



From the Pastor:

Dear Congregation,

Many milestones in life are observed this time of year. June is the traditional month for weddings and anniversaries. Watching our list of anniversaries each month in this newsletter shows many years of faithful, covenant-keeping relationships in our congregation. Congratulations to all and thank you for the examples you set for us!

We also see many graduate from one level of school to another and this year seems have produced a larger number of graduates than in recent years. Please be sure to congratulate our recent graduates!

Alex Constable, son of James and Carolyn Constable, has recently graduated high school. He was home educated, is now working full time and has plans to take classes this fall. Alissa Peppo, daughter of our newest church members Mike and Mary Peppo, graduated college from Wright State University in Ohio. She is seeking work in the international business field. Steven Cobb is Doug and Tammy Cobb's son and he graduated from Elon University in May. Dylan Jones, son of Bryan and Karen Jones and is recent graduate of Appalachian State University. Please be sure to congratulate these folks.

On Friday, Kelly Limon will begin making her way to Honduras. Pray for her safety, on-time flights and a safe arrival to serve. Ask that the Lord will be gracious to teach her about herself, her gifts and her usefulness to the Lord as she serves. Also pray that God would use her to be a blessing to the ministry host family and those she will serve over the next month. You may pick up a prayer guide for her trip at the sanctuary entrances and use it to keep her in your prayers while she is away.

A word of thanks is due to you for your faithfulness and generosity to assist in sending both Kelly Limon to Honduras and in a month, Ed and Lynn Limon to Mexico. These folks go by faith that the church will send them and you are doing so!

As many of you are traveling this summer or in times when you find yourself with some time to listen to edifying audio, let me encourage you to take advantage of several resources. You don't have to be too tech savvy to utilize them (I'm not!). For those with smart phones or tablets, there are several apps with wonderful Bible teaching. You can also obtain much of the same information I list below via your web browser on your computers.

Sermon Audio, where our church hosts our morning and evening sermons, has over 1.1 million messages from various reformed preachers. RC Sproul's Ligonier Ministries has a wonderful app with articles, lectures, sermons and national conference audio. Reformed Theological Seminary's app allows you to listen to seminary courses. RefNet from Ligonier provides a Christian radio full of wonderful music, preaching and audio book readings.

Podcasts are great ways to hear good content as well. I listen to a daily newscast from World Magazine called "The World and Everything in It". It is helpful to hear from a Christian perspective the bad news and also to hear about good things taking place in our culture.

Use the wonders of modern technology to redeem your commute, sanctify your daily walk, provide nourishment on long car trips or to feed your soul right in your living room. God, who is Lord over human minds and technological advances, has made these things to bless us.

Blessings to you as you renew your minds in the knowledge of God!

CONGREGATIONAL BBQ LUNCH

We will enjoy a congregational lunch on July 17. Please make plans to join us! More information regarding the meal will come in future announcements.

MEN'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Men's Lunch will meet Monday, July 11 at Noon at Southbound Sandwich Works. Our discussion will be chapter 6 in Masculine Mandate.

Men's Gathering. Men's Thursday evening gathering will be Thursday, July 14 at 7 PM at Panera Bread. Our discussion will be chapter 3 in *Masculine Mandate*.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Leadership Training is scheduled for July 11 at 7 PM at the church.

Women's Extravagant Grace book study will meet on July 12 at 7 PM at the church.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT FIRST ARP

July

- 3 Lord's Supper
- 4 Independence Day
- 11 Men's Lunch
- 11 Women's Ministry Leadership Training
- 12 Women's *Extravagant Grace* Book Study, 7 PM
- 14 Men's Evening Gathering
- 17 Congregational Lunch
- 21 Stated Session Meeting
- 31 5th Sunday Hymn Sing and Social, 6 PM

August

- 2 Women's Ministry Leadership Training
- 7 Lord's Supper
- 8 Men's Lunch
- 9 Women's *Extravagant Grace* Book Study, 7 PM
- 11 Men's Evening Gathering
- 13 Women's Tea
- 18 Joint Officer & Stated Session Meeting
- 21 Ministry Fair

JULY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Tom Childrey	7/2
Lynne Causey	7/5
Jamie Terry	7/8
Liam Hutelmyer	7/11
Owen Constable	7/13
Bryan Ickes	7/13
McKenna Constable	7/14
Chris Hutelmyer	7/14
Kathryn Richardson	7/15
Erik Ensley	7/16
Jondeen Terry	7/16
Ferald Mann	7/18
Patrick Crotts	7/24
Laurie Isley	7/30
Clay McPherson	7/30
Kevin Limon	7/31

ANNIVERSARIES

Tim & Betty Bessette (44)	7/1
Dick & Cyndy Wright (39)	7/2
George & Mary Lou McKinney	7/26
Donald & Sandy Childrey	7/29

MAY 31 FINANCIAL UPDATE

Contributions Year-to-date: \$95,407.08

Expenses Year-to-date: \$97,682.01

Nursery:

June 26: Nicole Newton & Dot Hutelmyer
July 3: Vicki McPherson & Carol Erb

Counter:

June 26: David Newton
July 3: Stephen Robinson

Deacon Duty:

June 26: Glenn Owens
July 3: Stephen Robinson

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