

# THE LINK

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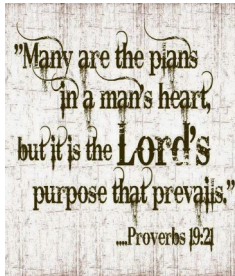


**OLD PEACHTREE**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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# Tomorrow

**D**o not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring. (Proverbs 27:1)

When I was growing up, I remember reading a children's book called, *Do You Know What I'm Going to Do Next Saturday?* In it one child is telling another all his grandiose plans for the coming Saturday, everything from eating a huge stack of pancakes to boxing with Marines, from playing a tuba to flying in a helicopter, to eating ten miles of spaghetti.

Many of us, like that boy, make plans for Saturday (which, as I write this, is in fact tomorrow). Planning for tomorrow is a good thing. Boasting about our plans is not. To boast with confidence in our plans is to presume upon the providence of God, perhaps even to test him.

As the proverb reminds us, we do not know what a day may bring. Planning is good, but we do not know what future events may force us to change or abandon our plans.

Of course, even non-Christians know this. As Christians, though, we recognize that what a day may bring is not the result of mere fate or chance, but the providence of God, who has decreed the end from the beginning and rules over all things. To boast about tomorrow is in fact to boast against God, as though our will overrides *his* will. It is not true, of course, and we must always make our plans acknowledging God may have other ideas. We do not know what a day may bring, but we know who brings it.

The proverb does not tell us not to plan, but not to boast in our plans. James 4:15 gives us the right approach:

Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that."

We plan, yes, but with humility, aware the Lord may have another plan that requires us to change ours.

In the children's book, the boy's boastful planning for Saturday comes to a screeching halt when he remembers his mother has other plans for him...a haircut. He briefly considers it, but then plans to evade it and take his hair with him!

We cannot evade the Lord's plans, and even if we could, why would we? His plans are wiser and better than ours. So as we look to tomorrow and the future beyond, we do so always with this proviso (if only unspoken): your will be done.

*Alan Johnson*

## YOUTH GROUP POOL PARTY - AUGUST 4



Parents and Youth, the summer has gone by quickly, and school is starting very soon. With that in mind, we are having a pool party to mark the end of summer and the beginning of a new school year for our Youth Group. The pool party will be at the Carter's house (2776 Saxon Drive in Duluth, GA) on Saturday, August 4, at 1:00 p.m. (food and drinks will be provided) Please join us! We hope to see you all there!

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY BOARD CHANGES

Jessica Wilson and Joyce Saylor are now co-directing the Women's Ministry Team (Kara Mia Appleton and Ann Elmer have stepped down from this role). The new list of members is below:

Kara Mia Appleton  
Tara Carter  
Meggin Garner,  
Julie Grabenkort  
Jane Horner  
Bethany Rowe  
Joyce Saylor - co-director  
Jessica Wilson - co-director



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FALL 2018



As you consider your schedules and commitments for Fall, also consider giving one hour a week as a Kid's Hope Mentor! It's easy to do, and so rewarding. This is through B.B. Harris Elementary in Duluth, only a few minutes from the church. If you have questions, feel free to contact Julie Grabenkort, Barbara Johnson, or Jessica Wilson. Come and join us! We especially would love to see a few of our men participate!

## MISSION COMMITTEE

The Mission Committee will meet on Sunday, August 12, at 5:00 p.m. in the room next to the foyer. Visitors are welcome. Please join us.

## COLLEGE STUDENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS AT OPPC



Old Peachtree is starting a new group/program designed for college students and young adults! Joe and Ashley Deighton are kicking things off by hosting any and all college students and young adults (age 25 and younger) for dinner at their new house on Saturday, August 4, at 7:00 p.m. Their new address is 2460 Ashbourne Drive in Lawrenceville (about a 10-minute drive from the church). It is located in the Edgewater subdivision. The Deightons hope that this will be a great time of fellowship before you go back to college or just a break from your jobs. Join the fun and fellowship at the Deighton home. Hope to see you all on August 4!

Contact Joe for more information ([joe.deighton@oldpeachtree.org](mailto:joe.deighton@oldpeachtree.org)).

## YOUTH GROUP FOOD SCHEDULE

Those who have volunteered to supply food for the Youth Group on Sunday evenings (5:30 p.m.) in August are listed below. If you are not able to serve on your volunteer day, please contact Jennifer Taylor ([taylorkhandan@yahoo.com](mailto:taylorkhandan@yahoo.com)). Thank you for your help with this fellowship for our OPPC youth.

- August 12 - Glass
- August 19 - Leap
- August 26 - Sickert



## BABY SHOWER

Please join us for a diapers and wipes shower for Lyn Chromiak and Erika Derr on, Saturday, August 25, at 10:00 a.m. Lyn prefers Pampers wipes and any name brand (not store brand) diapers. Erika prefers unscented wipes and Huggies or Pampers diapers. To RSVP and sign up for food contact Jessica Wilson.

## CHURCH EMAILS AND INFORMATION CHANGES

If you would like to receive weekly email bulletins and other church-wide emails and are not currently receiving them, please send us your email address ([office@oldpeachtree.org](mailto:office@oldpeachtree.org)).

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR



The OPPC church picnic will be held on Sunday, October 7, from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at McDaniel Farm Park Pavilion. We will not have First Sunday Lunch on October 7. Please join us for fun and fellowship!

## MEETINGS AND GROUPS

### First Sunday Lunch

Join us for First Sunday Lunch on August 5 following the morning service. Visitors are extended a special invitation.

### Communion Week

We celebrate the Lord's Supper in the morning service on August 12. We have communion on the second Sunday every month.

### Deacons Meeting

The Deacons meet on Wednesday, August 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall (monthly-second Wednesdays).

### Session Meeting

The Session meeting will be August 22, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall (the fourth Wednesday of each month).

### Youth Group

All 6th grade -12th graders, even college students, are welcome to join us for dinner at 5:30 on Sundays except for the first Sunday of each month. Families bringing dinner: (Glass—8/12; Leap—8/19; Sickert—8/26)

### Mark Your Calendar

The children's 2018 Christmas Play rehearsals (ages 3 and up) begin on September 15 through December 8 (Saturdays at 2:00 p.m.) If you have questions contact Jennifer Taylor at ([taylorkhandan@yahoo.com](mailto:taylorkhandan@yahoo.com)).

## NURSERY SCHEDULE - AUGUST 2018

| DATE | 11:00 a.m.                | GREETER<br>(10:45 at table) | 6:00 p.m.     |
|------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| 8/5  | Carter, Malcolm, Tabitha  | Tara Carter                 | No Service    |
| 8/12 | Oliver, Wong, Holley Kate | Julie Schramm               | Wilson        |
| 8/19 | Chandy, Deighton, Sarah   | Ashley Deighton             | Richards      |
| 8/26 | Akin, Chromiak, Elizabeth | Ann Elmer                   | Foster, Smith |

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LINK DEADLINE: Please turn in articles and information for the September *LINK* by Thursday, August 23.

Old Peachtree Presbyterian Church exists to glorify God and to extend the kingdom of Jesus Christ. To accomplish this end, Old Peachtree aims to be a church that is continually growing in vital worship, in theological depth, in true fellowship, in assertive evangelism, and in deeds of compassion. The distinctiveness of Old Peachtree is in its desire to be Presbyterian in government and Reformed in theology, with the vitality that comes from evangelism and discipleship.

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