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"I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL."



COVENANT COVERAGE

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"I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE CHRISTIAN FLAG, AND TO THE SAVIOR FOR WHOSE KINGDOM IT STANDS, ONE SAVIOR, CRUCIFIED, RISEN, AND COMING AGAIN, WITH LIFE AND LIBERTY TO ALL WHO BELIEVE."

From the Pastor's Desk

Hi Everyone,

It might sound odd to some, but I am beginning to understand what it means to talk and what it means to have voice. This is something that I think many of us know, but many of us don't want to think about, or even reflect on. In the early days of the month of May I found myself thinking on this in very intimate and real ways.

As my asthma had dramatically flared up, I found that not only did I lack the ability to speak well, or well enough to be heard, I found that my ability to genuinely communicate was not working. In order to be heard or understood I had to work hard to speak as loud and eloquently as possible. This was something that honestly frustrated me and it put me in a position that made me spend time being quiet, still and reflective. That can be a good thing from time to time, but when you have things to do, well, it just puts a fly in the ointment.

That made me think quite a bit about how many people do we have in our community who feel as though they are not being heard, or to take it one step further, who feel as though they are not even seen or acknowledged. It made be begin to wonder how we can make a difference. The kind of difference that can bring about a life changing outcome.

In a few days we will be coming up on the end of another school year and summer break will be upon us. First of all, I would like to ask for all of us to pray for the children as they prepare to be out of school for the summer. Second, I would like for us to pray for the teachers and they staff of the schools as they work to finish the school year, grade papers, and get the schools ready for summer cleaning. Third, I would like for all of us to pray about how we could become partners at Tuckaseegee Elementary and West Mecklenburg High School in the coming school year.

Often, it is the children in our society that are the vulnerable ones and the ones who have no voice. These are a few of the people who need us. These are the people that need us to work for them and help create a space that will give them the courage to find their voice and do so with confidence and courage. Over these next few weeks, please pray about this opportunity of being a life changer and a life enabler for those who need us in times such as these. How can we work together to have a positive impact in their lives? For many of these children, having one person who is willing to come and invest and just hear them can make all the difference in their lives and the lives of their families. Please pray and think how we can be a ray of sunshine for those who feel as though they are struggling in the darkness.

Blessings and Love, Pastor Elise

JUNE SCRIPTURE READING PLAN

For the month of June, our focus will be on scriptures that remind us of God's protection and provision. These words are good reminders for us that we do not walk alone in this life. If you have a family member or a friend that is struggling right now, I hope you will share these words and they will be a source of comfort and healing.

June 1 Matthew 6:25-34 June 2 James 1:2-17 June 3 Malachi 3:16-18 June 4 Ruth 2:17-23 June 5 Revelation 21:1-7 June 6 Ephesians 6:10-18 June 7 Psalm 84:11 June 8 Hebrews 11:6 June 9 1 Corinthians 10:13 June 10 2 Thessalonians 3:3 June 11 Deuteronomy 31:6 June 12 Isaiah 41:10 June 13 Proverbs 2:11 June 14 Proverbs 4:6 June 15 Psalm 5:11 June 16 Psalm 12:5 June 17 Psalm 20:1 June 18 Psalm 34:19 June 19 Psalm 46:1 June 20 Psalm 57:1 June 21 Psalm 59:1 June 22 Psalm 138:7 June 23 Psalm 140:4 June 24 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 June 25 2 Corinthians 4:8-9 June 26 2 Samuel 22:3-4 June 27 John 10:28-30 June 28 Psalm 23 June 29 Psalm 121 June 30 Psalm 91

FOOD NEEDED (FOR THRIFT FOOD PANTRY)

CEREAL AND CRACKERS

HAPPY FATHERS DAY JUNE 16, 2019

What Makes A Dad

God took the strength of a mountain, The majesty of a tree, The warmth of a summer sun, The calm of a quiet sea, The generous soul of nature, The comforting arm of night, The wisdom of the ages, The power of the eagle's flight, The joy of a morning in spring, The faith of a mustard seed, The patience of eternity, The depth of a family need, Then God combined these qualities, When there was nothing more to add, He knew His masterpiece was complete, And so, He called it ... Dad

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IT'S A DAY FOR RED!

We will celebrate Pentecost on Sunday, JUNE 9th. Pentecost is the day that we traditionally remember the start of the church with the baptism of over 3,000 people and the commitment they made to continue to the mission that Jesus Christ started in the world. It is a day that we should not forget and a day that we should celebrate with Christians around the world.

Pentecost marks the end of the Easter Season. A reminder that Easter is not just one Sunday, but a season that lasts fifty days. Over those fifty days, Jesus was found to be busy visiting the disciples and making sure that the good news would continue to be spread for generations to come.

Pentecost is the longest season in the Christian year. It will last for roughly twenty weeks and it is a season focused on life and renewal. So to start this season of renewal in our lives and the life of the church, you are asked on June 9th to wear red to church. Red for this day will be the reminder of the fire that came on the people and renewed them and helped to bring about the start of the church. So, wear your red and come and celebrate with us the renewal that God is doing in this place. Pastor Elise

NEW BOOK CLUB

We have quite a few people here at Covenant who enjoy reading. So, we are going to try offering a book club to those who may be interested. We will gather at Showmars on Tuesday, June 25th at 6:30 to discuss the book "Gilead" by Marilynne Robinson. This opportunity is open to everyone. If you have any questions, please ask Pastor Elise.

NEW ADDRESS

VANCE, KATHY & HALLIE THREATT 105 W. Park Drive Stanley, NC 28164

2019 GRADUATES

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADS. WE ARE ALL VERY PROUD OF THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

HUR ADRONG

Parents: Y'Ngeo Nai and Jin Adrong HARDING UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL Thinking about his future plans

NEIL KSOR

Parents: Y'Penh Nay and Trem Ksor WEST MECKLENBURG HIGH SCHOOL Plans to continue his education

THENG Y SIU

Parents: Khel Rbam and Hrua Siu HARDING UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL Plans to join the Army

MADISON BUI

Parents: Will and Sloan Bui Granddaughter of Michael and Judy Lowe UNC WILMINGTON B/S in Psychology w/minor in Applied Behavior Analysis Works with autistic children in Wilmington, NC

H RIM RMAH

Wife of Yen Dieu Parents: Bol Siu and Bloai H Rmah CENTRAL PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE Pharmaceutical Assistant at Atrium Health

KATIE HOLT

Daughter of Kevin Holt Granddaughter of Betty Holt CAROLINA COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES Degree in Nursing. Works/Atrium Health/Oncology Unit

VI BUSOJARTONH

Daughter of Sang Y and Sil H UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHARLOTTE Master's Degree in Social Work Moving to Atlanta, GA



STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Have you ever wondered about what your giving to the church does? Because of your gifts, we are able to provide a space for seniors in our community to come and gather not only for exercise, but also for relationship building and connection to others. Seniors can easily begin to feel lonely and isolated as they age and face mobility issues. Know that your gifts provide hope to so many people and even though you may never meet them their lives are being affected by your generosity.

> Blessings, Pastor Elise

FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

It is now June of 2019. At this point in the year, giving-wise, we are not where we were last year by this time. In order to meet the ministry needs of the church and the community, we are asking the congregation to prayerfully

consider increasing their individual giving.

We are very appreciative of all we have received and we know that many are giving to the best of their ability.

More discussion to come. Gloria Kibler, Chair Finance Committee

JUNE FLOOD BUCKET MINISTRY

For the month of June, the item we need for the flood buckets is "**BUCKETS.**"

WE NEED FIVE GALLON BUCKETS WITH LIDS THAT SEAL WELL.

During the month of June we will take an inventory of what we have on hand and will let you know what we need to fill the flood buckets that we have on hand.

Thank you for providing for this vital and needed ministry.

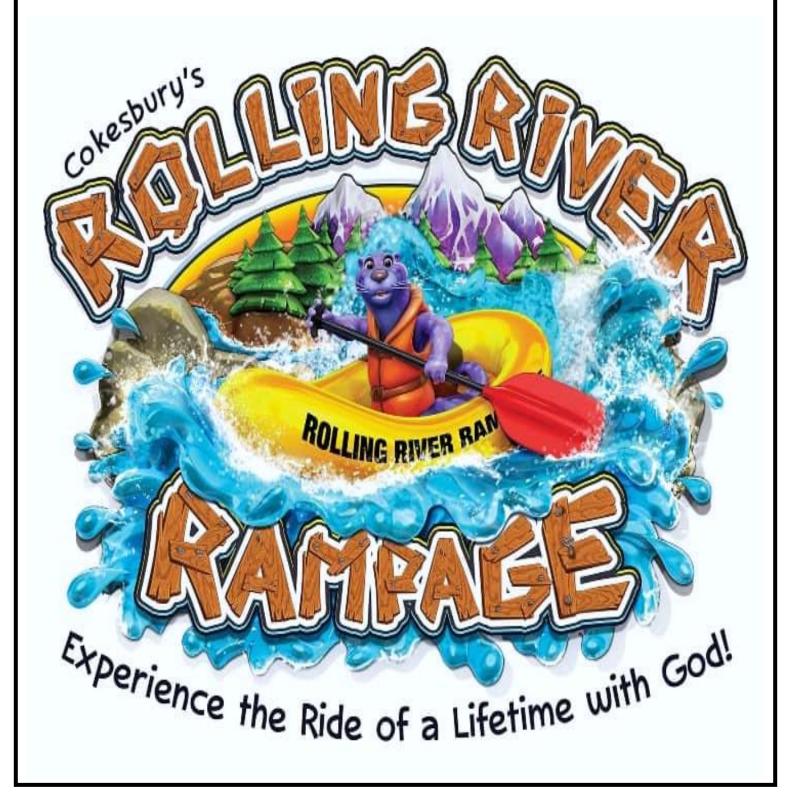
PLACE ITEMS IN FELLOWSHIP HALL NEAR PIANO



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JULY 15 – 17 Time: 5:30 to 8 PM (Light meal at 5:30 then VBS)

IF YOU CAN HELP, SEE LINDA SMELTZER



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