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**JULY
2018**

A
COMMUNITY OF
FAITH
STRIVING
TO

KNOW
CHRIST
PERSONALLY

GROW
WITH CHRIST
INTIMATELY

SHOW
CHRIST
PASSIONATELY

**Trust in God
2 Thessalonians 2:1-5**

Trust in God anyway. In spite of the appearance of events, in spite of the perennial bad news, in spite of the contest in your own heart between good and evil, between despair and hope, trust in God. Remember that God endured the agony of an evil world in the cross of Christ and wrought resurrection out of it.

The Lord's Supper we celebrate this Sunday reminds us of our destiny in Christ. Our destiny is life, not life free from pain and struggle, but life on the other side of it, guaranteed by God. That is also the meaning of our baptism. What's more, God is with us through it all, and while we are all too aware of the cruciform suffering in our midst, we also see signs of the resurrection, don't we? The harvest is continual, death and rebirth happen frequently, even in our own experience. And we hold fiercely to such signs of hope. We are not bright enough or sophisticated enough to read history, and we shouldn't be misled or panicked by those who want to claim they can. It is enough for us to trust in God and not grow weary in well doing, because to the degree that we establish God's dominion of justice and peace in our hearts, we create a sacred space where God can enter our world. Yet always we work with the knowledge that if the world is ever to become what God wants it to be, ultimately God will have to do it. And, ultimately, God will.

I saw a kid's toy once while we were at Toys R Us. I was looking at a code machine, a picture which consisted of different colored lines, all jumbled up and squiggled on the page. Now, it's embarrassing when you the parent can't figure out one of those kids toys where the box says "ages five to twelve." But I saw I would need about two weeks and a squad of Navaho code breakers to see the picture. Ian, seeing me fooling with the squiggly multicolored page and not wanting me to be distracted from the quest at hand, reached over, grabbed one of the colored plastic transparencies which accompanied it, and laid it on top of the page I was holding. And there it was: a picture of a lion, clear as day. Turned out, the key to the code was to look at the page through the right filter which would block out every unnecessary confusion so the true picture could emerge.

Our testimony since the earliest days of the church is this: Jesus Christ is the key to the meaning of history. He is the filter through which the truth emerges. The truth of what life means. the truth of what God can do. The truth of what God wants us to become. In Christ, God addresses and does not deny the evil and violence of the world.

The cross prepares us for resurrection. God brings good even out of evil. God sews the tapestry of our lives with the bright and the dark threads. But we see through a glass darkly, our heads are too small to contain the infinite God. So, whether we ask the question in philosophical debate or because life has pushed us beyond our threshold for pain, the answer is the same: trust in God. This project is on time, for time is in God's hands. Then let us put ourselves in God's hands, that our time might belong to the eternal purpose of one who wills us well and destines creation for the good. History is meaningless except for Christ, but in Christ all things will work together for the good. That is the power of the resurrection. Can you see it? Do you get the picture?

Dr. Quentin Madden

Our Mission
Making disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the
world

Our Vision
To **Know** Christ personally,
Grow with Christ intimately,
and **Show** Christ passionately

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Your Place in Service

Infants/Toddlers

Donna Kester

Deacon Greeters

Bill Felton/John Pruitt

Sunday Unlock Schedule

July	1	Undetermined
July	8	Pete Rickman
July	15	Undetermined
July	22	Mary Shirley
July	29	Undetermined

Media Ministry

John Pruitt

Finances for 2018

2018 Budget Giving **\$ 84,863.62**

****Monthly Giving needed to meet monthly expenses:**

\$ 18,070.00

May Giving Breakdown:

May Giving (Budget):	\$ 15,001.93
Colonial Pres. Payment (Budget):	\$
Amazon/Kroger Rewards (Budget):	\$ 8.99
Benevolence:	\$ 134.00
Choir:	\$ 25.00
Computer-Melissa	\$ 50.00
Missions:	\$
Youth Activity:	\$

2018 Total Budget Giving Breakdown:

Jan. Budget:	\$ 19,481.13
Feb. Budget:	\$ 18,052.45
March Budget:	\$ 12,058.14
April Budget:	\$ 20,269.97
May Budget:	\$ 15,001.93
June Budget:	\$
July Budget:	\$
Aug. Budget:	\$
Sept. Budget:	\$
Oct. Budget:	\$
Nov. Budget:	\$
Dec. Budget:	\$

Financial Gifts to CABC

If you would like to make contributions to the church online, either through scheduled giving or one-time donations, visit: www.cabc.us/donations to learn more.

There are other ways you can give, just by shopping for things you are already buying! Link your Kroger card to our church, & Kroger automatically sends us a check each quarter based on how much our linked members spend. If you need help signing up, please let the church office know. We will be happy to help you!

Also, Amazon gives us a donation based on the amount spent by those enrolled. For help signing up with Amazon.com rewards, see our website www.cabc.us/donations

Prayer Concerns

- Our Church
- Debbie Agee's brother, Teddy Page, struggling with recovery at home
- Cindy Martin, daughter of Rita Richardson, for Neuro endocrine carcinoid tumors in her stomach
- Louise Parris-recovering from knee surgery
- Betty Obenchain, recovering at home from knee surgery
- Dot Salmons, for health issues
- Karen Viele's family friend, Crystal Craig's baby, Allison, complications after heart surgery
- Darhlene Holland's daughter, Susan, recovering from back surgery
- Tamra Sloan's uncle, diagnosed with melanoma

Remember our homebound and those in nursing homes

Betty Brown	Christine Martin (Burkeville, VA)
Madaline Brown (Pheasant Ridge)	Yvonne and Jim Metz
Lois Burge	Nadine Minnix
Jane Byrum (The "Oaks")	Shirley Moore (Brandon Oaks)
Carol Camp	Betty Obenchain
Becky Erdmann	Louise Parris
Freda Guill	Evelyn Ragland (Elm Park)
Bill Linkenhoker	Ruby Whitehead (The Glebe)
Dody Matze	

Know, Grow, and Show

	May 6	May 13	May 20	May 27
Sunday School	38	39	49	38
Worship	64	74	83	65

Current Sunday School Studies

Faithkeepers:	"Becoming God's People"
Friendship Class:	"Book of Romans"
Men's Class:	"God is Faithful/ How To Fight Injustice "
New Beginnings:	"Becoming God's People"
Pastor's Class:	"Headline News"
Sunshine Class:	"God is Faithful/ How To Fight Injustice "
Youth:	"Unbelievable" (Doubt)
Children:	"13 Cool Stories and Why Jesus Taught Them"

Library Corner

Check out these book recommendations in our Library :

"Handyman of the Lord– The Life & Ministry of Rev William H. Borders" by James W. English
 "Daddy Was a Deacon" by Connie Moore Hunt
 "Big Rus & Me" by Tim Russert. This is a #1 NY Times Best Seller.

Missions

- **"In Our Backyard" Intergenerational Mission Week July 22-27**

This summer, we will be joining Colonial Presbyterian Church in an "In Our Backyard" intergenerational Mission week, **July 22-27**. We will be working with a different local ministry partner each day, and we will also have evening projects for those who are unavailable during the day, but want to participate. Children (accompanied by an adult), youth, & adults are all welcome to participate. Also, volunteers are needed to prepare bag lunches & dinner each day for the team. More details about each day, as well as sign up sheets, are available in the foyer.

Sunday- orientation meeting in fellowship hall following worship for all those who will be participating during the week. We will also begin pricing and setting up for our Christmas in July sale.

Monday- Christian Soldiers Food Pantry (leave at CABC at **10:00 am**), as well as volunteering in the Rosalind Hills Baptist Clothing Closet (time to be announced)

Monday evening- gathering at CABC to make treat bags for the Ronald McDonald House family room, as well as cards to be delivered to senior adults on Tuesday

Tuesday early morning (5-8 am)- potentially serving breakfast at the Rescue Mission, followed by leading a Mother's Morning Out time

Tuesday-Ministry with homebound senior adults from our churches and nursing home visits (meet at CABC at **9 am**)

Wednesday- adults will be serving with Feeding America, in the warehouse in the morning and with their mobile feeding unit in the afternoon. Those under 16, along with some adults, will be working in the Giving Garden at Our Lady of Nazareth in the morning & doing a food drive at Kroger for the Oak Grove Elementary Backpack Buddy program in the afternoon

Thursday- working with Keystone and Presbyterian Community Centers in the morning and doing a community cookout at Keystone Community Center in the evening

Friday- creation care: cleaning up the river and trails at Explore Park

- **Christmas in July sale to benefit missions**

On **Saturday, July 28, from 9 am-12 pm**, we will be having a "Christmas in July" sale to benefit missions. It will be held in the fellowship hall. We have a great start on items to sale, but if you have Christmas decorations that you are no longer using, we'd love for you to donate them! Items can be placed in the back room of the fellowship hall (across from Pastor Melissa's office). All proceeds will benefit the missions projects of our church. We will also have fair trade gift items for sale. If you can help with pricing the week prior to the sale or volunteer the day of the sale, that would be wonderful! A sign up sheet will be available in the foyer.

Missions Thank You!

• Proud to announce that our Mission Sale total was: **\$4,762.00!** Thank you so much to everyone that helped make our sale a huge success!

Woman's Gathering Thank You!

Thank you to everyone that attended and helped with our last Woman's Gathering! We had about 20 in attendance. Please stay tuned for information about our next one that is scheduled for August 11th. What a great time of fellowship & connection!

July Birthdays

Happy Birthday CABC Family! June Birthdays

Katie Wood	July 3
Sandra Britt	July 4
Melinda Bayne	July 4
Darhlene Holland	July 6
James "Buck" Conner	July 9
Joe Ogle	July 10
Louise Parris	July 20
Alva Coleman	July 21
Quentin Madden	July 23
Ben Bryant	July 23
Ruby Whitehead	July 23
Karen Viele	July 24
Jonathan Melson	July 26
Don Wray	July 26
Darren Bridgers	July 27
Karla Coleman	July 28
Judy Conner	July 29
Dana Felton	July 30
Joyce Short	July 31

Youth Ministry

This summer, our youth will be gathering in homes on Sunday evenings for "Food, Faith, and Fun." The hosts will provide dinner, and we'll bring the fun and Bible study! If you would like to host the youth in your home (or arrange another location, like a pool or park), please let Melissa know.

- Join us **July 5, 6-8:30 PM** - Dinner at the Deli & Miami Ice (Bring \$ for dinner)
- Join us **July 10, 6-8:30 PM** - Pizza & Paint Night (\$10 includes dinner and paint supplies)

Children's Ministry

• If you would be interested in occasionally hosting our PrayGround or teaching the children's Sunday School class, please let Melissa know.

• PBJ Kids invites children of all ages to join us for a F.R.O.G. (Fully Rely on God) party, hosted by Colonial Avenue Baptist Church, following worship on **Sunday, July 8**. We will provide lunch, followed by games, a Bible story, crafts, and water play. Please let us know by **July 3** if your child will join us!