

# THE CHAPEL CHATTER

## *Pastor's Corner*

Summer for me has always been associated with the ocean. Dad always managed to make time to take us to the beach where we would play in the waves. I learned to swim in the ocean. It was easier when I would get out in the deep water away from the distractions of the beach. Then I could dive and not worry about crashing waves or rip currents. I would swim until my lips were blue and my body shivering. I love the ocean. It continually reminds me of God. At the ocean I see the breadth and depth of God's amazing power. When I float upon the surface I feel buoyed by God's spirit. When I dive deep I encounter the limitlessness of God's love and mercy.

This summer at Plank Chapel United Methodist Church, our Vacation Bible School volunteers are bringing the ocean to us. The theme this summer is "Operation Overboard, Dare to go deep for God." Over the course of the week children and youth will encounter God's love, mercy, and grace through the science projects, the Bible stories, the music, the games, the laughter, but primarily through the community that embraces them with unconditional love.

This year I have spoken about God's vision for us and asked us to engage in the processes of visioning our future. The children and the

youth of Plank Chapel are not just part of that future, they are the hope of the world. It is important that we, who are called to nurture them in the faith, also dare to go deep for God so that we not only teach our children and youth the stories, but they experience the breadth and depth of God's amazing love and mercy through our lives.

God's power and love has been pouring out of Plank Chapel into the community through each of you. This summer, my prayer is that we all dare to go deep for God to find the passion and the courage to live out God's vision for Plank Chapel.

Allow joy, allow love, allow God,  
 Pastor Carolyn

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### Red Bird



The Red Bird Missionary Conference is in ministry with Appalachian families

living in the coal region of southeastern Kentucky offering help through its churches and mission institutions. The churches are working to teach and train local leaders, as well as to provide long term discipleship. Church and outreach workers work diligently with the children through camp and youth groups. They provide Bible studies for their adults as well as fellowship activities. The Appalachian Local Pastors School (ALPS) is also provided to train local pastors to serve in churches.

The Mission Institutions of the Red Bird Missionary Conference offer a wide range of ministries. [Henderson Settlement](#)

provides community care and Outreach ministries: agricultural, craft and clothing ministries, elderly and children's ministries, and workcamp and retreat ministries. [Red Bird Mission and Clinic](#) provides a medical clinic, dental clinic, laboratory and xray; elderly, family and children's ministries; housing repair, craft and clothing ministries, Red Bird School and early childhood development program. The [Bennett Center](#) provides a home for a variety of non profit ministries in the Laurel County community.

Our change funds for June and July will go towards this mission project. Remember the buckets in the back! Your spare change can change the world.

### CHANGE THE WORLD

6 Churches—over 60 volunteers—\$3,700.55 raised—13,824 meals packaged! What a day we will never forget.

Thank you to all our supporters through your treasure or time or prayers. It was truly a blessed day as people in our community gathered to help to change the lives of children around the world!



### Change for Mission

Red Bird Missionary Conference



### BASIC Information

Youth Sunday is June 10th. On this Sunday our High School Seniors will offer the message to us in worship. On June 3rd at 5:30 p.m. there will be a meeting to go over our leadership roles for the 10th. Youth are encouraged to come and participate in this worship service. There may also be time on the 3rd to plan and schedule some summer fun.

Would you like to bowl at midnight? Go swimming at Kerr Lake? What about challenging Pastor Carolyn to some Putt Putt? How about serving at ACTS or calling Bingo at

Guardian Care? A summer camping trip to Kerr Lake? What about inviting Union Chapel youth to a Plank Chapel lock-in?

We are getting back to BASICS and planning to have monthly meetings on the 1st Sunday of every month beginning in August at 5:30 p.m. Join us!

VBS has a place for you—come out in June and go OVERBOARD FOR JESUS!

Conference Youth Events Breakaway – June 18th – 23rd ACS – July 16th– 21st

Pilgrimage Nov 9th – 11th – We will again go and again camp!

If you are looking for something to read this summer, here is one recommendation in addition to your study Bibles. Do Hard Things: A Teenage Rebellion Against Low Expectations. By Alex and Brett Harris.



Senior Circle  
June 20  
10:00 AM



ZEB VANCE SCHOOL  
PLAYGROUND  
FUNDRAISER  
JUNE 1ST  
BBQ  
CHICKEN  
PLATES  
\$7.00  
SEE  
DEBRA NEWMAN





*Opportunities to Serve*

- A.C.T.S.
- Volunteer at the YMCA
- Rebuilding Hope
- Volunteer at a Long Term Care Facility
- Volunteer at school
- Volunteer at church
- District or Conference Ministry
- Volunteer at the Library
- Help at a pet shelter
- Habitat for Humanity
- Volunteering with the Cancer Society
- Lifeline

*Community In Prayer*

**For...** Sue Rogers Smith, Marilove Spencer, Sally Coghill, David Driver, James Deans, Jeanette McGhee, Teresa Hock, Faye Young, Sumner Smith, Charles Parsons Smith, Gerald Woodlief, Bo Fitts, Jane Owens, Henry Brown, Jackie Brown, Janet Bobbitt

**For...** Those facing medical procedures this month,

**For...** the lost and afraid,

**For...** Those without food, jobs and shelter,

**For...** healing and reconciliation.

**For...** Annual Conference, churches receiving new pastors, and pastors who are moving

**For...** our leaders, our teachers,



**Vacation Bible School—Coming June 18-22—Operation Overboard—Dare to go deep for God! Register your children today!**



**ACTS FOOD PANTRY**

Canned Goods: Meat & seafood, soups (no broth), vegetables, spaghetti sauce, etc.

Peanut butter

Cereal, oatmeal, (both dry and hot)

Pasta, Rice, Mac & Cheese, noodles, macaroni, etc.

Condiments: mustard, ketchup, mayonnaise, etc. since we do provide both sandwich meat and bread to these clients.

Powdered or canned Milk

Thank you for your generosity and your continued support of the ACTS mission to feed the hungry.

Ann Jay  
ACTS Chair of Church Committee

**Birthdays:**

- 1 Rebecca Jones, Carlton Brown
- 3 Pat Edwards
- 9 Johnny McGhee
- 12 Katherine Kemp, Kim Oettinger, Bailey Hughes
- 14 Christine Spencer
- 15 Frances Leake
- 16 Bruce Newman
- 30 Mac Wilson

**Anniversaries:**

- 9 Johnny & Donald Rose McGhee
- 13 Ben & Jackie Brown
- 17 Freddie & Kim Oettinger
- 18 Bryant & Janet Bobbitt
- 27 Joe & Jeanette Weaver





## AMY



Dear Church family,

Thank you so much for the beautiful and delicious lunch as well as the very generous love offering you collected for me. I am overwhelmed by and grateful for those spectacular gestures of your support of me. I miss being with you already. Being among you for the past year has changed my life and my ministry, and I will be forever grateful to you for that. I want you to know that I carry each of you in my heart and pray for you often. May God continue to bless Plank Chapel for years and years to come and may God grow you in His love daily.

Love in Christ, Amy



## North Carolina Annual Conference

A Future of Hope—Loving like Jesus is the theme of this year's Annual Conference. It begins on Wednesday, June 13th. Some of the highlights for this year's program:

Worship Events—  
 Wednesday 7:30 p.m.—  
 Bishop Al Gwinn will give his final "State of the Church" address for North Carolina Conference  
 Thursday—10:45 a.m.—  
 Memorial Service  
 7:30 p.m.—Celebration of Bishop's Gwinn leadership in the Conference  
 Friday—3:00 p.m.—  
 Celebration of the ministry of the laity of the conference—with a special presentation by Gil Rendle

7:30 p.m. the Laity Celebration continues with Gil Rendle

Saturday—9:30 a.m.—  
 Commissioning and Ordination with the setting of appointments

Special Offerings to cover the following missions:

The first offering will be received on Wednesday evening and will be utilized for **Imagine No Malaria**

The second offering will be received on Thursday evening for **1K - 1 Kid**

The third offering will be received on Friday evening for **Laity Ministries**.

## Welcome Sarah Jo & Jake

Our Duke summer field education student, Sarah Jo Adams-Wilson will be joining us on June 7. Her husband, Jake Adams-Wilson will be joining her after the 17th when he will complete his appointment in Mississippi. They will be staying in the Heaton's efficiency apartment above the barn upon arrival. Both are from the Mississippi Conference and Sarah Jo has completed her first year at Duke. She is excited to learn the ropes of a Pas-

toral Ministry. Jake will be starting up at Duke for his ThM in the fall. Until then, he is looking forward to being a Clergy-spouse and church member. At Family Fun day on the 10th we will be able to share a meal with Sarah Jo and get to know her. Let's give her a great warm Plank Chapel welcome! After his arrival. You may consider having them for a meal to share you stories of faith and life in Vance County.

## K O R N E R

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It has definitely been a chaotic month. Ever have a time when you make plans and immediately they change through no accord of your own? The whole month of May was like that. It seems God had definitely plans different than my own! Then, out of the blue, I received a text message and I cracked up laughing. (guess you have to know my sense of humor) She wrote, "This is the day the Lord has made. You WILL rejoice and be glad in it!" Ok. Lord, you definitely have a sense of humor! It probably isn't exactly what I had in mind for the moment that I received it but it hit at the right time. God knew exactly what I was/am going through and it was His way of reminding me that I am not alone. It helped me to refocus on all the blessings God has for me. So if you are having a bad day, or going through something you aren't thrilled with, I challenge you to take a pause and look up at what God has blessed you with. Sometimes he might just give you a chuckle like He did me! Blessings to you and yours! Karin



# JUNE 2012

**WORSHIP—11:00 A.M.**

**CHURCH SCHOOL—10:00 A.M.**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
27 <b>Pentecost Sunday</b>	28 <b>Memorial Day</b> 	29	30 7:00 pm Choir Practice	31 1:30 pm Holy time Bible Study	1	2	
3 Gideon Speaker Age Level meets After worship  UMYF—5:30 p.m.	4	5 7pm Prayer Group	6 7:00 pm choir	7 Holy time Bible Study 1:30pm	8	9	
10 Youth Sunday Family Fun Day after worship  Welcome Sarah Jo Adams-Wilson 3:00 p.m. PPRC	11	12	13 7:00 pm choir	14 Holy time Bible Study 1:30pm	15	16 VBS Setup Workday Preparing to go Overboard for God!	
17 <b>Happy Father's Day</b> UMM meeting 8am UWM meeting 3pm  Peace with Justice Special Offering	18	19	20 10 a.m. Senior Circle	21 No Bible Study	22	23	
24	25 	<b>Vacation Bible School</b> <b>Operation Overboard—Dare to Go DEEP for God!</b> <b>5:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.</b>			26	27	28
			27 7:00 pm Choir	28 Holy time Bible Study 1:30pm	29	30	

North Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church  
A Future of Hope—Loving Like Jesus

**Vacation Bible School**  
**Operation Overboard—Dare to Go DEEP for God!**  
**5:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.**

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OPEN HEARTS.  
OPEN MINDS.  
OPEN DOORS.

**June 10th  
Family Fun Day  
Following our Youth-led  
Worship  
Fellowship Hall  
Outdoors  
Food, Fellowship, Fun**

*In His Service this Month*

**Flowers:**

3 Roxie Kearney  
10 Jane Owen  
17 United Methodist Women  
24 Michelle Denton

**Lay Readers:**

3 DR McGhee  
10 Taylor Abbott  
17 Pat Edwards  
24 Patricia Fuller

**Ushers:**

Johnny McGhee  
Bobby Newman  
Ben Brown  
John Abbott

**Altar Guild:**

Pat Edwards  
Jeanette McGhee

**Greeters:**

3 Roxie Kearney & Virgie Eaves  
10 Karin Driver & Arianna Fuller-Bell  
17 Carlton Brown & Todd Wilson  
24 David & Laurie Miller

**Nursery:**

3 Frances Roberts & Roxie Kearney  
10 Judy Eaves, Arianna Fuller-Bell  
17 Nancy & Kallie Jo Sears  
24 Beth And John Heaton

**Outreach:**

3 Debra and Bruce Newman  
10 DR McGhee and Pat Edwards  
17 Darlene Ranes and Joyce Edwards  
24 Faye Woodlief and Judy Wilson



**OPERATION OVERBOARD**  
**GO DEEP FOR GOD**  
**JUNE 18-22**

