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### From the Pastor...

Dear Friends,

It is hard, sitting here in Charlotte with the rain and wind of last weekend almost forgotten, to imagine the disruption, devastation and heartache that is still taking place not many miles away from here. But those scenes from eastern North Carolina are real, and I know that many of us have close family and dear friends who have faced and will continue to face the worst of Hurricane Florence - in some cases the flood waters are only now reaching their peak.

As God's family in this world, we constantly confront problems that we cannot explain. Although it makes no sense in worldly terms, our response has been the same throughout the years: prayers to God for protection, and practical help to those who are suffering, whether in a hospital room, in a homeless shelter or in the flood plane of a hurricane. These actions, seemingly so meager, have been proven time and time again to have been transformed by God's grace into real and lasting hope that makes all the difference to a hurting world.

There are countless ways for us to reach a helping hand to the victims of Hurricane Florence. But as Presbyterians we can take great satisfaction in knowing that our own Presbyterian Disaster Assistance organization has a national reputation for doing excellent work. Our crews have years of experience, and they arrive immediately, often working with local congregations to identify needs quickly and thoroughly. And PDA also has a reputation for wise use of volunteers so that the largest portion of the gifts they receive goes directly to aiding the victims. Our own Presbytery of Charlotte has a long history of partnering with PDA to provide volunteers and support.

As you will see in this week's newsletter, the Session has authorized a special offering for next Sunday, September 30, to support the work of PDA. Let us all prayerfully consider how we can help, so that the work of spreading God's love continues once again.

Blessings, Elliott



### Session Update

The stated meeting of the Session was cancelled in September due to the Tropical Storm conditions on September 16. However the Session did meet briefly on September 23 to handle several items of immediate concern:

- confirmed plans for hosting the Woodland Church homecoming on September 23, and for our own Paw Creek homecoming on October 14
  - heard a report from the Finance Committee - (1) all committees will be meeting in October to consider plans and needs for 2019 and will submit budget requests by the end of the month; (2) beginning October 21 the committee will coordinate stewardship messages to the congregation, leading to Pledge Sunday on November 18
  - heard a report from the Nominating Committee and called a Congregational Meeting for October 7 to elect new elders (see full announcement in this newsletter)
  - elected Donna Hall and Barbara Ullem to serve as commissioners to the Presbytery of Charlotte on October 23
  - heard a report from the Outreach Committee about efforts to assist victims of Hurricane Florence and voted to hold a special offering for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance on September 30
- Other business was deferred to the next stated meeting on October 21 at 12:45

### Offerings & Attendance



#### Offerings:

September 16 - \$574.00  
September 23 - \$7,857.59

#### S/S Attendance:

September 16 - 0  
September 23 - 56

#### Worship Attendance:

September 16 - 0  
September 23 - 109

\*9-16-18 - Hurricane

## Prayer Concerns & Celebrations

### Prayer Concerns:

- Kay Searce passed away September 11th. Please continue to keep the Kay Searce family in Prayer.
- Dave Reames passed away Wednesday, September 19th, service was Monday at Paw Creek. Please keep the family in prayer.
- Gilbert Foust, Marlon's brother, passed away Monday, September 17th. Please keep the family in prayer.
- Marlon Foust was in an auto accident Wednesday, Sept. 19th. He is at CMC main but will be moving to rehab.

### Prayer Concerns (cont'd)

- Harriet & Ralph Underwood are both at The Oaks in Huntersville.
- Bobby Tyler & Family will be going back home after evacuating from the hurricane.
- Frank Dale's brother, Earl Dale passed away on September 18th. Please keep the family in prayer.
- Billie Love, Flora Mae's niece, has been diagnosed with breast cancer. She has a consultation with a surgeon on Oct. 8th. Please keep her in prayer.

### Keep in Your Prayers:

- Hoyt & Jean Johnston
- Mary Frances Lail
- Flora Mae Love
- Caregivers



## Service Assignments

### September Count Team:

**Team Leaders:** Danny McClure

**Team:** Eddie Chapman, Beth & Kevin Joy

### October Count Team:

**Team Leaders:** Melissa Mullis

**Team:** Donna Hall, Jon Kenley,  
Amy McGee & Toni Torrence

### September Ushers:

**Team Leaders:** Jon Kenley & Amy McGee

**Team:** TBD

### October Ushers:

**Team Leaders:** Frances Lyerly

**Team:** Missions Class

### September Greeters:

**Narthex:** Jon Kenley & Amy McGee

**East Wing:** Larry Ramsey

**West Wing:** Melissa Mullis

### October Greeters:

**Narthex:** Eddie Chapman & Tim Sudderth

**East Wing:** Beth Joy

**West Wing:** Victoria Krebs

### Prayer Team:

**9/30** Janie Scott & Amy McGee

**10/7** Debbie Taylor & Karen Cathey

### Nursery - Crib Room:

**9/30** Ashley Kenley

**10/7** Leslie Joy

### Nursery - Toddler Room:

**9/30** Jan McClure

**10/7** Leslie Joy

## Visitation Schedule

### Visiting Teams for September/October:

Linda Riggins & Ann Cashion  
Joyce & Leslie Joy  
Virginia & Harold Staton  
Barbara Ullem & Teresa Painter  
Emily Adkins & Angie Ross  
Grady & Karen Cathey  
Judy Smith & Susan Kenley

### Cards

Frances Lyerly & Jane McArver  
Judy Smith & Susan Kenley

### Special Friends to be Visited:

Rennie Auten & Mary Frances Lail  
Richard Rumble  
Flora Mae Love  
Anne Smith  
Allen Wingate (& Laura)  
Jean Johnston  
Mike Johnson

Bryce & Anne Moore, Bob & Marie Love  
Bertha Ellis, Ralph & Harriet Underwood,  
Stella Whitlock



## Happy Birthday to Those Celebrating in October!



**October 1**

Luke Gaskins

**October 5**

Darryl Stogner  
Barbara Lowrance  
Carolyn Summerlin

**October 10**

Laura Gross  
Susan Kenley  
Barbara Rumble

**October 14**

Allen Wingate

**October 16**

Kaylee Meier

**October 17**

Christian Muller

**October 18**

Hannah-Ashland McCord  
Karen Turner

**October 19**

Eddie Todd

**October 24**

Jill Shannon

**October 25**

Joseph Burns

**October 26**

Amelia Krebs  
Clint Shaw

**October 27**

Jan Chapman

**October 28**

Andrew Whitlock

**October 29**

Alexis Tyler

**October 31**

Susan Guthrie

Worship Recognition of October Birthdays will be on October 14th.

If we don't have your birthday listed, please let us know. You may call the office at 704-392-0329 or email your information to [office@pawcreekpc.org](mailto:office@pawcreekpc.org). Thank you! ~Kim



### Paw Creek Presbyterian Homecoming

Paw Creek is celebrating 209 years!

**SAVE THE DATE**

Homecoming Celebration will be **Sunday, October 14th** after Worship in the CFC. This will be a Potluck Lunch, so please bring your favorite dishes and/or desserts to share with everyone. Drinks will be provided.



### Homecoming Choir

We are welcoming all current and former Paw Creek Chancel Choir members to return to sing with us for Homecoming on October 14th. If interested please contact Sherry Blevins at [Sherrybsings@aol.com](mailto:Sherrybsings@aol.com) or at 704-576-1649



### Legacy Award

Jerry Smith will receive the Legacy Award from the Presbytery of Charlotte Thursday, **September 27** at Cooks Memorial Church. If you would like to attend the presentation beginning approximately 12:30 pm, please contact Amy McGee.

We will also honor Jerry during worship next Sunday, **September 30**.



Thank you all so much for the cards, visits, phone calls and especially your prayers during my recent knee surgery and recovery.

My Paw Creek family has always been and will continue to be extra special to me. Much love to you all!!

Joyce Joy



***Combined Sunday School / Fellowship Breakfast***

**September 30th** - 5th Sunday - Sunday School  
 Adult combined Sunday School class  
 Come to the CFC 9:00-9:45am for Breakfast  
 Followed by:

Combined Adult Sunday School Class in the CFC 9:45-10:45am  
 Bring your book - Life You've Always Wanted by John Ortberg  
 Joy Tyler will be presenting Chapter 12:  
*Life with a Well-ordered Heart: Developing Your own "Rule of Life"*



***Hurricane Relief***

On Sunday, **September 30**, there will be a special collection for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance to support the continuing effort to assist victims of Hurricane Florence.



***Congregational Meeting***

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, **October 7** after worship to hear the report of the 2018 Nominating Committee and elect elders to serve on the Session for the class of 2021. The Committee will place the following names in nomination: Grady Cathy, Dickie Chapman, Eddie McArver and Debbie Taylor. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor; if you wish to bring a nomination, please speak to your nominee before the meeting and ask if he or she is willing to serve.



***Collection of Relief Supplies***

The Men of the Church at Cooks Memorial Presbyterian have a trailer in the church parking lot to receive donations of cleaning supplies and bottled water for hurricane relief. The trailer will be available until it is filled and then will be driven to Eastern North Carolina.



### Operation Christmas Child

We will be doing shoeboxes again this year, so start planning. The actual shoeboxes and instructions will be coming soon. Our collection dates will be October 14 - November 18.

We will also be volunteering at the distribution center if anyone is interested in going. Date and time will be determined later.



### Samaritan's Purse / Operation Christmas Child Jobs

It's that time of the year again!! **Samaritan's Purse - Operation Christmas Child** has seasonal, paid employment opportunities available. While there are many Associates that will be returning this year, they have need for over 700 people and there *are* many jobs available for warehouse workers, certified forklift operators, team coaches, data entry keyers and mail processing staff on both first and second shifts. The processing season (when the Associates would actually be working) begins mid-November and runs through mid-December. These positions are temporary, full-time opportunities, Monday through Saturday, and require a solid commitment for the duration of the project.

Applications are currently being accepted and they will begin setting up interviews at the end of September. Instructions for applying on line are located in the church office. You can also check out their website at <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/our-ministry/processing-center-seasonal-employment/>



### Bible Study

#### Bible Study

Schedule for Bible Study  
(Wed. 10am & Thur. 5:30pm)

September 26/27	Numbers 11 (selected verses)
October 3/4	Mark 10: 17-31
October 10/11	Matthew 7: 24-27
October 17/18	Mark 10: 35-45
October 24/25	Mark 10: 46-52
Oct. 31/Nov. 1	Revelation 21: 1-6
November 7/8	Mark 12: 38-44
November 14/15	I Samuel 2: 1-10
November 21/22	Thanksgiving Break



### AED Training

**October 13th** from 10am-1pm

There are still 5-6 spaces available. If you are interested in taking this training, please see Eddie Chapman or Jon Kenley.

### Woodland Presbyterian Church

Saturday, **October 6** at Woodland. Paw Creek invited to field teams in the Annual "Ole' School vs. New School" Kick Ball Tournament.

Events throughout the day. Kids' games in the morning, Grown Ups in the afternoon. More details soon.

Saturday, **November 10**. Woodland 150th Anniversary Banquet in the CFC at Paw Creek.

Paw Creek invited - ticket information available later in the fall.



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*Seek* ..... Matthew 6:33  
*Serve* ..... 1 Samuel 12:24  
*Praise* ..... Psalm 111:1  
*Love Christ!* ..... 1 John 4:12

*Lord, we thank you for...*

**Have a Prayer Request?** To put someone on our prayer chain, obtain permission from the person or family involved, then call:  
 Judy Smith (704) 392-2892  
 -or-  
 Amy McGee (704) 578-3908

**Know someone Who Needs a Visit?**  
 Please contact the Church Office or Rev. Hipp (704) 392-0329



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**  
 "MISPLACED JEALOUSY"  
 NUMBERS 11

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7**  
 "IT'S POSSIBLE - WITH GOD"  
 MARK 10: 17-31

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14**  
 "BUILT TO LAST"  
 MATTHEW 7: 24-27

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21**  
 "LET'S THINK BEFORE WE ASK"  
 MARK 10: 35-45

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28**  
 "HOW DO THE BLIND SEE?"  
 MARK 10: 46-52

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4 (ALL SAINTS)**  
 "LIFE IN THE CITY"  
 REVELATION 21: 1-6

**Church Calendar**

**Each Week...**

- Sunday**  
 9:45am Sunday School  
 11:00am Worship Service
- Monday - Thursday**  
 9:00am - 3:00pm Church Office Hours
- Monday—Friday**  
 11:30am Senior Lunch Program
- Monday**  
 5:30pm Monday Study Group  
 7:00pm Girl Scouts
- Tuesday**  
 6:30am Men's Bible Study  
 9:00am Cardio Fitness  
 5:30pm Book Club @ Heirloom  
 7:00pm Boy Scouts
- Wednesday**  
 10:00am Adult Bible Study  
 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
 6:00pm Youth & Children  
 7:00pm Cub Scouts
- Thursday**  
 9:00am Cardio Fitness  
 5:30pm Adult Bible Study  
 6:30pm Chancel Choir Practice

**Future Happenings...**

- Wednesday, September 26**  
 10:00am Adult Bible Study  
 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
 6:00pm Youth & Children  
 \*Newsletter
- Thursday, September 27**  
 5:30pm Adult Bible Study
- Sunday, September 30**  
 9:00am Fellowship Breakfast - CFC
- Monday, October 1**  
 5:30pm Monday Study Group
- Tuesday, October 2**  
 5:30pm Book Club @ Heirloom
- Wednesday, October 3**  
 10:00am Adult Bible Study  
 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
 6:00pm Youth & Children
- Thursday, October 4**  
 5:30pm Adult Bible Study
- Sunday, October 7**  
 11:00am Lord's Supper / 10¢ Hunger

- Monday, October 8**  
 12:00pm Newsletter Deadline  
 5:30pm Monday Study Group
- Tuesday, October 9**  
 5:30pm Book Club @ Heirloom
- Wednesday, October 10**  
 10:00am Adult Bible Study  
 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
 6:00pm Youth & Children  
 \*Newsletter
- Thursday, October 11**  
 5:30pm Adult Bible Study
- Monday, October 15**  
 5:30pm Monday Study Group
- Tuesday, October 16**  
 5:30pm Book Club @ Heirloom
- Wednesday, October 17**  
 10:00am Adult Bible Study  
 12:00pm Bulletin Deadline  
 6:00pm Youth & Children
- Thursday, October 18**  
 5:30pm Adult Bible Study