

The Enabler

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Our First Wednesday Night Gathering

September 8

Our Greenwood Forest Family will have its Wednesday Night Kick-Off on September 8. The evening begins with the grand opening of **Fran's Food and Fellowship Café** (See menu and sign up information on page 4). Following a delicious meal prepared in-house each week, we will have a time of sharing concerns and offering prayers. Children and youth will take part in mission groups and choirs and adults will have a time of fun, fellowship, and Bible study. Check out the Wednesday schedule below. Wednesday is a great time for the entire church family to come to the church house, enjoy eating dinner together, have conversation, share prayer, and take part in programs and activities. It's a great opportunity for everyone. It's also a great way to invite friends and neighbors to get to know Greenwood Forest.

Attention Adults: *Getting to Know You Night*

Our Greenwood Forest Adults will kick off the Fall Wednesday Season with *Getting to Know You Night*. On that evening we're going to keep things light and simply enjoy being together. Other such evenings will be planned for future Wednesdays, and we can have fun activities as a part of our Bible study programs from time to time. On September 15 we will begin *The Favorite Bible Chapter Series*. The invitation is still open for people to help set the agenda. Send an email with your favorite chapter to mack.thompson@gfbccary.org or call the office at 476-0481. We probably cannot cover all selections, but we will do as many as we can over the next five or six weeks.

Mack Thompson, Interim Pastor

Wednesday Night Schedule

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| 5:00 PM to 6:15 PM | Fran's Food & Fellowship Café open |
| 5:40 PM | Blessing / Announcements |
| | Prayer concerns and prayer time |
| 6:00 PM – 6:30 PM | Preschool and Children's Mission Groups |
| 6:00 PM – 6:45 PM | Youth Mission Groups |
| 6:05 PM – 6:35PM | Adult Bible Study |
| 6:30 PM – 7:15 PM | Preschool and Children's Choirs |
| 6:35 PM – 7:15 PM | Informal discussion time for adults |
| 7:30 PM | Adult Choir |



WE AFFIRM:

- ◆The Lordship of Christ
- ◆The Autonomy of the Local Church
- ◆Denominational Participation
- ◆A Worldwide Mission
- ◆The Authority of Scripture
- ◆The Separation of Church and State
- ◆The Competence of the Individual Believer

Minister on Call September 10-12
Carolyn Hopkins
In case of an emergency, call 215-2239

Congregational Caregiving

Deacon of the Month: Teri Edwards, 233-3467

Welcome Reception

Sunday, September 19, 2-3:30 PM

Please attend a gathering from 2-3:30 PM on Sunday, September 19 to welcome our new Interim Pastor, Dr. Mack Thompson, his wife, Carol, and our new Minister to Children, Katie Morgan. Refreshments will be provided.

Sunshine Sunday School Class

The Sunshine class needs some helpers this year. These folks need YOU to step outside of your comfort zone and help out one Sunday a month. Elise Atkins notes, "I'll be the first to admit, I don't know how to interact with the class members but Jennifer McLamb does." Jennifer invites you come and visit the class. No strings. Visit a few times and then decide if you can help on a regular basis. You do not need to prepare a lesson plan but just be there. The goal is to have 4 or 5 helpers so no one feels burdened and you can maintain your ties with your current Sunday School. Please contact Jennifer McLamb (601-4086 or jennifermclamb@bellsouth.net) or Elise Atkins (215-2025 or elise@alumni.duke.edu) to schedule your visit.

Columbarium

We would like to thank Robert Philbeck for repairing the gate and waterproofing the tops of the niches. Also, a thanks to Patrick Parrish for watering the plants this summer.

If you are interested in learning about reserving a niche or a place on the Memorial Plaque, please contact Don Beal.

Susan Miller

Senior Adult Calendar

September 10, 6:30 PM Dinner at GFBC
September 8, 4:00 PM Committee Meeting
September 16, 8:30 AM Breakfast at IHOP

Chick-fil-A Spirit Night

No need to cook dinner on Thursday, September 16! Enjoy supper with GFBC friends at the Waverly Place Chick-fil-A and help support the Children's Ministry. The event will run from 5:00 to 8:00 PM and will feature "The Cow," a spinning wheel game, a dessert topping table and plenty of time to fellowship. A ticket is enclosed in this Enabler; if it's lost or you need more, please go to <http://www.gfbccary.org> and click the Tickets link for a printable version. (GFBC will receive 15% of the proceeds, tracked by the tickets, and 100% of proceeds from the \$1 spinning wheel.)

Welcome New Member!

Anna Brooks Roberson, daughter of Mark and Muriel Roberson, joined August 29 by baptism. She is a student at Cary High School.

Music Ministry Notes

Leadership is in place for our singing groups. The Adult and Preschool/Children's Choir enrollment begins Wednesday, 9/8. Youth Choir enrollment begins at the Youth Kickoff on Sunday, 9/12 with rehearsals beginning 9/19. The Adult and Youth Handbell Choirs will begin as soon as leaders are identified. **NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME FOR ALL GROUPS.**

Thank You

To our friends at Greenwood Forest,

Thank you so much for the lovely reception. We were blessed by your warmth and well wishes. As always, the Family Activities Committee thought of everything. Doug and I pray for your continued ministry. (Sam would too, but he is too busy running and chasing at the moment!)

Grace and peace in all things.

With gratitude, Doug, Amanda, and Sam

Thank you to all the members of the church for your phone calls, cards, and visits, along with your prayers during my recent illness.

Bob Watson

Nominating Committee Report

Additional copies of the Nominating Committee report are available in the office. You may also request a softcopy by contacting the office. Thanks to a few more people volunteering we have reduced the number of vacancies. Please consider if you can help with the following vacancies. The highlighted positions are especially needed to support our commitment to have exceptional children and youth programs. Contact Elise Atkins (elise@alumni.duke.edu or 215-2025) to volunteer.

Alpha Omega (1) Audit Committee Chair
Challengers (2) Children's Bulletin (1)
 Cuba Advisory Committee Chair
 HOPE Coordinator (1) Nursery Coordinator (1)
 Outreach Committee (1) Stewardship Committee (1)

Sunday School 4th & 5th grade (every other month)

Sunday School Sunshine Class Helpers (3)
 Sunday School Adult 1 Teacher (College Age)

Vacation Bible School (2)

Vision Planning and Coordination Team Chair
 Vision Planning and Coordination Team



Knitting Ministry

Our next Knit & Chat will be Monday, September 20, at 10:00 AM in Room 226. Please bring a beverage. Call Susan Miller at 481-1359 for more information.

Church Records

Help keep the Church's records updated by letting the office know if your address, phone number, or e-mail address changes. Call the church office at 467-0481 or e-mail publications@gfbcary.org.

Focus on Finance

Church Budget Year (September-August)
 Week 52 ending 08/29/10

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|---------------------------|-------------|
| Stewardship Goal | \$1,274,201 |
| Needed Year-To-Date | \$1,274,201 |
| Given Year-To-Date | \$ 971,382 |
| Over/(Under) Year-To-Date | (\$302,819) |
| Given This Week | \$15,301 |
| Weekly Goal | \$24,504 |

In Christian Care

(as of Wednesday, 9/1/10)

We remember those at home:

Emma Aepli, Carol Bizzelle, Lewis Faulkner, Louise Faulkner, Bill Jones, Bryant Stallings, Bob Watson

We remember those in the hospital:

Britthaven: Peggy (Jessie) Branch
Morningside: Jean Winstead
Rex Rehab, Apex: Margaret Curl
Hospice of Wake: Dick Still

We extend our sympathy to: Kathryn Suggs at the death of her father, Woodrow Wilson Newsom of Hartsville, SC, on August 30.

Volunteers for September 12

Nursery: Amanda & Tom Bell, Kim Mitchell & Elizabeth Harvey
Children's Church: Amy & Charles Clawson
Sound System: Charles Lord

Attendance Sunday, August 29

| Sunday School | | Worship | |
|---------------|-----|---------|-----|
| Adults | 177 | | |
| Preschool | 17 | | |
| Children | 11 | | |
| Youth | 24 | | |
| Total | 229 | Total | 271 |

Parents' Night Out September 17, 5-9 PM

The senior adults are sponsoring a Parents' Night Out for church families on Friday, September 17, from 5 to 9 PM. Light supper and childcare provided. Call Gail Jones, 380-8981, or sign up below and place in the offering plate.

Name _____

of Children _____

Ages _____

Phone # _____

Fran's Food & Fellowship Café

Reservations

Please **circle the dates** you wish to attend and write in the number of family members who will be attending.

You may also check beside the Permanent List, which means you will not need to sign up each week. Instead, you must call to cancel if you are not able to attend. **NOTE: If you would like to be on the permanent list, please sign up again even if you were on last year's list.**

Payment should be made on Wednesday evenings only. You can also make or change your dinner reservations on the website by choosing the "Forms" tab, then clicking on "Wednesday Meal Reservations."

Reservations and cancellations are required and **must be made by 12:00 noon on Mondays**. You are responsible for payment of all reservations even if you cannot attend. The dinner is planned as a fellowship before Wednesday night activities. Therefore, please request carry-outs only in case of emergencies. Carry-outs must be requested by 6:00 p.m. and may be picked up after 6:15 p.m.

FAMILY NAME _____

Number of Reservations:

_____ Full Servings (\$5.00)

_____ Children under 3 (FREE)

_____ Children 3-12 (\$3.00)

_____ Put me on the Permanent List

Family Limit - \$20.00

September 8

Chicken Salad

Garden Salad

Rolls, Fruit, Dessert

Kids' Menu: Chicken

Nuggets and

Mac & Cheese

September 15

Barbecued Pork

Potato Salad

Cole Slaw

Rolls and Fruit

Dessert

Kids' Menu: Hot Dogs

September 22

Meatloaf

Mashed Potatoes

Green Salad

Green Peas

Rolls, Fruit, Dessert

Kids' Menu:

Hamburgers

September 29

Pizza or Sandwiches

Garden Salad

Dessert

Kids' Menu: Pizza

Bites and Fruit

This Week at GFBC

Sunday, September 5

9:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship Service

Monday, September 6—Labor Day

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, September 7

6:00 PM Stewardship Committee

Wednesday, September 8

Music Ministry Open House

4:00 PM Senior Adult Committee

5:00 PM Family Meal

5:40 PM Prayer Concerns/Prayer Time

6:00 PM Preschool, Children, and Youth

Mission Groups

6:00 PM Properties Committee

6:05 PM Adult Bible Study

6:30 PM Preschool/Children's Choir

6:35 PM Adults Informal Discussion

7:30 PM Adult Choir

Friday, September 10

6:30 PM Senior Adult Dinner

Sunday, September 12

9:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship Service

5:00 PM Youth Fall Kick-Off

7:00 PM Council of Deacons

Dorcas Ministries Food Pantry Needs



Jelly or Preserves
Canned Meats and Fruit
Crackers and Cereal
Canned or Dry Milk
Flour

Boxed Desserts
Personal Hygiene Items
(soap, shampoo, deodorant, etc.)

Please drop off your food donations in the basket outside the church office.