



# A Voice in the Pines

The newsletter of the Presbyterian Kirk in the Pines

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## THE PASTOR'S CORNER

A while back I ran across something the poet Wendell Berry once wrote describing his experience of paddling a canoe in the Kentucky River.

*“And so we stayed busy, keeping the canoe between the line of half submerged shore trees and the line of drift that marked the channel. We weren’t trying to hurry—the currents were carrying us as fast as we wanted to go—but it took considerable labor just to keep the canoe straight. It was like riding a spirited horse not full bridle wise: we kept our direction by intention; there could be no dependence on habit or inertia; when our minds wandered the river took over and turned us according to inclinations of its own.”*

Berry’s words seemed appropriate for our experience of faith—trying to be faithful disciples of Christ, while floating in the currents of a dominant culture. It’s not always so easy. As we continue to give ourselves to Christ’s work here in the Village, our challenge is similar to the one Berry faced on the river: to keep our direction by intention and not simply to let our minds wander and allow the currents of culture to take us away.

As Christians, we are called to be different—to be counter-cultural. Christ wants us to be “salt and light” in this world (*Matthew 5:13-16*); to be his ambassadors bearing witness to God’s reconciling work of grace (*II Corinthians 5:15-20*). St Paul put it this way: “Don’t let the world around you squeeze you into its mold, but let God remold your minds within, so that you may prove in practice that the plan of God for you is good.” (*Romans 12:2 Phillips translation*).

Of course, this would be a heavy burden if it were simply up to us. In fact, it would be impossible without the gifts and grace of God. Christ’s Spirit does empower us to live in the world without simply belonging to the world. God’s Spirit does work in us, shaping and molding and transforming us into the people God would have us be. We’re not perfect people, but hopefully we have grown in grace and are striving still to be faithful.

By intention and resolve, as well as by God’s transforming Spirit, let us continue to do those things that Christ calls us to do—feed the hungry and visit the sick; to comfort those in need and pray for the reconciliation of the world. Transformed by the Spirit, let us be Christ’s witnesses and spread the good news in word and in deed. Keep up the good work,

Peace,  
Bill Bailey

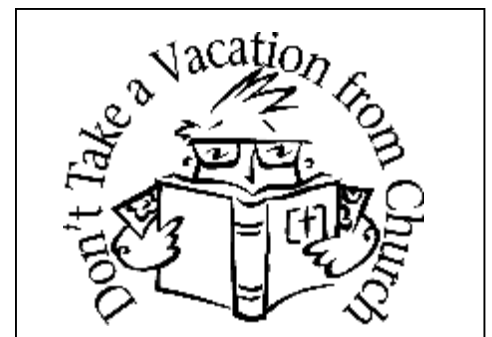


## **SUMMER SUPPERS SCHEDULE**

July 9th - Worship Committee  
July 23-Mission Committee

August 13 - Evangelism &  
Education

August 27 - Planning &  
Coordinating  
**Annual Meeting**



**CLERK'S CORNER JULY, 2008**

During the past month many things were accomplished within our church. The sealing and re-stripping of our parking lots was completed. Several windows in our building lost their seals and became fogged over. They were replaced. Our large coffee urns downstairs were repaired and are back in use. Our Memorial Garden Committee accomplished much with clean-up/fix-up, re-mulching, and research and design of a columbarium. The Session committees prepared their 2009 budget requests for review in July.

A Medical Transportation Program has been organized and approved by the Session. It will be under the leadership of Larry Bradley. Details are included elsewhere in this newsletter. If you did not volunteer as a driver on recent Project Pool sign-up forms, but would like to do so, please call Larry Bradley.

The Session conducted the following business during the June Session meeting:

- Elected Ruth Hamilton as a Commissioner for the October two-day Presbytery meeting in Harrison, Arkansas.
- Approved a motion to send our organist, Barb Greenman, to the Presbyterian Association of Musicians Conference July 17-19 in Little Rock at a cost of \$450 for registration and expenses. This conference will also be attended by Reverend Bailey and Larry Bradley. Their expenses will be provided by their Continuing Education Fund.
- A motion passed to invest a \$2,500 gift, given by the family of Irma Nash, in our endowment fund with the Texas Presbyterian Foundation Balanced Fund.
- Approved a new Medical Transportation Program and guidelines for providing rides for our members needing medical treatment and/or exams.

DEATHS: Rex Adams, DOD June 6, 2008. Please be in prayer for this family.

TRANSFERS: Shirley M. Harvey was removed from our Membership Rolls by her written request.

CHURCH STATISTICS June 10, 2008: Members 534  
Family Units 336

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Month of May :

General Fund expenditures exceeded receipts by \$18,670.

Building Fund receipts exceeded expenditures by \$3,269.

Year to Date:

General Fund receipts exceeded expenditures by \$22,633.

Building Fund receipts exceeded expenditures by \$15,788.

God bless each of you,  
Bob Rosenthal, Clerk of Session

Dear Pastor Bailey  
and Members of the Session,

Here in Sallisaw we are currently engaged in a project to repair and repaint our historical sanctuary. On the Sunday when we are able to return to the sanctuary for worship, our choir will be wearing the beautiful robes you have given to us.

We are anticipating a great day on that occasion and we are ever so thankful for the new robes which will help us celebrate. Thank you!

*Pastor Bill Ratliff and the Session  
First Presbyterian Church  
Sallisaw, Oklahoma*

**Every Single Person  
participants: Please update  
your ESP forms**

Our congregation has a very successful program for single people living alone. We use the buddy system, and two people call each other on a regular basis. Should an emergency arise and a person cannot reach his buddy, we can check to make sure everything is okay.

This summer our **Every Single Person** forms need to be updated (new numbers, cell phone #, doctors, etc.) Please call me with any changes to your original form. If you'd like to join the program, this would be a great opportunity to do so. Thanks.

*Judy Corwin*

## “In the Good Ole Summertime”

Summer Supper sponsored by Worship Committee



**Wednesday, July 9, 2008**  
**5:30 p.m. Hoffius Hall**

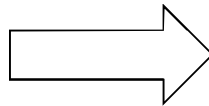
**\$ 5.00 per person**

Tickets on sale: June 28-29, July 5-6

*Come enjoy a fun-filled indoor picnic with red checked tablecloths, wild flowers, boxed chicken dinners, lemonade/iced tea and dessert ...all the works except for the bugs!*

*Larry Bradley will be in charge of group singing with a few "specials" thrown in.*

# SSSS



## Super Salad Summer Supper

Sponsored by the Mission Committee

**Wednesday, July 23, Hoffius Hall, 5:30 p.m.**

Catered by Café 1217

Cost: \$10.00

Tickets available July 5-6, and July 12-13

Guest Speaker: Virginia Scott  
 “Life at Vera Lloyd”

Vera Lloyd Presbyterian Home and Family Services  
 is a residential foster care service agency in  
 Monticello, Arkansas.

## Kirk Presbyterian Women Honor Special Guests

In appreciation for all the hard work by the church staff and the Greenhorns, a cooking group at the church, Presbyterian Women at Presbyterian Kirk in the Pines recently hosted a potluck salad luncheon in Hoffius Hall. The women and their guests enjoyed a large selection of delicious salads and wonderful fellowship.

*Pictured left to right are Kirk staff members: Janie Smith, Teresa Goodman, Barb Greenman, Reverend Bill Bailey, Beverly Schaumburg, and Barbara Myers.*



## Important Notice To Coffee Customers From The P.W.

We were informed that there will be a 45¢ increase a pound to the coffee products that the P.W. sells as a mission project. This increase will take effect August 1, 2008. We will do our best to have product on hand to supply you before the August deadline, but since this is an in and out project, we do not have a lot of extra money to use for inventory. Drinking Chocolate and Bulk Hot Cocoa are also being increased. The reasons given were rising costs of fuel, groceries, etc.

## Kirk Celebrates Annual Hamburger Supper Burger, no tomatoes, please!

The mouth-watering aroma of charcoal-grilled hamburgers greeted arrivals as they gathered June 11 at Balboa Pavilion for the Kirk's annual Hamburger Supper.

Frank Moore and Jerral Johnson began early grilling more than 200 burgers while Fellowship Committee members set out a buffet of side dishes. All except tomatoes, that is. Due to salmonella warnings, tomatoes were not served.

A light breeze blew through the pavilion as the temperature inched toward 90 degrees. Neither heat nor humidity dampened the spirits as grandchildren played and everyone enjoyed dinner and visiting with friends and neighbors.

The Hamburger Supper was sponsored by the Fellowship Committee and directed by moderator Jim Hess.



Jerral Johnson and Frank Moore braved the smoke while tending the grill at Balboa Pavilion.



A whole lot of visiting took place before, during, and after the hamburger supper.

### **CELEBRATING OUR HERITAGE**

On Sunday, Sept. 27, 2009, Presbyterian Kirk in the Pines will celebrate our third Kirkin' o' the Tartans. This special event occurs every three years. The first Kirkin' occurred on September 14, 2003.

You may wonder why we mention this now, almost a year preceding the event. The reason is twofold. First, you will be able to mark your calendars so you can attend and also invite family and friends to enjoy this exhilarating celebration. Second, the tartan banner is an integral part of this ceremony. We currently have over 30 members of the Kirk who have identified their clan, purchased a tartan banner and participated in the processional. We know others are interested in researching their family's clan.

To assist you, we have erected two displays—one upstairs in the Narthex and one downstairs in Hoffius Hall. A little family research may be necessary. You can select a banner to represent your family's connection with a particular clan, region or regiment. Pictures are available showing your tartan in color, or you can use the internet and go to Tartan Banners.com or The Tartan Lady.com to see your tartan in color.

In the past we have taken orders for banners and made one order from a company in Edinburgh. In fact, all tartans from almost any supplier come from Scotland. As you can imagine, this takes time. Sometimes the tartan has to be woven especially for a particular customer. In any event, all monies spent on a banner by you the purchaser are **completely tax deductible**. The banner itself is a gift to the church and will be used over and over again throughout the years. Included in the cost is making the pole and stand needed for the ceremony. Final cost information will be forthcoming.

**Summer Supper: Christian Education and Evangelism will host a Summer Supper on Wednesday, Aug. 13, 2008. We hope you will attend and learn more about banners and tartans, particularly about the history of the Kirkin'.**  
**You will enjoy a good meal, see some pictures from years past and enjoy some Celtic music. Hope to see you there!**

### **YOU STILL HAVE TIME TO JOIN THE KIRK SCOTLAND TOUR September 29 to October 8**

You are invited to join 34 Kirk members and friends in exploring our early Christian heritage in beautiful Scotland. You will visit Edinburgh and St. Giles cathedral, the "mother church" of Presbyterians; the historic and still natural isles of Iona, Mull and Skye; and you will even have the chance to buy souvenirs in the golf shop at the St. Andrews old course. Maybe we'll see Nessie at Loch Ness!

Time is expiring to obtain airline space (Delta: Memphis to Atlanta to Glasgow). We have only two more reserved spaces, but at this moment, it may still be possible to get more seats. An inquiry has been received from a lady who is looking for a roommate, so if you are interested in that possibility, perhaps we can help. I hope you will join us. Please call Reverend Don Trent at 915-2097 as soon as possible. The final cost, including taxes and government 9/11 fees, is now available.


# JULY

# 2008

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday






		<p><i>1</i>              8:00 TOPS              10:15 Al-Anon              1:30 Big Band  <b>7:00 Shepherd Group #9</b></p>
<p><b>6 10:00 Worship Service</b></p>  <p>HOLY COMMUNION</p>	<p><i>7</i>  <b>1:00 Staff Meeting</b>  <b>2:00 Communication</b>              7:00 AA</p>	<p><i>8</i>              8:00 TOPS              10:15 Al-Anon  <b>1:00 Session</b>              1:30 Big Band</p>
<p><i>13</i>  <b>10:00 Worship Service</b></p>	<p><i>14</i>              7:00 AA</p>	<p><i>15</i>              8:00 TOPS  <b>9:30 Stewardship Com</b>              10:15 Al-Anon              1:30 Big Band</p>
<p><i>20</i>  <b>10:00 Worship Service</b></p>	<p><i>21</i>              7:00 AA</p>	<p><i>22</i>              8:00 TOPS  <b>9:00 Membership</b>              10:15 Al-Anon              1:30 Big Band</p>
<p><i>27</i>  <b>10:00 Worship Service</b></p>	<p><i>28</i>  <b>9:30 Administration</b>  <b>7:00 Kirk Konnection</b>              7:00 AA</p>	<p><i>29</i>              8:00 TOPS              10:15 Al-Anon              1:30 Big Band</p>

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

<p>2 9:00 Embroidery Guild 1:30 Big Band 3:00 Education Committee</p>	<p>3 1:00 Evangelism</p>	<p>4  OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>5 11:00 a.m. Memorial Service and reception for Mary Hall 5:00 Informal</p>
<p>9 10:00 Greenhorns 5:30 Summer Supper</p> 	<p>10 3:00 Mission Com. 7:00 Chanticleers</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 5:00 Informal Worship Service</p> 
<p>16 10:00 a.m. Medical Transportation drivers' meeting</p>	<p>17 9:30 Potter's Clay 2:00 Planning &amp; Coordinating 7:00 Chanticleers</p>	<p>18 7:00 Shepherd Gr #1</p>	<p>19 5:00 Informal Worship Service</p>
<p>23 5:30 Summer Supper</p> 	<p>24 7:00 Chanticleers</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26 5:00 Informal Worship Service</p>
<p>30</p>	<p>31 7:00 Chanticleers</p>		

## Medical Transportation Ministry for Presbyterian Kirk in the Pines

**Director:** Larry Bradley

**Participants required:** 12 to 15 persons who are willing to drive individuals to Hot Springs, Little Rock, or around the Village for medical care. Drivers may be enlisted through Project Pool Program.

**Date to begin:** July 20, 2008

**Vehicles to be used:**

- a. Driver's vehicle  
This will require payment of a flat fee from the passenger to the driver to offset fuel expenses.
- b. Passenger's vehicle.  
No cost to the passenger except provision of fuel.

**Special financial needs:**

A special budget item will be provided and funded with \$ 500 to assist those who can not afford the fee. These will be determined on an individual basis, to be approved by the pastor. Drivers will always be reimbursed, either by the passenger or the church. Should a driver not wish to take the fee for himself, he should take it and donate it to the special account for the purpose of assisting others. This will guarantee all are treated equally, regardless of who is driving.

**Flat fees:**

- a. Within the Village \$5.00
- b. Hot Springs \$15.00
- c. Little Rock or North Little Rock \$30.00
- d. Other: To be determined based on distance traveled.

**Operating Guidelines:**

Travel for medical reasons only.  
No passenger who must be lifted. If in a wheel chair, he/she must be able to get in and out of vehicle from the chair with minimal assistance.  
Reservations must be made with Larry at least 48 hours ahead of time.  
Contact Larry Bradley at the Kirk office: 922-1333 or at home: (501) - 321-1002 (may leave message).

*Dated June 25, 2008*

**Reserve October 16 – 19, 2008**, for a special opportunity to grow in your personal relationship with Christ in a loving Presbyterian community. Experience a Renewal Weekend at Ferncliff!  
**Arkansas Presbyterian Cursillo** applications and information are available at the Kirk Office.

## SPIRITUAL VITAMINS

**B**asic  
**I**nstruction  
**B**efore  
**L**eaving  
**E**arth



Peace & love  
To All who Enter  
[www.kirkinthepines.org](http://www.kirkinthepines.org)

## Planned giving –

**A way to return to God some of what He has given to us.**

An 81-year-old member of a Presbyterian church, who really appreciates her church's ministry of music, wants to make a gift to support it but still needs those funds to provide her income. Solution: she establishes a Charitable Gift Annuity and receives income guaranteed for the rest of her life plus an immediate tax deduction for a substantial amount. The provisions of the Gift Annuity call for the creation of a permanent fund upon her death, and the income from this fund will support her church's music ministry.

The Kirk is already the recipient of one Charitable Gift Annuity. It is very easy to increase that number. Should you want more information on this subject or any other method of giving to the Kirk, you may contact a member of the Finance or Stewardship committee.



## SHEPHERD GROUP 2 Arkansas Travelers Baseball

### Take Us Out to the Ballgame!

Wednesday, July 30

Reserved seats: \$10.00 Due: Wednesday, July 23

Call Jake & Ellen Weber 922-2391

Meet at Kirk at 5 p.m. (Game time 7:10)



### Kirk Ladies Bridge Marathon is forming.

If you were not part of the Bridge Marathon during 2007-2008 year and are interested in playing, please call Wilma Reed, 922-3498, or Vianne Huff, 922-4624. We play rubber bridge in members homes on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday, September through May.

## Updated Church Directories Available

Updated church directories are printed in the office each month and placed on tables at the front and back entrances. The most recent one available is June 2008 and it is pink in color. Be sure to keep us updated on your current address, phone and email address in order for the correct information to be available. These directories are very useful and are printed for your convenience. Please dispose of the old one when you pick up your new copy.



July 1	Roger Taylor
July 3	Adele Boaz
July 3	Reggie Cox
July 3	Jerry Devon
July 3	Ned Wilson
July 4	Berna Scherwat
July 4	Ted Smith
July 5	Margaret Boschetti
July 5	George Muenze
July 6	Hannah Bailey
July 6	Ernest Smith
July 8	V. E. (Bud) Hill
July 9	James Knox
July 9	Jean Mowry
July 10	Vic Brown
July 10	Viola Guither
July 10	Paul Tate
July 12	Horace Shankwiler
July 12	Fran Simmons
July 13	Eloise Record
July 14	Ted Killian
July 15	Betty Creighton
July 17	Dottie Isaacson
July 17	Bill Rich
July 18	Helen VanStone
July 19	Martha Fast
July 21	Mary Carol (Mac) Throckmorton
July 23	Faith Smith
July 24	Terry Gardner
July 24	Gerald Quick
July 25	Sally Fink
July 25	Richard Harkey
July 26	Edwina Oglesby
July 28	Bill Drews
July 28	Richard Massey
July 29	Carolyn Starr
July 30	Nell White
July 30	Gerry Wright
July 31	Jimmy Harris
July 31	John Hornecker

July 1	Ivan and Peg Strautman
July 3	William and Joyce Anderson
July 6	William (Bill) and Anne Bailey
July 8	Ken and Mona Kimbell
July 8	David Pease and Carolyn Starr
July 8	John and Mary Wright
July 10	Lew and Beverly Olmstead
July 10	Elliott (Bus) and Pat Ormsbee
July 11	Neil and Mary MacIntosh
July 14	Bill and Edmee Tempel
July 16	Joe and Nancy Perryman
July 17	Mel and Diane Roberts
July 26	Cole and Teresa Goodman
July 27	Dom and Joyce Picco
July 30	George and Georgia Park
July 31	Ray and Mary Lou Johnson



If I have a  
*faith*  
that can move  
mountains,  
but I have not  
*love*  
I am nothing.

1 Corinthians 13:2

## Dear Kirk Friends

A mere "thank you" hardly suffices for all the many kindnesses that friends here at the Kirk have shown us during David's hospital and rehab stays these past six weeks. We are so very appreciative of the visits, rides to therapy, cards and notes, calls and wonderful meals.

We truly feel so very fortunate to be a part of this loving and caring congregation.

God bless each of you as you reach out to show His love.

*Carolyn Starr and David Pease*

*June 3, 2008*

June 21, 2008

Kirk Members,

We thank all those who sent cards and expressed their sympathy in person in the death of our brother, John Ridings.

Your thoughts, love, and prayers have been felt by us both.

*In Christian love,  
Carol Sue Williams  
and  
Sallie Huss*



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### Tribute to Charlotte Massey

On behalf of the PW Coordinating Team, I would like to thank Charlotte Massey for her dedicated and tireless efforts as Moderator of Kirk Presbyterian Women for 2007-2008. We have all benefited from her friendship and guidance.

Charlotte, our best wishes go with you as you continue your service as a member of the Kirk family.

*Ruth Naggs*

Dear Friends,

We feel so blessed to be a part of the Kirk, the most caring and concerned family group we have encountered.

Our gratitude knows no end for prayers, cards, visits and food from the Greenhorns. All these things certainly "brightened my corner" and we thank you so much!

*Jean and Penick Reitzammer*

My sincere thanks to all the Kirk men who made visits for my spiritual needs. Thanks to all who gave food, especially the Greenhorns. Thanks for the cards, calls and flowers.

A special thanks to Reverend Don Trent who visited with our family many times. We really appreciate his support.

I am grateful that I have survived the long illness.

*Charlotte Cain*

### MISSION DOLLAR\$

**Thank you** for generously supporting our Mission Dollars campaign. We collected \$1,063.00 for the month of May, 2008.

### FOOD BASKET

During the month of July the Kirk is collecting non-perishable food for Potter's Clay. Their needs are canned chicken, meat and fish, canned chili, soups and stews, boxed dinner helpers for hamburger, tuna and chicken, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter and jelly, pasta and pasta sauces, canned fruit and juices, dry and canned beans, dry and canned milk, hot and cold cereals. For those who wish to make a monetary gift there are pew envelopes marked "Food Basket".

Thank you,  
The Mission Committee

### Recipes for Kirk Cookbook

We had so many delicious soups for the Lenten Soup lunches that we would like to include in the Kirk cookbook. Also, the bread recipes are welcome too. Please put the recipes with your name and phone number in the boxes in Hoffius Hall or on top of the office memo center.

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**Return service requested**

Nonprofit Organization  
U.S. POSTAGE PAID  
Hot Springs, AR  
Permit No. 79

**Informal Worship  
Saturday 5:00 p.m.**

**One Service of Worship  
Sunday  
10:00 a.m.**

**Kirk Staff**

Bill Bailey	Senior Pastor
Don Trent	Pastoral Associate
Larry Bradley	Minister of Music
Janie Smith	Visitation Coordinator
Barbara Greenman	Organist/ Secretary
Sallie Huss	Secretary
Barbara Myers	Secretary
Beverly Schaumburg	Financial Secretary
Cole Goodman	Sexton
Teresa Goodman	Assistant Sexton

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**Newsletter Deadline:  
The 15th of each month.**

***Please pray for these people we know who are In Harm's Way***

**Capt. Ben Brown**, grandson of Vic Brown, England, U.S. Air Force  
**Paul Glenn Head**, nephew of Alice Smith, Ft. Hood, TX, U.S. Army  
**David Lindholm**, grandson of George & Marianne Lindholm, Langlin AFB, U.S. Air Force  
**Gregory Lindholm**, nephew of George & Marianne Lindholm, Groton, CT, U.S. Navy  
**Gabriel Hodgson**, friend of Jene Waite, Afghanistan, U.S. Air Force  
**PFC Adam Sandifer**, grandson-in-law of Tom & Ethelee Beverly, Kuwait  
**Christopher Kotz**, nephew of Bob & Judy Corwin, Iraq, 14th Marine Regiment  
**Col. David Paschal**, nephew of Ralph & Lou Dowling, U. S. Army  
**Jeff Alt**, great-nephew of Ralph & Lou Dowling, U. S. Air Force  
**Sgt. Russell James Cowart**, son of Doneice Cragg, Camp Taji, Bagdad  
**Spc. Christopher Blake Cowart**, son of Doneice Cragg, Camp Slayer, Bagdad, Army National Guard