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From the Pastor's Pen

My children started school today. Each one has a project to do this week, all of which are essentially the same thing. It's the typical "What I Did over My Summer Vacation" project. I haven't written one of those in a long time because, well, I haven't had summer vacation in a long time... until this year. So since I am back now from my eight-week sabbatical, I thought it would be good to reflect on what I learned and how I have changed.

Just to give you a run-down of what I did, I spent the first week in Pittsburgh working on my doctorate. I met my parents and siblings that Friday for a long weekend in the mountains. After that, I came home and got busy. I woke up every day and went to the library at Union Theological Seminary. Over the course of the next four weeks, I wrote four ten-page papers and read eight books.

Although I intended to write a little more, I have now completed all of my reading for my doctoral studies. I still need to complete my final project, which will end up being about a hundred or so pages (maybe) on leadership in the local church.

I spent most of the next three weeks on the road: four days at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville with Leah (my bride) at a work-related conference for her, a week at Litchfield Beach with Leah's family, and four days in New Orleans with my college fraternity where I serve as chaplain. I didn't get much reading/writing done those last three weeks and I can't say it was all that restful either, but it was all fun nonetheless.

As far as what I learned, the first thing would be that I kind of like being a pastor. It gets hard from time to time (more on that later), but I often felt like the sabbatical thing was overrated because I kind of missed work. I missed the routine, the preaching, the teaching, and the pastoral care, but mostly I missed the people. I genuinely love what I do. One of the benefits of sabbatical is that gets me away and

unplugged from the congregation, during which time I can sort of experience life on the outside so to speak. I forget what it's like not being pastor. This summer reminded me of that and made me appreciate what it is to be a pastor. I'm grateful for that.

It also made me realize, though, how much my family sacrifices for me to do this. When the rest of world stands down, pastors stand up. My busiest day by far is your day off. So when you go to your parties on Saturday nights, I've got to think about going to work. Or when you decide on Friday afternoon to take a quick trip to the mountains, I can't do that. I can, but I just have to be back by Saturday evening. You can skip church and go to a Panther's game. That's out of the question for me... and my family. This summer it was very much possible. Having that weight lifted off my shoulders was incredibly liberating for the Maybry clan. So I've got to respect the price that they pay for that and try to make it up to them somehow. That's probably the biggest thing I learned.

I also learned that it's a joy to go into church and just worship. I very seldom get to do that. My family and I worshipped at Sardis, Matthews, and Good Shepherd Presbyterian Churches as well as Matthews United Methodist. It became an adventure every Sunday and I am proud to say that my children embraced it and were excited about it.

So I guess in a nutshell, you could say that what I learned over the summer was a double-edged sword. First, I love being a pastor and am blessed to be able to do it. Second, I learned that the price of being one is indeed a high one, especially for my family. So I am thankful for them and appreciate the sacrifice they make so that I pursue this peculiar, exhausting, never-ending... but fun and rewarding and meaningful calling. I know in ways that I had forgotten that I am blessed to be your pastor.

-Luke



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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday School	9:15am
Worship	10:30am

DEADLINES

October 2016 issue deadline is September 26

Articles received late will be included the next month.

Sunday Bulletin: Thursdays, 10:00am

Articles received late will be included the next week.

CSCPC WOMEN'S GROUPS

Circle of Friends

10:00am, Room 300, Saturday, September 3

Circle #1

10:00am, Room 300, Tuesday, September 6

Deborah Circle

5:30pm, Parlor, Tuesday, September 13

The Fall Women's Retreat

September 30th -October 2nd, 2016.

We are going to Ridgecrest Conference Center in Black Mountain, NC. The study will be "Loving Well" by Beth Moore. You don't want to miss it!! Please call Charlotte Burgess to make your reservation.



THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER Boxed Cereals

*Please place items in the donation box
located in the Church Narthex.*

THE BEGINNING OF THE CONVERSATION



"My appeal in this book is to weary pastors who have for too long carried the load of ministry and feel crushed by it. My friends and colleagues, you have been blighted by a theology of ministry that was long on duty and short on grace, long on what you must do and short on what Jesus has done and does for you. I invite you to turn to the *diakonos*, the one serving, for he is carrying the load of ministry for you and for the sake of the people over whom you have been placed by him in pastoral charge. It is his service they need, not yours. Only his ministry is redemptive.

As you have often preached, so I say now to you: look to Jesus, for he is the one serving. I invite you to develop the theological apperception to see what Jesus—in the freedom of his love and in the power of the Spirit—is doing among your people and to trust that the Lord has bound you to that continuing ministry.

The Lord does not call you to serve with a top up of grace now and then to help you along the way. You don't need new strategies for ministry as much as a fresh sense that you have been grabbed by the scruff of your spiritual neck by Jesus Christ. The problem is more serious than solutions rendered by ministerial first aid. The gospel is more radical than all of that. You are called to a profound *metanoia*, to have a new mind, to adopt a theology more faithful to the ministry of Jesus Christ. Abandon the theology that has brought you to this place of exhaustion and depression. Abandon *your* ministry; or if that's too hard, trust that what you are feeling is the death throes of ministry, its crucifixion. I know it is painful. But a new thing is being born in you. For he comes now to help you understand that he has joined you to himself and to what he is doing for you and your people."

taken from *The Crucifixion of Ministry* by Andrew Purves; chapter 3, pgs. 98-99

Pastor's Reading Corner

Recommended Book List

The Crucifixion of Ministry, Andrew Purves; InterVarsity Press, Downers Grove, Illinois; 2007



MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

In memory of Pete Helton, Toni & Greta Lambert, Bill Gordon, Rozanna Lawing, Ruby Potts

In memory of Vic Duran, Bud & Pauline Shaney, Bill & Donna Young, Toni & Greta Lambert, Burns & Jean Taylor, Dean Bassett Class, Herman & Teresa Canipe, Mary & Jack Phillips, Sandy & Pat Hart, Circle #1, Martha Sigmon, Emma B. Young class, Portia & Harry Weatherly, Barbara & Barry Choate, Rozanna Lawing, Manley & Annette Caudle, Clara Whitley, Jeff & Linda Karigan, George & Marilyn Hege

In memory of Mary Whitaker, sister of Paul Sigmon, Rozanna Lawing, Martha & Paul Sigmon, the Emma B. Young class

In memory of Steve Taylor, Burns & Jean Taylor

In honor of Joy Cheek, Andy & Beverly Cheek, Seburn Crocker

Steele Creek Elementary Reading Buddies NEEDED

3rd graders at Steele Creek Elementary need YOU as a North Star Reading Partner. You will enjoy the weekly 45 minute sessions as much as they do. Training sessions will be held each Thursday in September at the school. The program starts in October. Please contact Judy Brown for more information.



Child and Youth Protection

It's that time of year again, when those who volunteer to work with children and youth need to sign a Recommitment Form. It's quick and easy. The green forms will be available all around the church (Narthex, Sunday school rooms, bulletin boards) for your convenience. Please return them to British Hyrams, Diane Wilson, or the church office. Thank you to those who give their time and effort for the care of our youngest Central members. You are appreciated!



Reminder from the Publicity Team:

Church related photos are needed!
You can upload your photos for

consideration directly to our website at:

<http://cscpc.org/share-with-cscpc/>.

Administrators review and select photos to be posted. We welcome your submissions so our website can stay updated. We especially need photos of the Central Ringers! Contact Becky Helms at 704-488-0486 if you have any questions or need assistance.



GriefShare meetings will begin on September 11th at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church in Room 322 from 5:00pm-7:00pm. The group will

meet for 11 sessions and the cost of materials is \$15.00. Please contact Jeanne Sikes or Good Shepherd church office for more information, 704-588-3309.

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone.

Vacation Bible School 2016



This year our focus during VBS was "Message Received: Hearing God's Call".

This "let children know that God continues to call all kinds of people into God's service and mission in the world". Children learned that they, too, are called by God to be followers of Jesus Christ and active participants in God's mission in their world. Drama, music, crafts, etc. were used to tell the stories from Scripture of those who are called and to encourage the children to respond.

There was also an adult class that coincided with the children's curriculum, providing adults with opportunities to see how God calls and how responding to God's call is life-changing.

VBS was held as a one-time Saturday event. Volunteers and participants were treated to a delicious lunch and ice cream pops. There was also a visit from the local firemen who educated us about their awesome truck (complete with photo opportunities) and how they respond when the community calls! Many thanks to all the volunteers who answered the call to service to make it all happen!



Children's Choir

Choir practice for children in grades Kindergarten and up begins on Sunday, September 4th. Practice is held in the "Ark Room" #24 upstairs from 9:50-10:10am. Please bring your children to make a joyful noise to the Lord!



Glory to God Hymnal Dedication

IN MEMORY OF

Vic Duran
Vic Duran
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IN HONOR OF

Allan R. Tuggle

DONATED BY

Sheila Fetner & Tom Schmutzler
Wade & Cindy Shepard
Dorothy Williams

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Fall Festival 2016

Our annual Fall Festival has been well attended by the community and is a fun time for all. Please consider serving on the planning committee to help with the event this year. Contact British Hyrams, Martha Osborne, or Ellie Bostick.



Staff Highlights:

Luke, welcome back from your sabbatical! We missed you but are glad you were able to take some well-deserved time off.

A big **Thank You** to British for keeping things going in Luke's absence.

Out & About Senior Group

Luncheon @ CSCPC

September 16, 11:30am



Because of continued construction, here is another chance to join in fellowship with the Out & About Senior Group from Good Shepherd UMC! Chicken, tea and coffee are provided, so please bring a dish to share and join us in the Family Life Center. There will be a guest speaker from Care Haven Senior Home Care Agency. For more details, contact Jeanne Sikes.



*Dear Church Family,
Zack and I wanted to extend a huge thank you to all who put together and attended the shower on Sunday, August 14th. We are so blessed to*

have such a loving church family. We are both so glad to be starting off our marriage surrounded by so much love and so many blessings from you all. Thank you for all you have done and continue to do!

All our love, Zack & Michelle

Central's Saints, thank you for your love and support over the past few months. It was a crazy, busy time in my life and in the life of the church! I could not have survived or enjoyed these experiences without you. Your encouraging words and deeds were an integral part of an important time in the life of my family. You are appreciated!

With love in Christ, British Hyrams



Annual Joint Picnic Central Steele Creek & Pleasant Hill

Please plan to attend our Annual Joint Picnic on Sunday, September 18 in Pleasant Hill's Multi-purpose Room. Lunch will be shared at 12:30pm. We hope all will come, bringing your favorite dishes, including tea, and enjoy a time of feasting and visiting.

Following lunch, information concerning the Cemetery Association will be given and any pertinent business will be discussed. As with last year's program, special recognition will be given to those dear ones who have passed away since last September.

Please give your prayerful consideration to attending this event. This is such a great opportunity for fellowship between our congregations.

CUB SCOUT NEWS:



You are invited to join us for fun for the whole family. We have a lot of fun activities planned for 2016-2017! The Cub Scout boy must be in the first through fifth grades or between the ages of six to ten years old to participate.

The focus for Cub Scouts is teaching boys to be trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent. This is done through an age based program that is focused on achievements by the boy with the help of his parents and elders.

Our Cub Scout Pack 45 normally meets with our small groups on Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00 at Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church at 9401 South Tryon St. on the corner of Westinghouse and South Tryon St. The meetings with the entire group is usually on the last Wednesdays of the month.

If you have a boy or a relative that fits the above and wants to have fun, please contact Charlie Bricker at 704-654-0919 (cell).



2016 Summer Rain Gutter Regatta!

THE OLD HYMNALS

The old Hymnals are available for anyone who would like to have one. They are stacked under the windows in the west side of the choir room. You may stop by anytime and pick up one (or more).

Below is a list of 'dedicated' hymnals (in no particular order) that perhaps some would like to have returned as a keepsake. They are in a separate stack on the window sill. If you see your name listed below as one who dedicated a hymnal or recognize someone who did please feel free to recover it for them. This list was updated in August.

THIS HYMNAL IS PRESENTED FOR THE GLORY OF GOD IN HONOR OF:

Mary Miller	by	Bill Young Jr.
James Robert Ward "Jimbo"	by	Charlotte L. Johnson
Mr. & Mrs. Henry Taylor	by	Burns and Jean Taylor
Harold Pratt	by	Joy and Jerry Cheek
Mary P. Miller and Carl H. Miller	(In memory of)	Cindy Shepard
Ralph Smith	by	Mark and Vebra Clapham
Ruth Kennedy Choate	by	Banks and Lucy Choate
Ethel F. Winkler	by	Betty W. Helton & Nancy W. Griffin
Mr. & Mrs. J. O. Neely	by	Gene and Sue Neely
William Alexander Grier	by	Carrie Sue Grier
Mrs. E. P. Scholtz	by	Bill Young, Jr.
Paul J. Robson	by	Ann and James Robson
Joseph C. McCutchen	by	Elizabeth McCutchen
Jeremy J. White (Our Grandson)	by	Greta and Toni Lambert
Rozanna Lawing	by	Marjorie Caselli
Sgt. John C. Thompson Jr., USMC	by	Wilma and James W. Price
Carris M and Mary Pharr Caudle	by	Robert and Midge Caudle
Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Crowley	by	Burns and Jean Taylor
Banks and Lucy Choate	by	Lee and Joe Mass, Mary Charles, Will & Sally Choate
Leroy Augustus Winkler, Sr.	by	Betty W. Helton and Nancy Griffin
Eugenia Duncan	by	Anne Clapham
Belle F. Lane	by	Barbara Lane
J. Reece Lane	by	Barbara Lane
Mrs. Alease Wells and Mr. Keith Cooper	by	Larry and Ember Wells
Roy Nixon (1918-1988)	by	Margaret Nixon
Sue Neely	by	Bill Young, Jr.
Jim Phillips	by	Joy and Jerry Cheek
+ Clifton McDonald Gallant	by	Pauline A. Gallant
+ Otto and Bertha Snyder	by	Coelle Snyder
+ Mr. and Mrs. William B. Young Sr.	by	Banks and Lucy Choate
+ Rose Clapham	by	Anne Clapham
+ Tiffany R. Lambert, Our Granddaughter	by	Greta and Toni Lambert

SEPTEMBER 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm Food Addicts in Recovery, 7:00pm	2 AA, 12:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm	3 Circle of Friends, 10:00am
4 Sunday School, 9:15am Worship, 10:30am Guest Outreach Team, 11:45am	5 Labor Day (Church Office closed) AA, 12:00pm Boy Scout Troop Leaders, 6:00pm	6 Circle #1, 10:00am Publicity Team, 5:30pm B&G Team, 6:00pm Tuesday Night Basketball, 6:00pm	7 AA, 12:00pm Christian Ed Team, 4:30pm Choir, 6:45pm Boy Scouts, 7:00pm Cub Scouts, 7:00pm	8 Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm Food Addicts in Recovery 7:00pm Emmaus, 7:00pm	9 AA, 12:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm	10
11 Sunday School, 9:15am Worship, 10:30am Congregational Meeting, 11:30am Fellowship Team, 11:45am Chrysalis Group, 2:30pm	12 AA, 12:00pm Staff Support Team, 5:15pm Central Ringers, 6:15pm	13 Facility Use Meeting, 6:00pm Tuesday Night Basketball, 6:00pm Deborah Circle, 5:30pm	14 AA, 12:00pm Choir, 6:45pm Boy Scouts, 7:00pm Cub Scouts, 7:00pm	15 Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm Food Addicts in Recovery 7:00pm	16  POTLUCK DINNER Out & About Group Luncheon, 11:30pm AA, 12:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm	17
18 Sunday School, 9:15am Worship, 10:30am Deacons, 11:45am	19 AA, 12:00pm Cub Scout Leaders, 5:30pm Central Ringers, 6:15pm	20 Tuesday Night Basketball, 6:00pm Worship Team, 6:00pm	21 Bible Study, 12:00pm AA, 12:00pm Choir, 6:45pm Boy Scouts, 7:00pm Cub Scouts, 7:00pm	22 Session, 6:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm Food Addicts in Recovery, 7:00pm	23 AA, 12:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm	24 Stamp Camp, 9:00am
25 Sunday School, 9:15am Worship, 10:30am	26 AA, 12:00pm Central Ringers, 6:15pm	27 Tuesday Night Basketball, 6:00pm	28 Bible Study, 12:00pm AA, 12:00pm Choir, 6:45pm Boy Scouts, 7:00pm Cub Scouts, 7:00pm	29 Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm Food Addicts in Recovery 7:00pm	30 Ladies Fall Retreat, 10:00am departure AA, 12:00pm Bridgewater BB, 6:00pm	

Birthdays-September

1 Holly Lawhorn	21 Annette Caudle
Noell Duran	24 Hayes Shepard
Lauren Shaw	25 John Williams
2 Kelly Caudle	Becky Faircloth
4 Ken Sampson	27 Kevin Stevens
6 Mak Karigan	28 Susan Humter
7 Marilyn Hege	
Pam Wilkerson	
8 Tricia Young Herrington	
11 Kati Hunter	
12 Justin Moss	
16 William Waite	
Jessica Wilson	
18 Mary Young	
20 Martha Sigmon	
Sharon Wilson	
Mary Pat Fowler	

Worship Child Care — September 2016

Volunteers		Volunteers		
September 4	Teresa Canipe	Debby Moss	Open	Open
September 11	Sandy Hart	Barbara Choate	Open	Open
September 18	Open	Open	Open	Open
September 25	Open	Open	Open	Open

Worship Child Care Sign Up Genius link

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0548afad2baaff2-sept>