



June 2010



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 *3:00 Tumbling *4:00 Tumbling *5:30 Yoga *6:30 Aerobics *8:00 Alanon & AA	2 *9:00 Women of Praise *6:30 Bible Studies *6:45 Choir Practice	3 2:00 Bridge *5:30 Yoga *6:00 Praise Band Practice *6:30 Aerobics *7:00 Men's Basketball (over 40)	4 6:45 Men's Prayer Breakfast *8:30 Aerobics	5 *10:00 Karate 10:00 Scrapbooking 12:30 Sudoku Quilt
6 *9:00 & 11:00 *10:00 Sunday School	7 *8:30 Aerobics 9:00 VBS *11:30 Men's Bible Study *6:00 Weight Watchers	8 9:00 VBS	9 9:00 VBS	10 9:00 VBS	11 9:00 VBS	12 Spring River Canoe Trip 12:30 Sudoku Quilt
13	14 9:00 Art Camp 9:00 Sports Camp	15 9:00 Art Camp 9:00 Sports Camp	16 9:00 Art Camp 9:00 Sports Camp	17 9:00 Art Camp 2:00 Bridge	18 9:00 Art Camp	19
20	21 9:00 Art Camp	22 9:00 Art Camp	23 9:00 Art Camp	24 9:00 Art Camp	25 Sr High Trip thru July 4 9:00 Art Camp	26
27	28 9:00 Mini-Dribblers Camp	29 9:00 Mini-Dribblers Camp	30 9:00 Mini-Dribblers Camp 7:00 Mosaic Cross	Starred Items are Weekly		

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Pastors' Letter

Dear Friends in Christ:

It is the Monday after Pentecost, the Monday after Commitment Sunday, and the Monday before Memorial Day. It is also the Monday exactly two weeks before our Vacation Bible School begins. Let's take this in order:

Pentecost: The birthday of the church when we celebrate God's special gift to believers—the power of the Love of God given to the Church. Yesterday in Arlington, I focused on three words from Acts 2: the Apostles were gathered together (**Unified**), the Spirit came suddenly (**Surprise**), and the Spirit provided a visible demonstration of the power of God (**Wonder**).

These three words remind us that when we are unified together, when we let go and let God surprise us, we see wonders. This is true in our families, in our friendships, in our neighborhoods and in our churches. Who knows, it might work other places as well!

Yesterday, we experienced a wonder. As of the close of commitment Sunday, we were just a few thousand dollars short of our goal for Building for Eternity. For all intents and purposes we have met our goal of \$2.4 million— and there are many households who will yet pledge.

We began this journey after Easter with a commitment that this would be a time of prayer and

discernment. It has been a time of prayer and discernment, and God has blessed us as we have come closer to Him and to one another. Thanks to each of you.

Each year, the first full week of June, we have our Advent Vacation Bible School. Very few churches invest the time, the energy and the resources we devote to this time each year. **We do so because of our commitment to the children of Advent and of our community.**

One of the ways in which we show this commitment is by having the pastors and staff deeply involved in serving our children and youth for a week. We also have many, many volunteers, and many, many youth giving back as they work with the children each day. It is a real blessing.

If you have not already done so, contact Robin and ask her how you can help. And, if you have not signed up your children, please sign them up as soon as possible. You can do so by calling the church office.


Once again, thanks to each of you who came yesterday and who have given so generously to what God is doing through our Church.

Dave, Chris, Don Cindy

**Striving to
Cause
God Great
Joy!**



VBS 2010
JUNE 7-11 9:00-NOON



Children age 4 (by June 1) through 6th grade (just completed)
VBS registration forms are available in the church & CLC.
Registration Fee \$5 per child due with registration form
Please sign up ASAP in the church lobby or week days in the church office.

Academy for the Arts
Summer Semester 2010
June 12 through August 7
Contact David Shotsberger to Register Today!



Special Thanks.....

The Nursery Department wants to thank Alex Fletcher, who with the help of his brother Duncan and Griffin Washburn, restored our 140 gallon aquarium "back to life." The aquarium hasn't been operational since the power outage during Hurricane Elvis.

Alex rebuilt the aquarium and it is now fully functional with beautiful fish, castles and rocks. Come by the Jonah room in the nursery wing and enjoy the display with us. Great Job Alex!!

God's Advent Book Club

Summer is here..... all interested women are invited to come and enjoy our group as we discuss the book, "**Sisterchicks Do the Hula**" by Robin Jones Gunn.

Date: Thursday, June 17
Time: 10:00 - Noon
Location: Advent Church Library (Cordova Campus)

Call Chyrl McCoy at 386-2774 if you have any questions.

Sr. High
Navajo Mission Trip
(Evening of) June 25- July 4



\$325.00
Grades 9—12

Limited space available, sign up today!

Eagle Rock '10
in the Great Smoky Mountains



July 21-25 Grades 6th—8th
(completed)
\$325.00
Registration deadline June 15th.

More Christian Caregiving!

Healthy churches have healthy lay care programs. Research demonstrates that if a person believes that someone besides their pastor cares about them in their church, they are more likely to stay and to feel good about their church. We think Advent has the best lay care program in Tennessee, but we never want to be content with where we are. We are always striving to improve our ways of caring for each other. Starting in July, members of the Stephen Ministry Team will begin visiting hospitalized members of our church several days a week. The Stephen Ministries assigned to this task have received additional training and are ready to go. This program increases the visitation we can offer! We still have pastors visiting any person desiring a pastoral visitor. Each pastor will be assigned a day or two per week for hospital visits. **We want to know if you have a concern, so we can be there for you!** Please don't assume we know. Call the office to help us stay aware of hospital admissions.

Stephen ministers will wear a badge identifying them as the Advent Visitation Team. They will offer God's love and will be blessed to pray with you before surgery or during an illness. It is an amazing gift to have such a giving, loving church. Now we can thank God for something new— our Hospital Visitation Team!