

## From the Editor

I think maybe cats are like God, or maybe God is like cats . . . See if this works:

When you come home cats are always glad to see you. Is God like that? I should hope so. Like God, they don't always come when you call, but when you go to sleep at night, they're right there with you.

Maybe this is partly why the ancient Egyptians worshiped cats as gods.

Lizza has reminded me that this is Saturday, demanded tuna, and now she and Laverne are contentedly sitting on my desk watching me fat-finger my keyboard, visiting with me (but pointedly ignoring each other – What's that commandment? Something like Thou shalt have no other gods before Me?).

Got something to share? Drop us a line!

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## The Shining Light of Grace

### Our Worship Schedule

Contemporary Service	8:45 - 9:45
Children's Service	8:45 - 9:45
Sunday School Hour	10:00 - 11:00
Traditional Service	11:15 - 12:15
Children's Service	11:15 - 12:15

### Grace Presbyterian Sunday School

<b>Nursery – Room 103</b>	Kathe Walker	Judy Thigpen
<b>2 Year – Pre-K – Room 112</b>	Wendi Glenn	Frances Kitterman
<i>We Believe</i>	Debbie Metoyer	
<b>K – 5 – Room 117</b>	Susan Lawson	Michelle Miles
<i>We Believe</i>	Cathy Bendall	
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Grade – Up – Room 109</b>	Carl Jones	
<b>Contemporary Issues</b>	Discussion – Sometimes from the Bible, sometimes from current events, exploring the question “ <i>Just what does this mean to us?</i> ”	
<b>Adults</b>		
<b>In-Betweeners – Library</b>	Discussion – This is a new adult class for young adults, college aged through 30's. Clyde Getman will help coordinate class materials	
<b>Bible Discovery – Session Rm.</b>	John Dotson	Bill Bendall
	Study – I	
<b>Friendship Class – Room 101</b>	John Price	
	Discussion – Book of Acts, Titus	

Call Sara Lawson, S.S. Superintendent, 867-3431, or Suzanne Getman, Asst. Superintendent, 382-7777 with questions or if you are interested in joining one of these classes.

## From the Pastor

The month of October is my least favorite of the year. I hate to admit it but it's true. It's not that something bad happened to me during the month and I'll be reminded of it; it's because October is traditionally stewardship month. Don't get me wrong, I'm not opposed to stewardship, but during my time in seminary I was taught to be a theologian and a biblical scholar, not a fund-raiser. I would rather preach about double-predestination and whether or not there will be animals in heaven than about cash.

I know that congregations would prefer not to hear sermons about money because the subject makes us all feel a little uneasy. I sometimes feel like the television preacher who tells you all of the wonderful things God will do for you if you will only give Him some money. It's as if God's blessings are tied to our bank accounts.

So does that mean that you will be spared the obligatory stewardship sermons this year? Not on your life! I'm planning on three, maybe four sermons dealing with stewardship. Heck, if I don't preach on it you won't give, and if you don't give, well, that would be disastrous.

I suppose you could say I'm feeling a lot of pressure about stewardship. Every pastor I know feels the heat during this month. That's why it is 12:15 at night and I'm not in bed sleeping but sitting here at my computer writing this article.

So do me a favor so I can sleep: Look at how God has blessed and is blessing you and commit your financial resources to Grace based on God's blessings rather than my ability to convince you to give. If you'll do that then we'll have a great stewardship month and when November rolls around I can write about how much we have to be thankful for.

Grace and Peace,  
Larry

## Children's Service Schedule

**8:45 Service**

**11:15 Service**

<b>Date</b>	<b>CC Leader</b>	<b>CC Asst.</b>	<b>Puppet Asst.</b>	<b>Cc Leader</b>	<b>Cc Asst.</b>	<b>Puppet Asst.</b>
<b>Sep 7</b>	Kim Upshaw	Sandy Renee	Wendi Glenn	Beth Turner	John Dotson	Catie Waddell
<b>14</b>	Kim Upshaw	Leslie Russell	Mark Gray	Beth Turner	Michelle Miles	Aaron Miles
<b>21</b>	Suzanne Getman	Walt S.	Wayne Gillespie	*	Sandra Gillespie	Blake R.
<b>28</b>	Suzanne Getman	Dossett Foster	Amy Jackson	Beth Turner	Kirsten Waddell	Alex Fry
<b>Oct 5</b>	Suzanne Getman	Debbie Metoyer	Samantha Metoyer	Beth Turner	Carl Jones	Amy Jackson
<b>12</b>	Kim Upshaw	Jan Evans	Christy Tinnen	Beth Turner	Amy Bishop	Catie Waddell
<b>19</b>	***	***	<b>Joint Service</b>	<b>NO CC</b>	***	***
<b>26</b>	Kim Upshaw	Linda Foster	Wendi Glenn	Beth Turner	Michelle Miles	Blake R.
<b>Nov 2</b>	Kim Upshaw	Sandy Renee	Mark Gray	Beth Turner	Sandra Gillespie	Alex Fry
<b>9</b>	Kim Upshaw	Leslie Russell	Wayne Gillespie	Beth Turner	Kirsten Waddell	Catie Waddell
<b>16</b>	Suzanne Getman	Dossett Foster	Christy Tinnen	Beth Turner	Carl Jones	Aaron Miles
<b>23</b>	Suzanne Getman	Walt S.	Samantha Metoyer	Beth Turner	Amy Bishop	Blake R.

Beth Turner Childrens Church Coordinator - 907-9454

**If you have a schedule conflict please switch with another team member and call Linda in the office to let her know so the bulletin will be correct.**

Thank you all for your faithfulness

***"When Children Worship God - AMAZING THINGS HAPPEN!!!!"***

## **From The Property Committee**

Our work this Summer has been devoted mainly to de-cluttering and redecorating. Painting the Northwest classroom and the toddler nursery has been completed and the furniture rearranged for adult use. The new offices are basically complete. Betsy was able to move in last month and the Youth Director's office will be ready as soon as the excess junk is moved out. We will be repainting the Pastor's office while he is on vacation but the Church office will probably have to wait until after the first of the year for its paint job. Plans for the redecoration of the Sanctuary, the restrooms and the new window blinds are complete, but full funding for these projects is not yet in place. The Committee intends to discuss this problem with the Session at its next meeting.

Thanks to hard work by Rev. Turner and the Church Staff; the rear area of the Sanctuary has been cleaned up and rearranged. It looks great.

The Grounds Crew need at least one new volunteer for next Summer to handle the grass mowing on the Deermont side of the property. Most of this can be done with the riding mower and should take around an hour per week. If anyone is willing, please contact Bill Carroll or Jere Lawson. If we don't get a volunteer, we will have to hire someone to do the job and add the expense to the budget.

For the Committee,  
Bill Carroll

## Sunday School Rembrandt

We all know Polly Schrimper is a very talented lady. She is an accomplished musician (she even plays the bongos) and artist, just to name a few talents. It doesn't matter what the need, she is there to help.



She painted the wonderful props for Vacation Bible School. Now she is using her artistic ability for the Sunday School program. Please come down to the Room 112 to see her latest Rembrandt. The children are so excited to have a life size painting of Jesus holding the hands of little children. Cole Price asked Miss Polly how she would do that! Ms. Frances explained that

God gave her this wonderful talent.

Polly we love you and truly appreciate your great talents and support of our Sunday School program.

## **From The Commitment Committee**

### **Stewardship Luncheon Sunday, October 19.**

The annual Stewardship Luncheon, sponsored by the Commitment Committee, will be held following a joint worship service on Sunday, Oct. 19. The worship service will begin at 10:30 a.m. The meal will be catered by Coletta's and will consist of lasagna, salad, and bread. Iced tea and lemonade will accompany the meal, and delicious desserts will be provided by our Presbyterian Women.

Tickets for the luncheon will be on sale Sunday mornings on October 5 and 12, with a limited number still available on the day of the luncheon, Oct. 19. Cost of the tickets will be \$7.00 each.

As the meal is concluding, church treasurer John Evans and John Price will provide everyone with some information about the church's financial needs for the coming year. They will also be glad to answer questions.

Don't miss the great food and fellowship, and the opportunity to find out what we must do to support our church as we move forward into a new year.

## From The Grace Presbyterian Women

September 8, 2008 the PW had a wonderful fall gathering with a pot luck and the introduction to our Bible study by Jean Markham. We had five guests: Betty Bryant, Joan Tyree, Kirsten Waddell and her daughter, Catie plus Pastor Larry Turner. We displayed 6 of the 15 painting aprons from the preschool that Mildred Culverhouse had made plus the new born caps that several of our members had knitted for local hospitals. Several members took new born cap patterns home so they too can participate in this volunteer project.

October 4, 2008 will be the On The Road Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering at Evergreen Presbyterian Church. This is our fall workshop gathering with many small group training sessions. See Jan Evans for information.

November 1, 2008 will be the Road to Understanding Conference at Parkway Gardens United Presbyterian Church. Registrations are due by October 15, 2008. See Jan Evans for registration forms.

### **Circle meetings begin in October.**

**Circle # 1** will meet Tuesday, October 14, 2008 at 10:00 AM at the church.

Frances Kitterman, Leader  
Mildred Culverhouse, Bible study leader

**Circle # 2** will meet Tuesday, October 14, 2008 at 10:00 AM at the home of Diane Graves.

Linda Foster, Leader and Bible study leader

**Circle # 3** will meet Tuesday, October 21, 2008 at 10:00 AM at the church and then go out to lunch.

Miree Pomeroy, Leader  
Jean Markham, Bible study leader

**Circle # 4** will meet Monday, October 13, 2008 at 7:00 PM at the church

Sara Lawson, Leader

Suzanne Getman, Bible study leader

We invite all Presbyterian Women of Grace Presbyterian Church to attend one of these circles for a wonderful time with your church friends plus learn about the gospel of Luke through our Bible study, *Jubilee! Luke's Gospel for the Poor*. For more information about our circles please call Jan Evans at 386-4672.

The October board meeting will be Monday, October 27, 2008 at 7:00 PM at the home of Jan Evans.

Watch for information concerning our PW Breakfast with Santa in December plus the packing of food baskets and gifts for needy families for Christmas. We need you to participate in these worthwhile and fun projects.

## **Did You Know?**

Did you know we now have a Hospitality Hour between the first service and the second service each Sunday? Doughnuts, cookies, coffee and juice are available in the Narthex for you to enjoy. The refreshments were removed from the kitchen area in order for our guests and first time visitors to enjoy this time with our friends and members of Grace. Four families are still volunteering to pick up the doughnuts. The monies you put in the basket pays for these doughnuts and juice. The monies left over goes to the church kitchen fund which pays for the coffee. During the month of September members from the Congregational Life Committee have been the hosts. This takes about 10 minutes of their time to make the coffee, put the coffee in the two coffee thermoses, put the doughnuts and cookies on trays and wheel all the items on a rolling cart to the Narthex. After September we will be needing hosts each Sunday. By arriving at 9:30 AM the table can be set up and items on the table to serve by 9:45 AM. After the 11:15 AM service the host would return the cart to the kitchen for clean up. This takes about 5 minutes. If you can serve as a Hospitality Hour Host please contact Linda Foster or Bryan Graves. Our guests and visitors have been pleased with this social time.

**Anyone Who Has Served in the Military  
Or if you have someone in your immediate family who served,  
even if they are now deceased**

Please let us know! Fill out the slip below, cut it out and drop it in the collection plate. Or send the requested information by email if you prefer to **newsletter@grace-pres.org**.

If possible, we'd also like to have a photo in uniform. This could be a current photo, or could be from the service era – whatever you have. We won't keep them; we'll scan them and return your originals. Or, if you happen to have one in electronic format, email it!

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<b>I Have Served (or Am Still Serving)</b>
<b>Name</b>
<b>Branch of Service</b>
<b>Era of Service (19?? – 19??)</b>
<b>Years Served</b>
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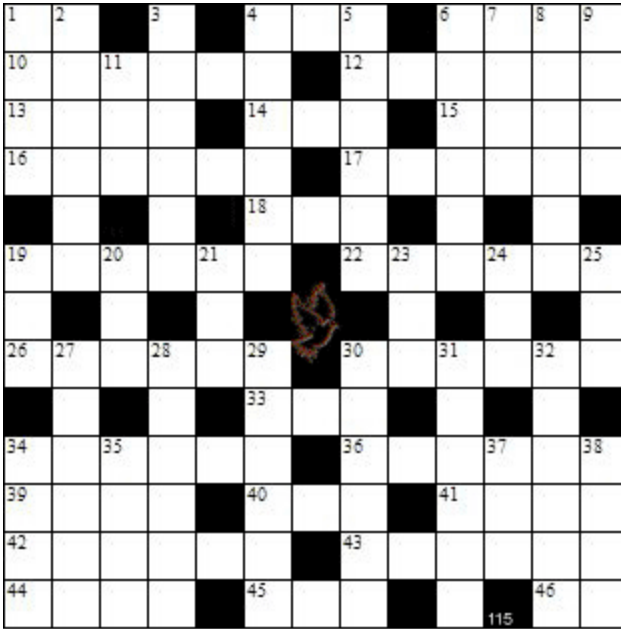
## Kitchen Guidelines

- ✓ Wash all dishes, dry them and put them back where they belong. It is not sanitary to leave dishes in the sink to dry. We don't have someone in the kitchen to clean up after you. You use it -- you clean up afterward.
- ✓ Take your dishes home after a church activity. After a short period of time dishes left will be given away. Always put your name on your dish.
- ✓ Don't leave food in the refrigerator. After a short period of time it will be thrown away. If you do leave food, put your name on it with the date.
- ✓ Don't bring something for the kitchen to use until you consult with someone on the committee. Our space is very limited.
- ✓ If you spill something, clean it up. Don't leave it for someone else to clean up.
- ✓ Don't set things just anywhere in the pantry. It is organized in order to use it properly. Return things where they belong.
- ✓ Take the towels you use home with you, wash and return them.
- ✓ If you see something needs to be replaced or ordered, write it on the sheet on the pantry door.
- ✓ Anyone needing to use the kitchen must schedule it with the church office to avoid conflicts.
- ✓ If there are any questions about the kitchen and its use contact one of the following kitchen Committee members:

Dana Jackson      Linda Tolley      Jan Eans

Sandi Kehrli      Polly Schrimper      Jane McGoldrick

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## ACROSS

- 1 People went out \_\_\_ him from Jerusalem and all Judea (Matt 3:5)  
 4 But you would be \_\_\_ with the finest of wheat (Ps 81:16)  
 6 raised up Jesus, whom ye \_\_\_ and hanged on a tree (Acts 5:30) KJV  
 10 the counsellor, and the cunning artificer, and the eloquent \_\_\_ (Isa 3:3) KJV  
 12 they will be put to shame who are treacherous without \_\_\_ (Ps 25:3)  
 13 dried up to prepare the way for the kings from the \_\_\_ (Rev 16:12)  
 14 I am with you always, to the very end of the \_\_\_ (Matt 28:20)  
 15 those who practice magic \_\_\_, the idolaters and all liars (Rev 21:8)  
 16 there should be no \_\_\_ in the body (1 Cor 12:25) KJV  
 17 "How dare you turn my Father's house into a \_\_\_ !" (John 2:16)  
 18 wife of gardener (Gen.2:15)  
 19 seen you in the sanctuary and \_\_\_ your power and your glory (Ps 63:2)  
 22 I am against those who prophesy false \_\_\_, " declares the LORD (Jer 23:32)  
 26 He is dressed in a robe \_\_\_ in blood, and his name is the Word of God (Rev 19:13)  
 30 amid violent winds on a \_\_\_ day (Amos 1:14)  
 33 was \_\_\_, and almost died. But God had mercy on him (Phil 2:27)  
 34 The \_\_\_ of heaven were following him, riding on white horses (Rev 19:14)  
 36 For in the same way you judge \_\_\_, you will be judged (Matt 7:2)

- 39 brother of Seth
- 40 ye shall \_\_\_ down the graven images of their gods (Deut 12:3)KJV
- 41 price for his release is to be based on the \_\_\_ paid to a hired man (Lev 25:50)
- 42 Guard my life and \_\_\_ me; let me not be put to shame (Ps 25:20)
- 43 They will \_\_\_ themselves for the evil they have done (Ezek 6:9)
- 44 Above all \_\_\_, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life (Prov 4:23)
- 45 I heard another voice from heaven \_\_\_: "Come out of her, my people (Rev 18:4)
- 46 Then Jesus declared, "I \_\_\_ the bread of life (John 6:35)

## DOWN

- 1 you saw that the feet and \_\_\_ were partly of baked clay and partly (Dan 2:41)
- 2 every man's own word becomes his \_\_\_ and so you distort the words (Jer 23:36)
- 3 Can a maid forget her ornaments, or a bride her \_\_\_? (Jer 2:32) KJV
- 4 we understand that the worlds were \_\_\_ by the word of God (Heb 11:3) KJV
- 5 the shipmen \_\_\_ that they drew near to some country (Acts 27:27) KJV
- 6 a land where bread will not be \_\_\_ and you will lack nothing (Deut 8:8-9)
- 7 They conspire, they \_\_\_, they watch my steps (Ps 56:6)
- 8 This is the one I \_\_\_: he who is humble and contrite in spirit (Isa 66:2)
- 9 you see a cloud rising in the \_\_\_, immediately you say (Luke 12:54)
- 11 the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the \_\_\_ heap (Ps 113:7)
- 19 figs, which are so \_\_\_ they cannot be eaten,' says the LORD (Jer 24:8)
- 20 he passed Peniel, and he was limping because of his \_\_\_ (Gen 32:31)
- 21 They exchanged the truth of God for a \_\_\_ (Rom 1:24-25)
- 23 rodent
- 24 Jesus replied, "Foxes have holes and birds of the \_\_\_ have nests (Matt 8:20)
- 25 Let us send men ahead to \_\_\_ out the land for us (Deut 1:22)
- 27 new name given to Jacob (Gen 32:28)
- 28 Mighty God, Everlasting Father, \_\_\_ of Peace (Isa 9:6)
- 29 make its plates and \_\_\_ of pure gold (Ex 25:29)
- 30 I move along \_\_\_ at the pace of the droves before me (Gen 33:14)
- 31 To this day it stands in \_\_\_ of the Abiezrites (Judg 6:24)
- 32 Jesus loved \_\_\_ and her sister and Lazarus (John 11:5-6)
- 34 killed some twenty men in an area of about half an \_\_\_ (1 Sam 14:14)
- 35 each of whom could sling a stone at a hair and not \_\_\_ (Judg 20:16)
- 37 overcomes, I will give the right to \_\_\_ from the tree of life (Rev 2:7)
- 38 I do not want to \_\_\_ to be trying to frighten you with my letters (2 Cor 10:9)

## From the Congregational Life Committee

The Congregational Life Committee will sponsor Game Night, Friday, **October 24th at 7:00 pm**. Reservations are not required, just bring snack foods (chips, cookies, drinks, etc) to share. There are usually plenty of games available, but you may bring your favorite game.

The Congregational Life Committee will sponsor a **Fall Festival**, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. on **Halloween night, Friday, October 31, 2008**. Children and adults of all ages are encouraged to **wear** their favorite **costume** and come and enjoy the festivities. Games for all ages, a Cake Walk, and “Trick or Trunking” will be featured. Hamburgers, Hotdogs, chips, drinks, etc. will be available for a nominal fee. Make plans to attend.

The Congregational Life Committee will host a recognition program on **November 9** for people who have served in the military. There will be no Sunday School classes that day. Instead, during the Sunday School hour we will honor all members and their immediate family who have served or are currently serving in any branch of the Armed Forces. There will be a speaker, slide presentation, music, and the children will have a special presentation. There will be a reception following the program. *Note: The two worship services will not be affected.*

***Sprechen Sie Deutsch?*** Whether you do or not, you are invited to come and enjoy a dinner of **German cuisine** (prepared by Bob Harrold and Clyde Getman), featuring a variety of delicious, traditional German dishes. Reserve the time of 6:00 o’clock p.m., Sunday evening, **November 16, 2008** on your calendar now. Watch for more information regarding details and reservations in upcoming months.