

“A Stones Throw”

The summer months are fast approaching ! I hope that we all can enjoy the change of pace as an opportunity to “smell the roses” and also to count our many blessings. As I take time to thank God for blessings, here are just a few:

Worship – looking forward to our God and Country service May 22 as we recognize all who have and are serving in the military. Dick Schmidt plans to be here! It is always a joy to come to worship the Lord and to give thanks for so many blessings we might otherwise take for granted. Thanks to our choir for their sharing this past year!

Fellowship—events like our Breakfast Club, Bible Study Banquet, Fathers day cook out and VBS all are such blessings. These times of food, fellowship and laughter are a great gift.

Children and Youth- after a great retreat our KIC will be sharing with us Sunday June 5th V.B.S. is coming very soon- starting Sunday, June 26th. I am so grateful for so much participants. Please pray for the camps this summer as well.

Outreach—with Prison Ministry, Safe Harbor< African Childrens choir, Habitat, Food pantry, Hospice, AA and youth Mission Work-camp, Confirmation Camp,our youth.

It is great to be a Pastor of a church that knows what our mission is.....
We are so Blessed.....to be a Blessing.

In His gracious grip

Pastor Mike

Calendar of events for June:

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| Sunday, June 5 th | Graduates recognized at 10:30 service.
Children share about Retreat – dance and video
Mtg with parents about CAMPS after each service |
| Sunday June 19 th | FATHERS DAY cookout after service picnic – lunch hamburgers and hotdogs
and inflatables – JOIN US |
| Wed. June 22 | Kure Beach Leadership mtg 5:30-6:15 dinner 6:15 and help VBS set up
until 8 |
| Sunday June 26 th | Youth Sunday VBS begins Sunday night! 5:15 dinner 6:00-8:45 program
Who will you invite? How can you help? |
| Camps – Workcamp | Kure Confirmation camp July 14-17 (73 going)
– Leadership camp July 19-21 (23 going)
– Mission/work camp TEAM EFFORT Jacksonville,Fla
July 24-31 (45 going) |

Budget and Attendance Information
For the Month of May 2016

Needed Weekly	\$ 7,296.10
Offering for May (2 weeks)	\$15,790.16
B2B3 Building Fund (2 weeks)	\$ 1,884.54

The Good Samaritan Food Pantry

Food for the month of **June** is canned meats, tuna and crackers, pork -n- beans, dried bean and rice peanut butter, Jelly, soups, vegetables, canned chicken, canned green beans, canned tomatoes, mac and cheese, and Jams. Food stamp recipients cannot buy health items with food stamps so laundry detergent, shampoo and paper products (**especially toilet paper & soap**) are always needed and appreciated.



The Food Pantry is open on:
 Monday 3:00-5:00 PM
 Friday's 1:00-3:00 PM.

Weddings for the 2016 Year

October	8 th	Maggie & David
November	12 th	Alex & Russell

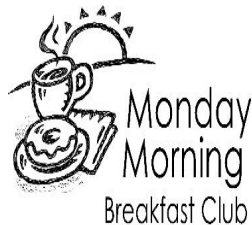
Upcoming Weddings



Breakfast Club Schedule 2016

May 23 No Meeting
 May 30—At Frank & Patti Simmons Home

June 6 out to eat
 July 11 out to eat
 Aug 1 out to eat



Monday @ 9:00 AM

Altar Guild Volunteer 10:30 Service
For the year of 2016

June	Mickey Adair
July	Meredith Priestley
Aug.	Ruth Harkey
Sept	Caroline Farmer
Oct	Hilda Yager
Nov	Shawn Frank & Shannon Pham
Dec	Lisa Cozart



Lay Assistants for 2016

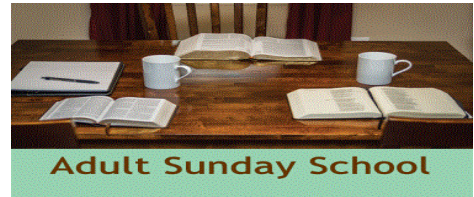
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June	Lori Reed	Faye Stafford
July	Margo Mosley	Patti Simmons
Aug	Connie Killian	Yvonne Osborne
Sept	Donovan Douglas	Jen Tice
Oct	Margo Elder	Paul & Gina Lingle
Nov	David Moser	Scott Frank
Dec	Evelyn Robinette	David Land

Adult Sunday School

Join us for the Adult Sunday School Class on April 24th ---May 29th., Our study will be on the book "Never Thought I See The Day" by author David Jeremiah. Our leaders will be Yvonne Osborne and Connie Killian.



Join us for the
Alexander County Senior Center
Bible Study

8:30-9:30 AM Wednesday(s)

We dig in to the Gospel of Mark With Pastor Mike Stone



Bookclub Schedule

Our next meeting will be Saturday May 21st.
“Above the Waterfall” by Ron Rash will be the book discussed by our leader Barb Beck.

(Ron Rash is a professor at western Carolina University at Culoowhee)

“Above the Waterfall”--- In this poetic and haunting tale set in contemporary Appalachia, Ron Rash illuminates lives shaped by violence and a powerful connection to the end.

Les, a long-time ranger with a harrowing past, finds solace amid the lyrical beauty of this patch of NC.

Becky, a park ranger with a harrowing past, finds solace in this patch of North Carolina.

Enduring the mistakes and tragedies that have indelibly marked them, they are drawn together by a reverence for the natural world. When an irascible elderly local is accused of poisoning a trout stream, Les and Becky are plunged into deep and dangerous waters, forced to navigate currents of disillusionment and betrayal that will force them to question themselves and test their tentative bond and threaten to carry them over the edge.

2016 Ushers

8:00 Ushers

June Evelyn Robinette &
Doloros Bolick

July Steve & Penny Dagenhart

Aug Darrell & Libby Sigmon

Sept Don & Sandy Hefner

Oct

Nov Tim & Cathy Thick

Dec

10:30 Ushers

Hilda Yager &
James & Mickey Adair

Yvonne Osborne,
Meredith Priestley &
Heather Brashears

Brenda Abernathy,
Kathey Sigmon &
Michael Farmer

April Land & Paul & Gina Lingle

We have a few months still availableIf you want to participate/be a usher, please contact Meredith Priestley and let her know what month would work best for you.



Check us out on the web!!!

Our website has been updated and we want to know what you think? Find us at www.mtpisgahelca.org Leave us a message on our Facebook page and tell us your thoughts and ideas. Keep in touch with your church family and friends on Facebook! If you have something to contribute, email to mtpisgahelca@gmail.com

Mt. Pisgah is such a caring community, these are ways we can keep in touch!



* Sunday Sermon on now on web!

Men's Bible Study

Join us as we continue marching our way through the book of Mark on Tuesday(s) 5:30-6:30

We will resume Tuesday(s) April 26th – May 17th . May 24th @ 6:00 is our Bible Study Banquet with the women's group and spouses.



Daisy Girl Scouts --- for young Girls (5-6 years old)

Our Girl Scouts “Daisy” Troop is meeting here at Mt. Pisgah in the old choir room downstairs on Monday(s) 6:30 -7:130 PM. This is open to all girls kindergarten – first grade. Join Us!

Scout leader: Duranda Hedrick

Boy Scout Troop 275 will be meeting here at Mt. Pisgah 6-8:00 PM each Thursday.

**Calling All Confirmands /Youth
For your calendars!**

We have our Mission camp trip to Jacksonville, Florida July 24-31. This is with Team Effort and the cost is \$200.00.

Kure Beach confirmation camp is July 14-17 with leadership 17-19th. Cost for Kure is \$120.00. Please sign up for camps asap.

Mt. Pisgah's Preschool

Mt. Pisgah's preschool will conclude another successful year with a couple of celebrations. On Sunday, May 22, the preschoolers will sing and perform for Mt. Pisgah's congregation. This is always a wonderful program for proud parents, grandparents, and friends. The community is invited to attend.

In addition, the staff is planning graduations for three-year olds on May 26; four-year olds will graduate May 27. This is a special milestone in the children's lives. Parents and friends are invited to attend.

Mt. Pisgah's preschool staff believes the care and instruction children receive in these foundational years set the stage for a successful educational process throughout their entire school years. Thus the teachers are committed to each child's success from the day children first step into preschool. A combination of high expectations and a nurturing environment challenges children to succeed and excel.

Small class size provides an ideal student to teacher ratio which allows staff to give each child the individual attention that is so important during these early years. Our preschool teacher, Linda Bloom, is experienced and knowledgeable about early childhood education. We are blessed to have a certified teacher of Mrs. Bloom's caliber lead this program.

Mt. Pisgah's preschool is accepting applications for the 2016-2017 school year. If you want your child to be a part of this highly regarded preschool program, call Linda at Mt. Pisgah (495-8251) or at

home (256-2503), or drop by the preschool to pick up an application.

Every day is a good day for learning and play at preschool.



**Could you be the voice for a child?
Stand up today to say, "I am for the child."**

More than 1,900 abused and neglected children in North Carolina go to court without someone to advocate just to them.

- Could you be a child's advocate in court?
- Could you speak up for their best interest?
- Could you work side by side with an attorney?
- Could you join 4,800 other volunteers in the state to say "I am for the child?"

if so, becoming a Guardian ad Litem advocate could be a great opportunity for you!

To find out more about GAL, find us at any of the links or call 1-800-982-4041 contact Gina Lingle for more information



Youth

For Your Calendars – And Refrigerator!

Wed's –dinner 5:30-6:15 & Confirmation 6:30-7:30 (we go through May 25th)

Camps- Kure Beach July 14-17th (sign up in hallway)--- please look over list—Thanks
all rising 7th graders-10th this is great part of confirmation
Leadership July 17-19 Sunday – Tuesday

Please look over list if you are on and not going or are not listed please contact Pastor Mike or Leah ASAP---Thanks

Workcamp July 24-31 (sign up in hallway) \$200.00
(42 going) great place
Jacksonville, Florida & Savannah Georgia



***** Check both list! *****

Congratulations to:

- * Lauren Wasmund for getting 2nd place in the Rotarian Idol.
- * Leah Wiley for being chosen for Alexander County Counselor of the year.
- * Janie Pennell for being accepted to attend Bishop School in Region 9 of the Lutheran Church in Florida this June.
- * Lydia Wheeler for being second in her senior class at Alexander Central High School.
- * Emily Mawyer for being selected to attend North Carolina School of Science and Math---Durham, NC. (1403 applicants only 325 accepted)
- * Mt. Pisgah Church family for being recognized as a “Best Practice” Church by the N.C. Synod in area of Evangelism, Stewardship, Outreach, Children's & Youth Ministries.

Sunday, June 5th

Brief parents meeting after each service for camps. Please have \$50.00 deposits in by that Sunday if possible. Thanks!

Our KIC will be sharing with us about their weekend Memorial Day Retreat!

Sunday, June 5th we will recognize our graduates from High School and College at 10:30 service. This is the list we have please verify and let us know if we are missing anyone.

Thank so much!

High School Graduates

Kelly McGhee

Janie Pennell

Summer Childress

Vinny Perdw

Ethan Lingle

Casey Black

Lydia Wheeler

Lauren Wasmund

Madison Cook

Alek Watts

Taylor Cozart

College

Justin Mosley

Hunter Nussbaumer

Graduates of 2016

Congratulations!

Please check to make sure your child's name is listed.

Stewardship

Please get your pledge cards in!

The Apostle Paul shared that logic with the Corinthian Church when he wrote 2 Corinthians 8:9

For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

And in 2 Corinthians 9:8

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything you may share abundantly in every good work.

Reminder

Men's & Women's Bible Study Banquet

Tuesday, May 24th @ 6:00 PM (bring spouses to join with us for a fun afternoon of fellowship)



Summer Sunday School

We have always done something different this summer join us for a fun but inspiring book "Flash" about a donkey that taught a family how to re-live their faith and perspective on life. Then we will look at the book "IF" by Mark Patterson—a great study on life's xxxxxxxx when connected to Christ.

May 2, 2016

Dear Confirmation Parents,

What a joy it is to have your teen(s) in Confirmation. Last week we were so blessed to hear from our 9 confirmands who shared their faith stories with us. A common theme that they shared was that even when they were not always too enthused about some events, like TEC or camp – after they went they were so glad that they did! I hope you will take advantage of each of these great opportunities for your teen to grow in their faith journey.

Here are a few highlights:

Wednesdays – we only go through May 25th – we have dinner 5:30-6:15 and then confirmation – this Wed we watched a video with an interview between Bono and Eugene Peterson – author of the Message. The confirmands were each given a Message bible to read an assigned passage each week. This week was Psalm 23. (Please encourage and even share together out of the Message)

- this Saturday May 7th we have 6:30 dinner at Church then Bo's – bring friend 5\$ and Bibles pick up 11:00
- Sunday June 5th we have brief meetings about camps after services please try to get \$50.00 deposits for workcamp and Kure in by that Sunday.
- Labor Day weekend we have TEC Sept 4-6 I have included apps for all 14 rising 10th graders – PLEASE do not let your teen miss. It is mandatory for Confirmation and a blessing always!
- Parents of all rising 10th graders, since there are 14 of them we need to start calendaring for Confirmation dates in 2017 now. Here are two proposals- Saturday banquet on either March 25 or April 1st and then then the corresponding Sunday Confirmation on either March 26th or April 2nd THX!

Blessings in Him
Pastor Mike

Kid's In Christ - (3 years – 6th grade)

Upcoming Events – Mark your calendars

Wednesday night's KIC – Wednesday nights will be coming end for the summer on May 25th. Please join us these last few Wednesday nights as we work on boxes for Addy's Giving Heart. Meal 5:40 – 6:20 and program from 6:20 – 7:30.

****Mandatory parent meeting for all parents whose children are attending the FAITH Retreat on Wednesday, May 25th at 7:30 in the upper room.**

May 27th – May 29th Memorial Weekend "Faith" Retreat- We will leave from the church at 4:00 on Friday and will return by 5:00 on Sunday. Please see Crystal for more information! (Next year's rising 3rd graders are also invited)

Sunday, June 5th – Memorial weekend retreat video and kids share.



We need volunteers to help set up for VBS! Mark your calendar for the following dates:
Wed. June 22nd Pizza Dinner @ 6:15 then set up for VBS (Youth leaders meeting 5:45 – 6:15)
Thurs. June 23rd Subway Dinner @ 6:15 then set up for VBS.

Summer is just around the corner and you know what that means.... That's right VBS! **VBS will be June 26th – 30th**. The theme for VBS is "Cave Quest, following Jesus the light of the world!" Please be on the lookout for volunteer and registration flyers on the table in the narthex and enclosed in this pisgahzette.



Sunday School!

A special thank you to these teachers for yet another year of volunteering and all your hard work and dedication to our Mt. Pisgah children! Summer Combined Sunday school will begin in June. Preschool through Kindergarten – Kelly Daughtrey, Kathryn Tesh & JoAnna Talley
1st grade – 3rd grade – April Childress and Olivia Daughtrey
4th grade - 6th grade - Fran Cook and Jessica Cook



I, along with all the teachers, am blessed and grateful for all our children who participate in Sunday and Wednesday night activities. Thank you parents/grandparents who bring them! Such a special blessing!

Thank you to all of our children who made Mother's day very special for our mom's with gifts and wonderful singing!!

If you have any questions or need a ride to any of the events, please call text or email me anytime. Jesus loves you and so do I! Crystal (228-1306 or crystal1234cook@gmail.com)

Mt. Pisgah Lutheran Church

Worship Worksheet For June 2016

Date: 6/5/2016 Third Sunday after Pentecost -----Holy Communion-----Green
 meditation - KIC share from retreat Graduates recognized

Entrance	# 779	
Confession	# 94	
Hymn of the Day	#661	
Children's Sermon	Pastor Mike	
Communion	# 778,775	
Closing Hymn	# 774	
Altar Guild	Mickey Adair	Offering Yvonne Osborne
Assisting Minister	Lori Reed	10:30 Faye Stafford
Usher	Evelyn Robinette & Dolors Bolick	10:30 James & Mickey Adair and Hilda Yager
Crucifer & Acolyte	Jacob Davis	

Date: 6/12/2016 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost -----Holy Communion-----Green
 Sermon All are Welcome

Entrance	#853	
Confession	# 94	
Hymn of the Day	#879	
Children Sing	10:30	
Communion	# 641,561	
Closing Hymn	# 881	
Altar Guild	Mickey Adair	Offering Yvonne Osborne
Assisting Minister	Lori Reed	10:30 Faye Stafford
Usher	Evelyn Robinette & Dolors Bolick	10:30 James & Mickey Adair and Hilda Yager
Crucifer & Acolyte	Jacob Davis	

Date: 6/19/2016 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost -----Holy Communion-----Green
 Sermon Dads Happy Father's Day
Lunch after 10:30 service

Entrance	#805	
Confession	# 94	
Children's sermon	Pastor Mike	
Hymn of the Day	#629	
Communion	# 880	
Closing Hymn	#870	
Altar Guild	Mickey Adair	Offering Yvonne Osborne
Assisting Minister	Lori Reed	10:30 Faye Stafford
Usher	Evelyn Robinette & Dolors Bolick	10:30 James & Mickey Adair and Hilda Yager
Crucifer & Acolyte	Jacob Davis	

Date: 6/26/2016 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost -----Holy Communion-----Green
 Sermon Youth Sunday Contemporary Service

Altar Guild	Mickey Adair	Offering Yvonne Osborne
Assisting Minister	Lori Reed	10:30 Faye Stafford
Usher	Evelyn Robinette & Dolors Bolick	10:30 James & Mickey Adair and Hilda Yager
Crucifer & Acolyte	Jacob Davis	

* VBS Starts this afternoon 26-30th "Cave Quest"

Dinner @ 5:15 PM

Program @ 6:00-8:45 PM

Join us for this special time together!