



The Link

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LABYRINTH UPDATE

Last fall our congregation voted to accept an offer from Trevor and Cameron Graham to construct a labyrinth on our property for their Eagle Scout projects. Their projects are ambitious. Trevor needed to raise a minimum of \$5,000 for the construction of the labyrinth and Cameron undertook to raise \$2,000 for the landscape improvements. In addition, members of the congregation and community were invited to contribute to the fund in order to reach the needed total of \$12,000. Through fundraising efforts, these young men have raised over \$8,500 themselves. Additional contributions and memorials total \$2,300 leaving a balance of \$1,200 to be raised. If you have not yet made a contribution but wish to, please do so in the next two weeks. It is hoped that construction will begin early in June. You will also have an opportunity to participate in building the labyrinth!

BENEVOLENT OFFERING

Each Sunday that we celebrate communion, a Benevolent Offering is received at the conclusion of worship. This offering is collected by our youth who stand at each of the exits as we leave worship. The funds are collected in RAINBOWs which our children and youth made for the purpose of raising funds for missions. All funds are used in support of local ministries. Out of our gratitude for what God has done for us, we help our neighbors with what they need.

Since beginning this offering in 2009, we have given over \$5,000 to assist a number of community ministries and projects including: the Christian Fellowship Home, scholarships for children to attend local summer camps, to help purchase a van to transport children for the God's Love & Forgiveness, Inc. tutoring program, Rocky Mount Back to School Kickoff, to help purchase a trailer for the Conetoe Baptist Church garden ministry, local families, and children's mission projects with the Bassett Center and Homeless Shelter. We also assisted with the Haitian Relief effort following the earthquake there in 2010.

END-OF-THE -YEAR COOKOUT AND PARTY

All of Lakeside's youth, children and preschoolers and their families are invited to a cookout this Sunday evening, May 5, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in Kincheloe Hall. We'll have hot dogs, hamburgers, ice cream and all the trimmings. We will also play some games on the back lawn and honor our high school seniors. Some food items are still needed. Please visit our website or contact the church office to sign up.

AMONG OUR MEMBERS

Please remember the following persons who need our prayers and support:

Spring Arbor, 1251 South Winstead Avenue (03)

Erma Berry, The Cottage; **Marjorie Taylor**, Room 212

Liberty Commons, 121 Racine Drive, Wilmington, NC 28403

Carlton Kimbro

At Home:

Anne Bailey, 613 Glenn Avenue (03)

Billy Bulluck, 3806 Battleboro Leggett Road, Battleboro, NC 27809

Ashton Burnette, 1405 Jeremy Lane (03)

Ella Coats, 1600 Hammond Street (03)

Catherine Cooper, 5028 Netherwood Drive (03)

Doug Daniel, 201 Dover Road (04)

Jarrett Dickens, 128 Timberlane Road (04)

Hank Dunham, 1109 Meadow Drive, Townville, SC 29689

Eddie Glasgow, 408 Piedmont Avenue (03)

Susi Goodman, 4009 Woodstock Road (03)

Ed Hamlet, 1357 Fairway Terrace (04)

Marie Price, 3786 Loblolly Drive (04)

Tommy Smith, 1403 Mahonia Court, Raleigh, NC 27615

Lambert Sutton, 3400 Hawthorne Road (04)

Jim and Chris Wiggs, 1441 Rock Creek Drive (04)

Drew Yanishak, 9022 Brigadier Road, Mechanicsville, VA 23116

TOPNOTCHERS NEWS

Please join us for an afternoon of fun at Wine and Design (Kathy Hutcheson's new business) in Wilson, NC on Thursday, May 17. Our very own Mark Gansor will instruct us on how to paint our own work of something beautiful. All paints and supplies will be provided. We plan to leave the church at 2:30 p.m. and will stop for a light supper after our artwork is completed. Please call the church office or visit our web site to sign up. You will not want to miss all the fun!

S.W.I.M. SHOE DRIVE

SWIM'S Healing Place is a safe, serene residence for women in substance abuse recovery. It is a place of healing and hope where women take control of their lives and discover their potential. Through Bible study and Life Coping Skills Classes, women reshape their lives spiritually, emotionally and physically. Job training is provided and residents are helped in obtaining full-time employment.

To raise funds for this vital ministry, SWIM is conducting a used shoe drive. You are asked to encourage family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers to donate gently worn used shoes which will be recycled for a worthy cause. SWIM'S Healing Place will receive 30 cents per pound for all shoes collected.

You may bring gently used shoes to church and place them in the bins provided throughout our buildings. SWIM cannot accept high heels or steel-toed boots. We ask that you bring the shoes by May 20.

LOOKING AHEAD

Founders Day • Sunday, June 3, 2012

Worship ❖ Covered Dish Luncheon ❖ Hymn Sing

YOUTH NEWS

Many thanks to those who participated in the forum on Sunday night and the great discussion that followed. I am so proud of you for bringing thoughtful questions and ideas about a challenging issue.

Youth are still needed to assist with the work day on Saturday. If you can help, please email or text me as soon as possible. All high school seniors are encouraged to attend the cookout on Sunday night. We will have a time for the group to honor you.

Mark your calendars for the car wash on May 19 and Youth and Graduate Sunday on May 20. Watch your email for more details about both.

Workcamp forms went in the mail last week. Remember that June 1 is the firm deadline to register. I look forward to seeing each of you at Sunday School and worship on Sunday. Elizabeth

YOUTH CAR WASH

The Lakeside youth will hold a car wash on Saturday, May 19 at the Walgreens on Sunset Avenue. We will receive donations for our summer trip fund.

GRADUATE INFORMATION NEEDED

If a family member graduated from college in December or will graduate from high school or college this spring, please contact the church office by May 14 so that we may recognize them in *The Link* and during our Graduate Recognition Service on May 20. We need full names, school, degree, and future plans.

VBS REGISTRATION

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 11-15 from 8:45 a.m. to 12:00 noon each day at Church of the Good Shepherd. Children ages 3 through 5th grade may register online at www.goodshepherdrmt.org/

REACH OUT ROCKY MOUNT

The fourth annual Fun Run for Charities will be held May 12 starting at the Imperial Centre Courtyard. Nearly 70 local charities, including Gatekeepers Workcamp, CareNet Counseling Center, and many other ministries supported by our congregation, will participate. Volunteers are needed to help with the Fun Run.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR 18 WEEKS

2012 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$627,851

	Week	YTD
Budget Goal	\$11,846	\$213,228
Receipts April 29	\$14,551	\$167,266
Amount Remaining to meet Annual Budget:		\$460,585

Worship at Lakeside May 6, 2012

The Fifth Sunday of Easter The Celebration of Communion

History Lesson: Acts 8:26-40

Gospel Lesson: John 15:1-8

Sermon: "Maybe We Should Not Read the Bible"

Chancel Choir Anthems:

"Jesus Christ the Apple Tree" - Poston

"The Gift of Love" - Hopson

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CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, May 6

- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship, Education Building Foyer
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 4:30 p.m. Children Depart for Shelter Birthday Party
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Choir
- 5:30 p.m. End-of-Year Cookout for Youth and Children

Tuesday, May 8

- 10:30 a.m. WMU Group 6, Carolyn Overton, 11 Wimberly Drive

Wednesday, May 9

- 7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Service, Sanctuary
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Handbell Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

- Deacon Greeters - Laura O'Neal and Frank Maynard
- Ushers - Group II, Ray Weathers, Captain
- Crucifer - Thomas Blanton; Acolyte - Spencer Edwards
- Extended Session - Kimberly Hoff; Nursery - Alicia Hamrick
- Audio Booth Volunteer - Jerry Hamrick

Visit our new website at: www.lakesidechurchrmt.org