

Forest Lake



News

January 27, 2010

Dear Friends,

What a wonderful Sunday we had! In case you were not able to be there, let me tell you about it! We had as our guest in worship and during the Sunday School time, Rev. Kevin Cartee, who told us about the Outdoor Ministry of Trinity Presbytery. You may not know that our Presbytery owns and operates a camp on the shores of Lake Greenwood or that we are in partnership with Foothills Presbytery (the upstate) and have access to their camp, Camp Buc, which is located near Sapphire, NC. The goals of our Presbytery's Outdoor ministries are to learn more about God, about creation and about each other. Over and over again, when mature Christians are asked to name the most formative experiences in their walk of faith, they name Christian Camping experiences. Do not underestimate this resource in our walk towards Christian maturity. Andrea Paschal is encouraging us to use these camps in the faith development of our children.

At the nine o'clock service we baptized little William Henry Jolliff. William's parents, Lisa (Haney) and Bryan Jolliff, were married by Jim St. John just before he retired in 2004. And Lisa's parents, Jim and Susan, sat on the front row. Three generations of a family who have worshipped and lived out their faith at Forest Lake!

Then, we celebrated the Burning of the Note! Forest Lake Presbyterian Church is debt-free for the first time in over 20 years! The chairpersons of four Capital Campaigns stood [Kitty Trehwella stood in for her husband, Steve] and literally burned the note! There was fire in the sanctuary in more ways than one on Sunday!

As if that were not enough, Chris Peters and Travis Webster conducted a training for the adults who will serve as Mentors and Guides for the youth participating in this year's Confirmation Class. We take very seriously the faith development of our children and youth! And then, Chris and Travis – with assistance from Karen Webster – led us in a contemporary worship service in the Parlor – The Well at FL. It was a wonderful and relaxed way to worship. And of course the day was finished off with Forest Lake Youth (FLY) dinner and games.

Phew! What a day! May the Holy Spirit give us the energy and the wisdom and the courage to do what God calls us to do! I have a feeling that big things are coming!

See you in Church!

Ellen

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***Proclaiming the good news of God's love in
Jesus Christ, to build a fellowship of
Christian Love, and to serve this
community and the world in the spirit
of the Servant Christ.***

Please Pray For . . .

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Military

- ◆ Sgt. Josh Jackson - Germany
- ◆ Spc. John Sifford - Iraq

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PRAYER LIST

As a family of faith, one of the ways to care for each other is to offer prayer on behalf of each other even when we do not know of the person's circumstance. All of us have a need for prayer from time to time. So, even if you don't know why, we offer the following group and members as a prayer list. If you become aware of special situations, please call a pastor, deacon, or the church office and let us know.

The prayers and sympathy of the congregation are extended to the following:

* Val Schulz and family in the death of Forest Lake member, Bob Schulz, on January 17, 2010.

* The family of Forest Lake member, Bill Ogle, who died on January 23, 2010.

Parlor Purpose and Policy

As we look to update our Parlor space, the Property Ministry designed and executed a process that has resulted in a Parlor Purpose and Policy. Two Parlor planning forums were held and many church members gave their input. Following the forums, the Property Ministry crafted the following Parlor Purpose and Policy statement which was approved by Session in December 2009. This policy will guide the Property Ministry as they make plans to update our Parlor.

General Usage

The existing parlor space at FLPC should function as a dignified and gracious multi-function reception hall. It should have limited permanent seating, only around the periphery. The "default" setting for the space should be a large, open, uncluttered room, ready to be set up for any number of uses.

Scheduling Events

All events MUST be pre-scheduled on the Church Calendar through the Office Manager. To avoid conflicts, this should be done as early as possible.

Set Up of Facility

The set-up of this room including seating arrangements and special equipments needed should be discussed and planned out with the Office Manager at the time the event is scheduled.

Desired Uses

Receptions:

- Bereavement Visitation/Receiving
- Receptions
- Confirmation Events/Breakfast
- Women's Functions, Socials
- Advent Carol Sings
- Hosting Group Meetings, Events
- Wedding/Baby Showers
- Luncheons, Dinners, Teas

Ceremonies:

- Weddings, Wedding Photography
- Easter Events, Sunrise, etc.
- Memorial Services
- Funerals

Sunday Nursery Workers

January 31

9:00am - Helen & Jay Russell
11:15am - Kim & Bill Winslow

February 7

9:00am - Erin & Jason Holland
11:15am - Caroline & Cambo Streater

February 14

9:00am - Janyce Collins
11:15am - Susan Beard

February 21

9:00am - Erlinda & Wendell McCoy
11:15am - Katherine Lockwood

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Parlor Policy continued

Educational

Education needs, for all ages should be served in this space so long as the activity is appropriate for the space, is well structured and supervised, and cannot be served better elsewhere in the church complex.

- Bible Study – All Ages
- Adult Sunday School
- Easter Activities
- Bible School
- Supervised Games, Passive Recreation
- Training Classes
- Guest Speakers
- Spirituality Events, Taize, Lent
- Advent Carol Sing
- Joint/Regular Session Meetings
- Yoga/Fitness Classes

Cultural Events, Performances

- Piano Recitals
- Voice Recitals
- Instrument Recitals
- Musicals

Prohibited Uses

- Any unsupervised activity involving running, jumping, throwing, yelling.
- Any alcoholic beverages of any kind.
- Smoking or other tobacco use.
- Unauthorized/random piano playing, incl. adults
- Messy crafts (glue, paint, markers, clay)
- Unsupervised youth, children
- Tape or tacks on walls
- Pets of any size, species or breed.

Women's Retreat

Friday, February 26-Saturday, February 27

Join the women of FLPC at Camp Fellowship on Lake Greenwood, Friday, February 26 - Saturday, February 27, for fellowship, Bible study, and spiritual enrichment. Our own Rev. Ellen Skidmore will lead us in this retreat, "Beautiful Enough!" Friday night will be exercises defining beauty. Then we will watch the movie "The Devil Wears Prada." Saturday morning will allow time to talk about the movie, Bible study, and quiet personal reflection time. The cost for this event will be approximately \$55.00 which will include breakfast and lunch at Camp Fellowship. We will spend Friday night at the Conference Center. Join us for this fun and enlightening retreat! Information is available in the Welcome Center.

Stewardship Corner

Every time I leave a Deacon's meeting I am so excited about the life of Forest Lake Presbyterian Church. We TRULY have amazing members and leadership who care so much about our church family, our community, and our world. I get a special kick out of seeing all of the love and work that go on behind the scenes. The sincerity and level of commitment I've found is overwhelming and inspiring.

Most recently I left a meeting and it reminded me of the childhood riddle, "here's the church, here's the steeple." Of course you then open up your hands and reveal "all the people." And that's what a church is - it's us - all of us.

Several places in the Bible tell us of how we are to be stewards of what God has shared with us. He wants us to take care of each other and the world in which we live. At Forest Lake Presbyterian Church, that's what we try to do everyday. The Stewardship Committee is where our financial campaigns start that allow for our entire operation in the mission of our church. It's also where we seek out the various talents of our members so that we can call on our members for the needs of our church. If you're not involved, I would encourage you to take a chance and let us put you to work. If there is an exciting idea you have or something you'd like to do, big or small, please share it with our church leadership. God is good!

KIRK NIGHT

February 3: Hovering: The Ins and Outs of Christian Parenting

The Good, the Bad and the Blessed
Knitting for Beginners
Sabbath Hour

Menu: Chinese from Eggroll Express

Kids Menu: Chicken tenders

February 10: Hovering: The Ins and Outs of Christian Parenting

The Good, the Bad and the Blessed
Knitting for Beginners
Sabbath Hour

Menu: Baked Potato Bar and Salad Night

Kids Menu: Pizza

February 17: Ash Wednesday Service, 6:15pm

Menu: Chicken Pot Pie

Church Staff

Dr. Ellen Fowler Skidmore
Senior Pastor

Rev. Travis A. Webster
Associate Pastor

Dr. Eric Skidmore
Parish Associate

Dr. Elizabeth M. Mears
Director of Music

Andrea Paschal
Director of
Children and Family Ministries

Chris Peters
Youth/Young Adult Director

Beverly Salley
Organist

Jackie Curran
Business Manager

Kelley Herndon
Office Manager

Ministers
All of the Members of
Forest Lake Presbyterian
Church



Recycle your Christmas Cards!

The fronts of your received or unused Christmas cards are wanted for craft projects at St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Please donate only the picture fronts of the cards—remove all personal writing. A collection box will be in the Welcome Center during the month of January or mark your package "Bound Printed Matter" and mail to: St Jude's Card Recycling, 100 St Jude Street, PO box 60100, Boulder City NV 89006. For more information contact Susan Zilke or Margaret Cundall at rwwomen1@yahoo.com or 462-3456.



Forest Lake Book Sale This Saturday 8:00am—Noon

Disaster in Haiti—How You Can Help

The Presbyterian Church funnels funds to disaster sites through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA). If you would like to make a donation to relief efforts in Haiti, you may write a check to FLPC and designate it for "PDA Haiti." For updates and information on the response, please visit the PDA Web site (www.pcusa.org/pda).

Don't Forget!!

Sunday, February 7,
is Jam 'N Jelly
Sunday. Please bring
a jar of peanut butter
and/or jelly for
God's Storehouse.

