



## From the Pastor ...

**Proverbs 17:6** <sup>6</sup> Grandchildren are the crown of the aged, and the glory of children is their parents.

Relationships are everything. So much so, that the Ten Commandments are all based upon our relationships: with God and with one another. The commandments are given so that we may learn how it is we are to live together, as we were intended to live together. "Honor your father and mother," the fifth commandment reads, "so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you." (Ex. 20:12)

It is quite apparent from the conversations I have with many of you that you are experiencing what is now known as the 'Oreo generation'. Some of you are part of families, in which your parents are still living, as well as your children – and even grandchildren! You have become sandwiched between generations of your family, and the responsibilities to the elder, as well as to the younger, can take their toll.

I can say that I have experience here, in the months my mother lived with us, while our youngest daughter was a junior in high school, and both Mark and I worked as full-time pastors at different churches. I know it is not easy to navigate the waters of so many responsibilities and unknowns.

I can also say with certainty that had it not been for our amazing faith communities, we would not have come through that experience as well as we did. Yes, we do have responsibility to take care of our children, and our parents. *But we do not, and should not, do it alone!*

The small group I was involved in was with me every step of the way. Our church families reached out and provided for needs, such as parent-sitting, coming alongside our daughter and listening to her, and prayer. One dear friend of Mark's church even recommended a book to us, which was extremely helpful in understanding Mom's dementia and its stages. (*The 36 Hour Day*, by Nancy L. Mace and Peter V. Rabins)

I want you to know that you are not alone, and that there are many brothers and sisters in Christ able, and willing, to come alongside you and walk with you and support you in your needs. You need their help, because you can't do it alone; they need to use the gifts of God they have been given. Please do not deny yourself the assistance you may need; and do not deny others the opportunity to serve! There is a season for giving, and for taking. My prayer is that whether you are in the Oreo generation, or not, that you recognize what you have to give, that you recognize what others have to give, and live accordingly, into the blessed relationships God has given us.

I continue serving in Christ,

Pastor Toby

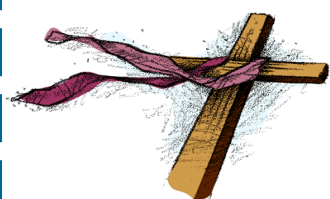
*(if you have needs, or know of someone who does, please contact either myself, or Nellie Gates, chair of the Member Care committee.)*

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# April Volunteer Schedule

	4/6/14	4/13/14	4/20/14	4/27/14	
<b>Liturgists</b>	Cheryl Ellerbe	Nellie Gates	Harold Culbert	Stu Strong	
<b>Ushers</b>	George Hilleary Turner Matthews Harold Moore Margaret Marsh	David Nelson John Newbill John Shull Brantley Motes	Greg Vogel Dan Watt John Abbott Stu Strong	Jim Bochte Jim Boyd Lee Brown Doug Coshow	
<b>Children's Worker</b>	Barb Mouton	B. J. Breeding	Shelly Shull	No Children's Church	
<b>Nursery Worker</b>	Barb Mouton	Sherrie Nelson	Faye Anderson	Nair Sehler	
<b>Communion Servers</b>	Cheryl Ellerbe, Margaret Marsh, Harold Culbert, Stu Strong, Nellie Gates		<b>Communion Preparation</b>	John & Betty Brandon	



## Thought for Lent

God gave us life that we might be born into His eternity.

God gave us prayer that we might know the way in which our souls should grow.

God gave us Christ that we might see in-visible reality.

—Jeanne Birrell



## Birthdays

April 7 - Connie German  
- Ceil Hydrick

April 16 - Glenn McMahan

April 17 - Shannon Fohner

April 22 - Doug Coshow  
- Greg Vogel

April 23 - John Moore

April 27 - Evan Meier

April 30 - Will Fohner



## Anniversaries

April 4 - John & Billie Corriveau

# Financial Report



Finance  
Committee

Our income and expenses were essentially on budget through February. We do have some notables in our finances this year:

1. From gifts to the church's "DESIGNATED MISSIONS" account, we have contributed \$620 to THE OUTREACH FOUNDATION. This is the organization that handles the Food Kits for Syrian Refugees. This gift can supply over 20 of these kits.
2. We have made the 2014 payment for Apportionment Fees for Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly.

Please contact me if you have any questions about our finances. I will try to get an answer for you.

Dan Watt, Treasurer



## It's a Yard Sale!!!

Start collecting your treasures to give away... We are holding a yard sale on **Saturday May 3 from 8am-noon**, with the proceeds going toward providing scholarships for our kids and youth to go to Camp Maranatha this summer!

Please bring your desirable items (NO clothing please!) to the church, in the Middle School room, beginning April 1. Office hours are Monday-Thursday, 8:45am – 3pm. Or, you can arrange a separate time with a member of Session.

Want to share in the fun of the sale? Come and join us as we sort, price, and sell!!! Sorting and pricing will occur either May 1 or 2 (see the Weekly for a definitive time/date), and we would love your help setting items outside, as well as selling items! You can sign up for a shift (6am-9am or 9am – noon) on the sign-up sheet in the office beginning Easter Sunday, April 20.

Questions? See Pastor Toby, or Ruling Elder Faye Anderson.

**Lent Bible Study**  
**Every Tuesday,**  
**March 11—April 15**  
**10:30-11:30 am at**  
**St. Andrew**



## Mission Opportunity

Sunday, April 6, is "Collection Sunday" for the CCC Food Pantry. Please bring non-perishable food items and leave them in the shopping cart or on the tables outside the Fellowship Hall. If you forget them on Sunday morning, you can leave them anytime during the week. The Mission Team will deliver them to the CCC the following week.



Thanks for helping the hungry in our neighborhood.

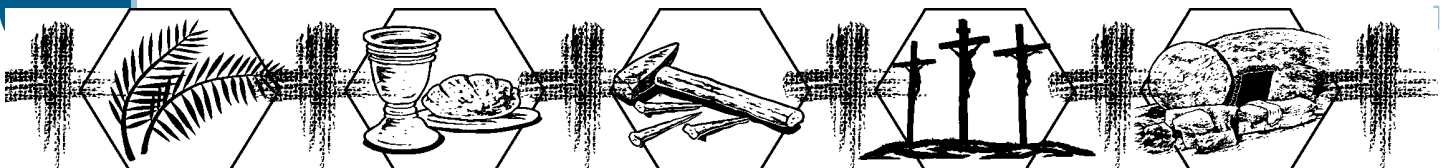
John Jordan, Missions Committee

# Session Notes

The following items are highlights from the March 17, 2014 Stated Session Meeting.

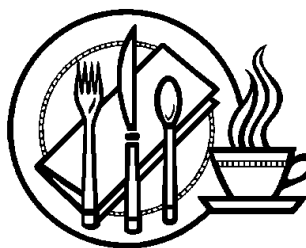
1. Rev. Mueller opened the meeting with a prayer and a study on Transformational Leaders, Chapter 3: Congregational Life.
2. Our membership is at 121 as of February 28, 2014.
3. The minutes for the Stated Meeting of February 17, 2014 were approved as amended.
4. Approvals were given for the use of our facility to Janet Varner for a piano recital in May and to the Civic Chorus for Dinner Concerts in October and for a Christmas Concert in December. See the church calendar for details.
5. Approval was given to Rev. Mueller for her to lead a Youth Summit in Wheeling, WV, July 19-26.
6. The Admin Team's Harold Culbert let the Member Care Team in the process for determining direction for their team's future.
7. The Christian Education Team announced that Children's Church will be suspended until after the Visioning Process has been completed.
8. The Communications Team announced we will be going to an online Church Directory - stay tuned for details.
9. The Mission Team reported that we had a very successful Soup Kitchen at the CCC several weeks ago.
10. We will be looking into alternates for our Church Insurance due to a substantial rate increase by our current carrier.
11. Rev. Mueller is leading a team to develop a Vision for St. Andrew. The first meeting was on March 12. Other members of the team are: B. J. Breeding, Harold Culbert, Ceil Hyrick, John Jordan, Turner Matthews, Stu Strong, and Dan Watt. If you have any ideas or suggestions, pass them on to one of the team members.
12. The next Stated meeting will be on April 21, 2014 at 6:00 pm.

Stu Strong  
Clerk of Session



## Wednesday Night Hosts

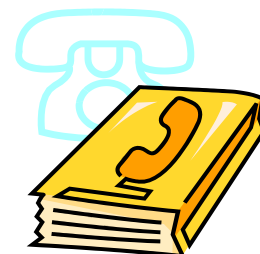
<b>April 2</b>	<b>John &amp; Sylvia Newbill</b>
<b>April 9</b>	<b>John &amp; Betty Brandon</b>
<b>April 16</b>	<b>Margaret Marsh</b>
<b>April 23</b>	<b>B J Breeding</b>
<b>April 30</b>	<b>Need a Host</b>



We continue to have charges made on the church's credit card with no receipt to verify the charge. We now have a sign-out/sign-in sheet for the credit card. When you return the card, you will also need to return the receipt with a reimbursement form attached saying you used the church Visa card. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Tommy Gates

The Communications, Outreach, and Evangelism (COE) committee is excited to announce that we will begin building a new member directory this month. The directory will be based on the online service Instant Church Directory. The service will allow members to always have access to the latest member contact information on their computers and smart devices. The online information is password protected so that only members will have access to the information. Our next steps will be to validate member information, gather and/or make our own pictures for the directory, and ask you to select the information you are willing to share with other church members.



Look for more announcements in the near future as we begin the process of building the directory. If you have questions about the new directory, please contact Ceil Hydrick.

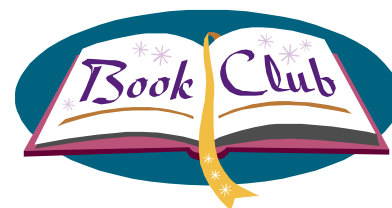
## Page Turners Book Club

In April, Page Turners will read Galileo's Daughter by Dava Sobel. Galileo's telescopes reinforced that the Earth revolves around the Sun. For this belief, he was accused of heresy and forced to stay under house arrest. Virginia, Galileo's daughter, was placed in a convent near him and became his confidante. His clash with Catholic doctrine continues to define the schism between science and religion to this day.

The Page Turners meet the 4th Tuesday of the month at 9:30 am in the Library.

The next meeting is April 22 at 9:30 am.

Barbara Allen





*Whitney Elane Smith  
and  
Todd Allen Bennich  
together with their parents  
invite you to celebrate their marriage on  
Saturday, the seventeenth of May  
two thousand and fourteen  
at 5:30 in the evening  
2429 County Road 324  
Moulton, Alabama*

*Dinner, dancing, and live music will follow.  
RSVP by April 17 - 350-2226 or [bjbreeding11@bellsouth.net](mailto:bjbreeding11@bellsouth.net)*



**Calling all Presbyterian Women  
Spring Gathering:  
"One Body, One Spirit"  
Tuesday, April 8, at 10:00 am  
First Presbyterian Church  
Huntsville, AL  
See Linda Grissom for more information.**

**Living and Leaving A Legacy  
Saturday, May 3, 2014  
Fellowship Presbyterian Church, Huntsville  
9:00 am—Noon**

**A Workshop for Good Presbyterians Interested in  
Investing Good Presbyterian Dollars in  
The Future God has in Store for the Church.**

**Who should attend?**

Members of Steward Committees, Members of Finance Committees, Anyone interested in Legacies, Wills, Bequests, and anyone who has questions about planned/long-range giving: AND YOU CAN ASK!

**Leader: The Rev. Dr. James Foster Reese  
Minister for Specialized Interpretation  
Presbyterian Foundation**





# April 2014

Service Times: Sunday School - 9:00 a.m.

Morning Worship -10:00 a.m.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Lent Bible Study 10:30a  Scout mtg. - 6:30 PW PM - 7:00	2 Vision Mtg 5p Supper - 6:00 Bible Study - 6:30 Kids Prog. - 6:30 Choir - 7:30	3 DAR 2p  Boy Scout Round- table - 6:00	4	5
6  <b>Communion Sunday</b>  CCC Food Collection  Mission Haven Collection	7	8 Lent Bible Study 10:30a  PW Spring Mtg. in HSV. 10:00 am  Scout mtg. - 6:30	9 Vision Mtg. 5p Supper - 6:00 Bible Study - 6:30 Kids Prog. - 6:30 Choir - 7:30	10	11	12
13  <b>Passion/Palm Sunday</b>  Decatur Music Club Recital 1:30	14 Chapel Hill Neighborhood mtg. - 7:00	15 Lent Bible Study 10:30a  Scout mtg. - 6:30	16 Vision Mtg. 5p Supper - 6:00 Bible Study - 6:30 Kids Prog. - 6:30 Choir - 7:30	17  <b>Maundy Thursday Service @ Westminster Pres. 6:30 P</b>	18  <b>Good Friday Noon Service</b> St. Andrew	19  Great Vigil of Easter
20  <b>Resurrection Sunday! EASTER</b>  One Great Hour of Sharing Special Offering	21 Easter Monday Office Closed  Session 6:00p  Scout Leader mtg. - 6:30	22 Page Turners 9:30a  Scout mtg. - 6:30p	23 Vision Mtg. 5p Supper - 6:00 Bible Study - 6:30 Kids Prog. - 6:30 Choir - 7:30	24  Alzheimer's Conf Decatur Bapt.	25	26
27	28	29  Scout mtg. - 6:30	30 Worship Team 5p Supper - 6:00 Bible Study - 6:30 Kids Prog. - 6:30 Choir - 7:30	28	29	30



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