

Sunday School continues through May 25 for all ages. Children will continue to study "Walking on the Water."

If we have enough volunteers to teach two (2) classes we will have children's Sunday school in June and July...we will take off the month of August. We would like to have a class for the Pre-K group and a class for the elementary group. Please let Beth Brittain know ASAP if you can teach. It would be ideal if the teacher taught for the whole month.

Children's church will continue through the summer as the Sunday school schedule and will take a break in August. If you are willing to help with children's church in the summer, please let Beth know.



Vacation Bible School Blast Off: launching kids on a mission of God's Love will be Friday night. June 27 and Saturday, June 28. We will begin on

Friday with a pizza supper and will end just before lunch on Saturday so everyone can go on their way for the rest of the Saturday afternoon.



Sunday afternoon, May 4, the Wrap-Around Prayer Shawl ministry will meet in the parlor at 3:00 pm. All interested in participating in

this meaningful ministry are asked to attend this session. We are in need of prayer shawls so the timing could not be better.

Beth Brittain, Christian Education



Birthstone: Emerald Birth Flower: Lilv of the Vallev

- 1: The first emigrant wagon train leaves Independence MO for California on this day in history. 1841
- 1: Confederate "National Flag" replaces "Stars &Bars" 1863
- 1: General Mills introduces Cheerios. 1941
- 3: Washington DC incorporates as a city. 1802
- 3: Martin Luther King Jr delivers his "I have a dream" speech. 1963
- 7: William Penn began monthly meetings for Blacks advocating emancipation. 1700
- 7: Winston Churchill becomes PM of Britain. 1940
- 9: Columbus left Spain on his 4th &final trip to New World, 1502
- 9: On this day in history 1st newspaper cartoon in America-divided snake "Join or Die". 1754
- 9: The first eye bank opens (NYC). 1944
- 11: American Bible Society forms (NY). 1816
- 11: 1st night game at Boston Braves Field (Giants 5, Braves 1). 1946
- 11: Goodrich announced the development of tubeless tire (Akron Ohio). 1947
- 11: The first heart-lung transplant take place (Baltimore), 1987
- 17: The first merry-go-round seen at a fair (Philippapolis, Turkey). 1620
- 20: Shoes were made for both right & left feet. 1310
- 20: North Carolina becomes 11th & last state to secede from Union. 1861
- 20: International Bureau of Weights & Measures established by treaty. 1875
- 20: Amelia Earhart leaves Newfoundland first woman fly solo across Atlantic. 1932
- 23: Associated Press News Service forms in NY. 1900
- 26: Martin Luther is banned by the Edict of Worms for his writings and religious beliefs. 1521
- 28: 1st indoor swimming pool opens (Goodman's Fields, London, 1742
- 28: John B Gruelle patents Raggedy Ann doll. 1915



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21 They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them. John 14:21

Communion Opportunities For May

May 4 The Third Sunday of Easter May 18 The Fifth Sunday of Easter (May 11 & 25 following the Service)

Dianne Lail, Communications/Office Manager Volunteer Needed As a Reporter Volume 35, No. 5 SUNDAY SCHEDULE 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am The Service Church Office Hours Monday-Thursday 8:30 am—3:00 pm

Monthly Eible Study/Luncheon



church, join us over

your lunch hour.









May 25 Memorial Day Outdoor Worship Service (Weather Permitting)



June 8 Pentecost Sunday Pig Pickin' after the Service

> Bring side dish and/or dessert Meat & drink provided

CHURCH SCHEDULE:

Sunday, May 4 3rd Sunday of Easter

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am The Service w/Holy Communion 3:00 pm *Wrap-Arounds* meet in parlor

Monday, May 5 Morning Circle

11:00 am Meet at home of Shirley Causby. Covered

Dish social. All women invited.

Saturday, May 10 Staying Connected

7:00 pm Meet in fellowship hall

Sunday, May 11 4th Sunday of Easter

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am The Service

Church Council meets after

6:00 pm HCY meets in fellowship hall

Tuesday, May 13 Bible Study/Luncheon

12 Noon Bring potluck or sandwich and your Bible **Saturday, May 17** *Kids' Club* at Davis Park

11:00 am Bring bag lunch for picnic & then play

Sunday, May 18 5th Sunday of Easter

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am The Service w/Holy Communion

Confirmation Sunday

Sunday, May 25 6th Sunday of Easter

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am The Service/Outdoors weather permitting

Regular meeting times:

Sundays: 4:00 pm Children's Ensemble

5:00 pm Adult Handbell Choir 6:00 pm Church Choir 8:00 pm Nar-Anon

Tuesdays: 7:00 pm Chamber Choir

Nar-Anon

TREASURER'S REPORT: (Warren Heller)

Report for Month	March	Year-To-Date
Budget Expenses:	\$19,519.92	\$58,559.75
Actual Expenses:	19,579.26	51,433.53
Offerings Received:	21,269.22	53,339.25
Gain for Period:	\$ 1,689.96	\$ 1.905.72

ASSISTING MINISTERS:

LECTORS: Billy Joye, Jr., Louise Day

ACOLYTES: Garrett Carpenter, Garrett Fox

CRUCIFERS: Aaron Nault, Ashton Nault

ALTAR GUILD: (Team 4)

Diann Halvorson, Co-Captain Dean Halvorson, Co-Captain

Barbara Kasmer

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: (Team B)

Fran Holland Charles Mauney

Sherry Alexander Volunteer

EUCHARIST PRESENTERS:

May 4: Shelia & Tim Kelly

May 18: Tracey & Caroline Nault

GREETERS:

May 4: The Tuckers, Kathy Graves

May 11: Kathy Graves

May 18: The Naults, Kathy Graves

May 25: Monique Estelle, Kathy Graves

USHERS: Need Volunteers

TELLERS: Courtney Gatlin & Bill Hollar

FLOWERS:

May 4: Bocchino Family

Mark & Rebecca Yount, Luke Via

May 11: Mike & Jerri Wesson
Bob & Denise Wiegand

May 18: Lynn Martin (both vases)

May 25: Mark & Mandi Kline Beth Brittain

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NURSERY: (9:30 am-11:45 am) May 4: Need Volunteers

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May 11: Misty Koehler & Ashley Ange

May 18: Melissa Bocchino

May 25: Pat Kohler

MUSIC NEWS

Well...it finally happened. The Holy Comforter Carillon is ringing again. With just a few days notice, the bell foundry called and decided to take advantage of the window of "sunny" weather in early April.

The dedication on Palm Sunday also took advantage of the weather; and, the fact that we could all gather outside for the Procession of Palms. Following a dedicatory program of thanksgiving, Pastor John led the assembly in prayer and response for the witness that this Carillon will share with the community for generations to come.

Here are answers to the most frequently asked questions:

- Currently the Carillon rings the Westminster Chime daily at 9:00 am, 12 Noon, 3:00 pm, and 6:00 pm
- We will be adding bell (songs) to the repertoire in the coming months.
- The "Lord's Prayer" bell is the lowest bell on the tower weighing in at some 600 lbs. It traditionally is tolled at the beginning of each of the 7 petitions of the Lord's Prayer.
- Holyc.org (click on resources, then, audio) April 13 to hear the dedication prelude program) and service of worship. Indeed all services of worship may be heard on the web.

Soli Deo Gloria!

The Children's Ensemble will present a musical offering on Sunday, May 11 (Mother's Day). On that day please bring your child to the fellowship hall following Sunday School.

Thank you to all of the Holy Comforter choirs for your ministry and leadership throughout the year, and especially through the Lenten/ Holy Week and Easter Season.

The choirs in any church are an invaluable resource encouraging the participation of the assembly in worship and praise. I hear so many words of gratitude for the beautiful music that is shared with all who enter this place. It probably appears that the music "just happens," but weeks, many times months, of preparation go into what occurs musically within our walls. Our music ministers give willingly of their time and talent, some participating in multiple musical ensembles, as well as other areas of ministry, from teaching Sunday school to serving on church council, and other varied areas of ministry.

Thanks again to some of the busiest people I know!

Greg Cline, Organist/Choirmaster



All information for the June newsletter Is due to Dianne in the church office By May 26, 2014.

Carillon Rededication on Palm Sunday, April 13, 2014

The bronze bells of the carillon tower have rung their praises to God for over half of Holy Comforter's nearly 100-year history. In 1960, shortly following the completion of the new sanctuary, a peel of 12 bells was installed...in 1976, the tower bells. We celebrate the return of the bells which have remained silent for some eighteen months, following years of wear, weather exposure, and lightning strikes.

The bells are supplied by a power unit which is custom-designed to ring a bell that is mounted in a stationary position; the clappers being housed within the bell to be rung. The frame is fabricated of steel, with the clapper ball cast in bronze to preserve the quality and richness of tone.

The congregational family of Holy Comforter expresses its sincere thanks to the Lineberger family for their magnificent gift of the refurbished 35-bell carillon.

The following is inscribed on one of the original tower bells: "To the Glory of God And In Loving Memory of Abel Caleb Lineberger And Martha Jane (Hipp) Lineberger By Their Children."



JOIN US AT CHURCH CAMP

Camp Agape Rising 1st Graders—Rising 8th Graders!

Holy Comforter is hosting *Camp Agape July* **14 -18**. *Agape* is a day camp for **rising 1st to rising 8th graders** sponsored by Kure Beach Ministries.

This year we are expanding the day camp to include 6th-8th graders. The kids in this age group will participate in service projects throughout the week at Holy Comforter as well as off site. We must have a minimum of 6 middle school aged kids in order to offer this expanded camp.

Registration forms are available at the back of the church or from Misty Koehler. The cost is \$125 per camper and is <u>due at the time of registration</u>. There is only room for 20 campers, so register soon. **The spaces will be filled on a first come, first served basis**.

Please contact Misty if you have any questions about camp.

Misty Koehler, Holy Comforter Camp Coordinator

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Senior Services Month May 2014 LUTHERAN SERVICES C A R O L I N A S				1 May Day! Celebrated around the world.	2	3
4 3rd Sunday of Easter 9:30 am Sunday School 10:10 am Church Choir 10:30 am The Service w/Holy Communion 3:00 pm Wrap-Arounds 4:00 pm Children's Ensemble 6:00 pm Church Choir 8:00 pm Nar-Anon	Morning Circle 11:00 am Home of Shirley Causby. Covered dish, social meeting. All women welcome to bring a covered dish and join in the fellowship.	7:00 pm Chamber Choir Nar-Anon	7	8	9	Staying Connected 7:00 pm Meet at church
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We recognize and celebrate these
Birthdays in the month of May.
We are thankful for the life and spirit
Of those we celebrate.
I May the blessings of God flow
In the life of each of you.

May 1	Katie Kessen
May 2	Lucy Bocchino
May 3	Sonja Kreitzer
May 4	Dariel Rogers
May 5	Tom Bocchino
May 7	Dianne Lail
	Alec Via
May 10	Zac Hullander
May 12	Jennifer Wiegand
May 16	Sherry Perry
May 21	Natalie Hullander
May 22	Billy Joye
	Chuck MacDonald

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May 23 Jennifer Miller
May 24 Mandi Kline
May 25 William Walker Kline
Michael Jenkins

May 26 Michael Reese
May 27 Amy Dowd
Amanda Dowd
May 28 Richard Fox
Angie Koehler
May 29 Daniel Dowd

May 30 Jonathan Baker May 31 David Daly

John Zander

NOTE: If we have unintentionally left any member's name off this list, or if there are any errors, please call the church office.

Angie Morton