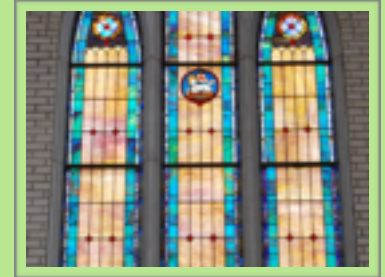


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PASTOR'S VACATION

The pastor will be on vacation April 21-27. If you have a need during this time, please contact any of the elders or deacons. On Sunday, April 27, Dr. Bob Cara, professor of New Testament at Reformed Theological Seminary, will be preaching.

EASTER DENOMINATIONAL OFFERING

Each year an offering is taken up at Easter for our denominational ministries. You will find an informational brochure and an envelope at either entrance to the sanctuary. If you would like to give to this offering, simply place the envelope with your gift in the offering plate. We will keep this open until May 20.

INTERVARSITY

INTERVARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP/USA

Last training of the year will be Sunday, April 27th at 1:30 at Elon. We will need dessert and drinks and would love for people to attend the event with students. Bryan will be answering tough questions. Please let Christy Gregory know if you can help in any way. Thank you for your help support this semester!

MISSIONS SUNDAY

Sunday on May 18th, Ali Mitchell one of our missionaries will be speaking about his work with Muslim students in South Carolina. Ali will be sharing during Sunday School and will bring the message at the morning worship service. **There will be a potluck lunch following the service** as well, where he will share more about his ministry.

BRIDAL SHOWER

The ladies of the church will be hosting an "old-fashioned pounding" bridal shower for John Snow and Kristin Allison on Sunday, May 4th from 2:30-4:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. A "pounding" is a way of blessing a couple with necessary household items to start up their home. Examples include: a bag of flour, paper products, sugar, spices, condiments, laundry detergent, etc. These items do not need to be wrapped. We would ask those who attend to bring any item for the pounding. They are registered at Target. Please join us to celebrate the couple.

LIMON MISSIONS TRIP

Ed and Lynn Limon (and Kelly) have been invited back to teach at 2 music camps this summer in Mexico. As many of you know, they have been doing this since 1990. They plan to leave on Saturday, July 12 and return Sunday, August 3. They need both financial and prayer support. If you can help financially, please send in your tax-free donation to Mission To The World at:

MTW Project Payments
PO Box 116284
Atlanta, GA 30368-6284

In the memo line, please note: **Support Acct #: 14336.**

If you have any questions, please contact Ed or Lynn. They ask you to pray for their preparations as well as their health, safety, and ability to reach many during these camps.

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MISSION MOMENTS

Ali Mitchell is our ARP missionary whose responsibility since 2001 is equipping members of our churches to work with Muslims in the USA & Canada. Based in South Carolina, he also travels extensively to accomplish this challenge. Our own Baird family--Katherine, Hannah and Carolyn--served as part of a team ministering in the Detroit area several years ago. Grandpa Bobby supported them from home with his constant prayers! Recently Ali had the opportunity to spend ten days in Turkey. While there he had fruitful contacts with Muslims as well as being able to encourage three of our ARP missionary families based there. Look for updates of this ministry on the Mission info board in the hallway.

G.I.R.L. Time *(Getting Into Real Life)*

Check out the fun pictures from our last meeting on the church Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/FirstARPBurlington>.

Sunday, May 4 and Sunday May 18 are church-wide events, so we will join in fellowship with the church family.

May 4: Shower for Kristin Allison and John Snow

May 18: Church-wide missions potluck.

Save the Date: July 27-28. There will be a women's gathering and concert at Bonclarken to kick off the Family Bible Conference. We would like to take a group of women. Please contact Jessie Richardson if you are interested in attending. Her new email address is: richardson.jessica83@gmail.com.

TWIN LAKES ROCK-A-THON

The Twin Lakes annual Rock-A-Thon will take place Friday and Saturday, May 9th and 10th at the Holly Hill Mall. This is a charity event sponsored by Twin Lakes in support of the 2014 Alzheimer Association Memory Walk to End Alzheimer's. We are in need of 30 volunteers to rock for one hour between the hours of 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Friday and/or Saturday. Each volunteer is asked to attempt contacting 3 friends requesting a donation of \$10 each, although any size donation is appreciated. Please consider volunteering for a fun one hour of fellowship to support a worthy cause. Who doesn't like to sit in a rocking chair and rock? Contact Gary Gregory at 336-584-4055 if you would like to volunteer and schedule your time slot.

ALAMANCE COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE

Alamance County Right to Life is planning to place a pro-life advertisement in the Times News for Mother's Day, Sunday, May 11, 2014. The ad will be a positive message, and will include names of churches and people who sponsored the ad. Please contact Amy Huffman at abhuffman@gmail.com or call her at 336-213-5085 if you would like to contribute to the ad's sponsorship. For a \$5 donation your name or your family's name will be included in the pro-life ad.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Bill Haynes	5/1
Graig Pulley	5/1
Connie Bennett	5/4
Pat Kinney	5/10
Frances Vanderford	5/10
Wendell Turner	5/11
Ian Constable	5/14
Mary Jane Glass	5/16
Ben Wright	5/18
Jacob Christopher	5/26
Jason Massey	5/28
Esther Roy	5/28
Kathy Isley	5/30
Mae Wilburn	5/31

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Matt & Britt Causey (11)	5/10
Bill & Fran Haynes (53)	5/14
Isaac & Chelle Spencer (5)	5/16
Jim & June Little (56)	5/17
Larry & Lynne Causey (42)	5/20
Eddie & Joe McKinnon (39)	5/25
Marcus & Lauren Orr (12)	5/25
Ferald & Betty Mann (47)	5/28

NEW PHONE NUMBER

Betty Bessette's new phone number is: 336-263-1025. Please make this change in your directory.

MINISTRY REMINDERS

Nursery:

Apr 27: Nicole Newton
Amy Sanderson
May 4: Nicole Newton
Doug Cobb

Children's Church:

Apr 27: Karen Jones
Lynn Limon
May 4: Stephen Robinson
Tammy Cobb

Counter:

Apr 27: Gene Parks
May 4: Mark Vestal

Deacon Duty:

Apr 27: Mark Vestal
May 4: Doug Glass

Elder Greeter:

Apr 27: None Scheduled
May 4: None Scheduled