



# The Messenger

## Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

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### *Congratulations to the Graduating Class of 2014*



***Stephen Max Bridgeman***

*Scotland High School*



***Ashlyn Lee Murray***

*Marlboro Academy*



***Heather Lee Whistler***

*Scotland Christian Academy*

### ***Join the Fun At Jungle Safari: Where Kids Explore the Nature of God! Vacation Bible School Monday July 7-Friday, July 11, 2014 9 am - Noon***

Get ready for a jungle adventure that set kids on the path to finding the greatest treasure of all. Kids will KNOW what's so great about God, EXPLORE the nature of God, and learn how to SERVE God in practical ways this summer at LPC's VBS.

Children will enter the jungle (fellowship hall) and gather at "Toucan Jam" for opening and closing assemblies. Here they will sing and shout as they learn how God is CREATOR, PROVIDER, PROTECTOR, SAVIOR, AND KING. Jake Jordan and Professor Allbright will lead our safari through Zip Line Bible Time, Lizard's Leap, Jaguar Junction, and Slug-a-Bug S.W.A.M.P.



Mark your calendars now and save July 7-11 for a fun-filled Jungle Safari. Registration forms for children age 4 through the Fifth Grade (completed) will be available in the church office next week. Forms will also be available at the table in the hallway of the educational building following Sunday services. It would be helpful if these forms are returned before

the end of June so materials and snacks are plentiful during VBS. Our Safe Sanctuary policy requires health and safety information for all children in our care. Invite your friends to share this adventure and pick up extra copies to give to their parents.

## ***Vacation Bible School July 7-11*** ***There is always "room for one more"***

There is always 'room for one more' at LPC. We are looking for fun-loving safari leaders and will need your help with decorating, registering, singing, making crafts, and playing with our children during Vacation Bible School week. We will provide a 'wish list' for snacks and schedule work times later. In the meantime look around your house for anything that will add to our "jungle theme." Maybe you have some real or artificial plants, patio lights or lanterns, toy monkeys, lizards, butterflies, or anything that will help create a rainforest in our fellowship hall.

If you would like to join the safari, please let Carolina, Carol, or the church office know. Just send us an email or give us a call, we really need and want your help.

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### **From Our Pastor:**

If memory serves, it is Ketcham's Dennis the Menace with crayon in hand, coloring away outside the lines of the picture in the coloring book before him on the coffee table. His father, Henry, sits in the chair reading his paper notices Dennis' expansion of his coloring space beyond the prescribed lines set as stone markers by the powers-that-be at the coloring book company. Apparently Henry questions Dennis' choice to go past the borders he is supposed to adhere to, only to hear Dennis respond: Because there is more room out there!

While Dennis is a five year old with a pension for mischief, he certainly has a point: there is a lot of room out there.

In this day of shrinking budgets, staff, and membership rolls, we, the church, face a crumbling future with the lines we are supposed to color within contracting rapidly, only to leave little prescribed space for us to color.

So, we color outside the lines. Hopefully, that is what we are doing at LPC with ministries like the Community Garden, the Deacon's Soles for Students, our music program that is ever expanding our music repertoire to enhance our worship and draw other people into our congregation.

We are in the midst of upgrading our congregational communication with One Call Now. This will help us get information to you in the best mode possible for you. As well, we are upgrading our website so we can keep it current and expand our information capability on our site.

As well, we are coloring outside the lines as we continue to grow our ministry with Lyndsey. As she begins her summer hours, her focus will be on Monroe Camp, but she will be aiming for our fall programs as we gear up at the end of August.

We simply cannot function the way we did before. We are called to be open to the Spirit of God who leads us to sing a new song, go a new way, breathe in new life. May we continue to do just that as individuals and as a congregation.

"No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old cloak, for the patch pulls away from the cloak, and a worse tear is made. Neither is new wine put into old wineskins; otherwise, the skins burst, and the wine is spilled, and the skins are destroyed; but new wine is put into fresh wineskins, and so both are preserved." (Matthew 9: 16-17)



### **Sunday Worship**

***Graduation Sunday June 1 - 7th Sunday of Easter***

Acts 1:6-14; Ps 68:1-10, 32-35; 1 Pet 4:12-14; 5:6-11;

**John 17:1-11**

Neal's sermon: *Waiting On The World To Change*

150 Come, Christians, Join to Sing  
Kilpatrick's In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified

371 Lift High the Cross

Flowers given to the glory of God by Louise Wester

***Pentecost Sunday June 8 - Communion***

Jim Bumgardner preaching

Acts 2:1-21; Ps 104:24-35b; I Cor. 12:3b-13;

John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39

466 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

433 There's a Spirit in the Air

315 Every Time I Feel the Spirit

(No flowers scheduled)

***Trinity Sunday June 15 - Communion & Baptism***

Genesis 1:1 - 2:4a; Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13;

**Matthew 28:16-20**

Neal's sermon: Go On ... Get Outta Here!

132 Come, Great God of All the Ages

139 Come, Thous Almighty King

138 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

In lieu of flowers a donation has been made to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund in memory of Jerry Peele on his birthday by his family

***June 22 - 12th Sunday Ordinary Time***

Gen 21:8-21; Ps 86:1-10; Rom 6:1b-11; **Matt 10:24-39**

Neal's sermon: A Marketing Nightmare

357 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

492 Baptized in Water

377 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

Flowers given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Anna Jenny Bushoven on the one hundred and third anniversary of her birth by her family

***June 29 - 13th Sunday Ordinary Time***

Gen 22:1-14; Ps 13; Rom 6:12-23; **Matt 10:40-42**

Neal's sermon: It's Simple

408 Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

393 Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

388 O Jesus, I Have Promised

***July 6 - 14th Sunday Ordinary Time***

Gen 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67; Ps 45:10-17; Rom 7:15-25a; **Matt 11:16-19, 25-30**

Neal's sermon: Come to Me

423 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

316 Breathe on Me, Breath of God

276 Great is Thy Faithfulness

In lieu of flowers a donation will be made to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund in memory of Mr. & Mrs. C.A. Purcell and Agnes Lynn Buchanan by the family

***Thank You to Our Volunteers***

**OPEN/CLOSE** June Stuart Carmichael

July Sammy Simmons

**ACOLYTES**

June 1 Jackson Purcell

June 8 Matt Sellers

June 15 McKenna Sutherland

June 22 Andrew Oswald

June 29 Bailey Sloop

**BUS DRIVERS Remember to pickup at Scotia 10:15**

June 1 Greg Wood

June 8 Allen McLaurin

June 15 Jim Willis

June 22 Boyd McLaurin

June 29 Eddie Carmichael

July 6 Richard Mabry

**NURSERY**

June 1 Georgia Dye, Bailey Sloop

June 8 Pam & Bill Hill, Grace Wilkinson

June 15 Eleanor McRae, Caroline Bounds

June 22 Sue Schulz, Madison Dwyer

June 29 Chris & Eddie Carmichael

Kenslee Hecht

July 6 VOLUNTEER NEEDED

**GREETERS Sanctuary Doors**

June 1 Sam & Carolyn Thompson

June 8 Lucy & Nick Sojka

June 15 Charles & Miriam Bounds

June 22 Linda Maddox, Kaye McMillan

June 29 John & Celeste McRae

**GREETERS Office/Fellowship Door-Elders**

June 1 Fred Mabry

June 8 Lynn Mason

June 15 Janet Norton

June 22 Maggie Ratcliffe

June 29 Clara Butler

July 6 Carolina Caddell

**GREETERS Elevator Door-Deacons**

June 1 Stuart Carmichael

June 8 Pat Hix

June 15 Laura Beth Urie

June 22 Kathy Wright

June 29 Richard Mabry

July 6 Kaye McMillan

**USHER TEAM 1** Leader: Jimmy Thigpen

Earl Bowling, Danny Caddell, David Carmichael,

Richard Massey, John McRae, Marcus Norton,

Maggie Ratcliffe, Scott Sellers, Sam Thompson,

Andy Womble

## **Celebrating Birthdays**

John Baker	06/02
Penny McLaurin	06/02
Jim Sutherland III	06/02
Patricia Evans	06/03
Katie McLaurin	06/04
Gloria Coughenour	06/05
Anna Thompson	06/06
Daniel McDonald III	06/07
Danny Caddell	06/08
Carol Coughenour	06/08
Evelyn Crossley	06/08
Hew Fulton III	06/08
Lee McCanna	06/10
Anna Urie	06/10
Delia Muse	06/11
Kristin Broadbelt	06/13
Susan Hardy	06/13
Blue Currie	06/15
Andrew Oswald	06/16
Annie Anderson	06/18
Sue Schulz	06/18
Bette Sellers	06/18
Laney McLaurin	06/19
Martha Fulton	06/20
Charito Grady	06/20
Norma McKeithan	06/23
John Muse	06/23
Jamie Synan	06/24
Daphney Gaw	06/25
Frances Jernigan	06/25
Bess Urie Johnson	06/25
Doug Stack	06/26
Andrew Hartwell	06/27
Jim Mason	06/27
John Massey	06/28
Abby Bruner	06/29
Thomas Coughenour Jr.	06/29
Ellen Dean	06/29
Laurene Stubbs	06/29
Christopher Woessner	06/29
Georgia Dye	06/30
Grace Batten	07/01
Clay Bruner	07/01
Charles McKeithan	07/01
Annette Morgan	07/02
Kathryn Williams	07/02
Sara Williamson	07/04

## **Congregational Concerns**

Virginia Ann McCormick (pacemaker scheduled 6/4 at SMH)  
Recently discharged: Creed Sellers; Continuing Concerns: Freida Parker (Catherine McLaurin's sister), Lucile Bridgeman, Courtney Carmichael, Gloria Coughenour, Susan Hardy, Ray McCormick, Ralph Parker, Frances Shannon, Marty Sutherland, Flora Wells; Scotia SNF: Edna Drake, Frances Hopkins, John Hudson, Virginia Johnson, Janet Petris; Scotia Special Care: Anne Collins, Evelyn Crossley, Reba Essey, Frances Haupt; Assisted: Ervin and Ann Hill, Edna McKeithan, Mary Hafer; Scottish Pines: Thelma Morgan, Mary McDonald, Pauline Bruner; Prestwick: Lois Muse, Dooda Robertson; Morgan Center: Katherine Edmund

### ***Christian sympathy is extended to:***

The family of Tommy Britt in his death, to Bill and Edna Ann Loftus in the deaths of Bill's sister and brother-in-law; and to the family of former LPC employee Candis Malloy Harrington.

### ***Celebrating the birth of:***

Phoebe Rose Dean on May 20, 2014 are her parents Brian and Lacey, big brother Jack and grandparents Dan and Ellen.

### ***Congratulations:***

Edna Ann Loftus was named Distinguished Professor of English (the highest academic rank.)

Susan Wentz received the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award for community service.

## **Christian Nurture and Education**

Nursery: Darlene Swing, caregiver Children's Classes: Explorers for 3 year olds -1st Grade first floor. Trekkers for 2nd Grade -5th Grade upstairs. These classes will be taught at 11:20 following children's sermon. Adults at 9:45: Men's Bible Class in the Session room. 3M's Class off the fellowship hall. The Fun Adult Class and Part Time Adults do not meet during the summer. You are invited to attend one of the other classes.

## **Session Meeting Highlights May 19, 2014**

Finance and Administration: Committee Chair, Bill Purcell II, reviewed the minutes of the committee. Motion made, seconded and unanimously passed to approve the April 2014 Financial Report and to approve the salary being paid to Sheryl Icard be paid to LeGette McLean for the extra duties he is assuming upon Ms. Icard's departure.

Membership: Wayne Hobbs, Committee Chair, reported that the committee did not meet but had conducted a reception for the Confirmands after they joined the Church.

***The Membership Committee welcomes our newest members from the Confirmation Class 2014 !***

**Confirmation  
Class  
2014**

**Welcome  
to the  
Membership  
of  
Laurinburg  
Presbyterian  
Church**



Andrew Hartwell



Laney McLaurin



Andrew Oswald



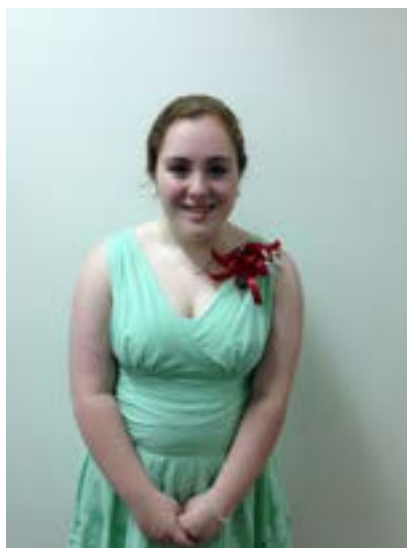
Alexis Patterson



Jackson Purcell



Matt Sellers



Bailey Sloop



McKenna Sutherland

## **What's new in Christian Nurture and Education?**

"We need your help with Christian Education." In the first few days and weeks when I arrived at Laurinburg Presbyterian Church this comment was made to me over and over again. It was hard for me to believe. From what I saw, LPC has a lot going on. LPC has a rockin' youth program and wonderful educational opportunities for adults both in Sunday school and on Wednesday nights. Plus, we have a Vacation Bible School for 100 kids! So I wondered, what more do these people want? The several churches I recently came from would just LOVE to have the sheer numbers we have in worship, or the amount of youth in their youth program and the presence of young adults that we have in our congregation. Laurinburg Presbyterian Church is very blessed and has obviously been doing something right for quite some time.

I admire the members of LPC. While you have a lot of great ministries already happening, you must have a vision for this congregation's greater potential. I love that. And I hope, with God's help, I can help you live into that great potential.

After several conversations with staff, individuals from CN&E, members of the congregation and through my own observation I've come up with a structure that I hope will help this congregation live into that greater potential. I've taken much of what's being done already and just added a few new things. So on Wednesday, May 14, I met for the first time with the CN&E to propose this format that I hope will help the church to grow in it's ministry.

First, we will have the same structure that will include a moderator and several subcommittees. Most of all, I believe if we can get our subcommittees to re-group, build and gain strength that the Christian Education and Nurture at LPC will be dynamic. So the vision is to continue with our Children, Youth, Adult and Scout's Ministry subcommittees. But we also want to add three new subcommittees to include: Hospitality, Young Adult and Multigenerational Ministry. It is obvious to me that there is a presence of Young adults and we need to offer something for this age group. There is also a need to have a ministry that provides a program for the entire family. Lastly, we desperately need a Hospitality Committee. CN&E exist not just to provide food but also to educate and nurture, in other ways beyond snacks. Don't get me wrong; I know they've been doing more than that and that snacks are needed. But, for those who are called to the Hospitality ministry, we need you!

Finally, I'll say that I'm a dreamer too. My hope is that these new subcommittees can be focused in on one area and will feel so passionate about their particular area of ministry that they will want to develop it even more so. Everyone is busy and no one feels adequate enough, so who will step up? With your willingness to volunteer and to do the hard work now to develop these subcommittees, with God's blessing, we will live into that greater potential that you see. Please, consider joining a subcommittee today!

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Note: Rev. Lyndsey McCall will not be in the office regularly during the months of June and July as she directs MCRC's summer camp program. Lyndsey welcomes your calls and e-mails but asks for extra patience during this busy camping season. You may reach her on her cell 919-656-2718 or mccallyndsey@gmail.com

Sunday, June 1st from 2-5pm is Open House at Monroe Camp and Retreat Center. Let us gather at the pool at 2:00pm as a congregation! All are welcome to attend. Also register today for MCRC summer camp for children ages 5-17 years old at monroecamp.org! Brochures are available outside the church office also.

### **Presbyterian Women - Congratulations:**

PW wish to extend congratulations to our graduating high school seniors who will be honored at a breakfast on Sunday, June 1 at 9:45 in the Fellowship Hall.

At the PW Birthday dinner on May 12, Carol Sellers received this year's PW Life Membership Award, Ashlyn Murray received the Katie Groves McNeill Scholarship and Heather Whistler was awarded the Presbyterian Women Scholarship. The officers for next year were also announced:

Moderator: Betsy Massey

Vice Moderator: Carol Sellers

Secretary: Beverly Bowling

Treasurer: Delia Muse

Historian: Lucy Sojka

Search Committee Moderator: Janice Liles

Sue Schulz, Moderator



**Congratulations to Carol Sellers**  
2014 PW Life Membership Award winner  
with Lucy Sojka, PW Historian

### **Investing in our Greatest Resource:**

On Pentecost Day, June 8, we will collect our Pentecost Offering. Giving to the Pentecost Offering makes it possible for the church to encourage, develop, and support its young people, and address the needs of at-risk children, both locally and throughout the world. Please begin to prayerfully consider your gift and bring it to church on Pentecost Sunday.

Also please join us for Pentecost Cake and Punch on the Lawn following worship .

### **Fellowship with LPC this Summer**

Beginning Sunday, June 15 Lemonade on the Lawn follows worship and continues each Sunday through August 24. If you would like to help the Fellowship Committee host a Sunday, please contact Lynn Mason at 276-5353 or lamason55@gmail.com

Fellowship Pool Parties from 7 to 9 pm at Scotch Meadows Mark these dates and plan to join us for dinner, swimming and conversation around the pool on:

Tuesday, June 17 (rain date Wednesday, June 18)

Tuesday, July 8 (rain date Wednesday, July 9)

Tuesday, August 12 (rain date Wednesday, Aug. 13)

### **Summer Camp at LPC Hut**

Summer Camp now under new leadership starts Monday, June 9 for Children who have completed Kindergarten through 6th grade.

Several Options are available for your convenience:

1. Full-time: Monday-Friday 7:00 am to 5:30 pm \$90/week

2. Part-time: Three days per week (you choose the days) 7:00 am to 5:30 pm \$70/week

3. Drop-in from time to time \$25/day (for availability/special plans you'll need to call the day before)

Registration fee: \$25 + Activity fee: \$50 Breakfast, lunch and a snack provided. Activities include: Crafts, Swimming (most Tuesdays & Thursdays), Bowling (twice a month), Field Trips, Vacation Bible School July 7-11 and much more!

For more information please contact:  
Childcare & Hut Director Ms. Precious Graham  
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### **LPC Community Garden**

Garden Plots are still available please contact Sam Thompson at 910-852-9415 to get started today.

***On the Calendar...***

Sundays: 9:45 am SS Adults; 11 am Worship;  
 11:20 am Children's Church School  
 Sun 6/1                 5:30 pm Deacons' Meeting  
 Tues 6/3                7 pm BEG  
 Thurs 6/12            5:30 pm Childcare; 7 pm Finance  
 Mon 6/16               7 pm Session Meeting  
 Tues 6/17              7-9 pm Pool Party

***Sunday Worship Service*** is broadcast on WLNC 1300 Sunday at 11 am, & on the internet (wlncradio.com) On TV Channel 2 Sundays at 10 am and Tuesdays at 8 pm for the previous week's service.

**Note of Appreciation**

Thank you all for each note, card, and prayer that you sent during my surgery and recovery. They were certainly felt by all of us. Knowing that I had the support of so many from my home church brought tremendous comfort to me. What a blessing we have in Laurinburg Presbyterian!

Fondly,  
 Laura Massey Owen

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Office closes at noon on Friday, but remember most staff are able to receive voicemails to their smartphones/iPhones anytime; call LPC 276-0831, when you hear Lu's voice dial the ext number:

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