Gregory Brown, Executive Presbyter; North Alabama Presbytery

Military & International: All those serving in the armed forces.

Our Nation: President Obama and our representatives

Big Cove Missions & Ministries: The CARE Center; The Vine Pastoral Counseling Center; The Presbyterian Home for Children

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY this week!

Pat Luz on the 30th

Bruce & Melinda Harvey on the 27th

Glenn & Linda Wheeler on the 28th

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Christian Exploration gathering for adults will meet today but will not meet during the month of July. Gatherings will resume in August.

The Big Cove summer Family reunion/pool party is TODAY! at 4:00 at the Timbers Edge Clubhouse and pool—please sign up on the sheet in the narthex or let Pat Lutz know how many will be there and what you will bring.

Remember that, during the month of July, there will be only one worship service at 10:00. Worship “style” will be “traditional” on July 3rd, 24th, and 31st, and will be “contemporary” on July 10th and 17th. Please come and greet your fellow Big Cove worshipers at these special worship services, and take part in brief fellowship gatherings each week after worship!

Centering Prayer will meet Mon June 27 at 6:00.

For the summer, the weekly morning Prayer Group will meet on **Wednesdays** at 10.

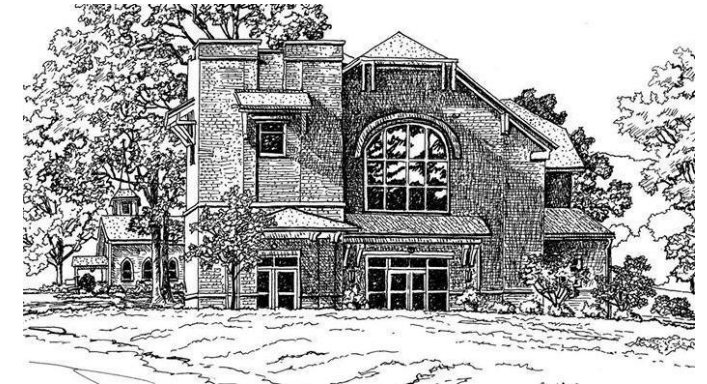
Remember to come DANCE Thurs night at 6:00 in the white church.

Because of the long holiday weekend next week, Saturday Bible time will meet at 9:30 on the **SECOND** Saturday in July (Jul 9) instead of on the first.

The new address for the North Alabama Presbytery office is 1428 Weatherly Rd., Suite 103, Huntsville, AL 35803. There is a PO Box address (P O BOX 4031 Huntsville, AL 35815) to receive mail. Phone #'s and e-mail addresses remain the same.

Pastor Mel is generally available in the office on Tuesday mornings 9-12; please call or e-mail the office ahead of time to be sure that he will not be meeting with someone else when you would like to meet with him.

**WELCOME TO BIG COVE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)**



June 26, 2016

“First Light” Worship – Sundays at 9 AM

Guitarist: John Isom

Percussionist: Jimmy Jones

Traditional Worship – Sundays at 11 AM

Music Director and Pianist: Jervon Niska

Stated Supply Pastor Rev. Dr. Mel Strain

Nursery Available

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256-533-5570

9 AM ~ FIRST LIGHT CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Called by God, We Gather

Call to Worship ~ Ringing of the Bell

Song of Worship: You Are My All in All

Greeting: Welcoming Christ Among Us

Minute on Factors that Lead to Churches Growing

Preparation for Message:How Great is Our God

Spoken to by God, We Listen

Genesis 37:17b-28 28-29
Genesis 45:1-11 35

The Message “Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?”

Rev. Dr. Mel A. Strain

Believing in God, We Respond

Praise Reports and Prayer Requests
Announcements

Celebrating Our Blessings

Offertory: Oceans (Where Feet May Fall)

Blessed by God, We Give Thanks:

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper
(*Silent Reflection*)

Sent by God, We Go Out

Sending Song: Blessed Be Your Name

Blessing and Sending



*The CCLI Music license allows *only the lyrics* (and not the musical score for the tunes) to be printed or projected.

11 AM ~ TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Preparing for Worship

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

Prelude: “How Great Thou Art” Arr. Dino

Welcome and Announcements

Called by God, We Gather

One: Come, let us worship the Lord our God with praising and singing.

All: We come joyfully to worship God!

One: God is Spirit.

All: And we must worship Him in spirit and in truth, remembering always that we are called to love.

Song of Worship: There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit in this Place
(see handout)

Prayer of Confession

All: Lord of heaven and earth: we confess that we come to you with no great excitement. We are so intent on our own needs, so concerned with the pressing details of our own lives, that we miss the life you give us in Christ. When we are dull in our worship and listless in our service, Lord have mercy on us. Restore to us the life that dances and sings, even through distress.

Assurance of Pardon

Response Gloria Patri 734

Minute on Factors that Lead to Churches Growing

Greeting: Welcoming Christ Among Us

Spoken to by God, We Listen

Anthem: “Simple Gifts” Arr. Hal Hopson

Old Testament: Genesis 37:17b-28 28-29

Song of Reflection: My Faith Looks Up to Thee 419

Old Testament: Genesis 45:1-11 35

Sermon: “Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?”
Rev. Dr. Mel A. Strain

Affirmation of Faith (from *A Declaration of Faith*)

All: We believe that God moves in history with his people. Jesus Christ stands at the center of the biblical record. The Bible is the account of God’s word and action in history together with his people’s response in faith. It tells how the Lord has moved with Israel and the church toward the kingdom of God, his just and loving rule over all. It is the story of the one God, who is the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. That story is still unfolding and in faith we make it our own. It forms our memory and our hope. It tells us who we are and what we are to do. To retell it is to declare what we believe.

Believing in God, We Respond

People’s Prayers and the Lord’s Prayer

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.

Celebrating Our Blessings

Offertory: “Learning to Walk (Aubrey’s Song)”
Arr. Joseph M. Martin

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.

Sent by God, We Go Out

Song of Sending: Trust and Obey 443

Blessing and Sending

Postlude

The flowers today are offered to the glory of God and in celebration of Mom’s birthday by the Harveys.