

Budget and Attendance Information
For the Month of February 2007

Needed Weekly	\$5,700.97
Offering for February	\$22,290.66
Average Worship Attendance	242 SS 49

The Good Samaritan Food Pantry

Food for the month of **March** is canned tuna, peanut butter & jelly, crackers, dried beans, dried milk, canned fruits, rice, and jams. Food stamp recipients cannot buy health items with food stamps so laundry detergent, shampoo and paper products (**especially toilet paper**) are always needed and appreciated.

- Our source for toothpaste that is included in the health kit is no longer available. On your next shopping trip please pick up a extra one for the Food Pantry.

The Food Pantry is open on Monday from 3:30-5:30 PM and on Friday's 1:00-3:00 PM.

- ☺ Our 8:00 Greeters for the month of March – Betty Jo Dagenhart
- ☺ Our 10:30 Greeters for the month of March – Tony & Gina Wheeler

Golden Chain

The Golden Chain will be meeting on Tuesday, March 13th @ 11:30AM for their monthly meeting and luncheon. Please make plans to join us for food, fun and fellowship. (we will have game day)

We hope to see you there!

If you want to be part of the Golden Chain Group please come out and join us, we would love to have you. We welcome anyone 55 or older to visit and join in on our social activities.

Contact Dick @ 495-8558

Weight Watchers @ Mt. Pisgah!

Are you trying to get your weight under control, if you need help and encouragement just remember that the Weight Watcher's group meetings here at Mt. Pisgah. If you want to be a part of this special group contact Pam Queen to join the Weight Watcher's. They are meeting at Mt. Pisgah on Monday(s) @ 6:00 PM. For more information about their meeting(s) or any other questions please contact

Pam Queen @ 632-3887

**Men's Bible Study will be meeting
on Tuesday(s) @ 5:30-6:30PM**

Join us as we study the **book of Hebrews**
 Tuesday, March 5th
 Tuesday, March 12th
 Tuesday, March 19th
 Tuesday, March 26th

We invite all men, young or old to please join us for a real blessing!



First Communion Classes

First Communion Classes will be offered in the Saturday, March 31, 2007 time 11:30-1:15 PM . Calling all children and youth, who are not yet receiving communion. Come with your parents to the Upper Room for lunch and instruction time together. (Most children are 7 years & Older who attend) Please contact Crystal Cook or Pastor Mike if you plan to attend—Parents **must** come with children.

Women's Bible Study



Women's Bible Study began on January 8th, at 10:00 A.M. and 6:30 P.M. **Living Beyond Yourself** by Beth Moore will be an in-depth study of the fruit of the Spirit—living proof that the Spirit of God dwells in us.

This 11-week, interactive study features personal, daily assignments and weekly group sessions with video(DVD). Workbooks were provided at the first session; cost was \$15.00 each. This study will be meeting every second and fourth Monday of each month. In January and April we will need to meet on the 5th Monday also. A schedule will be provided at the first study.

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Galatians 5:22-23

Prayerfully consider this study and join us in the Upper Room. God Bless, Yvonne Osborne

Mt. Pisgah Nursery for 2007 --Your Help Is Needed

A sign-up sheet is located on the Nursery door.

Kristen Noble is on duty each Sunday, but she needs your help. Some Sunday(s) we have 12-15 little ones in the nursery.

Would you please help by signing up for 2 Sunday(s) at the 10:30 Service.

Thanks so much!

March 4	Heather & Bryan Stafford
March 11	Kelly & Allie Daughtrey
March 18	Kaitlin & Madison Frank
March 25	Kim Abernathy & Lou London

T hank You!

Dear Mt. Pisgah Family,

As we move forward through this change in our lives, God's grace continues to pour out upon us. Being part of this church family has given us the strength to be strong for Dalton. This is a journey that we have not had to go alone and we are truly grateful. Your prayers and support have lifted us up and showed the true meaning of God's Love! As you can see, Dalton continues to make progress, but still has several obstacles ahead of him. One of those obstacles includes being in social situations. When asked by his therapist where he felt comfortable around people, Dalton's answer was church. That is a true testimony to the family that we have here at Mt. Pisgah. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

In Christ's Love
Mia and Billy Johnson

Sunday School news.....

"Life is tough. It's that simple. If you don't agree, you simply haven't lived long enough. Christians everywhere face family struggles, financial crises, debilitating diseases, and crushing disappointments. **It's always something!** Does that mean God is not happy with us? The reality is, because you're human, you're going to struggle with tough stuff."

Charles Swindoll

Getting Though the Tough Stuff (Written by Charles Swindoll) is the name of the series in the Adult Sunday School class that began on Feb.4th. Join us as we continue to explore such tough issues as anxiety, temptation, divorce, remarriage, pain, hypocrisy, shame and more. This two month series is being taught by Margo Mosely and Yvonne Osborne.

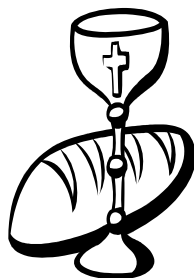
Evangelism Committee Meeting

Evangelism Committee meeting on March 11th post 10:30 AM worship



2007 Altar Guild Volunteer 10:30 Service

March	Mickey Adair
April	Jean Stafford
May	Meredith Priestley
June	Laurie Wegner
July	Yvonne Osborne
August	Sandy Hefner
September	Shawn Frank
October	Ellen Perry
November	Linda Williams
December	Sylvia Bevans



Youth Fundraiser!

Marathon



This year Pastor Mike will be running in the **Ellerbe “Boogie” Marathon** on March 24th. As in the past this is a fundraiser for our youth --- please support him and our youth on these 26miles! In the past 2 marathons we have raised over \$700.00 each. Thanks for your support!

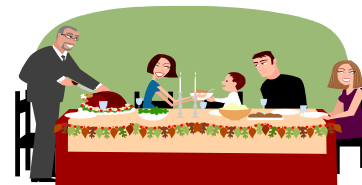
(There is be a sign up sheet in the Narthex)

Lenten meals scheduled:

(dinner 5:15-6:15 & Worship @ 6:30)

- March 7th Lenten meal-Chicken Pot Pie (Worship & Stewardship)
- March 14th Lenten meal-Lasagna (Evangelism & Youth)
- March 21st Lenten meal-Sub Sandwiches (Fellowship & Finance)
- March 28th Lenten meal- (B2B2 committee & Outreach)

April 8th Easter Sunday Breakfast --- Men’s Club



Confirmation Dates of Importance!

- Lenten Wednesdays----dramas
- March 24th youth overnight 6:00 PM
- Lenten Drama on Sunday, March 25th

Sunday, April 1st meeting after each service to discuss work-camp \$125.00 needed by then. Also please have \$50.00 for Kure Beach money in as well.

- April 5th Thursday, Maundy Thursday service
- April 6th Good Friday service
- Confirmation class on Wednesday April 18th
- Saturday, April 21st Confirmation Banquet @ 6:00PM
- Sunday, April 22nd Confirmation service

Dinner for Dalton – Friday, May 11th

For those to be confirmed --- need a baby picture and other pictures as well. --- Also begin working on faith story---see copies
+ Have ready with rough draft by Saturday, March 24th Retreat.



Parents thanks for your participation in this great ministry!

Thank you!

Dear Mt. Pisgah Family,
The Boyd family is thankful for all the calls, prayers, and support during Steve's Dads failing health. Your concern has been a light in the darkness showing us the way in faith. We cherish your friendship and consider our church family Gods gift to us.

God Bless,
Steve, Vicki & Hunter

Thank you!
The Fellowship Committee would like to thank Frank & Patti Simmons for donating and installing shelving in the Celebration Hall storage area.

Adult Sunday School News Coming Soon!

Just what do we mean when we say the Bible is the inspired Word of God? Does that mean every word in the Bible is inerrant? What are the pivotal events in the Bible and why? Is the Bible just as relevant today as it was in the time of the ancient Hebrews? In April the Adult Sunday School class will brainstorm and briefly survey the Bible to grace God's relationship with his people.



Grab a cup of coffee and join us in Celebration Hall @ 9:15 for thought-provoking discussions.

Flower Chart

If you would like to recognize a special person or a special occasion with the gift of flowers remember the flower chart is located on the Kiosk in the narthex. Sign up and let them know how much they mean to you.

What are some of the ministries duties?

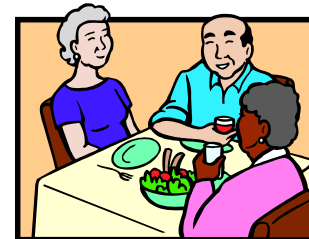
Each month one of Mt. Pisgah's nine ministries will be highlighted in the Pisgazette. The ministries are looking for enthusiastic members with new ideas. Please read each description and listen for God nudging you toward a particular ministry. If you are already participating on a committee, thank you. If you aren't already involved we're hoping you'll take this opportunity to contribute to the church while making new friends and enjoying fellowship with your church family.

We highlight ...Fellowship this month!☺

Ministry of Fellowship

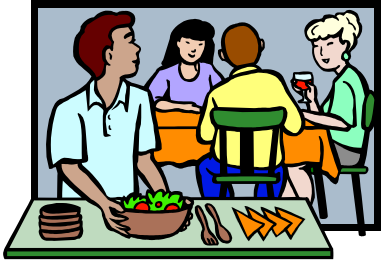
The dictionary defines fellowship as friendly association and mutual sharing. Our Mt. Pisgah Church is a wonderful example of this definition. Much of the fellowship at Mt. Pisgah happens through the many social activities that are scheduled throughout the year. New member receptions, Lent and Advent dinners, a Thanksgiving dinner, and an annual spring celebration for women and girls of all ages, and a twice-yearly church picnic in a park are some of our responsibilities. The kitchen is kept stocked with supplies necessary for all church social activities to run smoothly. Fellowship is a "fun" committee serving in the Mt. Pisgah tradition of fellowship, friendly association and mutual sharing.

Beth Madurski
Fellowship



Long Range Planning Committee

Meeting Tuesday, March 6th @ 6:30-7:30 in the Upper Room.
Light Supper provided



New Members Class available.....

Our next new member class will be on Saturday, May 6th. New members will be received on Sunday, May 20th

Workday!!! Saturday, March 10th (9:00-12:00)
Let's get ready for Easter!

We need your help outside mulching, planting, etc.
Inside cleaning, and moving furniture.



There will be coffee and donuts -----
Saturday Morning—Come and join us!

Sunday, April 1st

After each service an important information meeting for all going to Work-camp & Kure Beach this summer.
Also we need \$125.00 for **all youth** attending work-camp and \$50.00 for **all youth** attending Kure Beach.

(adult chaperones will be covered)



Confirmation Information.....

Dear Confirmation Parents,

There are definite requirements to be fulfilled in confirmation in order for it to truly be a faith nurturing and growing experience. I am counting on your partnership and participation in making sure that your child receives all the benefits of this experience. Here are upcoming events for which attendance is necessary. If for some reason your child can not make these events please call me otherwise we will count on their presence:

- * Lenten Services on Wednesday(s) 5:15-6:15 Lenten meals
6:30 Lenten worship
(Youth will be leading the services)

Confirmation Sunday ---- April 22nd

We congratulate and celebrate with our 4 confirmands:
Rex Auton, Aimee Bowen, Gage Holcomb & Nicholas Sipe

Saturday, April 21st –6:00 PM Confirmation Banquet
in Celebration Hall

In March We Celebrate with.....

Sarah Joy Deans and Joey Johnston Sr. in their wedding at Mt. Pisgah on Saturday, March 10th at 2:00 PM.

The Baptism of Michael Spera and Makayla Lackey children of Natasha Robinette on March 18th at 8:00 Service.

Golf Tournament ---- see insert



*As every year we are in need of sponsors for the golf course holes!

Spring Fling ----- Women's Tea & Entertainment-----

Sunday, April 29th @ 2:00-4:00 PM in Celebration Hall.

More information to follow!

Picture Directory Information.....



We had 60 families sign up for the first Sunday! First choice will now be contacting everyone who did not sign up by phone.

If you need to change a date or contact First Choice Directory call 1-800-500-6526 ask for appointment center or extension #110

Any other questions --- Contact April Land 310-0192

We have exciting news! Our church will be producing a new full color pictorial family directory complete with names, address and telephone numbers. This wonderful ministry tool will be especially beneficial to new families joining the church and our leadership.

We want a directory that is as complete and up-to-date as possible; therefore, it is important to us that everyone participates. Every family that it photographed and approves their portrait to be included in the directory will receive a complimentary portrait and a copy of the directory at no cost. Your participation will add to the number of free books given to the church and the amount of allotted activity pages for highlighting the activities and benefits we enjoy in our church life.

For your convenience, someone will be calling to offer you an opportunity to make an appointment for you to be photographed. When you are photographed, you will be able to choose any additional portraits you desire to purchase from a wide variety of poses, styles, and sizes. For your added assurance, all portraits are backed by a Satisfaction Guarantee.

To ensure the best family portrait, please consider the following:

1. Large families may need to be photographed in full length, so dress accordingly. Photos of a small family, couple, or single are normally waist high and above.
2. You may request additional portraits to include married children, parents, and grandparents, friends, etc. some of whom are not members of the church. Simply inform the photographer of your desire. Everyone in your portrait session should be present at the beginning of your appointment. There is no charge for this service and you are still under no obligation.
3. Each family desiring to be in the directory must have a separate schedule appointment. Families wishing to be combined for special pose requests should have back-to-back appointments if at all possible.
4. Families that are not members of the church may be photographed as your guests at no charge. They will receive a complimentary portrait at no obligation and also add to the number of free directories the church receives.
5. For best results, wear compatible colors that will compliment the whole family. Try not to wear all very dark or light colors.
6. Photography and portrait viewing immediately afterwards are by appointment only..... please be on time.

The photography schedule is starting on March 11th. We want everyone to be included so please make any arrangements possible to participate when contacted.

A Lenten Prayer

Let me use disappointment as material for patience.
Let me use success as material for thankfulness.
Let me use trouble as material for perseverance.
Let me use danger as material for courage.
Let me use reproach as material for long suffering.
Let me use praise as material for humility.
Let me use pleasures as material for temperance.
Let me use pain as material for endurance.

Grace Wepner will be with us at both services on Sunday, March 11th

Catawba County resident, Grace Wepner is a senior at Converse College majoring in music/harp performance. She is the second eldest of twelve children, five of who are adopted from Guatemala. Grace is dedicating her year of service as Miss Gastonia 2007 to her community service platform titled Adoption: "A Home For Every Child." She is thrilled to have the opportunity to work with Family Builders of Catawba Valley and the Catawba County Department of Social Services as Regional Spokesperson for The Heart Gallery of Catawba Valley, a traveling photography portrait exhibit of area children available for adoption. Grace plans to continue her musical studies through the North Carolina School of the Arts, and will begin offering private harp lessons for beginning students of all ages in Fall 2007 through HarpStrings Studio in Hickory.