

NORTHSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PC(USA)

NORTHSIDE NEWS

JUNE 2011

Welcome to summer! Soak up some sun, go on vacation, spend quality time with family and friends, and just enjoy yourself. Take full advantage of the people and places you will be this summer. Connect and deepen your relationships with friends. Meet new people and spend time getting to know them. If you head out of town on vacation, go to church on Sunday. Pick up a bulletin and take notes. Enjoy the company of other Christians, and remember that God is surrounding you in that church just as God is in our church. If you're feeling up to it, bring back some ideas you want to help implement at Northside.

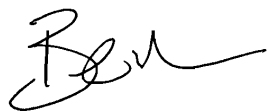
Summer Worship

“To worship is to experience Reality, to touch Life. It is to know, to feel, to experience the resurrected Christ in the midst of the gathered community. It is a breaking into the [glorious and radiant dwelling] of God, or better yet, being invaded by the [glorious and radiant dwelling] of God's presence.”

~Richard Foster,
Celebration of Discipline

My friends, enjoy your summer! Enjoy the community you have been blessed with! Seek out and joyfully worship with God's people, wherever you may be.

In Christ's Service,



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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



**It's almost time!
V. B.S. is July 10-14th!**

What can you do?



Invite someone! If there is someone you would like to invite to V.B.S. let us know! We will mail *save the date* postcards very soon to Northside visitors, our Northside Learning Center families and anyone else you can think of! You may call the church office at 266-1766 or send an email with the names and mailing addresses of invitees to info@northsidepresbyterian.org.

Adopt a Sheep! We have tons of sheep that need adopting. If you choose to adopt: purchase the item written on the sheep, bring it to the church and we will add it to our supplies.



Volunteer! We are still looking for volunteers to help teach, check-in children before V.B.S., assist with dinner, etc. Notify the church office if you would like to help.

Watch your weekly In the Loop emails for additional details and announcements!

Let's make V.B.S. 2011 the most successful year yet!

STEWARDSHIP NEWS

When It Is God Versus “Stuff,” Who Wins?

“We live in a culture...that is preoccupied with money. We respect people who have it and write whole television series about how they make it and spend it. While church members hear one sermon a week on average, they are exposed to about sixteen hundred commercials every day, on billboards and bus seats, in newspapers and magazines, on matchbooks and clothes with designer and product logos, on radio and television, each offering advice on how to spend their money. What is the church’s responsibility for guiding them through this cacophony of opportunities?” [*Behind the Stained Glass Windows*, John and Sylvia Ronsvalle]

People who object to any mention of money in the church forget that Jesus talked about it frequently. He said that commitment to “stuff” undermines our spiritual health and challenges his lordship. “Then Jesus told his disciples, ‘If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?’” (Matthew 12:24-26).

On the playing field of your personality, who wins—God or stuff?

From *Stewardship Nuggets*, Herb Miller

A NOTE FROM DR. POST

The Children here have a poem for you.

**What can I give you,
Poor as I am?
If I were a Shepherd,
I would bring you a lamb;
If I were a Wise Man,
I would do my part;
Yet what can I give you -
As a Child I can give you
My art.**



Dear Rev. Skidmore and Congregation,

This piece of art was colored for you by a little Creole girl named Letia. You know her. She is 10 years old and sends her love along with this picture. Above is a photo of Letia. I wish that I could send you a better quality picture of her, but our printer only prints in black and white. But I thought that you might want to see what she looks like anyway. May God bless you a hundred times over for all that you do for the children here.

Dr. Post
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If you would like to write to Dr. Post you may send your letter to:

**Rev. Dr. Stephen Post
Mission of the Good Shepherd
Mango Creek, Independence Village
Stann Creek District, Belize, Central America**

June 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 5:30pm Yoga Class	2 10:30am Exercise 10:30am Quilting	3	4 9:30am Yoga
5 9:30am Youth Sunday School 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship & Communion	6 6pm Men's Group	7 8:30am Mom's Prayer Group 9:30am Pastor's Bible Study 10:30am Exercise 7:00pm Tai Chi	8 5:30pm Yoga Class	9 10:30am Exercise 10:30am Quilting	10	11 9:30am Yoga
Pentecost 12 9:30am Youth Sunday School 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship	13 11am PW Bible Study & Circle Mtgs. 6:30pm Session Mtg.	14 8:30am Mom's Prayer Group 9:30am Pastor's Bible Study 10:30am Exercise 7:00pm Tai Chi	15 5:30pm Yoga Class	16 10:30am Exercise 10:30am Quilting	17	18 9:30am Yoga
Father's Day 19 9:45am Sunday School 11am Worship	20	21 8:30am Mom's Prayer Group 9:30am Pastor's Bible Study 10:30am Exercise 7:00pm Tai Chi	22 5:30pm Yoga Class	23 10:30am Exercise 10:30am Quilting	24	25 9:30am Yoga
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THANK YOU, NORTHSIDE



We want to take a moment to say thank you to everyone at Northside for being so supportive and helpful to our family as we have welcomed baby Dylan into the world. The casseroles, phone calls, emails, and cards have buoyed our spirits and helped us find our way through the blur of sleep deprived days and nights. Our family is tremendously blessed to be a part of such a wonderful church community!

-Ben, Erica, Jack, & Dylan Skidmore

I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. - Ephesians 1:16

Thank you very much for the Easter Lily that was given to me. I really appreciated it very much.

- Geraldine Hester



We wish to express our thanks to EVERYONE that brought or sent a casserole to us. It has helped out so much!

- The Aslinger family



To the folks at Northside Presbyterian, Thank you all so much for your continued kindness to my father, Herman Leach, over these 8 years. He especially appreciated your visits to share communion with him. And to those who remembered him with greeting cards and prayers we continue to give thanks to each of you.

-Rev. Caroline Leach Stroud

Dearest friends at Northside,
The Easter lily that was delivered was so beautiful! I do appreciate you remembering me!! Thank you for the many cards I have received from you— it is wonderful to have friends that care and remember others.

Love,

Phoebe Hamilton



WHAT'S IN THE BOX?

The children's time during Sunday morning worship will be centered around an activity called "What's In The Box?" Each week one of our kids will take the box home and bring it back the following Sunday with something in it. What the child puts in the box is entirely up to him or her. Parents, that means you don't get to pick out the object; just make sure they bring the box back to church.

Pastor Ben will open the box with the kids during church and will give a lesson based on what has been brought in. This will give our children some ownership of the content of the children's time, plus it is always fun to see what Pastor Ben will come up with when confronted on the spot with an item dredged up the Dr. Seuss world of a little kid's imagination!

Every child will get a chance to take the box home and bring something to share.

After church, a fun activity for all families is to talk about what we learned that morning. What's In The Box can be a great jumping off point to talk about God and church with your kids.



JUNE SERMON TOPICS



June 5th

A Prayer For His Disciples

1 Peter 5:6-11; John 17:1-11

June 12th, Pentecost

Can You Hear Me Now?

Numbers 11:24-30; Acts 2:1-21

June 19th

Imperative

Genesis 5:1-15, 2:1-3; Matthew 28:16-20

June 26th

Yes, but...

Isaiah 49:13-16; Matthew 6:24-34

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1	Patricia Harvey	19	Holly Hutsell
4	Jim Wilson	19	Allison Rhodes
5	Melanie Gravitt	20	Rachel Butler
5	Cassandra Betro	20	Bob Couter
6	Ellyn Bivin	26	Abigail Burgess
10	Jim Pitner	26	Michael Genovesi
14	Tyler Wilson	28	Mary May
14	Russell Paris	28	Vince Betro
18	Michael Leavell	29	George Love
18	Joan Lee		



ELDER NOMINATIONS

Our Book of Order states that Elders should not only possess the necessary leadership gifts and abilities (natural and acquired), but they should also be persons of strong faith, dedicated discipleship, and love of Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Their manner of life should be a demonstration of the Christian gospel in the church and in the world.

Who do you know that fits the bill? Fill out the form below and turn it in so the Nominating Committee has some direction as they seek candidates for our new class of elders. You may drop it in the offering plate, email to info@northsidepresbyterian.org or hand it in at the church office in person.

I think _____ would serve well on Session.

Here is why: _____

My name: _____

Contact info: _____



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SCRIPTURE A DAY

June 1	Genesis 9:8-17	June 16	Deuteronomy 6:4-25
June 2	Romans 5:1-11	June 17	John 5:19-47
June 3	Joel 2:18-27	June 18	1 Corinthians 12:1-11
June 4	I Peter 2:1-10	June 19	Ephesians 1:3-14
June 5	Psalms 133	June 20	Ephesians 3:14-20
June 6	Ephesians 4:1-16	June 21	Colossians 2:1-15
June 7	the Book of Philemon	June 22	Psalms 33:1-12
June 8	1 Corinthians 6:1-10	June 23	Psalms 103
June 9	Romans 12:1-21	June 24	I Peter 2:21-25
June 10	Colossians 3:5-17	June 25	James 5:13-20
June 11	Acts 1:6-14	June 26	Acts 28:7-10
June 12	Psalms 107	June 27	Acts 3:1-10
June 13	Acts 2:43-47	June 28	Acts 9:32-42
June 14	Acts 3:1-10	June 29	Acts 16:11-18
June 15	Acts 4:32-37	June 30	Matthew 7:21-29