



First Pres Kids

July 2007

Matthew 19:14 - but Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."

Avalanche Ranch Roundup



Making Prayer Bears

THANK YOU, to all who volunteered their services at VBS. Because of each of you, the children enjoyed a wonderful week as they learned that "God is real!", "God is awesome!", "God is with us!", and "God is strong!"



Visiting Presbyterian Home

Last month, over 160 children attended Vacation Bible School "Avalanche Ranch". Through Chadder's Theater, music, crafts, fellowship with other children and the 75 volunteers, the children learned about God's strengths. One of our mission projects was assembling over 325 Prayer Bears. The children made two prayer bears, one to keep and one to send to the Rwanda children, Foster children, House of Hope children or nursing homes. These bears will help them remember to rely on God's STRENGTH and Love. In addition, the fifth grade children went visiting at the Presbyterian Home which has become an annual part of the Vacation Bible School week. The week was capped off with a barbecue supper for the entire family. It was a great week filled with God's love!

JULY MEMORY VERSES

July 1st - "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

July 8th - "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23

July 15th - "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23

July 22nd - "Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'" John 14:6

July 29th - "That if you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God has raised him from the dead, you will be saved." Romans 10:9

Tween Retreat

On August 10th FPC will be kicking off a new Ministry for our rising 6th graders, our Tweens, at Camp Pee Dee. We will meet at the church on Friday, August 10th at 5:00 pm and will return on Sunday at 12:00 p.m. The purpose of this ministry is to reach out, encourage, equip and embrace our children and help them develop a strong faith as they experience God's unconditional love. We want to encourage all rising 6th graders to participate in this wonderful ministry. Please contact Kelly Boone with any questions or concerns, and to register your child(ren).

JULY CHAPTER CHALLENGE

- July 1st** - 1 Thessalonians 1
- July 8th** - 1 Thessalonians 2
- July 15th** - 1 Thessalonians 3
- July 22nd** - 1 Thessalonians 4
- July 29th** - 1 Thessalonians 5

Terrific! Wonderful! Thundering!



Can you believe June has come and gone? We certainly have enjoyed our trips to Ovis Hill Farm, Camp Pee Dee, the South Carolina Aquarium, and just being with our friends. As July approaches, please mark your calendars for the following events and be sure to notify Miss Kelly if your child is going to participate in any of these activities.

Terrific Tuesdays (3K – 5K)

July 3rd – Holiday
July 10th – Swan Lake
July 17th – On Campus
July 24th – End of Summer Party

Wonderful Wednesdays (1st – 3rd)

July 4th – Holiday
July 11th – Pool Party
July 18th – On Campus
July 25th – Aquarium, Charleston, SC

Thundering Thursdays (4th – 6th)

July 5th – Holiday
July 12th – Camp Pee Dee
July 19th – On Campus
July 26th – End of Summer Party

Out of the Office

Kelly Boone, Director of Children's Ministry will be out of the office beginning Friday, July 13th through Monday, July 23rd. serving on the Presbyterian Youth Triennium Design Team. If you need assistance during her absence, please contact Alice Bankson, Children's Ministry Summer Intern or Hope Whaley at 662-2583.

Upcoming July Events

Children's Subcommittee:

Tuesday, July 10th 5:45 Library

Parent's Night Out:

Saturday, July 28th 5:00 – 10:00 p.m.

Combined Sunday School:

9:00 a.m for the entire month

Parent's Night Out

July 28th, 2007

5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Make sure you mark your calendars for July 28th! This is a night planned for **YOU!** All children from infant through 5th grade are welcome. We will have pizza and snacks and your children will enjoy a night of fun as we play games, do crafts, tell stories, watch a movie and much more. The purpose of this event is to give parents a night for themselves! Take advantage of this time and enjoy a change of pace. **Also, all preschool and elementary aged children will need to bring their bathing suits, a towel and an extra pair of clothes.** Please contact Miss Kelly to sign up your children.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this newsletter or any of the Children's Ministry programs, please contact Kelly Boone (662-2583).