Burkhead News

THE CHURCH’S PORT-A-PIT CHICKEN BBQ
IS ONLY THREE MONTHS AWAY

Saturday, NOVEMBER 1, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

THERE IS A GREAT DEAL OF WORK TO BE DONE BEFORE THEN.

Sell tickets
Bake goods for the bake sale and desserts
Make art and crafts for Church’s Bazaar
Sell tickets

Donate items to the yard sale and help set it up
Volunteer your time/talents/skills where needed
Did I say sell tickets?

The money the church makes from the BBQ will help pay the Church’s expenses because our tithes and offerings do not cover all expenses.

Later, there will be sign up sheets where and how you can help. NOW, yard sale items are being accepted, but we will not be selling clothes this year. Leave items in the small room across from the back restrooms. We will take large items. Barry Crotty and/or Tim Barfield will pick them up.

If you have questions, ask me.

Beth Dixon, Chairperson
Dear Friends in Christ,

How precious these days are to me being among you.

I wonder if you all know that however, because recently when I told one of our church family that I loved her very much, she seemed genuinely surprised.

And her surprise, surprised me. Here I have been feeling this level of affection for this wonderful Christian lady and had been believing all the while that of course she knew this. After all, it was so obvious to me.

I guess we just cannot assume people know what we are feeling or thinking.

And even though our actions speak more loudly than anything we could ever say, the Lord gives us the ability to speak and use our words for a reason.

It’s so important to tell the people we love that we actually do love them. And tell them often.

Some of us in this church have known one another since adolescence, have known one another’s families, their siblings and even their parents, many of whom who have already gone to heaven. We have shared some of our most important moments together, life crisis and triumphs, listened to one another’s most sacred stories, and endured hearing some of us tell those same old jokes. We are a family, claimed and formed by the Lord, and if this isn’t true love, I honestly don’t know what is.

I just had this deliriously wonderful image of each of us telling the other what we have just assumed all along that everyone knew, that we love one another very much, that we are acutely aware how precious this time together is. And as I am imagining this, such a sweet savor is rising up to heaven, where one day we will forever be united in Christ.

Love well, love with all your heart, and make sure you tell people.

Your Pastor and Friend,

Suze
**WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS**
Wednesday Night meals for the summer continue with much success. Examples of the meals are: "Build Your Own Sandwich & Salad", pizza & salad, baked potato bar with salad, tacos with salad and KFC chicken. And always with dessert, of course. The cost will remain $6/adult and children free for the summer. You will still need to make reservations so that the people providing the meals will know for how many to plan.

Another fun thing will be the weekly door prizes. You can never tell what Lee & Larry will find to surprise us with. So join us this summer on Wednesday evenings at 6 pm for dinner.

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**NURSERY SCHEDULE**
(Helpers should report at 10:45 a.m.)

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**THE CHURCH COUNCIL** will meet on Sunday, August 10 at 4:00 p.m. We will meet in the Seekers Classroom. All are invited, but only members may vote.

Spotlight: Jo Nicholas

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Thank you from the Caring Hands:

The Caring Hands wishes to thank all of you who celebrated Independence Day with us on July 2nd. There was a suggestion to collect donations for the Church’s Food Drive. We did and a total of $113.02 was collected. WOW!

Again, many thanks.

Becky DuBois and Beth Dixon, Co-Chairpersons

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**Music at Burkhead**

Sun., Aug. 3: None of the Above—Bluegrass Band
Mon., Aug. 4: Rev. Suze Pillsbury-Taylor – Vocal
Tue., Aug. 5: Guy Kelpin—Brass
Wed., Aug. 6: Peter Kairoff—Piano

Join us for summer music at Burkhead at 7 p.m. each evening. No admission charge. Please share non-perishable goods for our Food Drive.

Concerts will be followed by refreshments to give you a chance to visit with the performers.
August Birthdays

3  Bruce Griset Sr.  
   Justin Pruitt  
4  William Pugh  
6  Thomas Newton  
9  Wayne Raker  
10 Alice Kelpin  
15 Richard Nifong  
17 Harriet Lassing  
18 H.H. Fairchild  
   Eric Payne  
   Taylor DuBois  
19 Doris Nifong  
20 Ashley Edwards  
22 Elaine Stafford  
24 Keith Raker  
   Jere Carter  
25 Isabel Warren-Hicks  
26 Curt Hicks  
   Carol Holder  
29 Larry Parks  
30 Mary Barnes

August Anniversaries

13 Elaine & Bill Stewart  
18 Susan & David Disher  
23 Kathy & Greg Lisle  
   Anne & Drew Pruitt  
24 Peggy & Bill Bishop  
26 Gretchen & Pete Rodda  
29 Barbara & Jere Carter

Memorial Gifts
June 23 – July 28

IN MEMORY OF GLADYS CRANE  
by: Becky DuBois  
   Seekers Sunday School Class  
   Bill & Elaine Stewart  
   Kathy & Greg Lisle  
   Susan & Todd Slate  
   Deane Pleasants  
   Thorne Worley  
   Dorothy Fulk  
   Bobbie & Ralph Futrell  
   Karen & Mark Sohmer  
   Daryl & Beth Dixon

IN MEMORY OF BARBARA MARCH  
by: Daryl & Beth Dixon

IN MEMORY OF CLEO FULCHER  
by: Daryl & Beth Dixon

IN MEMORY OF MARGIE PLEASANTS  
by: Daryl & Beth Dixon

Dear Pastor Suze and the Burkhead Congregation,

Although I’m a little slow in writing, Mike and I want you to know how much we appreciated our taco dinners a few weeks ago. The meal was delicious. Everyone has been so kind to us. We also are grateful for the little fan we won as door prize.

Thank you so much.

Mike and Peg Price
Spotlight

The focus of our Burkhead Spotlight this month is a lady, born in Monterey, Tennessee whose family moved to Dayton, Ohio when she was almost 11 years old. It was there that she met the man who became her husband when she was just 16 years old. (She may be Burkhead’s youngest bride.) After her husband completed his Army service in El, Paso, TX, he began an engineering career with Western Electric which would take the young couple to many places. From missile sites in California, Michigan, Alaska, Italy, and Germany, as well as short term visits to Winston-Salem, NC, national and international travel and living were a big part of their lives. They were in Alaska when it was admitted to the United States and the city tried to turn the river gold only to have it turn a slimy green color.

In Germany, she began a collection of beautiful Hummel figurines which fill a curio cabinet in her living room today. And it was during their 4 years in Italy under a NATO contract that the lovely photo accompanying this article was made. In 1969 they returned to Winston-Salem where their daughter would soon join the family. At times it seemed her husband’s career which included being part of the team designing the telephone system for Grand Central Station took center stage. But, as we all know, behind every successful man is a successful woman who nurtures, cares for and makes life a lot easier for that man. Such is our lady. Throughout her travels she enrolled in community colleges, obtaining her degree in 1982 from Forsyth Technical Community College.

The family lived in the Hope Valley neighborhood where their driveway had a steep downward slope. One day while the couple and their daughter sat having lunch in the kitchen, the driver of a huge moving van on the street lost control and crashed through the opposite end of their house. With rooms of their home hanging in mid-air, the family was frightened but unharmed. Soon they would build their home (in a neighboring area) she has lived in for over 40 years. In her element as Mother, our lady was busy raising her daughter and caring for her family. Now grown, her daughter and husband are both successful photographers in Greensboro who have two beautiful daughters of their own. Her husband retired in 1987 and became a collector of all sorts of gadgets and gizmos – building a digital printer in his basement while making contacts with designers and providers in China.

Having been married over 60 years, her husband’s death just a year ago has been a difficult adjustment. However, since joining Burkhead, she has been encouraged by the friendships and love found here. She enjoys participating in both group lunch outings and Pastor Suze’s support group. Her traveling days over, she is very content to be here in Winston-Salem. She enjoys needlework, including creating extremely life-like portraits in cross stitch and is now looking forward to redecorating her home. With her quiet demeanor, wonderful sense of humor and outgoing personality, we hope to prevail on her to become part of our visitation
FRONT HILLSIDE: IT’S FINISHED!

The work is completed and it has been seeded. Now we just need some gentle rain to get it turning green. (When going to press, the hillside is now turning green from the recent rain.)

It was exciting to get a letter from Stuart McCormick of LAMBERT Architecture & Interiors commenting on it and I thought I would share some of his letter with you.

“I travel Silas Creek Parkway multiple times each day and have watched with interest your grading project along the road. I wanted to let you know what an improvement I think has been made already. I know it can be hard as a Church to justify spending precious resources on what some may see as only aesthetic improvement, but I for one am fully supportive of your efforts. If nothing else but grassing of the gentle slope happens, the contribution you have made to the community will be tremendous. Previously you really only had the perception of your church by the lone sign on the corner at Pensby and that could have been confused with the Church next door. I hope this will pay dividends as increased awareness so people might consider Burkhead when seeking a church home.

As an architect, I also love that you have opened up the view to your unique and beautiful building. For too long, mid-20th Century designs have been maligned but there is a new awareness and appreciation of their really outstanding design aspects and their role in the continuum of architectural history. I have had occasion to visit your campus… and want you all to know what a true gem you have both outside and in. It appears you have also done a great job maintaining them, including the architectural integrity as well as the physical plant.”

Removing the dirt had been talked about for years and now has finally been accomplished and at no cost to the church. This is such a blessing. See, it’s true, prayers are answered even though it may take years. Thank you God for this blessing.