



Big Cove News

July 2016

Big Cove Presbyterian Church (USA)

July Elder on Call

Kathy Barnhart

Stated Supply Pastor

Mel Strain

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From Pastor Mel Strain:

One Service during July-10:00 a.m.

When churches have two Sunday worship services, a complaint that is often heard is, "We don't know one another!" That can be a real problem, and it is not always easy to solve.

With summer now here, and things a little more relaxed, Session has agreed to having just one service during the month of July. There are 5 Sundays. Two will be contemporary services (July 10 and 17), and three will be traditional (July 3, 24, and 31). All services this month will be at 10:00. Coffee will be available for those who come early, and we encourage that.

Also, after each service during July, there will be a time of fellowship to give opportunity for us to get to know one another. This fellowship time will vary each week, and we will let you know ahead of time what is being planned.

Our goal is to be one family as we worship together and come to know one another.

Mel

BIG COVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH REMINDERS (for June 26-July 3)

Remember only one service (traditional style worship) this Sunday at 10:00

WORSHIP LEADERS for *this coming Sunday, July 3* (“traditional” style):

Leaders—Usher: Dexter Gentle

Worship Leader: Larry Clark

Reader: Gail Birdsong (Exodus 3:1-12)

Hostess: Debbie Book

CARE Center and Wave Team leaders for *the rest of this week, through July 2:*

CARE Center Pick-up: Gail Birdsong

WAVE Team: Linda Wheeler

CARE Center and Wave Team leaders for *next week July 3-9:*

CARE Center Pick-up: Pat Burke

WAVE Team: Pam Worthington

The Children’s Home Box brought in \$32.82 this week. Thank you!

THIS WEEK:

- **Remember that each Thursday from 6:00 to 7:00** in the White Church building, Mel and Rita Strain will be teaching basic **ballroom dance steps** to any who want to learn to dance. This free class will be meeting weekly, and it is for beginners. Come as often as you can, with a goal of learning a new dance each month! Come with a partner if you can, and let’s have some fun in the process! [As incentive for younger dancers, when Ms. Linda returns from vacation (after July 4), she will treat anyone present who is age 13-18 to *dessert* at one of your favorite eateries!]
- **Don’t forget-- One worship service each Sunday in July!** There will be ONE worship service at 10:00 *each Sunday during the month of July*. Plans are to “mix it up” as far as worship “style” and musicians, so that everyone may have a taste of both styles of worship. **You are *strongly and lovingly* encouraged** to stay for a brief fellowship time planned after each worship service— each week another chance to get to know your Big Cove community better! Here is a schedule of the worship styles each week: July 3: **Traditional** worship service
July 10: **Contemporary** worship service
July 17: **Contemporary** worship service
July 24: **Traditional** worship service
July 31: **Traditional** worship service
- **After the worship service this Sunday, July 3, our Fellowship Time** will be light refreshments (muffins and doughnuts) and an opportunity to get to know three other individuals a little better. We will be asked to be one-on-one with another person (preferably someone we don’t know all that well), getting to learn some things about them. Then together we will team up with another set of two people and each will introduce their new “friend” to those two. So in groups of four, each will share what they learned about the person they were one-on-one with. We will explain this further on Sunday, but this is the general idea.
- **The following Sunday (July 10), we will be honoring Houston Hodges** in his role as Parish Associate as a part of our time of fellowship. We encourage everyone to participate in these times of fellowship as we want the members and friends of our church to get to know one another.
- **In observance of Independence Day**, the church office will be closed on Monday, July 4.
- **Centering prayer** will NOT meet on Monday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day.
- **Reminder: Pastor Mel is generally able to be here on Tuesday mornings**, but please send an e-mail, both to him and to Mary, or call the office to reserve a time and to be sure that he doesn’t have an appointment with someone else at the time you need to come. Mary: bigcovechurch@gmail.com

- **The weekly morning prayer** group is now meeting on Wednesdays at 10:00. Please feel free to come and join the group!

OTHER INFORMATION:

- **Because of the joint worship service** at a different time than usual (10:00), the adult Christian Exploration gathering will NOT be meeting during July.
- **FYI: The North Alabama Presbytery office has moved.** The new address is 1428 Weatherly Rd., Suite 103, Huntsville, AL 35803. Phone #'s and e-mail addresses remain the same.
- **Ladies, please remember to RSVP** to Glenda Harris if you plan to come to the **Bridal Luncheon for Emily Worthington** at Glenda's home on July 24. Because of the joint worship service at 10:00, the starting time of the luncheon has been changed to 12:00.

SOME INVITATIONS!

- **From Glenda Harris: Remember Camp Edge VBS!?! First Presbyterian** is doing Camp Edge again this year and has invited any of our children that would like to attend. The VBS is four days from July 18-21 from 9-12, and I will be volunteering for that week. Go to fpchsv.org/camp-edge-registration to register. Glenda Harris
- **The next meeting of North Alabama Presbyterian Men** will be on Sunday, July 24, at 1st Presbyterian Church, Florence (224 East Mobile Street). Registration will be at 4:30 with dinner at 5:00 pm, and the speaker will be Carol Copeland. Please note: Who is invited: all Presbyterian Men and Wives, Friends
Registration: Please call in reservations by the morning of Thursday, July 21 to Peggy at 1st Presbyterian Florence (256) 764-2081

Happy Birthday this week!

Pat Luz on the June 30th

Tate Finley on July 1

Happy Anniversary this week!

Bruce & Melinda Harvey on the 27th

Glenn & Linda Wheeler on the 28th

Your Session at Work

The Session met on June 28 and accomplished the following business:

- received the PNC Report that they are progressing.
- approved recommendation to clean up media computer.
- decided and approved Sunday post-service fellowship sessions
- Chose Elder Kathy Barnhart as Commissioner for July NAP meeting
- Approved adding Mike Feehan's history of Big Cove Presbyterian to the website.
- approved a family night on the 4th Sunday of each month at 4 or 5pm.
- approved several contracts for church personnel.
- approved the purchase of music folders for choir.



Session generally meets in the large classroom upstairs on the last Tuesday in each month. These meetings are open. If you would like something addressed, please let the Clerk, Neva Beasley, know beforehand, and please keep all of the 2016 officers in your prayers.



Saturday Bible Time!

Come at 9:30 on Saturday morning, July 9, for coffee and conversation about: the Bible! It's Saturday Bible Time for everyone; fresh decaf, fresh Scripture, under the masterful touch of David Lilly. One of the most stimulating hours of your week!



To all the Folks who helped with the June 26 Big Cove Family Reunion:

Many thanks to all for cooking, setting up, cleaning up and all the other things that made our Sunday such a fun event. A special, *special* thank you to Judy Styles and the Sharps for being such gracious hosts. The list could go on. It's such a blessing to be a member of such a wonderful Family. —Pat Lutz

P.S. If any have ideas for other family nights please let us know. We all enjoy food and friends.

Am sharing a recipe from Kate Hosna that was wonderful. Hum, wonder how it would be with watermelon?

CANTALOUPE SURPRISE SALAD

1 cantaloupe (balled or diced)
1 purple onion thinly sliced

Dressing:

1 cup veg oil
1/2 cup vinegar
1/2 cup sugar
1 tsp dry mustard
2 T. Poppy seeds
1 t. Salt

Add just before serving;

1 package bacon, cooked and crumbled
1 cup cashew (or any nut) pieces



Important Dates in July

July 2: One worship service (traditional style) 10:00

July 4: Independence Day

July 9: Second Saturday Everybody Come Bible Time 9:30

July 10: One worship service (contemporary style) 10:00

July 17: One worship service (contemporary style) 10:00

July 24: One worship service (traditional style) 10:00

July 24: Ladies' Bridal luncheon for Emily Worthington 12:00

July 26: Session Meeting 6:00

July 31: One worship service (traditional style) 10:00

Summer Regularly Scheduled Events

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. each Sunday in July

Monday: Centering Prayer 6 p.m.

Wednesday: Morning Prayer Group 10-11 a.m.

Second Saturday Bible Time: 2nd Saturday each month 9:30

Session Meeting: Last Tuesday in each month 6:00

Happy July Birthday!

Tate Finley on the 1st
Judy Styles on the 4th
Debbie Book on the 11th
Jervon Niska on the 13th
David Nunn on the 18th
Kevin Wilson on the 20th
Robyn Birdsong on the 24th
Lenora Lee on the 26th
Ron Jones on the 27th
Hartwell Lutz on the 28th
Marv Burnette on the 29th

Happy July Anniversary!

Hartwell & Pat Lutz 3rd
John & Kerry Isom 14th
Donnie & Nicole Harris 14th
Kirk & Christie Finley 16th
Charles Boley & Mary Hooper 24th
Clay Weir & Julie Loggins on the 30th

*Please note deadline for August
newsletter: July 25*

Financial Corner

For May 2016

Receipts:	\$15,434.00
Operation Expenses:	\$7,871.97
Donations to The Children's Home:	\$149.21

Any questions relating to the above may be addressed to Diane Lee, bookkeeper, or any of the current elders.



Contact list for Big Cove Presbyterian

Session: Neva Beasley (Clerk), Kathy Barnhart, Dexter Gentle, Tennent Lee, Mickey Sharp, and Todd Worthington;

Deacons: Melinda Harvey, Michele Pepper

If you have questions about a particular ministry or mission in the church, please contact:

Treasurer: Kirk Finley

Finance: Larry Clark, Todd Worthington, or Diane Lee (bookkeeper)

Adult Christian Exploration: Sunday gatherings-David Lilly; Wednesday evening studies-Debbie Book

Christian Exploration, Children & Youth: Kathy Barnhart and Linda Wheeler

Congregational Care: Deacons Melinda Harvey and Michelle Pepper

Nursery Contact: currently vacant

Personnel: Tennent Lee

Property/ Grounds: Dexter Gentle & Bruce Harvey

Planning Ministry Team: Kathy Barnhart

Outreach Team (& Christmas Bazaar): Vicki Waldrop & Neva Beasley

CARE Center: currently vacant

Presbyterian Home for Children: Julie Loggins and Clay Weir

Youth Contact: James Glenn

Presbyterian Women: Gail Birdsong

First Saturday Bible Study: David Lilly or Houston Hodges

Worship Team: Tennent Lee; session liaison, Mickey Sharp

Church Website: Jeff Stephens

Church Facebook Page: Houston Hodges or Mary Hooper

E-mail addresses and phone numbers may be found in the current directory



~Worship Leaders for July~

<u>Date & worship style</u>	<u>Usher/Greeter</u>	<u>Worship Leader</u>	<u>Reader/Power Point</u>	<u>Host/Hostess</u>
July 3 (traditional)	Dexter Gentle <u>Usher</u>	Larry Clark	Gail Birdsong <u>Reader</u>	Debbie Book
July 10 (contemporary)	Renay Nunn <u>Greeter</u>	Don Barnhart	The Harveys <u>Power Point</u>	Nicole Harris
July 17 (contemporary)	Nicole Harris <u>Greeter</u>	Debbie Book	Sylvia Romero <u>Power Point</u>	Melinda Harvey
July 24 (traditional)	Kay Hanks <u>Usher</u>	Joanie Kerr	Tom Bell <u>Reader</u>	Vicki Waldrop
July 31 (traditional)	David Lilly <u>Usher</u>	Sandra Stephens	James Glenn <u>Reader</u>	Debbie Book

Centering Prayer Leaders

July 4 – no meeting

July 11-Chris

July 18-Debbie

July 25-Kathy

	Care Center Food Pick-up	WAVE Team
July 3-9	Pat Burke	Pam Worthington
July 10-16	Pat Burke	Neva Beasley
July 17-23	Joyce Clark	Jeff & Vicki Irons
July 24-30	Joyce Clark	Tom & Sharon Bell
July 31-August 6	Kay Hanks	Hartwell & Pat Lutz