



Announcements

SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2009

1. MISSIONARIES IN FOCUS

Rob and Claudia Holmes – Wycliffe Bible Translators – Chad

Pray for the work of Bible translation in the country of Chad. Pray for Rob's team to have wisdom as they consider hiring a new Chadian assistant translator. Pray for the exegetical checking for the final chapters of Daniel in July, and for the upcoming Hebrew course being offered to several Chadian translation teams in August to go smoothly. Pray for Rob as he proofreads Revelation, works on other books and continues coordinating their team activities while still in the U.S. Pray that the Holmes four girls, Julia, Olivia, Annabel, and Helen, will walk all their days with Jesus. Praise God for the safe delivery of the Holmes's fifth child, Daniel Courage Holmes, on June 7.

2. NEW ARRIVAL

We congratulate Sara and Palmer Westmoreland on the birth of their second child, Mitchell Alan Westmoreland, who was born Saturday, June 6, in Augusta; and Amber and John Barrett on the birth of their third child, Cody James Barrett, who was born June 9, in Augusta.

3. SYMPATHY

Christian sympathy is extended to Mary and Sylvester Brown on the death of Mary's brother, Frank Fluellen, who died Saturday, June 6, in Chicago, Illinois; and to the family of Howard Reeves (Sarge), who served as First Presbyterian's security guard for many years. Sergeant Reeves died June 8, in Augusta.

4. CHILDREN'S MINISTRY REMINDER

Children who have completed the fifth grade will now remain in the worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

5. THE MCKNIGHT LECTURES SERIES

Please join us today for the McKnight Lectures in St Andrew's Hall. Dr. Mark Ross will be the guest speaker and will teach from the book of Haggai on the theme of "Discovering the God of Plenty in a Time of Need."

6. COLLEGE SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

All college students are invited to fellowship, eat, and participate in a Bible study located at 411 Sheffield Circle with Mike and Sandra Hearon each Thursday at 7 p.m. On July 16, 23 and 30, rising freshman are invited to attend a three week "Preparing for College Life" study led by John Franks and Mike Hearon. If you have questions call the COA office 706-823-2460.

7. WEDNESDAYS AT THE LAKE

Every other Wednesday, June 17 through July 29, the Children's Ministry Summer Intern, Jenn Hurst, will be at the Presbyterian Peninsula to organize fun activities for any who want to participate. The Children's Ministry's hope is to give adults and children a chance to fellowship. All ages and stages are welcome from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (of course church families may stay as long as they would like). Bring lunch, towels, water toys, etc. Children may not be dropped off; parents must remain at the Peninsula.

8. VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEER MEETING

Vacation Bible School Volunteers will meet at the church on Sunday, June 21, from 4 to 6 p.m. to help decorate for VBS. Decorations will be provided.

9. VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The Army Adventure Vacation Bible School is coming June 22-26, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at First Presbyterian. Please help the Children's Ministry know how many children to expect by registering. Registration forms are available in the Welcome Center, or you can register online at www.firstpresaugusta.org/children.

For the Children's Ministry VBS offering, children are encouraged to bring a small item to pack in a shoe box for Operation Christmas Child (a ministry of Samaritan's Purse). For a list of items, please see this week's E-Connect.

10. INDEPENDENCE DAY ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Following the evening service on July 5, you are invited to participate in the First Presbyterian Church's annual Ice Cream Social. Enjoy a summer evening on the grounds, complete with home-churned ice cream and patriotic brass music. Each family is asked to contribute homemade cookies and/or home-churned ice cream for the social. Sign-up sheets for contributors are available in the Welcome Center and in your AEC Class or the joint McKnight Series AEC.

11. COVENANTAL PARENTING WORKSHOP

Mark your calendars for a summer workshop on Covenantal Parenting. The three-part workshop will take place on July 15, 22 and 29 from 7-9 p.m. in St. Andrew's Hall. This workshop is for parents of all stages. Charlie Stakely and Mike Hearon will lead our time on July 15 and 22, and the workshop will conclude with a panel discussion on July 29 to address questions. Nursery will be available for children ages four and under. Please RSVP to Joan Gay jgay@firstpresaugusta.org or 706-823-2455 by Friday, July 10, if you plan to attend along with the number of children and their ages who will need childcare.

12. BIBLE AND MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OFFERINGS

To date \$68,213.36 has been given to the conference offering and \$733.58 has been given to the children's offering. Please continue to pray for what part God would have for you in training indigenous leaders around the world.

13. FREE SERVICE CD RECORDINGS

Free CD recordings of previous services and sermons are available in the Welcome Center.

14. SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION

The Children's Ministry is collecting leftover school supplies (unused glue sticks, good markers, pens, pencils, and erasers) to be used in the Sunday School classrooms, during Vacation Bible School, and in various downtown ministries. Please bring your items to the church Welcome Center.

15. CHURCH WEBSITE

Take a moment to explore our newly redesigned and updated website at www.firstpresaugusta.org. Some of the new features of our website include: online giving, an easily accessible church calendar, a suggested resource section, an explanation of sanctuary symbols, past sermons for downloading, a newly designed members section, and much more.

OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

Today

All Day Lake Pavilion Reserved
8:30 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. McKnight Lectures: Joint AEC, St. Andrew's Hall
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary
5:00 p.m. High School Missions Team Meeting, Telfair Hall
6:30 p.m. Evening Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, June 15

All Day Lake Pavilion Reserved
7:00 p.m. Summer Upward Bound, Rogers' Home

Tuesday, June 16

7:00 a.m. Medical Campus Outreach Prayer

Wednesday, June 17

10:00 a.m. Wednesdays at the Lake
7:00 p.m. Summer High Life, Pruitts' Home

Thursday, June 18

10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Hour
11:15 a.m. Midweek Bible Hour
12:30 p.m. Trinity Class Luncheon
7:00 p.m. College Summer Bible Study, Hearons' Home

Friday, June 19

10:30 a.m. High Life Flickerball, Greene Street Pavillion
12:30 p.m. High Life Fry-day, Famous Dave's
7:00 p.m. Upward Bound Float-In Movie Night, D'Arcos' Home

Sunday, June 21

8:30 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. McKnight Lectures: Joint AEC, St. Andrew's Hall
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary
4:00 p.m. VBS Volunteer Meeting
6:30 p.m. Evening Worship Service, Sanctuary

The Response

This is the Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to you, O Christ.

The Sermon - The True Faith, Proven True Dr. George Robertson

I. Precious Faith (1:1-4)

A. Faith: Initiation of Knowledge (1:1)

B. Knowledge: Benefits of Knowledge (1:2)

C. Power: Fruitfulness of Knowledge (1:3-4)

II. Pleasing Faith (1:5-7)

A. Faith Qualities

B. Inner Qualities

C. Relational Qualities

III. Persevering Faith (1:8-11)

A. The Nature of the New Testament Instruction

B. Reasons for Holiness

C. The Goal (1:11)