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“Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.”
2 Corinthians 3:17

SESSION MINI-MINUTES

Submitted by Jan Mervone, Clerk

I am still into the philosophy of Ben Franklin so...” **guests, like fish, begin to smell after 3 days.**” Now this does not apply to any guest you would ask to attend church! Pastor Peter is concerned that the average attendance in the last 3 months has gone down from earlier this year. So talk over your back yard fence and invite friends and neighbors into our lovely sanctuary, full (but not as full as we would like), of warm, caring people.

“Either write something worth reading or do something worth writing.” So here’s hoping I can do the former because in these minis you will see that we are doing the latter.

In order to follow the dictates of our church policy, there will be a called Congregational Meeting on July 17, 2022 after church to elect 3 members at large to the nominating committee for 2022.

Here are two people who always do something worth writing about. Dana Baker; flower arranger, baker, and Betty Gilliland; transported of friends, idea generator, were presented with the Senior Presbyterian Award on June 26 after their “this is your life” was read.

It is worth writing about that the Emergency cards have been updated. The black and white box with updated cards will be kept in the office next to the computer. Hopefully we never have an emergency and need to use them but we have been known to look for someone to call when we haven’t seen someone in a while.

We here at Greenwood Presbyterian care about the safety of the children who use our playground. We have been told by Maintaining that an upgrade is needed. So Finance will be checking with the Johnson County Foundation, United Way, and city of Greenwood for ideas of what to do with our “in need of a tune-up” playground.

It is worth writing that our sound system has been successfully repaired and upgraded. Mr. Charlie Richardson spent days climbing a ladder, crawling around in the attic, and installing new equipment. The poor guy was covered with years of dirt and grime each time he made a trip to the attic. It is also worth mentioning that Lauren was instrumental in getting Charlie here and helping figure out what was needed.

And for your “looking pleasure” it should be noted that several new banners have been ordered for “ordinary time”, to hang in the sanctuary.

I think it is worth reading that a number of church people passed out water at the Freedom Festival June 25, pulling wagons along the parade route; that an outdoor movie is coming to our parking lot on Wednesday, July 27; that \$1285 was collected for the Pentecost offering with \$514 going to Westminster and \$771 to the National Church; and that Outreach is increasing the church's monthly contribution to St. Thomas Clinic to \$75.

It is worth writing that our plumber will be working on tracking down the water leak in the lines between the upstairs and downstairs bathrooms because the Members of Maintaining do such a wonderful job taking care of our building.

It is also worth writing that we have people who care enough to suggest changes to fill in the gaps of our present system. These people have suggested that the current Outreach department will be named Mission and Outreach; Nurture will be divided into Nurture and Member Care and Maintaining will remain the same.

And speaking of doing something worth writing about... We will be ordering more Church history books as the ones we originally ordered have been distributed. This book which Linda Talley meticulously compiled over many hours was a labor of love. And also worth mentioning is the memorial bricks project Deacons is proposing. More later.

Always in our hearts are those who have passed through our lives. Two of these people, Allan and Martha Fish, will be remembered at a memorial service July 30 at 11:00am at our church, with lunch following.

I hope all that I wrote was worth reading because all noted here did something worth writing about. That's all for the moment from ye ole (no that is not supposed to be old) clerk.

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

Submitted by Judy Lovejoy

Life After Grace traces the tests, tribulations, and victories of believers in both the Old and New Testaments after their experience of God's saving grace. The book is a series of Biblical snapshots of themes we all face along the way—forgiveness, deception, care of creation, suffering, call, discord, and hope. Each snapshot seeks to offer some insights into both the believer and the Bible, pointing to ways we can all grow in grace.

Class will meet on six Monday evenings during July and August over Zoom. Zoom is an easy to use program readily available to anyone who has email – on a phone, tablet, or computer. It allows participants to see each other and to talk freely. It's like sitting around a table. If you have never used Zoom, we will provide individualized instruction on how to access it.

Class will start July 11 beginning at 7 p.m. and be limited to one hour each week. To register sign up on the bulletin board outside the office or send an email to Judy Lovejoy at judithlovejoy64@gmail.com.

SCHOOL KITS FOR CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

Submitted by Judy Lovejoy

Starting a new school year is exciting, but for children who don't have school supplies, it can also be terrifying. That's when Church World Service School Kits come in. During July and August, we will be collecting school supplies to fill 50 kits to be distributed to kids in the U.S. and around the world who are recovering from natural and manmade disasters—hurricanes, tsunamis, war, famine, etc.

Each kit includes the following items:

- ❖ One pair of blunt scissors (rounded tip only)
- ❖ Three 70-count bound notebooks or notebooks totaling 200-210 pages (No loose-leaf or filler paper.)
- ❖ One 30 cm/ 12" ruler (Must have both inches and centimeters)
- ❖ One hand-held pencil sharpener
- ❖ One large eraser (No pencil cap erasers)
- ❖ Six new, unsharpened pencils with erasers
- ❖ One box of 24 crayons

All items must be exact. Because of customs regulations, each kit must be identical.

The Happy Stitchers are making 50 tote bags to hold the supplies. We will have a "packing party" after church on August 28 to assemble the kits. Mark your calendar now so you can join in on the fun.

P.W. NEWS

Submitted by Bev Fandt

Reminder: The Rummage and Bake Sale is **August 19th and 20th**. We will begin taking merchandise the latter part of July. Baked goods come in the Thursday before the sale. Check out the awesome bulletin board with more information!

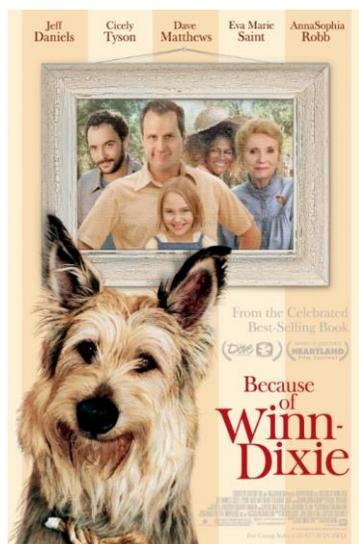
CHURCH HISTORY BOOK

Session recently approved additional copies of the History of Greenwood Presbyterian Church be printed. This thorough history of GPC, compiled and written by Linda Talley, is available for \$25 each. As a reminder, each family at GPC receives one copy at no-cost, so if you are new to the congregation, be sure to request your copy. We are so excited that this book has been so popular that we have the need to print more! People from our community have shown interest and Linda has acquired several pre-orders! So exciting!



MOVIE NIGHT

Submitted by Lauren Underwood



Be sure to mark your calendars for our upcoming movie night, July 27th! We have a great company called Fun Flicks, coming in to set up an outdoor screen in the parking lot. We will be showing *Because of Winn-Dixie* (see information below). We will also be serving popcorn and ice-pops to stay cool! Water will also be available. The movie will be advertised to the whole neighborhood and we hope to see a good turnout for the end of summer event! Be sure to tell your friends, bring a lawn chair and enjoy the evening under the stars. The movie will start at approximately 9:15pm (after sunset).

Movie information: Abandoned by her mother years ago, Opal (Anna Sophia Robb), a 10-year-old girl, moves with her preacher father (Jeff Daniels) to a small town in Florida. Lonely and missing her old friends, Opal is ecstatic to find companionship with a rambunctious little dog she names Winn-Dixie, after the store where she found the pup. With Winn-Dixie's help, Opal befriends several colorful townsfolk (Cicely Tyson, Eva Marie Saint, Dave Matthews) and even begins mending her relationship with her father.



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

BOY SCOUT NEWS

*Submitted by Dave Baker
Liaison for BSA Troop #266*

BSA Troop #266 Troop Meetings are
Thursdays from 7:00pm to 8:30 pm
Meeting in the Fellowship Hall



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

- ❖ MEETINGS THIS MONTH: July 14, 21 and 28.
- ❖ 7/2 Saturday at 1pm – Eagle Scout Ceremony in the GPC Sanctuary followed by light refreshments in Fellowship Hall for MICHAEL KELLER. All are invited to attend.
- ❖ 7/3 Sunday through 7/10 Sunday – SUMMER CAMP at Ransburg Scout Reservation. Be at GPC at 8:00am and Leave at 9:00 am sharp!
- ❖ 7/14 Thursday – Fall 2022 Position Elections
- ❖ 7/15 Friday through 7/17 Sunday – Firecrafter Mid-Summer Retreat. Leave GPC on Friday at 5pm and return Sunday around 10am-12pm
- ❖ 7/18 Monday – Adult Committee Meeting at Church in Board Room 7 - 8:00 pm
- ❖ 7/28 Thursday - Path to Eagle for Life Scouts (30 mins) Time 6:30 pm at the Church

CUB SCOUTS #266–NO MEETINGS IN JULY until school starts

BROWNIES / GIRL SCOUTS – NO MEETINGS IN JULY until school starts

Anybody interested in Scouting please contact the Scout Leaders or the Church Office.



T-SHIRTS



T-Shirts have been ordered and should arrive before the end of July! If you have not placed an order, but are still interested, we did order a few extra in various sizes. Once we have the order in-hand we will be able to advise how many extra are available. The cost is \$20 each – please make sure to advise Lauren if you have ordered, but not yet paid and are submitting your payment to the Church so she can cross you off. Thank you to Scott at Sports Plus for helping us out on these!

Recipe of the Month

Submitted by Fran Mitchell



PINEAPPLE TEXAS SHEET CAKE

2 eggs	1 tsp. vanilla
2 C. sugar	20 oz. can crushed pineapple
2 C. flour	in heavy syrup
$\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. salt	$\frac{1}{2}$ C. chopped nuts
2 tsp. soda	

Mix all ingredients well & pour into a greased and floured sheet cake pan. Bake at 350 degrees for about 25 min.

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8 oz. pkg. cream cheese,	2 C. powdered sugar
softened	1 tsp. vanilla
$\frac{1}{2}$ stick margarine/ butter	$\frac{1}{2}$ C. chopped nuts
softened	

Beat well and spread on warm cake. Enjoy

POETRY

Submitted by Fran Mitchell

???ALIENS???

I was wakened up this morning
 by a loud, shrill, piercing shriek.
 I jumped up to the window
 to see what kind of creature
 had landed in my yard.
 I looked from side to side,
 and all over really hard.
 Nothing seemed out of place,
 nothing seemed awry;
 so, why did this creature cry?
 About that time, it came again,
 it set my teeth on edge-
 it came from the street behind me,
 just beyond the hedge.
 It was heavy trash pick-up day-
 the truck had stripped a gear.
 It certainly was an awful sound,
 and foreign to the ear.
 It doesn't take a lot
 to excite and make my day-
 I just love to look for fun,
 and I'll find it any way.

Fran M.

God: "Love one another"
 Us: "Okay but what if they-"
 God:



JUST FOR FUN

Things that make cents
 A woman went to her lawyer and told him, "My neighbor owes me \$500 and he won't pay up. What should I do?" "Do you have any proof he owes you the money?" asked the lawyer. "No," replied the woman. "Okay, then write him a letter asking him for the \$5,000 he owes you," said the lawyer. "But it's only \$500," replied the woman. "Precisely," answered the lawyer. "That's what he will reply, and then you'll have your proof!"



"Never regret anything that made you smile"
 —Mark Twain

A businessman went into the office and found a handyman painting the walls. The handyman was wearing two heavy parkas on a hot summer day. Thinking this was a little strange, the businessman asked him why he was wearing the parkas on such a hot day. The handyman showed him the instructions on the can of paint. They read: **"For best results, put on two coats"**



JULY

- 6 Carol Paquette
Gail Rozkydol
- 7 Ebbie Crawford
- 8 Bev Fiandt
- 13 Kathy Johnson
- 14 Lindsey Zeigler
- 21 Corey Davis
- 24 Gary Vandergriff
- 26 Betty Price
- 28 Birgit Kreck
Barb Malasics

AUGUST

- 9 Vickie Marcus
Travis Nelson
- 10 Joshua Hensley
Kathy Wood
- 11 Karl Kreck
- 13 Chris Talley
- 14 Dannette Morgan
- 16 Jack Judge
- 17 Anna Marcus
- 18 Bob Jewell
- 22 Lynn Laughlin
- 26 Linda Talley
- 28 Xavier Ellis
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