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NEWS FROM THE HUB AND THE HILL



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WORKING, WORSHIPING, AND PLAYING



Jubilee Circle

Presbyterian Women will meet on Thursday, September 21 in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 11 a.m. Mark this on your calendar and join us for conversation and study!



THE MEN'S FELLOWSHIP will begin its monthly steak dinners on Tuesday, September 12. Plan to come for a

deliciously grilled steak, a baked potato, a salad, rolls, dessert, a beverage, and great fellowship - all for only \$12. Speak with Louis Becker for details and to reserve your spot.

COMMUNITY HYMN-SING!
 The next community hymn-sing will be on Sunday, September 17 starting at 6:00 p.m. Our hosts will be the gracious people at Mt.

Zion AME church located at 502 McDonald Street (where we attended one of our Lenten Lunches). Plan to bring a snack to share and warm up those vocal cords.



THE CHOIR will resume gracing the worship services at the Crestview

church on Sunday, September 17. There is plenty of room for more voices to be added. Won't you consider coming to rehearsals at 7:00 Wednesday evenings to rehearse and have a laughing good time?



SUMMER MUSIC... Our thanks go to Tim Crawford, George

Ankelein, and Ron Medlock for providing musical offerings during the summer months while the choir was on vacation! Well done, gentlemen!

SPECIAL DATES

- Labor Day September 4
- National Grandparents Day September 10
- Men's Dinner September 12
- Hymn Sing September 17
- Session September 18
- Jubilee Circle

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MARK'S MUSINGS

Dear Friends,

As I write this article, several things are going on. First, Celia and I are trying to get things wrapped up before fulfilling one of our bucket-list items - a pilgrimage to a Presbyterian "Mecca" - Scotland. We will be joining a handful of other Presbyterian pastors and spouses on a tour of the Presbyterian "homeland" and follow in the footsteps of one the major players in Presbyterianism - John Knox.

The second thing is, expressing my sincere thanks to the 12 wonderful folks that provided breakfast to the Crestview Police Department on August 30th.

From the Laurel Hill Church we had Tracy Curenton, Bertie Ann Curenton, Pat Shew, April Tucker, Brian Hughes, and Leon Curenton (not pictured).

From the Crestview Church we had James Ward, Jean West,



Cynthia Hall, Celia Broadhead, Jo-An Williams and Pat McCreary - who was hiding when the group picture was taken. (I was running around looking busy, but mostly staying out of the way.)



Getting to the Police Department at 5:00 a.m. to mix waffle batter, cook sausages, microwave pancakes and brew coffee left most of us tired but feeling fulfilled. There was a bit of confusion as the four waffle irons and 2 microwaves kept cutting off. Apparently, all the outlets in the small kitchen we used are on the same circuit. Ooops! Who knew? Not us.

Following the breakfast the Police Department had its meeting, and Chief Tony Taylor expressed his deep appreciation for the kind gesture and meal provided. The officers expressed their extreme gratitude for the delicious meal and the amount of care and concern expressed to them.

Many hands make light work. And I am thankful for each hand that helped prepare and serve that meal

Sursum Corda,
Mark

PRAYER WARRIORS

After tragedies, natural disasters and terrorism, people now commonly turn to social media to request prayers. Although it can feel "jarring" to see "so many references to the divine in spaces normally reserved for vacation photos," writes journalist Eleanor Barkhorn, it's a modern-day version of the New Testament's reminders to pray constantly and in all circumstances.

Over the years, churches have encouraged members to pray through letters, phone chains, prayer breakfasts and prayer groups. "With that context in mind," Barkhorn writes, "Facebook shouldn't cheapen prayer any more than the Postal Service or the telephone does."

Russell Moore of the Southern Baptist Convention says, "Asking for prayer via Twitter or Facebook is no different than calling someone and saying, 'We should really pray for this.' ... Social media can be a tremendous force for good in alerting people to things they can be praying about right away."

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SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES are back in full swing at the Crestview Church. Did you know there are 3 Adult Classes from which to choose?

The Wired Word - a biblically-based look at events in the news. A class taught by *David Myers* which takes an in-depth look at the scriptures, parsing language, history, and meaning from God's word. *Ron Ballard's* class which has discussions designed to help you live the scriptures in every-day life.

Laurel Hill Sunday School meets at 10:00 at the home of McDonald Campbell. Thank you Tracy for your wonderful teaching skills!



BIBLE STUDY is held every Thursday at the Crestview

church starting at 6:30 p.m. This is led by David Myers, whose level of teaching rivals that of many seminary professors.



Combined Worship with our two churches will take place on

Sunday, October 15, 2017. The Laurel Hill Congregation will join the Crestview congregation for worship at 11:00, followed by a potluck lunch. Bring a favorite food item to share.



- 2 Todd Tucker
 - 3 George "Woot" Campbell
 - 6 Johnie Courtney
 - 11 Pam Baggett
 - 13 Avis Powell
 - 17 Tammy Matthews
 - 20 Mary Brown
 - 22 Shelia Russell
 - 23 Beach Campbell
 - 23 Louis Becker
 - 24 Amanda Graham
 - 24 Tim Crawford
- 17 Larry & Tammie Matthews (Anniversary)
 - 19 Ray & Catherine Spears (Anniversary)



Many waters cannot quench love, neither can floods drown it. — Song of Solomon 8:7

Hurricane Harvey may have been downgraded, but the torrential rains are still pounding parts of Texas and Louisiana. Historic flooding has forced rivers and streams from their banks and submerged homes, churches, businesses and roads, stranding thousands of people. We are relying on the generosity of Presbyterians to provide financial and hands-on support to help the whole church stand with these communities and the Presbyterian family as it responds to its neighbors.

The needs for the response are great. God's people are once again called on to stand in the "GAP" — Give. Act. Pray.

GIVE: Please give generously to support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance's emergency response and long-term recovery work in the areas affected by Hurricane Harvey. Designate gifts to DR000169-Harvey.

ACT: Put together Gift of the Heart kits for survivors in the affected areas — hygiene kits and cleanup buckets are especially needed. For more information, go to pda.pcusa.org/page/kits/.

Contact the PDA Call Center to be notified of volunteer opportunities.
Call (866) 732-6121 or email pda.callcenter@pcusa.org.

Vacation Bible School



A great time we had at this year's VBS! The theme was "Glow in the Dark" and did the children Glow for Jesus! There was lot's of singing, dancing, crafts, and Bible stories. The kids had a great time and we even had Pastor Mark teach an adult Bible Class. There were 27 children and 14 adults. Thanks to all that helped make this a big success. Looking forward to next year!



SEPTEMBER



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 Soup Kitchen 11:00 am (FH)	2
3 Welcome Rev Joan Wooten Welcome John Hencinski	4 Labor Day Church Office Closed 	5	6 Choir 7pm	7	8 Soup Kitchen 11:00 am (FH)	9
10 Guest Pastor Joan Wooten Ron Medlock (SOLO) Pot Luck (FH) Bring a Covered dish	11	12 Men's Dinner 6:30 pm (FH)	13 Choir 7pm	14 Bible Study (FH) 6:30 pm	15 Soup Kitchen 11:00 am (FH)	16 Yard Sale 6:30 am until 10:30 am Church Parking Lot
17 Hymn Sing (Mt. Zion AME Church) 6pm Choir starts back	18 Session (CV) 6:30 p.m.	19	20 Choir 7pm	21 Jubilee Circle 11:00 am (FH) Bible Study (FH) 6:30 pm	22 Soup Kitchen 11:00 am (FH) Fall Begins	23
24 2 Cents A-Meal 	25	26	27 Choir 7pm	28 Bible Study (FH) 6:30 pm	29 Soup Kitchen 11:00 am (FH)	30

Happy Grandparents
Day!!
September 10

LITURGISTS...

LAUREL HILL

3 Janice Crose
10 Anne Campbell
17 Robb Chedister
24 Celia Broadhead

CRESTVIEW

Shelia Russell
James Gaylord
Richard Russell
Jeff Clack

CRESTVIEW HEAD USHER
Randy Becker



Choir resumes
September 17