

# Steering Committee Highlights

July 19, 2010

## Communications:

General Assembly letter from G.A, Moderator and Stated Clerk

Thank you note from Rev. Steve Livingston

Thank you note from Alyson Claiborne

## Treasurer's Report

Dave Jones presented the financial report for YTD as of June 30, 2010.

- Total Plate offerings received = \$47,384
- Special Offerings and other gifts were \$3,646. Investment Income was \$4,765.
- Expenses were \$49,901.
- The Development Fund is \$178,179 and the Memorial Fund is \$5,160.

## Pastoral Care Concerns were discussed

### OLD BUSINESS

- **Church Site Task Force** reported meetings of 6/27 with the Congregation and 7/16 with POJ and Essex County officials. The Task Force looks forward to the next Meeting of the Congregation on July 25<sup>th</sup>, to be followed with a CSTF Meeting on July 26<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.
- **Officer Nominating Committee** reported its progress, and the Steering Committee called for a Congregational Meeting on August 1, 2010 to act on the nominations to the Steering Committee.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### Worship and Music

Jill Robertson & Bill Morris, Moderators

- Summer Communion will be July 25<sup>th</sup>.
- The children of Beth and Andy Perry will be baptized on Sunday August 1<sup>st</sup>.
- The annual Worship at the River Service will be hosted by Emerson & Kathy Hughes at their home on September 19<sup>th</sup>.
- A schedule for Acolytes is to be developed.

## Congregational Care and Fellowship

Susan Spage, Moderator

- The Knitting Group is growing and is building an 'inventory' of prayer shawls!
- The group is scheduling a Dutch treat luncheon after worship on Sunday August 8<sup>th</sup>.

## Christian Education

Anne Sydnor, Moderator

- Eight Young people are attending Camp Hanover –Jacob Perry, Scott Orrick, Crissy Orrick, Sam Hudnall, Logan Hudnall, William Butler, and Hunter and Victoria Davis, children of Jill Davis
- Judi Coats and Lucy Collins continue with the One Room Sunday School for the younger children.
- Jeff and Lynn Orrick will explore a Bible-based curriculum for the older students; Brad Coats has been using a lectionary-based computer program.
- Janice Canby has volunteered to be a substitute teacher for both age groups of kids.
- Adult Education this fall (Oct/Nov) will be on Evangelism, using a curriculum discussed in *Presbyterians Today*.

## Mission and Outreach

Janice Canby, Moderator

- The 5 Cents offering has recently declined; an effort will be made to increase Food Bank gifts. We have helped Community Services extensively this year.
- Steering Committee discussed Essex Churches Together (ECT) and how we can further leverage our own mission effort by providing assistance and leadership to ECT.

## Church Growth

Kim Sydnor, Moderator

- Next meeting July 21<sup>st</sup> to follow up on the very successful Evangelism Workshop led by Rev. Jack Haberer.



**Dutch treat luncheon  
after worship  
on Sunday August 8<sup>th</sup>**

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**Ministry Group Leaders and Members  
being Recruited**

Rev. Morris will finalize the 5 Ministry Group Leaders in July. He will talk to each of the present leaders and see if they would like to continue their roles for the coming year or if they have suggestions for new leadership. Each Group Leader will recruit new members during July/August.

A brief Annual Report will be prepared by the present Ministry Leaders that will be published in the Wee Kirk and also will be used at the Planning Retreat at Camp Hanover August 28.

**Election of Steering Committee Members.**

The Congregational Meeting to elect two Steering Committee Members was held Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>. There will be two 3-hour Officer Training classes on Sunday August 15 and August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Installation will be August 29<sup>th</sup>.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
The annual Worship at the River Service will be hosted by Emerson & Kathy Hughes at their home on September 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Thank you Notes to the TPC Congregation**

June 2010

*Dear Dr. Morris and the very special congregation of Tappahannock Presbyterian Chapel,*

*I am writing to thank each and every one for your prayers of concern, for lifting me up in prayer as you gather on Sundays as you remembered us all in Nashville, and for the most generous check. Oh my, that money goes right in my kitchen appliance fund for the re-build. Yes it was a 100-year flood and no one was spared its path, but I live in the Bible Belt and we know for sure that God is in control and we know and rejoice in knowing that our homes here on earth are just temporary- our future and the strength to carry us thru every day comes from Christ in us!*

*I hope to see you this summer.*

*Love in Christ,  
Mary Hood Burrough*

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*Dear Church Family,*

*Thank you so much for all the years of love and guidance. You are all so supportive and thoughtful through my entire spiritual journey and now as I begin a new journey as a young woman. I take comfort in the fact that as I go forward into my future I will always have you to be there for me.*

*With much love,  
Alyson (Claiborne)*

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(A donation was sent to the fund that has been set up to assist Pastor Livingston's family provide handicapped accessibility aids to his home.)

*Thank you for your kindness and generosity. Your donation is truly a blessing to me and to the organization who installed my lift. The donation allows others to be blessed also.*

*Workers Together for God,  
Pastor Steve Livingston  
(Center Cross Church of God)*

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