



**__ October 2017 __
A VIEW FROM THE PULPIT**

I had coffee with a friend at the beach the other day. At the house I do coffee one cup at a time in the Keurig. I had forgotten how good coffee in a full pot smells. The sense of smell – how rarely we stop to appreciate it!

I poured the coffee and sat down at the table with my friend, wrapped my hands around the mug. It felt good to the touch because I had just gotten soaked to the bone as I walked over to his house. Touch – another dimension I seldom give conscious thought to. How often I eat mechanically with my mind elsewhere.

I think I do better when it comes to hearing and sight, not that I see or hear all that well but that which I see, like a sunset over the ocean or the moon rise on a clear summer night helps me to sense the presence of the One who made it all. A friend whose eyesight has grown less and less over the years, remarked, “I never looked so keenly at things! Seeing things maybe for the last time, each object had an extreme beauty.”

Why don't we thank God for our senses? And as we move into fall, the leaves will change and we will be presented with clear evidence of God's marvelous creative ability. A friend penned these words to a song called “Master Painter”.



When I woke up this morning the Master Painter took out his pallet and brush and colored the sky. With clouds orange gold, and amber and purple So royal He put them on as His robes for the day.

I think he was feeling what the Psalmist did when the Psalmist said “O taste and see that the Lord is good... Psalm 34:8 Maybe he meant it more literally than we usually imagine.

As I drink my coffee I might realize that far too often my devotional life (and maybe yours too) has been strictly centered on the mind – on words and concepts. But worship in the Bible includes so much more. Don't you think we should ask God to enable us to truly worship Him with our whole being?

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Might we sense the totality of His magnificence and really worship, Worship Our Great Creator with every one of our senses, our whole being.

Rev. George Walton
Stated Supply Pastor



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Everyone is getting ready for our annual Fall Bazaar, which will be held on Saturday, October 7th, from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. This year will include pancakes and sausage, delicious baked goods, crafts, Christmas decorations and more. There will be a raffle for a variety of prizes. It will be a morning of fun and fellowship. Be sure to invite all of your family and friends to special event.

The Women's Coordinating Team still needs to fill the positions of Moderator and Co-moderator. Ladies, please consider serving in one of these roles. Also, if you are not a member of one of the Circles, now is the time to consider becoming a member. It is an opportunity for fellowship, mission, Bible Study and other activities. Being a member of a Circle is a great way to be connected to the church and to experience the fellowship and support of other Christian women. Circles meet the second Monday of each month. The Mary Lou Campbell Circle meets at 2:00 p.m. and the Sunshine Circle meets at 6:00 p.m. Hope to see you there.

Jackie Frie
Women of the Church



FALL BAZAAR PRIZE LIST:



Gas Grill, Davison Steak House Gift Card for two, Basket from Southern Supreme, Lowe's Home Improvement Gift Card, Temple Theater Tickets, Golf Drivers Gift Card, Chippendale Antique Mirror, Tickets for round of golf for four at Sanford Golf Course, Olive Garden Gift Card for two, Mrs. Lacy Gift Card, Body Massage, Spa Treatment for Manicure/Pedicure, One Screened Canopy, One Open Sided Canopy, and an Hour with "Santa"



Remember with love and prayer:



CHURCH MEMBERS: Lynda Bowers, Sheila Brewer, Nellie Cox, Greg Deck, Barbara Jo Glass, Bobby Johnson, Sandie Lemons, Lois Martin, and Pam McDonald

FAMILY OF CHURCH MEMBERS:

Faye Burns, Vernell Cersosimo, Linda Crompton, MacKenzie Deck, Brielle Frear, Lynn Godwin, Carolyn Harrell, Inez Holt, Michael Holt, Stanley Jones, Taylor Jones, David Key, Elaine McBryde, Sam McClearn, Marie Robinson, Carson Setzer, Barbara Suggs, Doug Ury, and Allison Williams

FRIENDS OF CHURCH MEMBERS:

Ruth Berryman, Jarrett Blackwell, Billy Boaz, Noah Clifton, Wendy Cole, Michelle Daurity, Billy Edwards, Jim Griggs, Dr. Earlie Hill, Leroy Hughes, Eva Jones, Kim King, Will Kirkland, Kasyn Kolacinski, Judy Lloyd, Pat Maguire, Rebecca Mansfield, Wendy McBryde, Chris McRae, Mary Quinn, Sue Roney, Frank Tibbett, Sandra Ward, Marie Wicker, and Emily H. Wright

WEEKLY OFFERING TOTALS

September 03, 2017 – \$1,997.00
September 10, 2017 – \$2,252.25
September 17, 2017 – \$1,080.00
September 24, 2017 – \$1369.00

5 Cents A Meal Offering – \$ 72.00
BackPack Kids Offering – \$ 52.00
Disaster Relief – \$1,440.00



Deadline for articles to be included in the next issue of the newsletter will be Tues., October 24th by 9:00 a.m.



FLOWERS WILL BE PLACED IN THE SANCTUARY DURING OCTOBER BY THE FOLLOWING:

10/01/17 – by Brooks & Pat Kelly in memory of Malcolm and Inez Jackson's Birthdays
10/08/17 – by Brooks & Pat Kelly in memory of Malcolm and Inez Jackson's Birthdays
10/15/17 – **OPEN**
10/22/17 – by Bobby & Evelyn Johnson in honor of their Wedding Anniversary on October 30th
10/29/17 – by Bobby & Evelyn Johnson in honor of their Wedding Anniversary on October 30th



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Oct. 04th - Susan Mierisch Oct. 16th - Judy Lloyd
Oct. 05th - Ken Frie Oct. 16th - Frank Robinson
Oct. 11th - Ann Christian Oct. 17th - John Lemons
Oct. 15th - Sam Bradley Oct. 19th - Lisa Cashion
Oct. 21st - Roy Cashion



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

October 24th Greg & Wendy Hales
October 26th Eddie & Valerie Godfrey
October 27th Sammy & Darlene Reagan
October 30th Bobby & Evelyn Johnson



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING/GREETER

Oct. 01st **COMMUNION** – Kay Davis
Oct. 08th Kathy Jolly
Oct. 15th Patrick Kelly
Oct. 22nd Buddy McNeill
Oct. 29th J. W. Bailes



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Gifts to the Church

In Honor and Memory of Billy C. Shermer
To the Backpack Kids Offering
Candace Shermer Young

Dear Church Members,



This donation to the Backpack Kids Offering is being made in honor of and in memory of my father, Billy C. Shermer. Dad would have turned 88 on his birthday, September 10th, and he would be happy to know money was being sent to such a worthy cause in the Sanford community.

Sincerely,
Candace S. Young



We need volunteers to do the Advent Readings on the following Sunday's: December 3rd, 17th, and 24th. If you would like to volunteer to do the Advent Reading for one of these Sunday's, please call or email Janet at the office: 919-776-7313 or buffalochurch@windstream.net.



Congregational Care and Fellowship

The Congregational Care Committee continues to pray for the sick and send cards. Meals will be prepared as needed.

J. W. Bailes, Chairman
Congregational Care Committee



Session Corner

Highlights from Stated Meeting held Sept. 10, 2017

The Church Bazaar has been scheduled for Saturday, October 7th. Raffle items have been purchased or donated and the list is available in the Church Office where there are tickets available to sell. This year the men will sell pancakes and sausage instead of the traditional ham and sausage biscuits. As a trial run for the pancakes, the men will cook a pancake supper for the Men's meeting on September 26th and all church members are welcome. It was decided there will be no Gently Used table this year.

With the recent Hurricanes, our church will offer the opportunity to support the victims through the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance effort. This group does a very good job of assisting after a disaster and uses their resources wisely. You may make your check out to Buffalo Presbyterian Church and please use the memo line of the check to write either Presbyterian Disaster Assistance or PDA. Our church will accept checks in the offering plate or turned in to the Church Office for several Sundays.

There will be a Congregational meeting held on September 24th to elect an Elder Nominating Committee. There is one ruling elder position to fill. There will be another Congregational meeting later to elect the person who will fill this position. Terms are for two years starting in January. No one can serve more than six consecutive years.

Next Stated Session Meeting will be October 8th.

Jean Wilberg, Assistant to the Clerk



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Adult Sunday School Class meets from 9:45 – 10:45 a.m. For the month of October, we will study the following lessons:

- October 01st **God's Covenant with Abram**
Genesis 15
- October 08th **God's Covenant with Israel**
Exodus 19; Isaiah 60:3
- October 15th **Obeying God's Law**
Exodus 20
- October 22nd **God's Covenant with David**
2 Samuel 7:1-16; Psalm 89; 1 Chronicles 22:6-8
- October 29th **God's Covenant with the Returned Exiles** – *Nehemiah 9 – 10*



2017 BAZAAR – OCTOBER 7th

8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.



COME FOR PANCAKES AND SAUSAGE
Please join the Women of the Church for our annual fund-raiser Bazaar. Invite your friends, relatives, neighbors, and strangers!
Great Food, Crafts, Canned & Farm Goods, Autumn Flowers and RAFFLE PRIZES!

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THE SESSION

2017

- Karen Johnson Worship/Christ Ed, Cong Care 770-1709
- Kathy Jolly Administration Committee 774-1997
- Patrick Kelly Clerk of Session 776-3788

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- J. W. Bailes Cong Care & Fellowship 352-2017
- Larry Collins Worship/Christian Ed. 776-5592
- Buddy McNeill Worship/Christian Ed. 776-4844
- Jean Wilberg (Assistant Clerk of Session) 718-6009
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- PM PRESIDENT, Lee Setzer.....775-7881
- PM TREASURER, J. W. Bailes.....352-2017
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