



Vacation Bible School— "Hay Day: Growing in Friendship with Jesus" ...

Activities for children Pre-K through Grade 5. We will have Moo-sic & More, Bible adventures, Projects with a purpose, Friendship Finale

and games as we learn more about God's love for us and the friendship we have been given with Jesus! Plan to attend both sessions and bring your friends!!

Friday evening, June 21 **6:00-8:30 pm**
Saturday morning, June 22 **9:00 am-12:30 ish**

NOTE: Dinner will be served beginning at 6:00 pm on Friday and will end promptly at 6:30 pm. We will NOT have breakfast, however we will end with lunch on Saturday.

I need the following helpers in VBS:

- Bible Adventure Leader, co-leader; (Crafts for our home bound members)
- Actors for Friendship Finale and a coordinator
- Help for Greg Cline with Moo-sic and more
- Two leaders for the "Little Peeps" class
- I have asked several youth to assist as "Crew Leaders"

Please prayerfully consider helping.

REMINDER: The Adult Bible study Class will be the only class meeting on Sunday mornings for June, July and part of August. All adults are invited to join them.

Wrap-Arounds: We will be blessing the prayer shawls on **June 23** during the worship service. **Please bring your completed shawls to Beth Brittain ASAP!!**

Saturday, June 29, 9:30 am-Noon-ish all adults are invited to our first "Holy Play" day. There will be a Bible study, a brief creative worship and an opportunity to learn to create something fun and different. More to come... **Beth Brittain**



Birthstone: Alexandrite, Pearl, Moonstone
Birth Flower: Rose

1: First US congressional act becomes law. 1789

1: 1st skirmish in Civil War, Fairfax Court House, Va. 1861

3: 1st baseball uniforms worn, NY Knickerbockers wear straw hat, white shirt & blue long trousers. 1851

5: Bananas become popular in US, at Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia. 1876

5: 1st synthetic rubber tire exhibited Akron Ohio. 1940

9: 1st book copyrighted under constitution, "Philadelphia Spelling Book". 1790

9: Alice H. Ramsey, a 22-year-old housewife and mother from Hackensack, NJ, becomes the first woman to drive across the US. With three female companions, none of whom could drive a car, in fifty-nine days she drove a Maxwell automobile the 3,800 miles from Manhattan, NY, to San Francisco, CA. 1909

10: Ben Franklin's kite is struck by lightning. 1752

10: 1st political convention broadcast on radio-Republicans at Cleveland. 1923

14: 1st compulsory education law in America passed by Massachusetts. 1642

14: Continental Congress adopts *Stars & Stripes* replacing *Grand Union* flag. 1777

17: 1st kidney transplant (Chicago). 1950

17: 5 arrested for burglarizing Democratic Party HQ at Watergate. 1972

21: Daniel Carter Beard, US, organized 1st boy scout troop. 1851

21: First Ferris wheel premieres (Chicago's Columbian Exposition. 1893

21: Japanese forces on Okinawa surrender to US during WW II. 1945

28: The first dog show held (Newcastle-on-Tyne, England. 1859

Holy Comforter Comment

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⁴⁷Therefore, I tell you, her sins, which were many, have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little." ...⁵⁰And he said to the woman, Your faith has saved you; go in peace." **Luke 7:47, 50**

Communion Opportunities For June

June 2 The Second Sunday after Pentecost
June 16 The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Dianne Lail, Communications/Office Manager
Volunteer Needed As a Reporter

SUNDAY SCHEDULE 9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am The Service
Church Office Hours Monday-Thursday
8:30 am—3:00 pm

From
The Pastor...



Say, Holy Comforter Church ... How's Life These Days?

"I came that they may have **life**, and have it **abundantly**" (Jesus as recorded in John 10:10b from NRSV)

Dear HCLC Friends,

On my first Sunday with you on January 6, I told you a little story ... Charlie Brown was having a friendly chat with his favorite "psychologist" friend, Lucy. "Life is like a deck chair on the 'cruise ship of life' – some people put their deck chair on the back of the ship to see where they've been; others put their deck chair on the front of the ship to see where they're going." Lucy asks, "and where do you put your deck chair, Charlie?" Charlie shakes his head, "most days I can't even figure out how to open mine."

"How's life going these days?" For many in the world, like those in Moore, OK, life has been turned upside down. Many have no "deck chairs" to open any more. Loved ones are no longer alive to open their chairs with. Continue to pray for them and others who need God's healing and comforting grace.

How's it going for Holy Comforter Church? Profile (MSP) is now being put together (Debbie Baker, Shelia Kelly and others have spent hours putting this together so that prospective Senior Pastors

will have a good Spiritual overview of HCLC); the Call Committee will be trained in June. Following the training the committee will begin praying over/looking at potential Senior Pastor candidates! We don't know how long the process of discerning who will be Holy Comforter's next Senior Pastor is, but please covenant to pray with and for the Call Committee. **Abundant life!**

Summer is nearly here – Campfirmation, VBS, Agape Day Camp – keep watching the bulletin/this newsletter for more info about these exciting ministries – **abundant life!**

Several of you have asked about **1st Communion classes** – on **Sunday, June 30** I'll offer a "mini-Communion retreat" for children AND one/both of their parents – right after the service. Lunch will be provided. Approximately 12 noon to 2 pm. **PLEASE** let me know if you'll be there – call the Church office or e-mail me – JohnCPropst@gmail.com More **abundant life!**

So, what does a person do during these days with so much going on grab a deck chair, open your Bible to say ... John 10 or chapter 3, 4, 8, 15 – read about **abundant life** in the Spirit! Pray. Discern. Give God thanks & praise for God's faithfulness!

It's a blessing serving alongside you as your Interim Pastor for a season during these exciting, grace-filled days!

Pastor John Propst



CONGRATS!!!

Wil Carpenter, son of Renee & Eric, has been accepted to the

South Carolina Governors School for Science and Math. (www.scgssm.org) He will attend this STEM residential high school for his junior and senior years. The school is located in Hartsville, SC. It is one of only 12 like it in the US.



It's that time again! Holy Comforter will host **Agape Day Camp July 15-19**. Agape is a day camp for **rising 1st to rising 5th graders** sponsored through Kure Beach Ministries.

Registration forms are available at the back of the church or from Misty Koehler. **The cost is \$125 per camper and is due at the time of registration.** 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

Congratulations Students!

The following young people from Holy Comforter have met all the requirements to receive awards from the **Lillian E. Lineberger Scholarship Fund:**

Katie Baker ★ Dylan Fox

Evan Howard ★ Madison Kelly

Perri Potter ★ Sarah Reese

Daniel Rogers

Origins of Father's Day

On July 5, 1908, a West Virginia church sponsored the nation's first event explicitly in honor of fathers, a Sunday sermon in memory of the 362 men who had died in the previous December's explosions at the Fairmont Coal Company mines in Monongah. The next year, a Spokane, Washington woman named Sonora Smart Dodd, one of six children raised by a widower, tried to establish an official equivalent to Mother's Day for male parents. She went to local churches, the YMCA, shopkeepers and government officials to drum up support for her idea, and she was successful: **Washington State celebrated the nation's first statewide Father's Day on July 19, 1910.**



LTSS Auxiliary will honor members of Holy Comforter during the service on June 30th.

All information and articles for the July newsletter are due to Dianne by June 20.

MUSIC NEWS

150 students from South Point High School visited Holy Comforter this Spring as part of their geometry/architectural class. I told them a bit of history regarding the building and pipe organ. Comments regarding my knowledge of geometry did not take long at all. I did state that if I could pass the course, anyone could! They were a great group. At the conclusion I played a demonstration of pipe organ capabilities. Pulling out all the stops brought thunderous applause. Young folks like it loud!

During May we hosted **50 architects** from Raleigh/Durham on a bus tour. They were touring modernistic homes in the Charlotte/Metro Region. Of course our church house came up. A very kind and complementary group of folks who were very impressed with our facility. They loved the worship space, pipe organ, and stained glass windows. May we always be grateful for the blessings we have to worship in such a beautiful structure.

As mentioned in previous articles, we will be making improvements to our worship center this summer. Anonymous donations will allow us to include upgrading in lighting, chancel space, choir area, and carillon. The sanctuary committee is working on getting bids/pricing for these projects. Soon we will all be seeing and hearing the difference!

The choirs of Holy Comforter are now on much needed siesta with regard to evening rehearsals. The church choir will continue to gather each Sunday at 10:10 am to prepare for worship. The choir and congregation is reminded that Holy Comforter is open for worship every Sunday, regardless of the weather or school calendar.

Personal words of thanks to the members of the children's ensemble and their drivers; not least of which are Maria Carr, Beth Brittain, and all the mom

and dad support. This group has been very faithful and has demonstrated a willingness to serve in this ministry. We have heard them ring and sing over the past year. We would like to consider taking this group to Lutheridge for a day tour. Shirley & Tommy Causby have volunteered to host lunch at their home at Lutheridge. Pastor John and Liz, who live there on the grounds, volunteered to assist with the tour. ***The challenge, when?***

Currently we are trying to compile a master email list for the children's ensemble family. Folks, give me your email addresses, even if you know I have it. If your child has not participated in the past, we invite that to change. Let me know if you would allow your child to become a part of this growing ministry. We do more than just sing. This is our future teen/youth group!

On May 12 we honored **Don Robinson for his 60 years of singing in our church choir.** Wow, since 1953; and still the youthful tenor! That is quite a feat that one does not come across every day. As is inscribed on the plaque: "Don, you are a blessing to this choir and our congregation."

Greg Cline, Music Director

HOLY COMFORTER YOUTH

June 2, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

We will have a cookout, fun outdoor activities and discuss activities and outings for the summer.

Kristen Clanton, HCY Advisor



CHURCH SCHEDULE:

Sunday, June 2 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am Adult Sunday School
10:30 am The Service w/**Holy Communion**
6:00 pm **HCY cookout & fun activities**

Saturday, June 8 *Staying Connected*

7:00 pm Meet at Church
Sunday, June 9 3rd Sunday after Pentecost
9:30 am Adult Sunday School
10:30 am The Service
Church Council meets after

Sunday, June 16 4th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am Adult Sunday School
10:30 am The Service w/**Holy Communion**

Friday, June 21 Vacation Bible School

6:00-8:30 pm Dinner at 6:00; classes at 6:30pm

Saturday, June 22 Vacation Bible School

9:00 am-12:30 pm Classes followed by lunch
Sunday, June 23 5th Sunday after Pentecost
9:30 am Adult Sunday School
10:30 am The Service

Sunday, June 30 6th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am Adult Sunday School
10:30 am The Service

Regular Meeting Times:

Sundays at 8:00 pm Nar-Anon
Tuesdays at 7:00 pm: Nar-Anon

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Treasurer's Report (Warren Heller)

Report for Month	April	Year-To-Date
Budget Expenses:	\$17,454.83	\$69,819.33
Actual Expenses:	20,113.37	73,289.90
Offerings Received:	15,932.97	82,745.02
Gain (Loss) for Period: (\$ 4,180.40)		\$ 9,455.12

ASSISTING MINISTERS:

LECTORS: Billy Joye, Jr. + Louise Day

ACOLYTES: Garrett Carpenter
Molly Koehler

CRUCIFERS: Carolina Nault, Aaron Nault

ALTAR GUILD: (Team 3)
Fran Holland, Co-Captain
Melinda Lingerfelt, Co-Captain
Stefanie Hinson Courtney Gatlin
Tracey Nault

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:
Need Volunteers



EUCHARIST PRESENTERS:

June 2: Shelia & Tim Kelly
June 16: Myra & Bill Hollar

GREETERS:

June 2: Katie Kessen
June 9: Pat Long
June 16: Volunteer Needed
June 23: Myra & Bill Hollar
June 30: Need Volunteer/s

USHERS:




June 2: Bill Hollar + Volunteer/s
June 9-30: Need Volunteers

FLOWERS:

June 2: Donna & Horace Bean
June 9: Debbie Mendez
Lynn Sudarich
June 16: Shelia & Tim Kelly
Dean Burwell
June 23: Lynn Martin
The Potter Family
June 30: Brandy & Brad Milton



JUNE 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>Remember Dad!</i> <i>June 16</i>						1
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16 4th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 am Adult Sunday School 10:10 am Church Choir 10:30 am The Service w/HC Confirmands leave for Lutheridge 8:00 pm Nar-Anon Father's Day	17	18	19	20	21  1st Boy Scout troop. Established 1851.	22 VBS 9:00 am Classes 12 Noon Lunch Confirmands return From Lutheridge
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We recognize and celebrate these birthdays in the month of June.
We are thankful for the life and spirit of those we celebrate. May the blessings of God flow in the life of each of you.

- June 2 Claire Howard Carroll
- June 5 Dorothy Dowd
- June 9 Liz Propst
- June 10 Greg Garrison
- June 11 Tonya Zander
- June 12 Stephen Abernethy
- June 13 John Kreitzer
- June 16 Cooper Burwell
- Brooke Martin
- Sarah Tench
- June 17 Marsha Kinley
- June 19 John Koehler
- June 23 Eric Scholler
- June 25 Wil Carpenter
- June 26 Erin Jenkins
- June 27 Reid Passer
- June 28 Stephanie Lingerfelt
- June 30 Leah Koehler

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