

Leaps & Bounds

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READ FOR YOUR LIFE (or at least for the Summer!)

I fondly recall spending many rainy days during my growing up years on my grandparent's ranch lost in my imagination with a book. My Grandmother had been a school teacher and she enjoyed passing on to me her love of knowledge. Because of her, I grew up reading Shakespeare and Homer.

Now I grant you that I am indeed what my wife calls a bookworm. (I suspect that is another word for nerd but can't prove it.) What can I say, "I love to read." Reading is a passion of mine. What do I love to read? My tastes in books range from the predictable for a pastor to my hobbies (fiction, mysteries, and history).

Since summer is a great time to read for fun, I will begin with my less than serious reading and move to my more serious reads in 2007. To whet my sense of humor, I enjoyed P.G. Wodehouse's *Heavy Weather* (1933) an almost silly story of the antics of love and loss among the gentry class of England three generations ago. Like so many, I find Wodehouse funny and completely charming. If a serious Presbyterian is not careful, he will teach you to laugh at yourself.

Next I turned to a classic mystery that I had never read in Josephine Tey's *The Daughter of Time* (1951). Tey gives new interpretation to the dark cloud that has surrounded the English King, Richard III for centuries. Did he or did he not murder his nephews so that he might ascend the English throne?

For Father's Day, my daughter and son-in-law sent me, Gregory McGuire's *Wicked: The Life and Times of the Wicked Witch of the West*. That's right, the sister of the more infamous Wicked Witch of the East of *The Wizard of Oz*. Although the late, John Updike called the book an "amazing novel," the jury is still out since I have only begun to read it. But knowing the literary tastes of the gift giver, I expect it will be great fun.

On a more serious note, I thoroughly enjoyed Thomas Cahill's *How the Irish Saved Civilization* (1995) that Mike Moran shared with me. Then I began to satisfy my itch for yet more about "The War of Northern Aggression" with: Doris Kearns' Pulitzer Prize winning, *Team of Rivals*, which depicts Abraham Lincoln's selection of his rivals for the most unusual presidential cabinet in history. But why stop there with my favorite hobby?! I also devoured Mark Noll's *The Civil War as a Theological Crisis*; Charles Adams' *In the Course of Human Events: Arguing the Case for Southern Secession* (a gift from Karen Grigg); and I am in the midst of James L. Robertson, Jr's *Stonewall Jackson: The Man, The Soldier, The Legend* (Jackson was a Presbyterian Christian and fascinates me.)

Now on to the study of the greatest reformer in history, William Wilberforce, who in God's kind providence was the passionate Christian and member of the English Parliament who spent his life for the abolition of slavery in Great Britain. Eric Metaxas' *Amazing Grace* (named after the movie and hymn by John Newton) makes Wilberforce come alive for the reader.

Dr. Bob

COME, JOIN US!

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the fall Faith Builders Classes which will meet in room C of the Fellowship Hall divided class rooms (It is the room that is farthest away from the Fellowship Hall entry doors. We meet at 10:00 AM and try to adjourn by 10:45 AM. You can attend our Faith Builders class after worshipping at the 9AM worship service or before you attend the 1100AM service.

We will be continuing our study of ROMANS beginning at chapter Nine. We will use the study guide by John Stott picking up at Stott's Roman's study guide at chapter eleven.

It will not be a problem for you to start your study with us on Sunday, August 19, at 10AM even though you have not been in our class during the spring semester. You will be able to join in the discussions and question and answer sessions by just doing the new weekly readings, Roman's and John Stott study guide.

To enroll just call the office and ask someone to take your telephone request to enroll and to order a John Scott study guide for Romans. The cost is \$8.

Faith Builders is presently a participating study class and not a sit and listen to the lecture. In my experience scripture becomes much clearer and memorable when you join in the live study and action. We welcome all of you to come and see for yourselves.

*Mike Adams and Fred Duda
co-leaders Faith Builders Class*

FALL FESTIVAL

This is one of the most important events at Eastminster. It is a great opportunity to reach out into our community and to raise money for our missions! All the money raised goes to support our missions. We will need many volunteers, but right now we are looking for one special couple (or two special singles) who would like to join our leadership team. We have three wonderful couples now - we need one more. Please prayerfully consider being a part of a wonderful event.



The Church Blood Drive will be held in Fellowship Hall on Thursday, July 12th from 3:30 to 8:30pm. Our contribution to the Red Cross helps meet the blood needs of over 1000 pints each day. We never know where we will be when we have the need for blood products for our family, friends or ourselves. Eastminster's commitment to the Red Cross blood program is an important outreach to our community. Sign up in the Narthex or call Sally Brentzel at 770-971-7765 for an appointment to give blood or to assist with the blood drive. Child care will be provided. A Red Cross T-shirt will be given to each blood donor.

SUPPERS OF EIGHT

The third Saturday is to be set aside by the participants of Suppers of Eight. For those who are not acquainted with this program, it is a wonderful way to meet and get to know other members or visitors. Participants spend one evening in September, October and November with three other couples. Each couple bring one food course to help the host family with the meal! Singles are welcome to sign-up also. Please complete the form below and place in the offering place or call Reta Frew at 770-955-0588. The deadline to sign up is August 12.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

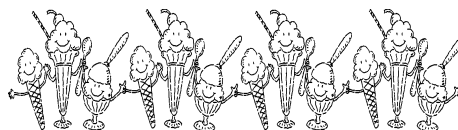
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Please indicate here if you wish to participate only as an alternate (on a periodic basis if a primary participant is not available).

BIRTHDAYS for July

1 Ashley Mordecai
 1 Lucas John
 1 David Pirlot
 2 Martha Buckley
 2 Lisa Tabor
 2 Annette Harlow
 2 Jay Olivier
 2 Natalie Wickstrom
 4 Vicki Wilhelm
 5 Harry Burke
 5 Cammie Sherman
 6 Jane Merry
 6 Jim Moses
 6 Ashlinn Laverty
 7 Jack Clark
 7 Susan Bryg
 8 Debbie Moore
 8 Marlon Will
 8 Diane Jones
 8 Lindsey Johnson
 8 Cameron Scott
 8 Mackenzie Gibbs
 9 Sue Parker
 9 Mary Swann
 9 Jim Bussart
 9 Emily Gilbert
 10 Lena McClendon
 10 Sammy Pocino
 10 Laurie Sepulveda
 13 Tom Brandon
 13 Janet Nickles
 13 Morgan Lakeman
 13 Nicholas Lounsbury
 14 Lessie Smith
 14 Kathy Keeler
 14 Kelley Carswell
 14 Robin Zehner
 14 Jeffrey Toro
 14 Abby Pocino
 15 Julie Bender
 15 Jenifer Pecht
 15 Michael Preus
 15 Gracyn Mordecai
 16 Al Cass
 16 Mary Ann Gardner

17 Emily Bortz
 17 Annette Denherder
 17 Ashleigh Gehman
 18 Beth Nickles
 18 Jill Wood
 19 Jeanne Chesser
 19 Devin Brown
 19 Jennifer Skuhic
 20 Jason Willard
 21 Pamela Kemery
 21 Amanda Pooser
 21 Will Pauquette
 22 Connie Winn
 22 Amber Clarke
 22 Stefanie Ramsey
 22 Adam Burke
 23 Linda Zollweg
 23 Baleigh Hammett
 24 Brad Kennedy
 24 Sam Bradley
 24 Rebecca Chesser
 24 Abby Horton
 25 Barbara Bodenheimer
 25 Bobby Ryder
 26 Tom Thomson
 26 Bryan Harned
 27 Stan Beard
 27 Christi Laverty
 28 Larue Cribb
 28 Cindi Hayes
 28 Marshall Moore
 28 Emma Tolbert
 29 Hariette Majoros
 29 Lynn Hall
 30 Sharon Stilson
 30 Ansley Robinson
 30 Cassandra Scott
 31 Leslie Michael
 31 Lori Sammons



ANNIVERSARIES

1 Eddie & Teri Capparucci
 5 Bob & Emily Gilbert
 6 Stan & Ellen Baird
 6 Tom & Brenda Hewett
 6 Mark & Robin Watson
 7 Russ & Bert Eckerman
 7 Robert & Peggy Ulrich
 8 Paul & Snookie Goldberg
 10 Rick & Fran Abbott
 10 Jay & Megan Mayfield
 10 John & Krissie Robinson
 11 Michael & Teresa Roberts
 11 Andrew & Leigh Sain
 13 Dennis & Beth Yu
 14 Butch Alder & Patti Cosson
 14 Steve & Anne Schatz
 17 John & Ruth Rood
 20 Ron & Annette Harlow
 23 Tom & Beth Nickles
 26 Frank & Jo Byrd
 26 Allen & Janet Warren
 27 Jack & Diane Keegan
 27 Gordon & Connie Scott
 28 Dave & Molly Boyenga
 28 Robert & Jennifer Gettys
 28 James & Jean Slaughter
 29 Gil & Kendra Brindley
 29 Michael & Lisa Rish



MISSING A COOLER?

Contact Jeanette Gowan at 770-578-1398 if you loaned a cooler for the Habitat build on May 12.

GREETERS

July 1

9:00 Alan & Teri Gibson
Bob & Sarah Nielsen

11:00 Andy & Lisa Burke
Jim & Ann Streible

July 8

9:00 Andy & Mary Evelyn Starnes
Brad & Elaine Malone

11:00 Barbara Bodenheimer
Bill & Melinda Freeman

July 15

9:00 Chris & Aimee Jackson
Dan & Theresa Collins

11:00 Billy & Sandra Allen
Chuck & Reta Frew

July 22

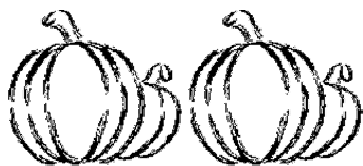
9:00 Tom & Brenda Hewett
Dick & Eleanor Tandy

11:00 Paul & Gloria West
Bob & Jane Douglas

July 29

9:00 Don & Diane Preus
Ed & Betsy McConnell

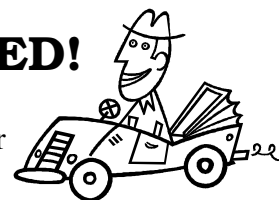
11:00 David & Sally Brentzel
David & Shannon Blakely



FALL FESTIVAL

Sign up sheets are posted in the narthex. Volunteers are needed for all committee chair positions. Many committees do not require a lot of time until September. Sign up now and make this year's Fall Festival a success!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Presbyterian Coalition of Habitat for Humanity allows cars to park in First Presbyterians parking lots during the parade and fireworks on July 4th. We accept donations and this money goes to Habitat. If you are willing to volunteer for a two hour shift, (8am to 8pm) please email Cameron Pauquette at cameron.pauquette@gmail.com.

We also need donations of water and soda that we will be selling. Please leave your donation in the serving room next to the kitchen.

HERE'S A MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU!

Long Range Planning is collecting all congregational surveys and will report to Session with your interest. If you have not turned in your survey, please do ASAP. There are extra survey forms available in the narthex.

SCOUT'S CORNER



Summertime means that 'Scouting Fun' is in full swing! Pack 565 has a proud tradition of earning the Summertime Scouting Award by providing Pack activities during the months of June, July and August. Come and check us out on Monday, June 18th at our Bicycle Rodeo, on Thursday, July 26th for 'Bowling With Pack 565,' and in August for our Rain Gutter Regatta. Dens continue to meet through the summer months to work on rank advancement activities and just to do "fun stuff." Wish our Webelo I and II group good weather as they travel to Burt Adams Scout Reservation for Webelos Encampment June 27-30. Encampment is a four day, three night adventure for Cub Scouts that gives them a taste of Boy Scout camping while earning those coveted activity pins. Your family is always welcome at scouting events! Please feel free to contact us – and consider joining the fun!

Cindy Moran
whmracer99@aol.com

CHRIST'S CARE, THROUGH HIS PEOPLE



As our church grows, with it comes additional care needs for our congregation. The burden of caring for individuals cannot be shouldered by the pastor alone. Instead, the pastor needs the support from the lay people who are a part of a trained caring ministry such as our Stephen Ministry program. It is through this program Lay people can...

- ♦ Discover, cultivate, and use the spiritual gifts they have been blessed with
- ♦ See themselves as active partners in the mission and ministry of the church
- ♦ Find all aspects of their lives enriched by the distinctively Christian caregiving skills they learn and practice
- ♦ Grow spiritually as they experience the Lord's loving presence in the community with other Christian caregivers

This is the time for our church to become a more loving community that is more sensitive and responsive to people's needs for care. We also need to be able to reach out to the unchurched who are hurting and introduce them to the healing love of Jesus in their time of need. Please prayerfully consider joining this special ministry team. Additional information and an application are available in the Stephen Ministry Packet's located in the church office. Our fall training is set to begin August 23, 2007. If you have additional questions, please feel free to call Beth Bullock 770-363-7034 or Emily Gilbert 678-520-1114.

Total Committed	\$1,449,040
May Receipts	39,387
Total Receipts	520,466

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKED



Blood Pressures will be checked by Healthcare Ministry Team members each Sunday between 10-11 am in the office alcove to the left as you enter the Main Entrance. If you have any questions, please call 770-315-5357.

ATTENTION SENIORS



A handyman volunteer is available to help any of our senior members or visitors with minor home repairs. Please contact Barbara Bodenheimer (770-971-3252) or Pat Provan (770-973-2671) to make an appointment with a handyman.



MUST LUNCHES

Volunteers are needed to help make sandwiches and assemble sack lunches the following days:

Tuesday, July 3, 10 AM
 Tuesday, July 10, 1 PM
 Tuesday, July 17, 10 AM
 Tuesday, July 24, 10 AM
 Tuesday, July 31, 10 AM
 Monday, August 6, 10 AM
 Tuesday, August 7, 10 AM

THANK YOU!

To our Eastminster Family:

Thank you so much for your loving care during my recent surgery and recuperation. We sincerely appreciate your calls, cards, emails, visits, and most of all your prayers! Scott and I are so blessed to be a part of Eastminster Presbyterian!

Cordially,
 Pat Briggs

SESSION MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

June 24, 2007

- ◆ Session approved the baptism of Lukas Brian Berwick, son of Carrie and Brian Berwick, grandson of members Denny and Linda Zollweg on June 24, 2007 at the 9:00 service.
- ◆ Andrew Sain reported to the Session on the progress of the multi-purpose building expansion regarding cost and schedule. Currently, the base building cost is running 15% lower than GMP contract price. At this time, the realistic completion date is early 2008.
- ◆ Ken Wood reported to Session on the activity of the Organ Fundraising Team. A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously that the Organ Fundraising Team and the Organ Development Team be combined into the Organ Team with Chuck Frew as it's team leader. This team will report directly to Session.

- ◆ Elder Jason Willard and Celebration Worship leader, Chas Childers reported to the Session on the progress of developing and launching the Celebration Worship services. Session approved a concert on the lawn by the "The Road" (the Celebration musicians) to be held on July 14, 2007 from 10:00 to 1:00. The concert will be open to the community, with food and children's activities available. The Road musicians will also perform at the church-wide picnic on Rev Up For Fall Sunday, August 12, 2007. Mr. Childers continues to work closely with the Building Design Team to assure that the new building is properly built and equipped for the new services.
- ◆ Elder Tom Candler and Long Range Planning Team member Patrick Pooser reported to the Session on the results of the Ministries Opportunities Survey. At this time, only 54 surveys have been returned to the team. All elders were encouraged to ask their team members, as well as members of the congregation at large, to complete and turn in their surveys in order that the team might have a more complete picture of the congregation.
- ◆ Session approved Alan Gibson to preach on July 1, 2007 while Dr. Bullock is out of town attending the PFR Christian Life Conference in Montreat, NC. Session also approved serving communion on the second Sunday of July, rather than the first Sunday, due to Dr. Bullock's absence.

- ◆ Session approved inviting the Rev. Samuel Henderson to preach on Sunday, July 15, 2007 while Dr. Bullock is in Vicksburg, MS participating in Dr. Erskine's installation.
- ◆ Session approved a request from the Fall Festival team to ask groups in church (such as Sunday School classes, small groups, circles) to donate a theme basket for the auction at the Fall Festival.
- ◆ Elders Gibson, Gardner, and Sharp reported on the May 22, 2007 meeting of Cherokee Presbytery.

- ◆ The next Stated Meeting of Cherokee Presbytery will be on August 28, 2007 at the Cherokee Retreat Center. J. Bussart, K. Jacquot, J. McIntire, and R. Sherman will serve as commissioners. M. Gardner, A. Gibson, and K. Jones will serve as alternates.
- ◆ There will be a Called Session Meeting to receive new members on August 5, 2007 at 12:15 in the parlor.
- ◆ There will be a Called Congregational Meeting on July 8, 2007 immediately following the 11:00 worship service for the purpose of hearing a report from the APNC.

- ◆ The next Stated Session Meeting will be held on July 22, 2007 at 12:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Jones, Clerk to Session

July 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 9a Worship 10a Sunday School 11a Worship</p> <p>(CLC — Montreat- - - 2p Celebration Rehearsal (S) 4p Youth Cook-Out at Byrds</p>	<p>2</p> <p>-----)</p> <p>7p B&G (P)</p>	<p>3 7a Prayer Group (P) 10a MUST Lunches</p> <p>7 CE (6) 7:30p Celebration Team (CR)</p>	<p>4 Office Closed</p>	<p>5</p> <p>7p Bunko (H) 9p Men's Sm Gp (P)</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 8a Job Seekers (FH)</p> <p>10a Cursillo (FH)</p>
<p>8 Communion 9a Worship 10a Sunday School 11a Worship 12:05p Cong. Meeting 12:15p Reception for Chas Childers 12:15p Spiritual Treasures (P) 2p Celebration Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p>9</p> <p>VBS 9 - 12:15pm ----</p> <p>7p Fellowship 7p Finance (P) 7:30p Evangelism (CR)</p>	<p>10 7a Prayer Group (P)</p> <p>-----</p> <p>1p MUST Lunches</p> <p>6p A&P (P) 9p Men's Sm Gp (H)</p>	<p>11</p> <p>7:00p Chancel Choir</p>	<p>12</p> <p>3:30 - 8:30p Blood Drive (FH)</p> <p>7p Craftmen's Leadership Team (P)</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 6:30p Men's Sm Gp (P)</p> <p>10-1p Special Porch Celebration Service</p> <p>Couples' Bridge (H)</p>
<p>15 9a Worship 10a Sunday School 11a Worship 2p Celebration Rehearsal (S)</p> <p>6p Youth Field Day</p>	<p>16</p> <p>10a Bridge (H)</p> <p>7p Mom's Fellowship 7p Men's Ministry (FH) 7p Stephen M. (P)</p>	<p>17 7a Prayer Group (P) 10a MUST Lunches</p> <p>6:30p Health Min (P) 7:30p Bridge (H) 7:30p Celeb Tm (6) 9p Men's Sm Gp (H)</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 8a Job Seekers (FH)</p> <p>Kayaking/Canoeing Trip</p>
<p>22 9a Worship 10a Sunday School 11a Worship 12:30p Session (FH) 2p Celebration Rehearsal (S)</p> <p>5p Vespers at Presbyterian Village</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 7a Prayer Group (P)</p> <p>10a MUST Lunches</p> <p>7:30p Mission (P) 9p Men's Sm Gp (H)</p>	<p>25</p> <p>6p Youth trip to Panda Express & Dairy Queen</p> <p>7:00p Chancel Choir</p>	<p>26</p> <p>7p Sisters in Prayer (P)</p>	<p>27 Youth to Joe's Cabin</p>	<p>28 6:30a Men's Sm Gp (P)</p> <p>-----</p>
<p>29 9a Worship 10a Sunday School 10a New Member Class 11a Worship</p> <p>2p Celebration Rehearsal (S) 5p Vespers at Presbyterian Village Youth-----</p>	<p>30</p> <p>7p Stephen Min. (P)</p>	<p>31 7a Prayer Group (P)</p> <p>10a MUST Lunches</p> <p>7:30p Celeb Team (P) 9p Men's Sm Gp (H)</p>				<p>FH - Fellowship Hall CR - Choir Room P - Parlor</p>



CALLING ALL EASTMINSTER FAMILIES!!

Come help us celebrate *Where the Road Begins* at Eastminster! On Saturday July 14th, bring your whole family to Eastminster's "front porch" for a preview of the praise band from our new contemporary service, **The Road**. Pack your lawn chair and pull up a front row seat as you eat a delicious lunch of burgers and 'dogs. Your kids will be busy as well with face-painting, inflatables, ICE CREAM, and songs from our own VBSers. There's something for everyone!



Have you been wondering what our new contemporary service will be like - well, here's your chance to get a sneak peak at the great things to come at Eastminster! So, join us Saturday July 14th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm for awesome music, delicious food, tasty ice cream and fun for all the kids. It's open to the whole community so feel free to bring friends and neighbors! Weather permitting.

