



Kenilworth Church

PC(USA)

Faith. Hope. Love

July, 2014

From Our Pastor

This month let us listen carefully to the words of **Paul** to the church at Corinth:



Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed.

Many times, as we go through our lives we fail to see so much. Indeed, we fail to see the presence of God with us. The concerns of life can shield us from the glory and wonder of God. As Paul rightly states there is a veil over our face and our lives. Perhaps it feels like walking in a fog or being weighed down in a bog.

Yet, God calls us to see the world again through the lens of Christ. When we turn to the Lord, as we

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Special Patriotic Music Program



The Kenilworth Church Choir, under the direction of **Chuck Lockwood**, will present a “Special Patriotic Music Program” in celebration of our country’s Independence Day on **July 6** during Church service.

Congregation Report on Seven Year Plan

On June 22, **Mike Cox** reported to the Congregation about the Seven Year Building Plan which had been approved by the Session. The following is Mike’s report.



“We all know that Kenilworth Church would continue even without a building, but the care of that building was entrusted to us by others and it is our responsibility to see to its future as a place of worship. “

I am pleased to inform you that the Session has adopted a Seven Year Plan to repair Kenilworth Church. The plan includes a set of goals

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Kenilworth Kool Dudes on Father’s Day

Photo by Theresa Kadel

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all have, a veil is removed and we see the world with different eyes—has the word changed? Yes—but more importantly, we have changed through the love and grace of Christ. Thus, as we work for the Kingdom of God by working in the world through Christ; let us practice looking for the first time again! See the wonder of God and the power of Christ!

A Prayer:

Gracious and almighty God, help us to see creation for the first time and the wonder and the joy your love can bring into our life. Help us to take this image to others as we serve you in all that we do.

In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Outreach Through Basketball

At the suggestion of **Allen Smith**, the Session approved a proposal to create a basketball half court in our parking lot.

The idea is that Kenilworth Church is viewed as a place that brings people together, including our neighbors. It is a fun place that cares about our neighbors. It is our hope that by providing this opportunity for family and friends to play together, we help people connect. It is our hope that more of our neighbors will come in and join us for worship.

Special thanks to **Allen and Mary Smith** for donating the funds for this project.

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that will be monitored and modified from time to time as conditions require, But for now, it includes 36 major projects.

We will start with about \$60,000 of critical repairs to be completed before October of this year and will wrap the year up with about \$15,000 of exterior paint before Christmas.

We are addressing three categories of work:

- Critical repairs, most of which will be completed this year.
- Safety improvements to protect the building and the people that use it.
- Accessibility improvements so that everyone can attend church here.

We have confidence in the future of Kenilworth Church. We can now tell you that by 2021 Kenilworth Church will be repaired, safer and accessible to all. We can now tell you that the \$60,000 that we're going to spend this year to prepare for paint will be unnecessary when we repaint the church in 2021.

The work over the next 7 years will cost nearly \$400,000. That's more than \$4,000 per month for 7 years. After that we expect costs to average about \$500 per month to maintain the church.

Best of all we, know we have the resources to get this done. “



Church Building Fund Report

On Sunday June 22, 2014, **Bill Johnson** reported to the Congregation on the Capitol Campaign to fund the Seven Year Plan adopted by the Session for the repair and maintenance of the Church Building. The following is Bill's report. .

“The Campaign's goal is to raise \$400,000.00 over the next seven years.

I did not see how such a small congregation could possibly raise such a large sum. Well, I should have known better. Once again, I have been humbled by the dedication and love you have for this Church.

Briefly, here is how we WILL do it and a summation of the presentation for those of you that were not there.

We have an anonymous family that is willing to donate \$20,000 if the members will pledge the additional \$50,000 needed to kick off the campaign.

We have received pledges and identified resources to cover the \$50,000 (If you would like to help with your pledge please see Bill)

We also have another anonymous family that is willing to donate \$5,000 towards the painting of Loving Food Resources building, if LFR or someone else will match their donation.

IT IS IMPORTANT for you to know that this Church has the resources to do all of the repairs, without anyone donating a single penny. This would require extraordinary measures which Session would prefer NOT to do.

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ted to do whatever is necessary to complete the Seven Year Plan.

There are a thousand ways you can contribute to the growth of this Church that does NOT involve giving money. You can sing, you can cook, you can pray, you can toil in the soil, you can cook, you can usher, clean up after the luncheon, clean the church etc.

Finally, as we always say, *“give to those in need first.”* If it comes down to the building or the needy, give to the needy.

Thank you for being you. We are off to a good start!!!!

Gospel Jubilee Celebrates First Year

Submitted by Julian Marbut

The "Gospel Jubilee", a group of singers and wannabes organized by **Julian Marbut**, celebrated its first anniversary on Saturday, June 21th.

The mostly talented youngsters sing the old timey gospel songs of a bygone era that their parents and grandparents relished and taught them to love. They have affectionately been nicknamed "The House Band" by the residents of Beye-stone Convalescence Home located in Fletcher.

Additional participants are always welcome and the performance is scheduled monthly on **the third Saturday at 10:30**. Some folks meet at KPC-USA @ 9:30 for the short drive to the facility.

The keyboard talent is superbly rendered by **Chuck Lockwood** of Asheville fame which makes it a professional gig.

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From Our Treasurer

Submitted by Don Peterson

First, let me say thanks to all who contribute their time, talents, and resources to our church! I would like to take this opportunity to clarify some of our financial record-keeping details. Some prefer to give a separate check for each designated category or cause, with the designation noted on the memo line. That is certainly fine. However, one check works perfectly well as long as the amount for each designation is noted on the memo line of the check, with the total equaling the amount for which the check is written. For example, one check of, say \$300, might show on the memo line: "Church-100, LFR-100, 5 cents a meal-100." (One exception: Our Building Fund is a separate account, so one check with "Building Fund" on the memo line is preferred, although not required.) When cash is used, a pew envelope with similar markings will work—and if you put your name on the envelope we can record that as part of your donation receipt for your income tax purposes.

Also, please remember to make *all checks out to "Kenilworth Presbyterian Church."* For the various charities for whom we collect donations, a memo line on the check to identify the charity will work; then we send out one check from the church for the total. (If a check is made out directly to a charity, the church will have no record of your donation, as it can only be deposited by that charity.)

If you ever have questions about our record-keeping, please don't hesitate to ask. Again, thank you for all you do for your church and its mission!

Church Assessment

Next Steps

As shared in the June Newsletter, the Session has engaged consultants to guide us in examining our Mission/Vision for our Church and in creating a Plan for how to best achieve that Vision. Members of the Session and congregation have met with Jim Wallis, a local consultant, and with [New Beginnings](#), a Presbyterian consulting group. Special thank you to the Presbytery of WNC for paying most of the fee for the New Beginnings Assessment Process.

In August/September, the Congregation will be asked to give their input in the process. The next step in the New Beginnings process will be to divide into four groups beginning in August. These groups will be led through a process of discussion about the church's future.

A complete report will be compiled and presented to the Congregation by this fall.

So put on your thinking caps and stay tuned. You'll hear more from the pulpit in the coming weeks and in the August newsletter.

Children's Sunday School Readied

Thanks to **Mary Virella, Millie Bruns and Sally Martin**, we have developed a wonderful children's Sunday School program.

Our Classroom is newly painted and waiting for eager young folks. So bring your neighborhood kids, children and grandchildren. There is also a lovely outdoor play area for fair-weather play

Contact Sally with questions or for more information.

Kenilworth Giving Garden

On June 7 the Kenilworth Giving Garden was part of a county wide garden tour showcasing gardens that grow food to give it to the needy. The Kenilworth Giving Garden had about 30 people tour the garden. Loving Food Resources also had their garden available for touring and LFR had a representative available to answer questions about the food pantry. The community really enjoyed their time in our garden and they loved the the creativity we are showing by growing Hop Plants. Members of the statewide group RAFI and members of the "Come to The Table" conference were very inspired by our farm to table garden here in the middle of Asheville!



If you have questions or suggestions about the garden or would like to volunteer, please see **Katie Adams**. Or just show up on Thursdays at 6 p.m. to help out with the gardening. Its fun and spiritually rewarding way to help the needy of our community.

Westminster PC Invitation

Westminster Presbyterian Church has started a Sunday 4 p.m. worship service and has invited members of our congregation to join them for this worship. Check their website by [Clicking HERE](#). They are currently located at 15 Overlook Place, just off Tunnel Rd. in East Asheville.

Memorial Garden Gets TLC

The Memorial Garden is beginning to get the TLC that it has needed. **Betsy Chater, Millie Bruns, Linda Underwood, Julian Malbut and LaMont Debruhl** have stepped up to the challenge. The initial strategy is to do moderate trimming to preserve the plants and trees that are already there. As you see in the before and after photo, the center piece of rock with the plaque is more visi-



ble.

The poison oak around the perimeter will be contained. The surrounding trees will be trimmed. Mulch will be added around the trees with exposed roots. Benches have been pressure washed..

Clerk Appointed

Sally Martin, who had been serving as Assistant Clerk has been promoted to Session Clerk replacing **Don Peterson** who is now the Treasurer. **Calvin Underwood** was named Assistant Clerk.

Sewing Circle

"Sewing Circle" has started a meeting. This is a new group meeting. The group presently consists of **Dianne Box, Shirley Mathis, Mitzi Shamble (Polly Johnson's mom) and Polly Johnson**.

They usually rotate to the various homes of the participants, and generally have lunch together, fellowship, then sew - cross stitch, knit, crochet, share patterns, even teach those who would like to learn a new skill.

All are welcome to come and do any kind of hand work or just visit.

Contact **Sally Martin** for more information at 254-7770.

FREE Asheville Tourists Game



Julian Malbut has invited his Church family to join him to cheer on [the Asheville Tourist baseball team](#) on Sunday, August 10 at 2 p.m. when they play West Virginia. . There are FREE "General Admission" tickets which Julian will secure.

He needs a solid commitment from those who will be attending so he can get the tickets.

Please let Julian know how many tickets you will need by August 3. Catch him in church or call him at 684-1133.

The Power of Prayer

Submitted by Millie Bruns



It is our practice to receive Prayer Requests as part of our Sunday morning worship service. But Prayer is not just about Sunday. Not everyone can be at Church and not everyone can hear the prayer request in Church for various reasons. Also, not everyone is comfortable sharing their prayer need openly. On behalf of our Prayer Group, we ask that you submit your Prayer Request using the form found in each pew and also reprinted below. This will help **Bob Craddock and me** (and others according to your wishes) to remember the person and family in prayer and to stay in touch with how the person and family are doing. Please use the form whether you share the prayer need in Church or not.

The Prayer Request is kept confidential, if you prefer. **Only Rev. Smith, Bob Craddock and I** would have access to it. Or it can be shared with our Prayer Group so other members of your church family are praying for you.

The Prayer Request form also provides space for any other pastoral needs that you may have, e.g., would you like a personal visit from us.

Please provide the contact information so that we can stay in touch with how things are going. That keeps our prayers in touch with the need.

Use the Prayer Request form often to keep us updated on the person or family's situation. Or please call **me (551-2809) or Bob.(231-1047)** We would like to hear from you.

The Prayer Request can be given directly to me (Millie) or placed in the offering basket (Don Peterson will make sure I get it.) I will then share with Bob Craddock and we will proceed according to your wishes.

Remember, there is power in prayer. Thank you for allowing us to share in your joy or concern and for enabling us to also share your need and be thankful for your joy with God in our prayers.

May God Bless and Keep You

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Prayer Request

I would like the following joys and/or concerns to be included in prayer this week:

For: _____

Reason: _____

_____ Please pass on to Prayer Group

_____ Please keep this request Confidential

Other pastoral needs you may have:

Contact information:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

e-mail: _____

Please use back for any other information you would want us to know: THANK YOU

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About the Newsletter

If you know of a Kenilworth Church member who did not receive the June Newsletter, please let me know so I can troubleshoot.

If you would like to share a word of appreciation, some personal news, give feedback to the editor, etc. please contact me at calvin.underwood@gmail.com

Blessings,

Calvin

July Activities

July Communion 7/6 (first Sunday of each month)
The Lunch Bunch, 7/7 at 11:30 a.m. at Ryans, Biltmore Square
Breakfast at IHOP, each Thursday at 9 a.m.
Aerobics with Trixie, each Monday and Wednesday at 2 p.m.
Tai Chi with David and Bob, each Tuesday and Thursday at 5:45 p.m.
Gospel Jubilee at Beystone, 7/19
Kenilworth Gardening Hour, each Thursday at 6 p.m.
Pot Luck Luncheon After Church, 7/20
5 cents a meal collection, 7/27, last Sunday of each month

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to:
Marsha Cox 7/5
Geoffrey Lorenz 7/6
Margie Britt, 7/6
Trixie Williams 7/6
Betty Speers 7/8
Larry Gaddy 7/9
Sally Martin 7/11
Polly Johnson 7/12
Destiny Chambers 7/16
Bill Chater 7/21
Evelyn Bradburn 7/21
Jennifer Thompson 7/22
Steve Hill 7/23
John David Stewart 7/24
Jeff Johnson 7/24
Doris Stewart 7/26
Yola Mancinelli 7/28
Charlie Wilson 7/28
Happy Anniversary to Bill and Polly Johnson 7/12

Source:: KPC Monthly Calendar. Thanks, Katie.

Our Mission : Kenilworth Church (PC USA) is called by God to welcome all people into the Christian Community. We strive to exhibit God's unconditional love and hospitality to all people. We welcome and include all people without regard to race, age, sexual orientation, physical and mental ability, education or economic class. We share our gifts of time, talent, and treasure to serve God in our community and the world.

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