



Kenilworth Church PC(USA)

Faith, Love, Action

August, 2015

Speaking of News

In the following pages, you will find information on what is happening in our church community. There are also articles on various folks in the church and how each has contributed to our community and world. Calvin and Linda, our editors, have done an outstanding job making the information exciting, interesting and timely.



At the same time, I have received my neighborhood newsletter and a few newsletters from other churches in the area. Of course, all of us receive all types of news in different formats each day. We can even watch news 24 hours a day if we choose to and we can receive alerts on our smart phones and tablets.

Many times, this can feel overwhelming and we have trouble processing the constant influx of data in our lives. Therefore, it might be helpful to remember one simple expression of news that has changed our lives and will continue to do so. **It is, of course, the Good News of our faith in Christ Jesus.**

It is also important to remind ourselves that, at the core of our

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Red Tent Awarded Grant

The Red Tent Ministry has received a \$1000 grant through the Small Church Committee of the WNC Presbytery.



Millie Bruns volunteering with Red Tent Ministry



Linda Underwood and John Elenburg, our Greeters for August 2, lighting up the KPC entrance with welcoming smiles. Thank you, Linda and John.

LFR Event Successful

Loving Food Resources held their annual signature fund raising event on July 31 the "Affair in White"! What a wonderful night! LFR raised almost \$12,000. Thank you for your support. Go ahead and put the event on your calendar for next year! - Katie

KPC Highlights

The **Sunday Bible Study** group still has room for you. See Allen or Marvin to get caught up.

Very important!! We are transitioning to Email Marketing Software to help us manage our weekly email list. This is a good thing and will help us to communicate better with you and the community. Please add kenilworthpresbyterianchurch@gmail.com to your email address book/ contacts list or our new emails may be sent to your "other" or "spam" folder. Let's keep in touch!

(From our Pastor continued from page 1)

faith, the words are simple: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life." It is good news and let us be reminded of it each day.

Red Tent Ministry

KPC made 58 period packs for homeless women today! That means 58 women can spend time thinking about something else this month. Life is hard enough on the streets without worrying about accessing basic hygiene needs. DIGNITY. ACCESS. PERIOD.



Edna Banes

On July 28, the Presbytery of WNC, Committee on Ministry, approved Edna Banes examination and transfer of membership from the Presbytery of the James to Presbytery of WNC. She was honorably retired from the Presbytery of the James on June 2, 2015.



To learn more about Edna's extensive background, [CLICK HERE](#) and GoTo COM Attachment 6.

This means Edna is a 'teaching Elder' for the Presbytery of WNC. We are very fortunate to have her and Warren, her husband, attending KPC.

Thank you, Edna.



Praise & Worship

The 'Praise and Worship' before Sunday Service will continue through September 6. The choir will start back practicing and singing on **Sunday, September 6**. I hope you have enjoyed the new and old songs, along with the worship experience. I know I have. We'll do it again next year.



- Chuck

Fellowship Time

Each Sunday we have fellowship time in the narthex following our Service.

We need volunteers to provide snacks for fellowship time. Snacks can be as simple or as complex as you would like.

You can sign up for a week or a month.

The sign up sheet is in the Narthex. Thank you for doing this.

-Bob Craddock

Get Your 10th Annual 'Free' Asheville Tourist Baseball Game Tickets by August 9 from Julian

Kenilworth Presbyterian Church says, "PlayBall" for their 10th annual Sunday at the Ballpark...that being the legendary McCormick Field which celebrates 100 years of baseball this year with our beloved Asheville Tourists.



Tickets are still available and are ABSOLUTELY FREE. It is only asked that if you say you wanna go...then go! Unused tickets keep other folks from being able to attend.

These tickets are "premium" box seats that normally cost \$12.50 each and are located almost on the field at the Tourists dugout. Some are even 1st row!

It is absolutely necessary that if you desire to go, please let Julian (or someone) know that you want to go and the tickets will be held for you.

PLAY BALL! -- Julian Malbut

Planned Building Repairs for Kenilworth Church

We have been blessed that our Kenilworth Presbyterian Church was founded and constructed by a community of faithful at no cost to our present congregation. The building has been entrusted to us to support and expand on the church's original mission in the Kenilworth Community.

However, over its many years, the church has suffered from disrepair, lack of attention to available building safety improvements, lack of attention to handicap accessibility and even energy efficiency.

The building is an important asset for the support of the people that make up the church. We have agreed that the church building is the most important asset on church property in that it supports not only the church mission, but also the missions of numerous other organizations.

In the spring of 2014, church leadership determined that we have the resources (which include, if needed, the Manse and lots next to it) to repair the church, that the repair of the building is worthy of our effort and that we will see to its repair before the next maintenance cycle begins (approximately seven years).

Our first year of repairs (2014) succeeded in the stabilization of the main church building (repairing rotted wood and painting) and was funded entirely from the contributions of members and friends. For this we are most thankful.

This year's fund raising efforts are not expected to match those of 2014, but the work goes on as we attempt to meet our seven year schedule.

To the right you will see the major repairs that remain in our seven year plan. You will note that many of the repairs deal with issues of safety, energy efficiency and preserving the integrity of the buildings.

On August 2 our Congregation approved our getting a loan in the amount of \$100,000 which has been made available to the church to continue the effort in 2015. (See the approved Resolution on the next page)

The use of property as collateral for the loan, while not required by the grantor of the loan, is a back up in the event we fall short in repaying the loan. However, the sale of property would be a last resort.

We will continue to need contributions to the General Fund, from which we expect to make the monthly loan payment. However, it is important to keep in mind that the need for contributions to the 'Building Fund' remains ever-present, as we need to continue to raise funds designated for the substantial costs of the planned building projects.

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REPAIRS FOR 2015

- New Pipe Insulation
- Install Accessible Toilet Door
- Install New Choir Room Doors
- Fire Separation between Buildings
- Kenilworth Center Roof Edge & Gutters
- Kenilworth Center Exterior Paint
- Install Sanctuary Ventilation
- Install Programmable Thermostats
- New Electrical Service Entry for Church
- Electrical repairs to Loving Foods Building
- Accessible Door Hardware Door Exit Devices
- Loving Foods Door & Window Closures

REPAIRS FOR 2016

- Sanctuary Window Repairs
- Exit & Emergency Lights for Sanctuary
- Remove Asbestos Floor Tile
- New Sanctuary Floor Tile
- Replace Sanctuary Lighting
- Refinish and Paint Choir Ceiling

REPAIRS FOR 2017

- Replace the Roof

REPAIRS FOR 2018

- Kenilworth Center toilet accessibility renovations
- Interior Paint for Kenilworth Center
- Add Kenilworth Center Acoustical Treatments
- Replace Rear Ramps and Rails
- New Concrete Front Walk

REPAIRS FOR 2019

- Boiler Replacement
- Replace Sanctuary Carpet

2021

- Replacement of Main Building Windows

2022

- REPAINT THE CHURCH EXTERIOR (Major maintenance starts again)

(Building Repairs continued from page 3)

In order for the loan effort to succeed, we will need to raise an additional \$200,000 to \$250,000 over the next few years to complete building repairs. At the congregation meeting, interest was expressed to apply for grants and to organize fundraisers to help generate some of the additional funds needed. Stay tuned and support these efforts as you are able.

All that being said, as Rev. Smith tells us each Sunday, "Give to those in greatest need first." We will not allow building needs to diminish our primary mission of Christian service and giving to those in need.

This is an historic step for our church. The idea of taking out a loan has been debated at length in the past year—in committee meetings and session meetings, as well as thoroughly in our recent congregational meeting. As with any debate, there were many views, pro and con, expressed. We should all be proud that all this was done in "decent and in order" fashion," with our continuing love for each other as brothers and sisters in Christ. We know that our people and those who will join us in the future are "the church" and that the building is merely a tool for facilitating Christ's mission in the world. We look forward together, as one body, to accomplishing great things with a healthy building.

THE SESSION RECOMMENDS THAT THE CONGREGATION PASS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF A LOAN FOR THE "SEVEN YEAR PLAN"

WHEREAS, our Kenilworth Presbyterian Church was founded and constructed by a community of faithful at no cost to our present congregation. The building has been entrusted to us to support and expand on the church's original mission in the Kenilworth Community; and

WHEREAS, over its many years, the church has suffered from disrepair, lack of attention to available building safety improvements, lack of attention to handicap accessibility and even energy efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the building is an important asset for the support of the people that make up the church. We further agree that the church building is the most important asset on church property in that it supports not only the church mission, but also the missions of numerous other organizations; and

WHEREAS, in the spring of 2014, church leadership determined that we have the resources (which include, if needed, the Manse and lots next to it) to repair the church, that the repair of the building is worthy of our effort and that we will see to its repair before the next maintenance cycle begins (approximately seven years); and

WHEREAS, the first year of repairs (2014) succeeded in the stabilization of the main church building and was funded entirely from the contributions of members and friends; and

WHEREAS, this year's fund raising efforts are not expected to match those of 2014, but the work goes on as we attempt to meet our seven year schedule; and

WHEREAS, a loan in the amount of \$100,000 has been made available to the church to continue the effort in 2015 and is a viable source of funding for the next several months,

THEREFORE, after careful consideration of the Session's recommendation, we the Congregation, in order to take our next steps in repairing our buildings, do hereby resolve to accept an unsecured, 15-year loan of \$100,000 from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) A Corporation, Church Loan Program (CLP), part of the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program (<https://pilp.pcusa.org/>). Our understanding is that: (a) The percentage rate is 3.50%, reviewable and adjustable every sixty (60) months to CLP's then current base rate; (b) The initial monthly principal and interest payment will be approximately \$714.88; (c) There is no prepayment penalty. (The Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program, Inc. (PILP) is a nonprofit corporation of PC (USA) created to provide low-cost loans to congregations, governing bodies and related entities of PC (USA). The Program offers Presbyterian investors—members, pastors, churches and other governing bodies—an opportunity to support the growth of the church through investing.)

FURTHERMORE, we do hereby also resolve that: (a) If in any period of three consecutive months, the monthly loan obligation causes the church to be unable to fund proportionately all of the Church's obligations adopted by the Session, and other funds are not generated, the congregation authorizes the sale of either the Manse or one of three lots of church property (already surveyed) to repay the loan from CLP; (b) Should such a sale not produce sufficient proceeds to repay the loan in its entirety, the congregation authorizes the sale of a second lot or the Manse, whichever appears to provide sufficient funds to repay the loan completely.

As approved at the KPC Congregation meeting on 8/2/2015

End of Life Issues Seminars

The End of Life Issues Seminar series continued on July 19 with Dr. Mary Smith discussing “advance directives for health care”. She gave examples of critical decisions that confront individuals and families when health conditions take a catastrophic turn for the worse. It is important for medical providers and family to know what patient/family member would want to see happen.

One important tool is the “Health care power of attorney” which appoints someone to make decisions on your behalf should you lose the ability to make decisions for yourself. Dr. Smith advises that communication of your wishes to that person in advance is absolutely important. But even then, the POA has authority to do what they think best.

The ‘Advance Directive for a Natural Death’ (“Living Will”) identifies the types of care a person does or does not want to receive in the event he or she becomes incompetent during terminal illness or permanently comatose.

“Do not resuscitate order’ and the “MOST” (Medical Orders for Scope of Treatment) form which outlines more specifically the medical needs and desired responses desired by the patient. The forms are available from your primary care physician.

It is a conversation that you should have with your doctor and your family. Then follow up by completing the appropriate legal forms which you sign and have notarized.

The final End of Life Issue Seminar was held on July 26 and was led by Bill Chater. Bill shared with us a ‘Compass Map’ to steer individuals down ‘Debt Free Avenue’. The final destination is to have retirement funded and have plan to pass on a legacy of financial faithfulness. He shared the risks and responses in designing our personal financial plans. He provided documents and forms we could use in developing a budget, inventorying assets and key information that your family would need to know.

If your situation is complex, think how overwhelming it would be to your family to try to understand. Do them a favor and have it organized and provide legal documents (trust and/or will) to help them legally sort out and distribute your assets.

Thank you to Rev. Dr. Allen Smith, Dr. Mary Smith and Bill Chater for planning and presenting these informative ‘End of Life Issues’ Seminars. And thank you to Bill for putting together the notebooks containing all the documents that were presented.

- Editor

Prayer Requests



If you or a loved one (family or friend) need Prayer, please contact Millie Bruns, our prayer group coordinator, via e-mail at immillie@live.com, phone at 551-2809, completion of the Prayer Request form or personal contact on Sunday.

THE KENILWORTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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.

Love God... And Love Your Neighbor



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Events, Birthdays and Anniversaries: See the Kenilworth Church Calendar prepared monthly by **Katie Adams**. Copies in the narthex starting the first Sunday and online at www.kenilworthchurch.org

Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.

1 John 4:11-12 KJVA