



# First Associate Reformed PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**FROM THE PASTOR:**

Dear Church Family,

I hope this letter finds you well and staying cool! I'm increasingly grateful to be alive in the modern era with air conditioning. I only have to think about heat and sweat!

Speaking of heat and sweat, a workday has been scheduled for Saturday, July 22 at 9 A.M., maybe earlier if it is hot! There are the usual indoor chores including washing windows, neatening the kitchen, cleaning nursery toys, and tidying the pew seats and racks. Several outdoor chores are on the list and are pressure washing, pruning, and working on clearing the woods at the corner of the property. Please speak to Deacons if you have any questions.

In the Fellowship Hall, you will find mid-year giving statements organized in alphabetical order. Please be sure to stop by to collect your statement this Sunday. Those that are not picked up will be dropped in the mail to your homes. Our Treasurer's June Financial Update includes the following statistics: Year to Date Income is \$115,212.28 and Year to Date Expenses are \$130,755.55. Note that the Difference is -\$15,543.27. To date, we have spent less than projected in our budget but are still in a shortfall. Please trust and pray that the Lord will provide and, as you are so led by the Spirit, consider how you might assist in the Lord's work with catching our budget up to balance.

You have graciously provided so that Joyce, Karen and Lynn might serve the churches in Scotland and Wales. Even today we heard news of 18 children participating in summer bible camp at Barry Church in Wales. The Lord is at work because of your Gospel partnership.

Be sure to make plans to stay after worship this Sunday for lunch. The main dish is provided but you may bring a dessert or side if you wish.

May the Lord bless your week!

Young at Heart ❤️ July 25 at 11:45 A.M.  
Chaplain Morzingo of the NCARNG will talk on the National Guard Chaplaincy program. Burgers & trimmings provided. Bring salads & desserts if desired.

CONGREGATIONAL  
LUNCH  
THIS  
SUNDAY, JULY 16TH

**CHURCH-WIDE WORKDAY!**  
Saturday, July 22 at 9 A.M. until...  
  
Inside and outside chores for big and little, young and old!

MAIN DISH PROVIDED!  
PLEASE BRING SIDES &  
DESSERTS!

(Cleaning nursery toys, tidying the kitchen, window washing, neatening pew racks, pressure washing, pruning, clearing the corner woods...!)  
**(Breakfast & snacks provided!)**

The Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church's

FAMILY BIBLE CONFERENCE

is July 24-27 at Bonclarken.

Brochures are available at the sanctuary entrances or visit [arp.cem.org](http://arp.cem.org).

## THE PRAYER NEEDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

### Health & Strength:

Connie Bennett (Parkinson's/foot surgery), Theo Baulding (relief from hip pain), Jean Cathey (eye surgery), Lola Knox (strength for cancer treatment & healing), Grady Pack (oxygen levels return to normal & stabilize), Audrey Turner, Cindy Wright, Missionary Nathan Olson (debilitating headaches), Rev. Rhett Sanders (complications from brain surgery)

For our homebound members: Elizabeth Barber, Theo Baulding, Jean Cathey, Foy Evans, Doris Haywood, June Little, George McKinney, Catherine Mangum, Pat Montgomery, Gene Parks, Mae Wilburn and Al Wright.

Karen Hoke as she prepares to move on or before September 1st.

For those in our congregation who are sent on short-term missions:  
Wales & Scotland: Karen Hoke, Lynn Limon, & Joyce Payne;  
Mexico Music Camp: Ed Limon

Family of the Week: Denise Hummer

Foy Evans desire to move back to Burlington, details to fall into place

Emergency Workers, Law Enforcement Officers and Armed Forces:  
Josh Limon, Stateside; Steven Mendiola, Middle East (Maggie & Baby Girl due August)

For Andrew and Norene Brunson suffering persecution in Turkey. Pray for his release from prison and that our nation's leaders would intervene effectively. ([worldwitness.org](http://worldwitness.org) & search Brunson Update)

"May our love abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that we may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ." Philippians 1:9-10, *ESV*

Local Church: Northside Presbyterian Church (PCA), Pastor Jim Mitchell

Alamance Pregnancy Center

Jesse & Shayna Wesselink (International Students in Triad)

Drew, Lauren, Geneva, Peter, Luke and Baby due 12/2017  
Goodman (Pastor, Barry Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Wales)

For the Church of God to grow through the work of First Presbytery Church Extension and Synod's Outreach North America.

Ask for God to grant wisdom for those who serve in seats of authority: parents, earthly masters, governors, judges and officers of the law.

### Save The Date!

8/12 ☕ Ladies Annual Tea Party  
at 2 in the afternoon  
(Let Mandy Crotts know if you would like to host a table &/or bring a treat!  
336-944-2901)

8/15 ⚾ First ARP Church night at the  
Burlington Royals Baseball Game!

10/14 **Fall Festival:** Bar-B-Que &  
Fixins, Games, and Bluegrass Music with  
special guest Dewey Brown!  
Begins at 4 P.M.

### First ARP Calendar of Events July

12 Cat Kids - 6:30 P.M.  
16 Congregational Luncheon  
17 Men's Evening Gathering -7 P.M.  
18 First Presbytery Meeting  
19 Cat Kids - 6:30 P.M.  
24-27 Family Bible Conference  
25 Young @ ❤ Luncheon-11:45 A.M.  
30 Sunday School:  
Missionaries Jeff & Lisa Long  
30 Fifth Sunday Hymn Sing & Social  
6 P.M.

### JULY BIRTHDAYS

Jamie Terry	7/8
Owen Constable	7/13
McKenna Constable	7/14
Jondeen Terry	7/16
Ferald Mann	7/18
Patrick Crotts	7/24
Sandra Johnson	7/24
Laurie Isley	7/30
Clay McPherson	7/30
Kevin Limon	7/31

### ANNIVERSARIES

Cindy & Dick Wright	7/2
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### MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT:

The Olson Family is serving in Edinburgh, Scotland assisting the Grace Church Leith (ARP) church plant. They have three young children. Specifically pray for Nathan Olson as he has been experiencing debilitating headaches.

First ARP Burlington members—Karen Hoke, Lynn Limon, & Joyce Payne are in Scotland and Wales on a summer mission trip.

### RESOURCE HIGHLIGHT

Read this article [here](#) on praying Scripture by Rev. Scotty Smith. Also check out his collection of prayers in book format—*Every Day Prayers & Every Season Prayers*.

#### Nursery:

July 16: Anne Garner & Vicki McPherson  
July 23: Macon Baird & Jondeen Terry

#### Counter:

July 16: Bill Haynes  
July 23: Larry Isley

#### Deacon on Duty:

July 16: Stephen Robinson  
July 23: Glenn Owens

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