

The Hawk

The Newsletter of Kitty Hawk United Methodist Church
“Does the hawk spread his wings and take flight by your wisdom ?” Job 39:26

May, 2010

From our Pastor:

The late George Burns once said that life begins at 80. Art Linkletter said life begins at 40. A lot of kids think life begins when they get out of the house, and some parents may agree! I also heard someone say that life begins when the last kid leaves home and the dog dies Hmmmm. Maybe I'd better check his dog's food bowl from time to time!

But this is graduation time for many of our young people, including our first child to graduate college! Our daughter, Nikki, will be wearing the cap and gown at Appalachian State in a few weeks, and we couldn't be more proud. So, is it a dumb question to ask if there is life after graduation? Yes, it is dumb, because the answer is obviously “YES”. There's life after graduation, after 30, and praise the Lord, even life after 57! Graduation, like all of life's major transitions, has a bit of pain in it - pain of separation and loss. At one of the high school graduation services we attended, we heard the class president say, “Do you guys realize this is the last time ever that we will all be together?” The sound of several hundred graduating seniors gasping at the same time spoke volumes. Yes, it is a bit like being reborn when you graduate. And that means there is some sense of loss.

But the question is, “To what are they graduating?” Not to the “real world” - they've been in that for some time. They have already coped with things like divorced parents, bomb threats, jobs, failures, disappointments, and even death. If that's not the real world, I don't know what is. They may not be paying their full way yet, but money is not the only criteria for living in the “real world”. To all graduates, I would only remind them that God still calls people - calls them to do all kinds of things. I would ask them to listen to those ideas God is tapping out on their shoulders and their hearts. And if there's one specific direction you feel God is leading, let me quote Rev. Tex Sample's rather crude analogy. “Sometimes God's call is a lot like the feeling you get when you are just about to throw up. You know you can put it off for awhile ... but, sooner or later”

So, maybe my advice to graduates would be to trust your stomach. Listen to those thoughts that bring you a sense of joy and fulfillment, and begin to follow them. I believe you may just find God going along in front of you, leading the way into His “real world”!

See you in church!
Curtis

From the Program Director's Desk!

United Methodist Summer Camps.

Are you still trying to think of meaningful and worthwhile activities for your child this summer? Part of the growing up process for our children means spending time away from home. Summer camp is still an outstanding choice with special opportunities and experiences, which can help them along their individual paths to adulthood.

Did you know that there are wonderful camping opportunities for your child right in the state of North Carolina? The NC United Methodist Camp & Retreat Ministries offers three different resident camping locations across the eastern half of the state. These camps offer children opportunities to learn about themselves, their relationship with each other and most importantly, their growing relationship with God.

Chestnut Ridge is 362 acres of gently rolling hills just west of Chapel Hill. Rockfish Retreat Center nestles on 486 acres in the Sandhills region of North Carolina, and borders Lake Upchurch. Camp Don Lee is located on the north shore of the Neuse River near Oriental, NC. Each camp offers different programs including horseback riding, sailing, group sports, marine science, whitewater rafting, farm life, ecology and outdoor living, and so many more! Look for the Camping Ministries table currently set up in the Sunday school lobby. You can pick up specific information on any of the three camps. If you need more contact information or have questions, call Connie in her office at 261-2062.

Confirmation

Vacation Bible School **Get Ready for Blast-Off!!!**

We hope your child can be a part of our "Galactic Blast" VBS this summer. Your child will not want to miss out on this cosmic adventure that praises God! "Take Off" will occur July 19 - 23, from 9:30am to 12:00noon each day. To ensure that we are able to provide materials, snacks, decorations, and supplies, there will be a \$10 fee per child, not to exceed \$20 per family. Children who have completed 3-year old preschool through 5th grade will have a blast, learning about God's love through wonderful crafts, songs, stories, and experiments. Look for registration forms soon in the Sunday school lobby and in next month's newsletter. Please remember that we can only accommodate 100 children and will accept church members first. Also, please indicate on your form if you can volunteer, or call Connie in her office 261-2062, if you can be a part of this incredible week with our children!

M&M's and Tweens

Thanks to everyone who helped make our Noah's Ark Program in April a great event for our children. Over forty children were able to learn more about the great story of Noah's Ark. The children were even able to experience live animals; petting and grooming the ponies, and taking llama rides and pony cart rides in the church parking lot! Check out our "God Made a Promise" bulletin board in the Sunday school lobby with each child's handprint and pictures of all the fun!

Our next meeting will take place on May 23 at 4:00pm. Although it will be hard to top our Noah's Ark event, special plans are already underway! Hope to see all children ages K-5th grade!

Youth News

Sunday, **June 6**, is **Youth Sunday**. Our Youth will lead both services with readings, music and serving Holy Communion. We will celebrate with all of our Youth and our graduating seniors and their families at a Senior Recognition Luncheon in the Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 worship service. The luncheon will be a potluck with specific items requested. More information will follow.

Youth Looking Ahead:

Jun 20-25 Madison County Mission Trip

Jun 28-Jul 2 Impact the Outer Banks.

Jul 10-17 Appalachian Trail Hike (10th-12th Grades).

Pentecost Sunday is May 23. It is also the day our Confirmation Class will proclaim their faith and formally join our church. The classes guide our children to a better understanding of our lives as Christians. We ask our church family to please attend worship services on this very special Sunday to welcome the Confirmation Class of 2010 as full members.

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith, and in purity."

I Timothy 4:12

MAY CHILDREN'S CHURCH

8:30

11:00

May 2	Karyl Rhodes	Michelle Mull
May 9	Loui Beacham	Sandy Beach
May 16	Amy Sullivan	Laura Piland
May 23	Amy Berge	Lorena Godley
May 30	Nancy Sugg	Tamilea North

J^oY CLUB

On May 4, the Joy Club will be preparing the dinner for Ruthie's Kitchen. A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the Sunday school lobby. Come and enjoy a fun evening of fellowship with our community. If you are not in the Joy Club but would like to help, feel free to sign up.

Board Meeting Reminders

The Board of Trustees, May 4, 6:30pm

Administrative Board, May 6, 7:00pm

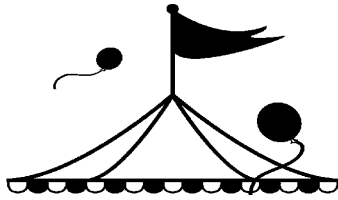
United Methodist Men

The next monthly dinner meeting of UMM will be held Tuesday, May 18, 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Men are cordially invited to attend on the 3rd Tuesday of each month for a fine meal, devotion, and speaker. We encourage all men of the church to join us for men's fellowship and to learn more about UMM.

Missions

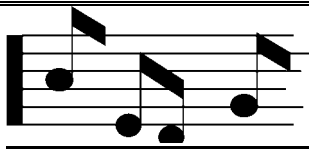
Children's Clothing Closet

Our clothing ministry is in need of **Summer** clothing in the following sizes for boys and girls: 4T, 5T, 7/8, 10/12. We currently have no shorts for boys or girls. We respectfully ask that the clothing be laundered, with working zippers, and any missing buttons replaced. We would like to thank all of those who donate their gently used children's clothing. Hundreds of children in our community benefit from this vital ministry. Because of space constraints, we cannot accept toys, bedding, shoes, or odds and ends.



Another Circus Tent Reunion!!

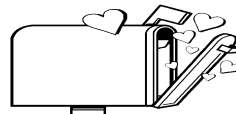
Mark your calendars for June 18 and 19 for free performances of bands and soloists including the New Hermeneutics in yet another "Reunion" event scheduled for the Promenade in Kitty Hawk. A free puppet show will take to the stage to welcome kids of all ages. The public is invited and the gates open at 4pm for food and family fun with performances from 5-8pm. This is an excellent outreach opportunity for everyone to come out and help as a volunteer. Contact Faye Western at 261-5210 or Doris Uhde at 480-3387 to give a few hours in exchange for a wonderful Christian experience. Proceeds will benefit the Interfaith Community Outreach. Check out www.kittyhawkumc.org for Circus Tent News and Updates and watch for more information in the June newsletter.



MUSIC TO OUR EARS

May 23

On Sunday, May 23, at 4:00pm, our church will host a concert by Pastor Curtis Campbell, accompanied by Jason Evans. The hour-long concert is free, sponsored by the East Coast Concert Series, and will be held in the Sanctuary. Jason Evans is the church musician at the Outer Banks Presbyterian Church. A broad mix of musical styles will be presented, from classical to contemporary, from sacred to secular. Please join your church family and members of the community for this special event.



From the Mailbox:

We would like to thank everyone for their prayers, words of comfort, cards, and food during our time of loss of Mama Frances Hard. God Bless all of you. With Love, Marie and Bobby Mason and Family.

A heartfelt "thank you" to all the members of the Bereavement/Funeral Committee for their willingness to prepare and deliver a meal on short notice. Your eager helpfulness to assist in the preparation, setup, and clean-up of the receptions has been overwhelming. Several other people have contributed to this ministry with their time and service. This committee couldn't function without your support. Thank you for your care and support. Love of Christ, Doris Kimble, Bereavement Coordinator

With the Conference cutting back funding for the Wesley Foundations over the last several years, we are so appreciative of the offering given by Kitty Hawk UMC after the Third Day Concert. Half will go in our general budget, some being earmarked for our kitchen renovation, and the remainder toward our Mission Trip to Haiti. Please tell your dear folks how much the offering will mean to us. We were all made to feel so welcome and it was a great weekend. Thanks so very much.

*In Christ,
Scott Wilkinson, The Wesley Foundation*



An Invitation from the ICO

Our church congregation has been invited to participate in the 3rd Annual OUTBACK Steakhouse Golf Classic tournament, held at the Golf Links in Nags Head on Wednesday, June 10 at 1:30pm (rain date is June 17). All proceeds benefit the Interfaith Community Outreach who last year helped 1,075 families with emergency outreach services that totalled \$185,000 for shelter, utilities, food, transportation, medical, and many other multiple needs. This Golf Tournament is the ICO's Signature fund-raiser. All levels receive prizes, reception, dinner provided by Outback Steakhouse, and a free pass to play at the Nags Head Golf Links. Contact Ginger at the ICO office (480-0070), or Margaret Wells at 261-9468 for fee information.



Upcoming Women's Bible Study

LOOKING AHEAD:

May 4	Joy Club Staffs Ruthie's Kitchen.
May 4	Board of Trustees Meeting (6:30pm, Open Door Room).
May 6	Administrative Board (7:00pm, Seekers Room).
May 9	Mother's Day.
May 13	Food for Thought (Manteo).
May 15	Wedding in Sanctuary.
May 18	United Methodist Men Dinner Meeting (6:30, FH).
May 21	Last Day of Preschool.
May 23	Pentecost and Confirmation Sunday.
May 23	Concert by Curtis w/East Carolina Concert Society Here.
May 25	Dare Devils Banquet (6-9pm, Fellowship Hall).
May 26	Food for Thought (Manteo).
Jun 1	Board of Trustees Meeting (6:30pm, Open Door Room).
Jun 3	Council on Ministries Meeting (7pm, Seekers Room).
Jun 6	Youth Sunday, Senior Recognition & Youth/Parent Luncheon
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Jun 10-12	Annual Conference in Greenville.
Jun 18-19	Circus Tent Reunion (5:00pm-8:00pm, The Promenade).
Jun 20	Father's Day.
Jun 20-25	Youth Madison County Mission Trip.
Jun 23	New Women's Bible Study.
Jun 28	KHUMC Staffs OBX Food Pantry (through July 2).
Jun 28	Youth Impact OBX (through July 2).
Jul 6	Faith and Family Night at Dare Devils Game.
Jul 10-17	Youth Appalachian Trail Hike.
Jul 16	Rehearsal Dinner in Fellowship Hall.
Jul 17	Wedding in Sanctuary.
Jul 19-23	Vacation Bible School

Another study for our women will begin on June 23, 9:00am, in the Seeker's Room. Mark your calendars, and please join us on that day for discussions, fellowship and a light breakfast. This study, "The Purpose Driven Life" is a 6 week lesson. For more information and to sign-up, please contact Sheila Williams at 261-8512, or by email to sheilaowilliams@yahoo.com.

Mission Adventures for Grades 3-5

There is a new summer mission opportunity for older elementary school children to experience serving others in our community, our country, and our world. Children will sing songs from around the world, participate in ministry projects and create items to be shared with children and families locally, and in the greater world community. This program will be offered for a couple of hours, one day a week, for 5 weeks. More information will come in the June newsletter. Please contact Angel Doebler if you or your child would like to participate.

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Our Mission: To Know Christ and To Make Him Known

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