

**Christian Community Presbyterian Church Newsletter** 



Andrea and I just got back from an 8-day trip to New Jersey, eastern Pennsylvania, and Albany, New York. We were blessed to spend time with three of our four adult children. At our first stop in New Jersey, my son Jonah, and his wife, Allyson, announced we're going to be grandparents again in November. This time a girl. This means much greater variety of clothing to buy! We are very excited. God is good.

There are more than 27,000 new grandparents in the United States every week. Many of the new grandmothers were pioneers who entered the white-collar work force in the 1970's and now 40 years later they are reinventing grand parenting. Our generation is spending more money on our grandchildren, 64 percent more, than grandparents did just 10 years ago. At an AARP Reimaging Grand Parenting Program I attended, I discovered the additional spending includes nearly \$5 billion for primary and secondary education. With the cost of childcare — good childcare — grossly expensive, exceeding the cost of a college education, many grandparents are serving as granny nannies.

Anna Quindlen wrote a bestseller "Nanaville" where she says that in the short time she has been a grandmother, she has learned many things. But most of all, she's learned to butt out. No matter how tempted you are to dispense to your children what you think is wisdom and to correct what you think are their mistakes, you must resist. Those who make their opinions sound like the Ten Commandments might end up seeing their grandchildren only on major holidays and in photographs.

One source of the differences in how to raise children is that 20<sup>th</sup> century parents are giving advice to 21<sup>st</sup> century kids. In order to navigate the dramatic changes facing the next generation of parents, grandparents need to recalibrate our understanding and give up insisting our kids do things the way we did. I expect each of our children will expect a different level of involvement from us. Like Quindlen, we are not needed to raise, house or nanny our grand-children, nor do we need to support them or their parents financially. Unneeded, we will provide the help that is wanted.

Some things have not changed with the joys of being a grandparent. Quindlan writes, "Talking with a small child is like talking to yourself — yourself before you forgot to notice things. What evaporates as we age, sadly, is authenticity, that sense of saying your lines for the very first time. When my grandson is running in front of the spray of the hose with his arms outstretched, there is nothing but sensation: the water, the sunshine, the feel of both on his skin. There is no subtext, just ext. Just the moment. I suppose the greatest gift we can give to children we love is to make it possible for them to hold on to that for as long as possible."

Grace and peace, James Brassard

#### Congregational Meeting is on June 9 at 10:55 AM

### Note on Summer Worship Schedule

Starting Sunday, July 7 and running through Sunday, September 1 we will have One Worship Service at 10AM. The service will be mixed: we will have an opening and closing classic hymn and two praise songs following the greeting time. Most of the time the choir will sing. The service of Ordination and Installation is July 7 and Youth Sunday is August 18.

## Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who came out to support the Youth Car Wash this past weekend! We were able to raise just over \$1000 toward our trip to Montreat! Our trip is July 28-August 4. A group of 3 adults and 13 students will be attending this year's conference.



### Barbara Peebles Marshall

Barbara Sue Peebles Marshall, 83, of Wilmington, NC, died Sunday, May 12, 2019 at New Hanover Regional Medical Center.

She was born December 3, 1935 in Belmont, MO, daughter of the late Wallace R. Peebles and Adrienne Shaw Peebles. She was preceded in death by her husband of 54 years, John Whitaker Marshall, as well as brother, Wallace Shaw Peebles, and sister, Elizabeth Peebles Morris.

Mrs. Marshall and her husband moved to Wilmington, NC in 2004 after living 30 years in Bowie, MD. She was a loving mother and grandmother who enjoyed spending time with family and friends since retiring from a 23 year career with General Electric.

She is survived by her son, John Bradley Marshall and wife Christie of Williamsburg, VA; daughter, Cheri Beth Marshall Clabby and husband Thomas of Wilmington, NC; three grandchildren, Kiersten Marshall, Janna Marshall, and Tyler Thomas Clabby.

A private family memorial service will be held at a later date.

Contributions in Barbara's memory may be made online or by mail to: Alzheimer's Association Eastern NC Chapter, 3739 National Drive,

Suite 110, Raleigh, NC 27612.

## Worship Notes

<u>June 9</u>: The Day of Pentecost. We will hear from two of our high school graduates: Chris Shoffler and Rebecca Ilko at both services. Rev. Brassard's homily on the work of the Holy spirit is titled "The Wonderfully Disruptive Spirit." A **very brief Congregational Meeting** will be held at **10:55AM** in the sanctuary to elect the next class of elders and Deacons

<u>June 16</u>: Rev. Brassard begins his series on the Psalms titled: Songs of Hope: A Deep Dive. Psalm 1 "A theology of Cats and Dogs." At 11AM will feature the baptism of Kerryaine and Bob Hiller's grandson Wyatt.

<u>June 23</u>: Rev. Brassard's sermon is on Psalm 69 titled "When the Floods Rise." Baptism at 11AM of Leah McCarty — daughter of Kathryn and David McCarty

<u>June 30</u>: Psalm 27— one of my personal favorites begins with the words:" The Lord is my Light and my Salvation, whom shall I fear?"

# The Problem of Pain:

Why do bad things happen to good people?



2-WEEK SERIES

DISCUSSION LEADER: DICK NEFF

JUNE 2 from 10:15 to 10:55 JUNE 9 from 10:05 to 10:45

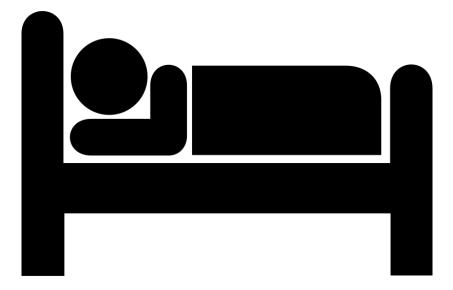
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# Warm Nights

I would like to thank everyone who supported Warm Nights as we hosted again in May. I especially want to thank Ann and Bob Shelby who, along with Carl Neumann, have been instrumental in acquiring the supplies prior to the start of our week and checking to make sure we don't run low during the week. Ann also puts toiletries and clean towels in the rest rooms and launders the towels during the week. CCPC has been involved with the Warm Nights program since it started in the early 1990s. We have always hosted in the winter months, usually in January. When CCSi, the organization that has the contract with PG county to run the program, decided to keep the shelter open through the spring and summer they asked participating churches to host a second week. We agreed to give it a try, which we have done for the past 3 years.

May is a very busy time with graduations, weddings and other family-oriented events. As a result, it is more difficult to fill all the slots on the signup sheets. However, our volunteers always come through and we get the job done. Unfortunately, I feel we are asking too much of our volunteers, especially the core group of people who always support the program. Therefore, I have notified CCSi that we will continue to host Warm Nights in January but we will not sign up for a second week in May or during the summer months. I know some CCPC members will be disappointed to hear this. If anyone feels strongly about hosting Warm Nights for a second week and they are willing to take over the duties as coordinator, I will be glad to get them in touch with the CCSi Program Manager. Also, there may be other churches in the Bowie area hosting Warm Nights during the summer months. If anyone wants to provide a meal or other support, I'm sure the churches would welcome the assistance.

Paul Sell Warm Nights Coordinator



# Our Summer Work Camp 2019 Update

**SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2019 SATURDAY, JULY 6, 2019** 

You may have heard recently that some our trip information has changed. While we'll still be working with Appalachia Service Project this summer, both our destination and job-assignment have changed. We will now be heading to Bristol, TN to be involved with new construction projects. There are currently 25 of us signed up to go. If you were unable to attend this year's trip there are a couple of ways you can help us out. First, there will be a snack bin located in the Atrium, if you would like to contribute some snacks for the group to take with us for the work sites please do so! Secondly, sponsor a participant; if you wish to make a donation to help someone attend please feel free to do so! Simply Put Tennessee Mission on the memo line and drop it in Justin Devine or Judy Frank's mailbox at the church. We are very excited about our upcoming adventure with ASP!

# DON'T JUST WORKOUT JOIN THE PARTY!

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Zumba

Every Sunday in June 2:30 PM in Dodds Hall

**Instructor Bridget Peters** 

### Suzuki Violin and Viola Studio



The Suzuki Violin and Viola Studio of Lerna May-Frandsen will present a spring recital on *Sunday, June 9 at 3:30 pm* in the CCPC Sanctuary.

Among the students performing are CCPC members Joshua Hawkins and Dane Frandsen. Come join us for a spirited musical soiree of great classical music!

A light reception will follow. The program is free of charge and the public is invited to attend. See you there!

## AND . . .

## Dane Frandsen Recital

You are cordially invited to the High School Graduation Recital of Dane Frandsen on

Friday, June 21 at 7:00 pm in the CCPC Sanctuary.

He will be performing works from Bach, Hüe, and Williams, among others, on flute and violin.

A reception will immediately follow the concert.



#### **CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY**

# Women's Sunday

## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CELEBRATE JUNE 2, 2019

On the first Sunday in June, we will have our celebration of Women in the Church. You will see Women in leadership roles throughout the service. We welcome you to attend either service and attend our reception at 10:00 where we will honor our new Honorary Life Member.

Each year since 2004, we have selected an Honorary Life Member in recognition of faithful service of the church's work. When considering a nominee we look at Bowie community service, faith in God through actions, accomplishments at CCPC, and how she lifts others.

Please plan to join the entire congregation at the reception and if you can contribute a finger food to share in the feast we "thank you" for your contribution.

Any questions, please contact Peggy Oates at 301-262-6959 or peggyoates@hotmail.com or Cyd Radden-LeSage at 301-352-9582 or wyonative@verizon.net.



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#### **Christian Community Presbyterian Church**



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CCPC, the first Protestant church in Levitt Bowie, was born from a passion for Christian mission in the local community, and this focus continues.

Our Mission: To worship God, to grow in faith and community, and to place our gifts in the service of Jesus Christ.

Please remember CCPC in your will.



#### **Belair Cooperative Nursery School**

The school is a non-profit, non-sectarian, and non-partisan organization. It's located in the CE Building of Christian Community Presbyterian Church. Call 301-464-5782 or Email <a href="mailto:info@belaircoop.org">info@belaircoop.org</a>



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#### **Imagine - Yoga & Wellness Center**

Located in the CE building, offers yoga and a variety of wellness programs to CCPC members and the community. For more information, visit <a href="www.lmagineThePlace.com">www.lmagineThePlace.com</a>, call 443-510-6308, or e-mail <a href="mailto:info@lmagineThePlace.com">info@lmagineThePlace.com</a>. Scholarships available.