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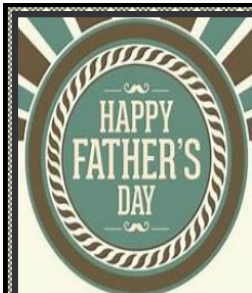
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Blessed is the one
who trusts in the
Lord. Jer. 17:7

THE VISITOR

June
2024



It's been three years since I lost had a friend to a heart attack. I'll always remember him for his music. He liked to sing and write songs. My favorite was a simple tune, "NEED A BLESSING." It went something like this –

SOMEBODY HERE NEEDS A BLESSING, LORD

We need to laugh and to cry

SOMEBODY HERE NEEDS A BLESSING, LORD

We need to dance and to mourn

SOMEBODY HERE NEEDS A BLESSING, LORD

We need to sing and to pray

SOMEBODY HERE NEEDS A BLESSING, LORD

We need to remember to look up to God

He left us too early. There was still a lot music left in my friend when God called him home. There was so much yet to be finished.

But as I look back on my life, I see so much that was never finished, and that continues today. There is so much that needs to be finished - in me, my family, the church, and in our country. This concerns me sometimes.

BUT we have to work while we can, and trust that God will finish whatever He starts. He has promised as much in the Bible: "I am sure that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ." That's a promise we can find hope in and stand upon. Thanks be to God. *Rodney*



The Chancel Choir will be presenting a sacred program of music for the inmates at the Forsyth County Prison Facility on Sunday evening, June 23, at 5:30 p.m. Please be in prayer for them as they share the beautiful message of God's love and His grace through music.

Board Meeting

Sunday Afternoon

June 2, 2:30 PM

Downstairs Fellowship Hall

June Worship Schedule

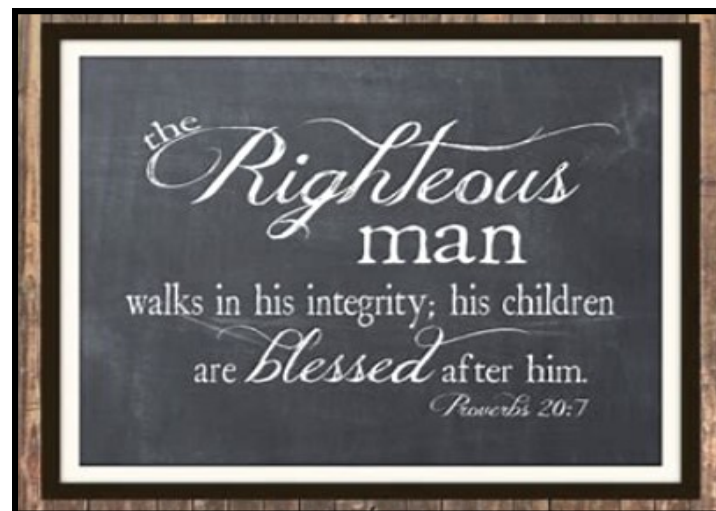
June 2 **Rev. Rodney Stilwell**

June 9 **Rev. Tejado Hanchell**

June 16 **Rev. Jeff Carter**

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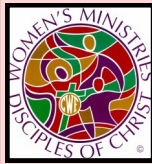


Happy Father's Day!

COME WORSHIP WITH US!

... and see the wonderful things happening at

Pfafftown Christian Church



CWF NEWS

Tuesday, May 14th the CWF ladies met at Sherwood Grill to discuss fall activities and had a delicious meal together.

Looking forward:

- September 10 - Dinner meeting at Betty Kiger's office to raise funds for Senior Services Meals on Wheels.
- September 20/21 - Chicken Pie Workshop with setup on Thursday September 19.
- October 20 - Crop Walk for Hunger
- November 9 - Fall Bazaar.



CMF NEWS

The Christian Men's Fellowship Breakfast will be held on **Tuesday, June 18, at 9:00 am at Mama Zoe's** located at 2859 Reynolda Road, Winston-Salem. All men come out and join us as we enjoy a meal and some great fellowship together. A sign up sheet is located in the Narthex or you may call Tim Shoaf at 336-692-5214.



JUNE Worship Leaders

ELDERS: Tony Bryant, Leader
Ken Davis, Back-up

COMMUNION STEWARDS
Tim & Beverly Brown



There will be **NO** Taste and See during the months of JUNE and JULY. We hope that everyone will enjoy your summer and we look forward to delving back into God's word with you over lunch beginning in August!



A BIG Thank you to Tim Brown for recently pressure washing the brick pavers in the Columbarium.

Thank you to **Kitty and Cliff Hunt** for organizing our Spring PCC Yard Sale. Thank you to everyone that donated, purchased and helped to make the PCC Yard Sale a success once again. PCC profited \$2,700.00 this year! Even though it is a lot of work, it is always a fun event for the entire community!



Congratulations to Ms. Abigail Rose Bryant who received her degree in the Science of Nursing from Garner Webb University on May 3, 2024. Abigail will begin her career with the N.C. Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem. She is the granddaughter of Jack and Lynda Bryant.



Congratulations to Ms. Molly Elizabeth Kolstad who received her Doctorate Degree in Occupational Therapy from Duke University on May 4, 2024. Molly is the granddaughter of Evelyn Nifong.



Summertime Luncheon

Sunday, June 9th
12:00 pm.

Everyone is invited to bring your favorite dish to share as we kick-off the fun times of Summertime 2024! Beverages and paper products will be provided.

Crisis Control Items for June

CONDIMENTS: (BBQ Sauces, Ketchup, Mustard, Mayo, Hot Sauce, Salad Dressings). Please place your donations in the box located near the Narthex.

Notes from Tim

Hymn Story--*For the Beauty of the Earth*

*For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,
Christ our God, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.*

Folliott Sandford Pierpoint was born in Bath, England in 1835. After being educated at Queens College in Cambridge, he taught at Somersetshire College. He contributed hymns to various publications and published at least two song books.

He wrote numerous poems, but *For the Beauty of the Earth* is the only one he is remembered for today. The hymn was originally written as a Eucharistic hymn. The Eucharist is what we refer to as The Lord's Supper or Holy Communion.

The phrase, "Christ our God to thee we raise, This our sacrifice of praise," reflected the idea of sacrifice in the communion service. Those words were later changed to "Lord of all, to thee we raise, This our hymn of grateful praise."

He was twenty-nine when he wrote *For the Beauty of the Earth*. The song was inspired by the beauty of the countryside that surrounded him. Pierpoint wrote praises of God for these blessings and wonders all around him into the lyrics. Take for instance the beauty of the earth and sky, beauty of each hour, and the joy of human love ~ brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild, that he incorporates into the lyrics.

The original poem contained eight stanza's at four lines each. Usually four to six stanza's are published in most current denominational hymnals. The last two stanzas are especially meaningful for expressing our devoted and personal faith:

*For thy church, that evermore
lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore
her pure sacrifice of love;
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.*

*For thyself, best Gift Divine,
to the world so freely given,
for that great, great love of thine,
peace on earth, and joy in heaven:
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.*

May God's wondrous blessings be with each of you this day and always. *Tim*



Church Family: Beverly Brown, Sarah Ingram, Jo Poplin, Skip Stanley, Sue Terry, Betty Tilley, Julie Tilley, Mary Timmons

Others:

- Ken Barker: Friend of Rodney & Beth Stilwell
- Mike Booth: Friend of Pam Backi
- Rita Bennett: friend of PCC
- Jerrie Connelly: Sister-in-law of Betty Barker
- Glenda Disher: Mother of Traci Canter
- Bill Flynt: Cousin of Robert Flynt
- Isaiah Johnson: Great-Grandson of Helen Johnson
- Cayden Kingsbury: Grandson of Rodney & Beth Stilwell

- Sue Miles: Friend of Jo Stanley
- Pamela Reynolds: Friend of Traci Canter
- Scott Richmond: Friend of Betty Barker
- Jan Ritchie: Sister of Jo Stanley
- John Shoaf: Cousin of Tim Shoaf
- Wes Snuffer: Son of Ed Snuffer
- Scott Stanley: Son of Skip & Jo Stanley
- Heather Stokes: Niece of Jill Robertson
- Joy Stokes: Sister of Jill Robertson
- Mike Stokes: Friend of Pam Backi
- Shay Whitehead: Daughter of Steve and Betty Clodfelter

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NIV



We are in need of volunteers to serve as Elders, Deacons and on the Church Board for 2024-2025. Please be in prayer of how God may lead you to serve in these very vital areas of our church. A sign up sheet will be located in Narthex. Thank you in advance for always being willing to be God's servant.