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| OUTREACH DONATION ITEM FOR MAY — Macaroni & Cheese | | 1 <i>Hope du Jour</i> | 2 4:30 Children's Handbell Choir 6:00 Supper | 3 5:00 Build Tomato Cages for Garden | 4 Estimates of Giving Due <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">YARD SALE 8-2:00</div> | 5 |
| 6 Congregational Meeting after worship | 7 6:00 Jr. Girl Scouts Pastor on vacation (May 7-13) | 8 Primary Election 7:00 Elders | 9 4:30 Children's Handbell Choir | 10 7:00 NIN | 11 | 12 7-3:00 CMF Workday 12:00 Eagle Ceremony |
| 13 Mother's Day Children's Handbell Choir plays | 14 Pastor back in office | 15 6:00 CWF | 16 4:30 Children's Handbell Choir 6:00 Supper 7:15 Choir Rehearsal | 17 | 18 Newsletter deadline | 19 |
| 20 12:00 Fellowship | 21 11:30 Goodtimers 6:00 Jr. Girl Scouts | 22 7:00 Council | 23 4:30 Children's Handbell Choir 7:00 Choir Rehearsal | 24 | 25 | 26 5:00 Millsaps Celebration |
| 27 Pentecost 4:00 Memorial Day Lawn Party | 28 Memorial Day (Office Closed) | 29 10:30 Newsletter Crew | 30 7:00 Choir Rehearsal | 31 | | |

BIRTHDAYS

- 02 Nikki Mock
- 02 David Lane
- 03 Anne Safrit
- 04 Bill Kibler
- 04 Kim Luper
- 09 Shirley Hauser
- 10 Edith Sprinkle
- 11 Jill Robertson
- 14 Mary Ferguson
- 14 Matthew Edwards
- 15 Samantha Goliat
- 17 Cory Luper
- 19 Barry Smitherman
- 19 Christine Faircloth
- 20 George Myers
- 21 Mary Groff
- 21 Mary Catherine Middleton
- 22 Sue Conrad
- 23 McKenzie Bryant
- 23 Megan Downing
- 25 Pat Millsaps
- 26 Janet Hauser
- 27 Bill Millsaps
- 30 Tom Steed
- 30 Ted Mossor
- 31 Chip Lanier

ANNIVERSARIES

- 03 Al & Kim Luper
- 11 Mike & Wendy Lee
- 14 Gerald & Ann Fletcher
- 19 Gene Trippe & Susan Smith
- 27 Barry & Caroline Smitherman
- 28 Reginald & Judy Yarbrough
- 31 Bob & Beth Faircloth



May Visitor

2012



PENTECOST SUNDAY

Sunday, May 27, we will celebrate Pentecost, the day the Spirit of God came upon the first disciples and the Church was born!

The account of this miraculous birth is in the second chapter of the book of Acts. It is a dramatic story, a story of wind and fire and the gift of understanding. The disciples finally understood their mission in the world, and those who were witnesses to the event understood the Good News of God in their own native language. We are a Church, a People, born of the wind and fire of God. The image of wind says that we are the people of God in action, moving things around a bit. Wind by definition cannot be still. Still air is not wind! And the fire (red flame) of Pentecost says that the Church has the power, heat and light of God! The Church of Jesus Christ is empowered by the Holy Spirit to be God's agents, God's witnesses in the world. The Church is to be an energetic, dynamic, and vibrant community of faith. It is the Body of Christ in and for the world!



So, please take a moment in the coming weeks to read the second chapter of Acts and come to worship on Sunday, May 27, to celebrate a birthday in grand style as the windy, fiery people of God, and since Red is the liturgical color symbolic of Pentecost and represents the flame of the living Christ in our hearts, wear something "red" on Pentecost Sunday to represent the Holy Spirit among us!

Grace and peace to you!

—TIM

SUMMER PLANS ANNOUNCED

Worship committee announces summer hours for Sunday worship services.

During the months of June, July, & August, our Sunday worship services will begin at 10:30 rather than 11:00. This will enable more families to participate and continue their Sunday with family activities. Be sure to mark your calendar as a reminder of our new summer schedule. Don't forget that this is an excellent opportunity to invite a friend or neighbor to share in worship here at PCC!

Wednesday night suppers continue through the summer!

Susie Lanier has informed us that she and her "Wednesday Night Ladies" will continue to provide these twice-a-month fellowship opportunities through the summer months. Our fare will be light and refreshing, as is appropriate for the summer's warmth. As weather permits, some of our suppers will be held at the picnic shelter, and we may join in games and other fun from time to time. Susie says that we should bring our cards and board games when we have indoor suppers, because we want these events to be filled with fun.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Susie and her crew for this extension of our important ministry of fellowship. This is yet another opportunity to invite a friend or neighbor to join us here at PCC!

Your input is requested.

If you have thoughts or ideas about these or other possible summer plans and activities, please let us know. Our congregation's leaders want to know what you think, so please share your ideas with them. Your help may lead us to even more ways to extend our ministry.



Memorial Day Lawn Party



Come and join your church family and friends from the community on Sunday afternoon, May 27, as we commemorate Memorial Day!

Beginning at 4:00 p.m. we will enjoy patriotic games and activities for all ages! A picnic supper will include hot dogs and hamburgers hot off the grill with all the trimmings! Homemade ice cream and desserts will be served as we sit under the trees and enjoy a patriotic musical program, "The Spirit of America," on the outdoor stage as a tribute to those men and women who so bravely gave their lives and paid the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms and privileges we have as proud Americans.

Please mark your calendars now and invite your friends and neighbors to come and enjoy this spectacular community-wide event as we commemorate Memorial Day! This is Pfafftown Christian Church's gift to our community!

GOODTIMERS TO MEET

The May meeting of the **Goodtimers** will be on Monday, **May 21**, (*note: date change*) at 11:30 a.m. in the Upper Fellowship Hall. We will enjoy a salad bar and specialty sandwich lunch followed by a PBS Special Documentary of "*Hallowed Grounds*." This 45-minute video presentation visits 22 of America's overseas military cemeteries in eight different countries.

Each of these places is a national treasure, with fascinating stories to tell. The program weaves elements of a historical documentary with beautiful, color contemporary scenes of the cemeteries, and powerful stories about the men and women who are buried in them.

Please invite your friends and neighbors to join us on Monday, **May 21**, for this special program as we remember those who fought in battle for our freedom, and as we prepare for our country's Memorial Day remembrance. If you have questions, please call Tim Shoaf or Steve Clodfelter.



Announcing! Vacation Bible School August 5 - 8, 2012 5:30-8:00 p.m.



It is incredible to believe that Vacation Bible School is just around the corner. We want to announce the dates for VBS now, so that families can plan their summer vacations and activities around this very special opportunity for our children!

This year's theme will be "**Operation Overboard!**" And guess what! You will definitely not want to miss this great adventure! We will "dive in" to discover God's underwater universe! Kids will journey miles below the water's surface into God's Word to find what true faith is all about.

More information will follow in the June Newsletter and we will be seeking teachers and volunteers to make this a truly spiritual learning experience for our children.

If you have questions, please contact Frankie Denton or Tim Shoaf for more details, or if you would like to volunteer to teach or assist!

CHRISTMOUNT ADULT RETREATS

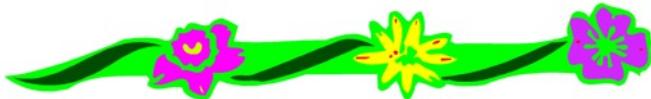
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| Week of Wonder Adult Work Camp | May 27-June 1 |
| Discovery Weekend Women's Retreat | June 1-3 |
| Creating A Culture of Generosity In Your Congregation Clergy Event | June 5-7 |
| Music Workshop | June 14-17 |
| Ministry 101 | August 16-18 |

CHRISTMOUNT CAMPS

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| Camp Sunshine | June 4-8 |
| Middle Schools Girls Camp | June 11-16 |
| Mountain Camp | June 11-16 July 2-7 |
| Work Camp for Youth | July 23-28 |

For more information, see the brochures on the bulletin board or contact the church office. Online registration is available or the church office can supply you with downloaded forms.

The CWF will meet on May 15. Watch the bulletins for more details!



Thanks for Your Service!

I would like to take this opportunity to express appreciation to the fifteen volunteers from our church who came out and participated in the Great American Clean-up at Muddy Creek Greenway on Saturday morning, April 21. What a beautiful morning and great time of fellowship we shared! It truly is very rewarding to participate in such a worthwhile project as we do our part in being good stewards of God's creation!

For those of our congregation that have never visited the Muddy Creek Greenway, you should take advantage of this 2.9 mile paved walkway for a relaxing stroll, cycling, jogging, or walking your pets.... it is a beautiful and scenic greenway!

Thanks again, to all who participated in this special event!

—Tim



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TO THE CHURCH FAMILY

Our church family is invited to celebrate Bill and Pat Millsaps' birthdays (75 & 74) in the Upper Fellowship Hall on Sat., May 26, 2012, from 5-7 p.m.

A light buffet will be available, plus birthday cake, ice cream, and...banana pudding? (Bill's request!). Please RSVP ASAP. (924-6269)

See you at the party—no gifts, please!

—Bill & Pat

Dear Church Family,

I thank each of you for your prayers! I pray that God will bless each of you. I thank God for the mighty work He has done in healing me and destroying the cancer that was found during a routine test on my birthday.

Praise His holy Name and mighty power!

—Dinah Myers

THE FAMILY OF

MARY HELEN BOONE

IS GRATEFUL TO GOD

FOR HER LIFE,

FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP

AND FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND PRAYERS.

Dear Pfafftown Christian Church,

I thank each and every one of you for all your cards, food, and messages filled with loving thoughts and prayers during Mom's hospitalization and passing. They were rays of sunshine and gave our family strength and comfort.

Your friendship and love have been overwhelming.

What a wonderful "church family" you are!

Warmest regards,

David Boone

8 April 2012

Dear Pfafftown Christian Church:

Thank you so much for letting us hold our Lochurst Annual Neighborhood meeting in your classroom. Have a great Easter celebration!

Sincerely,

Patty Petersen



Christian Men's Fellowship and Church Workday!

ALL men of the church please join us for our Christian Men's Fellowship

Breakfast and Church Workday on Saturday, May 12, at 7:30 a.m. in the Lower Fellowship Hall. Following devotions, we will begin at 8:15 a.m. with our church workday. Please bring some "yard tools" as we spruce up our church grounds and take care of a few other projects. Ladies of the church are also invited to join us! Let us always glorify God by continuing to maintain our church property and grounds as we would our own homes.

Please mark your calendars and join us on May 12!
Thanks, Tim

The Outreach item for the month
of May is Macaroni & Cheese.

Give from your pantry;
Give from your heart



JUST A REMINDER!

If there is anyone who needs transportation to any of our church services and events please contact the Church Office or Donna Emmary, Membership Committee chair. We have several folks in the church who are willing to assist with transportation for our members in need of this service and thank them for volunteering. If others would be willing to help, please let us know.

—The Membership Committee



Church Library News

FEATURED BOOK FOR MAY:

The Way —Walking in the footsteps of Jesus by Adam Hamilton

SYNOPSIS: Travel with Adam Hamilton as he retraces the life and ministry of Jesus: his baptism, his temptations, the *Sermon on the Mount*,

the parables he taught, the people whom he loved, the enemies he made, and the healing he brought. This is a *must read* book that you will find inspirational and filled with insights into our faith journey as Christian disciples.



Children's Handbell Choir To Play in Church

On Mother's Day, Sunday May 13, our newly formed Children's Handbell Choir will be playing during the morning worship service. We've had a

great turn-out for this musical opportunity for our children and are so very excited to have them share their talents with us in worship on Mother's Day! We have been very busy learning music notation, theory, and handchime/handbell techniques!

A special word of thanks to Nancey Cost for assisting me in rehearsals and all the parents for providing snacks for us each week. If you know of any other children who would like to participate, please call me at 692-5214. Rehearsals are each Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 p.m.

Please make plans to join us for worship on Mother's Day and support our children!

Thanks, *Tim*

HOPE du Jour

This year marks the 22nd anniversary of Crisis Control Ministry's (CCM) *Hope du Jour*. This event, a Forsyth County tradition, encourages friends and family to dine out together at local restaurants to bring attention to hunger in our community. Well over 100 restaurants donate 10% of their proceeds from Tuesday, May 1 to CCM so that we can meet the essential life needs of people in crisis in our community.

Your PCC newsletter should be arriving in your home just in time to remind you to get to your favorite sponsoring restaurant on May 1 and enjoy a meal out while helping others!



Coming Summer Event

KIDS AHOY!

Experience God's love and the beauty of our world in this great summer activity for our children! This will be

the third year of our "Kids Ahoy!" program. Past trips have included the Homeland Dairy and Farm Tour in Julian, NC; the Natural Science Center in Greensboro; Whippoorwill Academy and Village in Ferguson, NC; and the Emerald Hollow Mine in Hiddentite, NC.

This year, we have two great outings planned for June and July! For the many of you that have participated in this program for the last two years, you know just how much FUN we have! So kids, be on the "lookout" in the mail and in the June Newsletter for all the details of this year's activities. Plan to be a part of this great summer event, and invite your friends to join us! If you have questions about our "Kids Ahoy!" program please contact Tim @ 692-5214.



Children's Corner

We have a special day coming very, very soon. It's Mother's Day! We are so thankful for the many things our mothers do for us. Be sure to tell them how much you love and appreciate them and how special they are to you.

Below you will find a list of words to use in the fill-in-the-blanks below.

MOTHER HONOR HUGS 1914
UNITED STATES WOODROW WILSON
GRAFTON WEST VIRGINIA RESPECT

Deuteronomy 5:16 says to honor your father and

_____.

The best gift ever to give your mother is to show

her _____.

Honor is showing _____ to your mother inside and outside your home.

The country that started Mother's Day was the

_____ in the

town of _____ in the state of _____

_____.

The President who established the holiday was

_____.

The year _____ began the celebration.

Something that your mother would love for you to do on Mother's Day is to give her lots and lots of

_____.

A HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL OUR MOTHERS!

Children: we look forward to seeing you in Sunday School each Sunday so you can learn more about God.

WE ♥ MOMS!



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& MOVING TOWARD
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Rev Bob Parvin,
Pastor

Rev Tim Shoaf,
Minister of Music & Director of Programs

Debbie W Parvin,
Secretary



Quotes about Mothers

*"MOTHER" is the name for God in the lips
and hearts of little children. —William
Makepeace Thackeray*

*All that I am or ever hope to be, I owe to
my angel Mother. — Abraham Lincoln*

*God could not be everywhere and there-
fore He made mothers. —Jewish Proverb*

*A mother is a person who, seeing there
are only four pieces of pie for five peo-
ple, promptly announces she never did
care for pie. —Tenneva Jordan*

*A mother is someone who can take the
place of all others but whose place no one
else can take. —Unknown*

Attendance at Worship

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| 03-25-12 | 61 |
| 04-01-12 | 88 |
| 04-08-12 | 106 |
| 04-15-12 | 59 |
| 04-22-12 | 65 |

***Invite a friend to Church...
And watch us grow!***



**HOLD IN YOUR
PRAYERS**

Church Family

Doris Spaugh, Dinah Myers, Jake Nifong,
George & Ruth Myers

Others

Randy Tilley (son of Betty Tilley; recuperating at home),
Raye Feltner-Kapornyai (Disciple Minister having surgery this
week), Caleb Morgan, Oscar Emmary, Wade Tuttle, Cassie
Mackie (Mary Timmon's sister), Jane Browder (friend of Jack &
Lynda Bryant), Carolyn Bennett, Bill Showers (brother of Dan),
Carol Wood (friend of Wayne & Debra Smitherman), Iris
Westmoreland (sister of Vallie Cline), Bob Hurst (Kay Range's
uncle), Barbara Hester (Jill Robertson's aunt), Jonathan
Schaffer, Joy Beck (Jo Stanley's mother), Mary Ellen Cutter (Art
Boulware's sister), Sandra (friend of Frankie Denton), Drew
Morgan

Loved Ones in the Military

PRAN Joshua Hughes/Norfolk, VA
Sgt. Edmund E. Davis/Alaska
1LT Hope Tucci/Iraq
Samantha Goliat/High Point, NC
Pvt. Victor Sechrist/Afghanistan

Servers For MAY

ELDERS: Frank Range, Ruth Saalweachter

DEACONS: Jack Bryant, Lorrie Bennett,
Donna Emmary, Kay Range

COMMUNION: Scott & Jill Robertson

OPENING & CLOSING: Chip Lanier

NURSERY

06 Kim Luper
13 Mary Groff
20 Lorrie Bennett
27 Rita Moore