



The Link

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THE FREDERICK E. TURNAGE DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES AT LAKESIDE: CONVERSATIONS ON CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP JANUARY 12-13, 2014

We look forward to welcoming Dr. Jonathan Walton as our inaugural speaker for the upcoming Turnage Speaker Series. Dr. Walton will preach on Sunday morning, January 12, and speak again that evening at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The second event will also offer an opportunity for dialogue with Dr. Walton. In keeping with the overall theme of this series, he will address the topic of "Christian Citizenship." Each of these events is open to the public and without charge. A reception will be held following the evening session. On Monday, area clergy will be invited to a special meeting with Dr. Walton.

Please invite family and friends to attend these experiences as we honor the memory of our friend Fred Turnage and explore the ways in which we might live out our faith as good citizens.

Dr. Jonathan L. Walton is the Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church at Harvard University and Professor of Religion and Society at Harvard Divinity School. He is a graduate of Morehouse College (BA in Political Science) and Princeton Theological Seminary (M.Div. and Ph.D. in Religion & Society).

THIRD ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT

Lakeside women are invited to join us for our third annual women's retreat February 21-23, on beautiful Lake Gaston. Rebecca Husband Maynard, who is gifted in teaching various forms of creative and contemplative prayer, will be our retreat leader. The registration fee of \$80 per person covers meals from Friday dinner through Sunday lunch. Space is limited to the first twelve women, so sign up today by calling the church office or completing the Event Registration form on the website Welcome page.

TOPNOTCHERS VALENTINE BANQUET

Our youth invite all of our Topnotchers to join them for our annual Valentine Banquet, hosted in your honor, on Sunday, February 9, at 6:00 p.m. in Kincheloe Hall. We will enjoy a delicious meal and fun games. You will not want to miss this time of fellowship! Call the church office to sign up.



OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

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

M.D. Anderson Medical Center, 1515 Holcombe Blvd., Houston, TX 77030

Natalie Stewart Cortez

Autumn Care of Nash, 1210 Eastern Avenue, Nashville, NC 27856

Jerry Jolley, Room 404

Dennis Raper (Jackie Raper's brother-in-law)

Sue Toney (Jerry Jolley's mother), Room 605-A

At Home:

Ed Astin, 121 Candlewood Road (04)

Hank Dunham, 1109 Meadow Drive, Townville, SC 29689

Bill Etheridge, 7298 Billy-Buck Lane (03)

Brenda and John Hartness, 1041-I North Jamestown Road, Decatur, GA 30033

Wilba Rae Joyner, 725 Burton Street (03)

Georgia Morris, 1930 Northern Boulevard (04)

Debbie Ozment, 1249 Green Tee Lane (04)

Steve Raper, 1421 Lafayette Avenue (03)

Betty Watts, 616 Nichole Lane (03)

Drew Yanishak, 9022 Brigadier Road, Mechanicsville, VA 23116

Our Members-at-Home

Jean Bishop, The Fountains at the Albemarle, 200 Trade St., Tarboro, NC 27886

Catherine Cooper, 3313 Amherst Road (04)

Marie Price, 3786 Loblolly Drive (04)

Audrey Scarboro, 724 York Street (03)

Marjorie Taylor, Golden Living Center, 1000 Western Blvd., Tarboro, NC 27886

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

This Sunday morning, we will celebrate the baptism of Jeff Stephens who recently joined our congregation upon the profession of his faith.

LET US BE . . . COMMITTED

Thanks to everyone who has made a pledge to support our ministry in 2014. 119 pledges have been received for a total of \$418,721 or 66% of our 2014 Budget. If you have not returned your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible.

WINTER BIBLE STUDY

Our next adult study group will be a five-week Bible study of the book of 1 Corinthians. Participants can choose a Tuesday evening group that meets at 7:00 p.m. each week beginning January 28 or a Wednesday morning group that meets at 10:00 a.m. each week beginning January 29. The study guides cost \$7 each and will be available in the church office in early January. Please call the church office to sign up for a group.

SAVE THE DATE

YOUTH YARD SALE - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Decluttering after the holidays? Tuck away those gently used items to donate for the Youth Yard Sale on February 1. Next week's *Link* will contain details and collection dates and times.

YOUTH NEWS

I am so grateful to all of you who helped to make the Advent season a beautiful and meaningful one. So many of our youth shared your gifts as you led in worship services, mission projects and other activities. Thank you.

All youth and parents are reminded of the planning meeting this Sunday night at 5:30 p.m. in the Lecture Room. Please bring your calendars so that we can schedule our activities for the spring and summer. I look forward to seeing you for Sunday School and worship on Sunday. Elizabeth

CHILDREN'S SKATING PARTY

Children in kindergarten through grade 5 are invited to a skating party this Sunday afternoon, January 5. We will meet at the church at 2:30 p.m. to go to Sky Vue and will skate from 3:00-5:00 p.m. We will enjoy light refreshments and celebrate the winter birthdays of children from the Basset Center who will join us for the fun. We will return to the church by 5:15 p.m. for parents to pick up the children. There will be no further activities that evening.

Children are welcome to bring a friend. Please sign up by calling the church office, emailing Deborah Wright at: deborahwright@embarqmail.com, or by visiting our website.

OFFERING ENVELOPES MAILED

Offering envelopes for 2014 have been mailed. If you did not receive yours, please call the church office.

SUNDAY AT LAKESIDE

Deacon Greeters - Jerry Carter and Jim Martin

Ushers - Group I, Grady Pittman, Captain

Crucifer - Beth Seagroves; Acolyte - Chase Joyner

Extended Session - Nancy Berry; Nursery - Jennifer Cobb

Audio Booth Volunteer - Wayne Cotton

FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR 52 WEEKS

2013 Missions and Ministry Budget: \$633,379

	Week	YTD
Budget Goal	\$12,180	\$633,379
Receipts through December 30		\$586,511
Amount remaining to meet the Annual Budget		\$ 46,868

Worship at Lakeside
January 5, 2014 - Epiphany Sunday
The Celebration of Baptism and Communion

Epistle Lesson - Ephesians 1:3-14

Gospel Lesson - John 1:1-18

Sermon: "God's Children"

Chancel Choir Anthems:

"Heavenly Light" - Kopylow

"O Holy Child" - Cox

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CHURCH CALENDAR

Wednesday, January 1

Church Office Closed

Sunday, January 5

- 9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship, Education Building Foyer
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 2:30 p.m. Children Depart for Skating Party
- 5:30 p.m. Youth and Parents Planning Meeting, Lecture Room

Wednesday, January 8

- 6:30 p.m. Adult Handbell Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 9

- 12:00 p.m. Meditation Group, Parlor

BENEVOLENT OFFERING

As we do each time we have communion during morning worship, we will receive a Benevolent Offering for local ministries this Sunday. Our youth will collect the offering at each of the exits as we leave worship.