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Grace and Peace to you

The Confession of Sin & Faith

After our preparation for worship and the beginning of the service called the *Adoration of God*, West Hills Presbyterian Church's worship service transitions to a time of *Confession of Sin and Faith*. After the *Hymn* or the *Hymn of Praise*, we transition to the *Confession of Sin*. This is historically an important portion of the service which has been included in the services of Calvin, Knox, Baxter and others throughout the centuries.

A typical question asked of pastors is "Why would we need to confess our sins if they have already been forgiven?" Bible teachers have often made a distinction between *positional/judicial forgiveness* and "*relational/familial forgiveness*. *Positional or judicial forgiveness* is obtained by every believer in Christ. In our position as members of the body of Christ, we have been forgiven of every sin we have ever committed or ever will commit. The price paid by Christ on the cross has satisfied God's wrath against sin, and no further sacrifice or payment is necessary. When Jesus said, "It is finished," He meant it. Our *positional forgiveness* was obtained then and there.

During the *Prayer of Confession* in the worship service, we are dealing with "*relational or familial forgiveness*" like that between a father and a son. If a son disobeys his father, the son hinders fellowship with his father. He remains the son of his father. There is still a loving relationship. However, the relationship suffers. Their fellowship will be hindered until the son admits to his father that he has done wrong. It works the same way with God; our fellowship with Him is hindered until we confess our sin. When we confess our sin to God, the fellowship is restored. This is *relational forgiveness*.

Our sins are forgiven at salvation (*positional/judicial forgiveness*), but our daily fellowship with God needs to stay in good standing (*relational/familial forgiveness*). Proper fellowship with God cannot happen with unconfessed sin in our lives. Therefore, we confess our sins as we draw near to God in worship.

After our *Prayer of Confession*, we hear the *Assurance of Pardon*. In this divine dialogue of worship, God responds to our confession of sin. A portion of the Bible is read that clearly states the willingness and ability of God to forgive us in Jesus Christ. It is a comfort to believers that He draws close to us when we draw close to Him.

Next, we confess our faith together. We typically recite *The Apostles' Creed*, but we might use the Nicene Creed or our Confession of Faith or one of the Catechisms. The Apostles' Creed and Nicene Creeds have been in use in the Christian church since the third century and approved for use by all the Reformed liturgies.

The portion of the worship service that is a time of *Confession of Sin and Faith* concludes with the singing of *The Gloria Patri*. We sing the *Gloria Patri* in praise to God that there is abundant pardon and a fatherly affection that welcomes us in spite of our sin. Additionally, we have this common faith summarized by the ancient creeds, which binds us one with another and connects us to the family of God down through the centuries. So, it is appropriate to give glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit before we transition into the next portion of the service, which is called *The Means of Grace*.

Blessings to each of you,
Pastor John

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Children's Ministry Volunteer Shop

As we prepare for the start of the 2017/2018 school and our many ministry activities, we are blessed to have quite a number of volunteer opportunities for you to choose from. Please consider how you are able to say "YES" to **at least one of these**

Volunteers For Backpack Delivery Trip to Stinnett Elementary School on August 25th

10 volunteers are needed to deliver backpacks and school supplies to our Mission Of Hope School in Stinnett, KY. We need 10 adults to make this trip. Details are as follows for Friday, August 25th: Depart from church 6:00am. Arrive at school 9:00am. We will do 2 short assemblies followed by the backpack/school supply distribution. We anticipate being back in Knoxville by 7pm.

Wednesday Evening Nursery Caregivers: Serve once every 5 weeks from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm. Please contact Kati Hurst: Nursery Coordinator: 704-604-3669 /

Good News Club Volunteers Needed

Can you serve on Thursdays from 1:45pm-4:00pm during the school year? Please join us for year 13 of ministry at **West Hills Elementary School**. Our first Club meeting is September 7, 2017. Fifteen volunteers lead the Bible Club activities which include: small group prayer and scripture memory time, music, Bible lesson, scripture memory review games, a missionary story, and snacks. The club utilizes



Backpacks/School Supplies For West Hills Elementary

We are once again asking you to consider how you can tangibly assist needy children and families at West Hills Elementary School where we have our after-school Good News Club. Would you consider purchasing and filling at least one backpack with school supplies from the list below and indicating which grade you packed it for. Last year we provided 15 filled backpacks for students in need. Once you have filled a backpack you may bring it to the church and we will take care of getting it to the school. We would like to accomplish this giving ministry by August 30th but, as you can imagine, sooner than that would be more beneficial. The list of required school supplies for each grade is located at the end of the newsletter and also on the foyer table.



**WHPC Wednesday Night For Kids
Resumes August 9th**



6:00pm-6:30pm: "Let's Eat" - upstairs in the KIDMO Room
Bring your meal or RSVP with the church office to purchase pizza.

6:30pm-6:45pm: "Music Time With Kristen & Ria" - 204
You know you want to...

6:45pm-7:30pm: "Catechism Club & SonLight Kids"
SonLight Kids (ages 3-K) Room 101 - Kati Hurst, Jill Rhyne
Catechism Club (1-5 grades) KIDMO room - Mr. Mitch & Friends

Nursery: (newborn through age 2) Room 102

Youth Group: (6-12 grades) Room 206 w/ Phil & Anne Moor

Sunday School "Move Up Date" August 6th

3 year-K: Room 101 w/ Mr. Mitch
1st-3rd: Room 99 w/ Mrs. Harb and Mrs. Townley
4th-6th: Room 205 w/ Kim Townley & Mr. Mark
7th-12th: Room 206 w/ Phil & Anne Moor



**Back To School
LOCK-IN
for kids!**

**Friday, September 29, 6:00pm till
Saturday, September 30, 9:00am**
(1st-5th grades) Cost \$5.00

*An overnight adventure of pizza, games, music,
prayer and being in God's Word*
Sign-up by Wed. September 27th.

Lunch with Mr. Mitch:

If your child is interested in having Mr. Mitch, have lunch with them, please contact him with their schedule and any other particulars. He would love to visit them at their school. You may e-mail him at: mitchwhpc@gmail.com

Elementary Students Activity Schedules

Mr. Mitch would like to get to at least one of your child's special activities this Fall. This could be a game, concert, recital, school assembly or something else that falls into the activity category. He has even been known to attend Girl Scout programs. Please make him aware of their schedules.

Kindergarten Supply List 2017-2018

Each child will need the following supplies:

- 1 (5x8) plastic school box
- 1 pair of scissors *Fiskars
- 2 boxes of washable primary color fineline markers* Crayola (Classic colors, not bold colors)
- 2 boxes of washable primary color markers *Crayola (Classic colors, not bold colors)
- 1 large box of tissue
- 20 or more glue sticks
- 1 box of 24 count *Crayola crayons
- 2 or more boxes of 5oz cups
- 2 or more containers of Clorox wipes
- 1 pkg. plain paper plates
- 2 4oz. bottles of *Elmer's School glue
- 1 backpack large enough to hold a folder (no rolling backpacks)
- 1 pkg. pink pearl eraser

*Girls bring 1 box of sandwich zip-loc bags

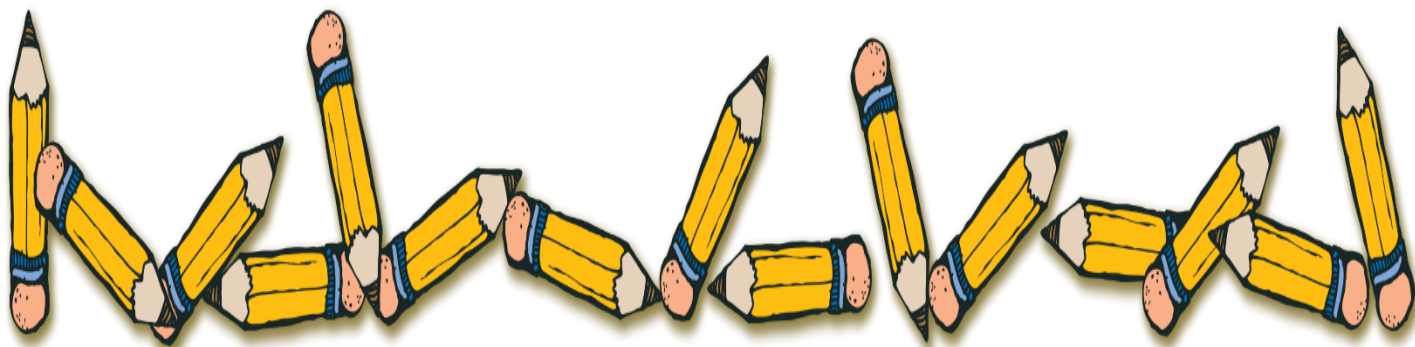
*Boys bring 1 box gallon size zip-loc bags

- Experience has shown us that these brands prove to last longer.
- Markers and glue sticks will need to be replenished after the winter break. You may want to purchase these supplies now while they are on sale. Students will need a pencil, crayons, markers, and scissors for homework at home.
- Please do not put your child's names on supplies.

First Grade Supply List:



- 2 boxes of tissues
- 2 dozen plain #2 sharpened pencils
- box of 24 Crayola crayons
- 6 fat glue sticks
- 1 pair Fiskar scissors pointed
- 1 package washable Crayola markers
- 1 packages of pencil top erasers
- 1 container of Clorox wipes
- 1 pkg. baby wipes
- 1 backpack (not rolling)
- *No Folders or Small School Boxes*
- Girls:
 - 1 package of ziploc sandwich bags
 - 1 bottle of hand sanitizer
- Boys:
 - 1 package of ziploc gallon bags
 - 1 bottle of antibacterial liquid soap



Second Grade Supply List

- Plastic School (Pencil) Box
- 24 Pencils (Ticonderoga)
- Scissors
- 10 Glue Sticks
- 12 count of Dry Erase Markers
- 2 boxes of Kleenex
- (1) 1-inch 3-ring binder
- Twistables (optional)
- Baby Wipes (optional)
- Hand Sanitizer
- Cap Erasers
- Personal Pencil Sharpener
- Composition Notebook (not spiral)

Third Grade Supply List

- 1 white 1-inch 3 ring binder with outside plastic cover and inside pockets
- 6 pack of glue sticks
- 1 packs of pencil top erasers
- 12 pencils (Ticonderoga brand)
- Scissors
- 1 black, 1 yellow, and 1 blue composition book
- 1 pack of skinny different color highlighters (4 pack)
- 1 package of black dry erase markers
- 2 boxes of Kleenex
- 1 box of 24 Crayons
- 1 box of colored pencils
- 1 pencil sharpener that collects shavings
- 1 container of wet wipes - *boys*
- 1 box quart size baggies - *girls*
- 1 hand sanitizer - *girls*
- 1 box gallon size baggies - *boys*
- 2 plastic folders without brads - 1 red and 1 black
- Band-Aids - *optional*
- Clipboard - *optional*



West Hills Elementary
4TH Grade School Supplies
2017

- pencil box
- 3 Single-subject spiral notebooks
- 2 inch 3 ring binder
- 2 packages wide-ruled, loose leaf paper
- 2 24-count packs #2 pencils
- colored pencils
- skinny markers (10-count)
- cap erasers
- scissors
- glue sticks 8
- skinny highlighters
- 12 count dry erase markers
- 3 boxes of tissue

Boys

- Band-Aids
- Hand Sanitizer
- Gallon Ziplocs

Girls

- Clorox wipes
- Liquid hand soap
- Sandwich-size Ziplocs

Back to School



5th Grade Supply List










- 2 packs wide ruled notebook paper
- 12 #2 pencils
- Individual pencil sharpener (optional)
- 1 large box of tissues
- 1 package of glue sticks-no bottles
- Scissors
- 1 box colored pencils
- Clorox wipes (girls)
- 3 subject spiral notebook
- Index Cards
- Zip-Lock bags (boys)
- Dry Erase Markers
- 3-single subject spiral notebooks
- 1 folder
- Band-aids (girls)
- Hand sanitizer (boys)
- 4 pack highlighters

Welcome back to





August

		1 Lovell Rd. Care Group 6:30pm	2 No Choir Ria Tyler	3 Night Circle 6:45pm	4	5 Prayer Gathering 10am Jenny Gonzalez
6 Sunday School 9:30am Worship 10:50am WM Council Mtg Evening Worship 6pm	7 Monday Night Care Group 6:30pm Laurice McCord Karen Townley	8 Women's Day Circle 10am Lovell Rd. Care Group 6:30pm	 9 Children Programs 6:00pm Adult Programs 6:30pm Choir 6:30pm	10	11 Robert Defenderfer Lisa Lee	 12 Prayer Gathering 10am
13 Sunday School 9:30am *Communion/ Worship 10:50am Evening Worship 6pm Willard Mitchell	 14 Monday Night Care Group 6:30pm Session/Deacon Mtg. 7pm	15 Lovell Rd. Care Group 6:30pm Marcia Bartlett Betty Mills	16 Children Programs 6:00pm Adult Programs 6:30pm Choir 6:30pm	17	18 G.A.P. 11am James Gonzalez	19 Prayer Gathering 10am Doug Merrifield
 20 Sunday School 9:30am Worship 10:50am Evening Worship 6pm	21 Monday Night Care Group 6:30pm Blue Star Moms 6:30pm	 22 Lovell Rd. Care Group 6:30pm	23 Children Programs 6:00pm Adult Programs 6:30pm Choir 6:30pm Fisher Overton	24	 25	 26 Prayer Gathering 10am Ruth McDonald
27 Sunday School 9:30am Worship 10:50am Church Picnic Evening Worship 6pm.	28 Monday Moms Group 10am Monday Night Care Group 6:30pm	29 Lovell Rd. Care Group 6:30pm Joe Mont McAfee	 30 Children Programs 6:00pm Adult Programs 6:30pm Choir 6:30pm Eric Bailey Peyton Moore	31 Sue McMillan	Did we miss your birthday? Please call the church office 865-693-2031.	 *Communion is the second Sunday of every month.



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Announcements & Prayer Needs:

2017 FLOWER CALENDAR is available on the bulletin board across from the elevator. If you would like to provide flowers for the sanctuary, please sign your name on the designated date and note if you are giving the flowers “in honor” or “in memory” of a loved one. The cost is \$50. Please make your payment to the church, in memo “Flowers”.

ATTENTION: MOMS. After a short break for the summer, the monthly get-together of Monday Moms will resume on August 28, 2017 and we will be meeting on the last Monday of the month. We will be using John MacArthur’s book *Twelve Extraordinary Women*. It is a study about women who have been celebrated by their courage, vision, hospitality and spiritual giftedness. It is about women who were used by God to fulfill His plan, both in the Old and New Testaments. It is a study about women who faced the same struggles and temptations that we face in 2017. Please join us as we meet in the church parlor at 10:00 a.m., last Monday of each month during the school year. When you come, be prepared for laughter, discussion, prayer, and encouragement with spiritual growth in our Lord as the aim of our time together. We conclude at noon and there is childcare available. Please contact Linda Mowles at 694-9439 or by email at lindamowles@knology.net if you will be joining us, so we can obtain the books and have them available by the first meeting. Also, please let Mitch Townley know if you will be wanting childcare. If you cannot commit to coming on the last Monday of each month, that’s alright. Come when you can. It’s a great way to connect with other Moms in our church family. We look forward to having you join us.

Please Pray For:
WHPC Family & Friends
Clara Abercrombie
Charlotte Anderton
Margaret Duggan
Betty Emery
Al & Beth Grant
Shirley Hedrick
Fay Hontz
Kane McAfee
Bob & Betty Mills
Bill & Mimi Morrison
Tammy Owsley
Irene Price
Claudette Starr
Robert Thio
Mary Zitzman
Our Elders & Deacons
Our Staff
Our Church
Our Missionaries
Our nation/President

Active Duty Military Personnel
Eric Abercrombie
Jamie Morris wife of Rob Morris
Kevin Bell, Gabe Green

June 2017 Financial Report

Income

Actual Income for June: \$45,051.62
Actual Income for Year-to date: \$226,555.09

Expense

Actual Expense for June: \$33,497.42
Actual Expense Year-to-date: \$223,797.86

Summary

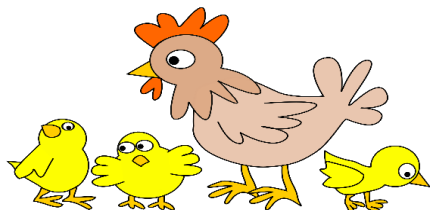
Current Month Income exceed Expenses by \$11,554.20
Year-to-date Income exceed Year-to-date Expenses by: \$2,757.23

The Deadline for the newsletter is the 15th of every month. Submit your article via email at churchofficewhpc@gmail.com Include your name with your submission. We reserve the right to edit.



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SUMMER CRAFT AND FUN EVENING

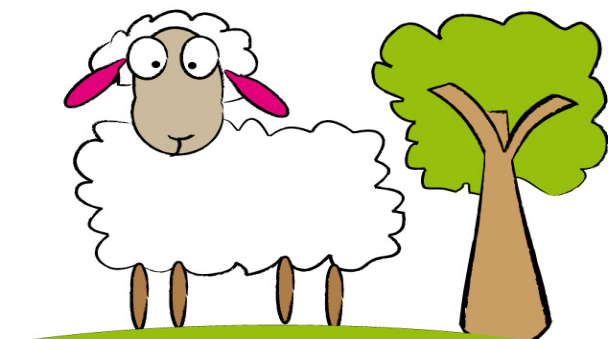
It was a stormy night, rain and wind were in store for the evening but the brave souls who came to the FAC on Friday, June 23rd can attest to the fact they had a great time!! The evening began with Ria Tyler demonstrating how we could make a bracelet with beautiful bead combinations that she had painstakingly put into individual bags. The colors ranged from copper, gold and brown to salmon, silver and white to aqua, gold and silver and so many more. They were beautiful and the ladies each demonstrated their creativeness with each bracelet. Many thanks to Ria!!!

We then moved into room 106 where we were greeted with a video of the chicken dance which all the gals got "with it" and started doing the chicken dance with the chicken. The room was a vision of flowers everywhere and Pat Stogner began sharing her expertise with us about flower arranging. Not only was her talk informative but we were all laughing at her description of "how tos". Then the fun began when she started showing us how to begin making an arrangement and what beauty we can create ourselves. Many of the group participated in this process. It was beginning to look like the attendees wanted to stay all night but as is the case of "all good things", the evening came to an end.

But...everyone went home with more than she arrived- a beautiful bracelet, door prizes - chicken wire (yes the mysteries were solved concerning the chicken wire and frogs!!!) , flower scissors, garden gloves, instant oasis (yes some even learned what oasis is), flower arrangements, greenery and a decorated metal candle holder. (Also full tummies from yummy strawberry pie)



We thank Pat Stogner for sharing her knowledge and herself with us!! Thanks so much to all who helped in clean up as well- what a crew!!!!



WOMEN'S MINISTRY FALL RETREAT

IT IS NOT TOO EARLY TO MARK OUR CALENDARS FOR A
GETAWAY SATURDAY IN OCTOBER.

WHEN: OCTOBER 21, 2017

WHERE: FAIRFIELD GLADE, CROSSVILLE, TN

TIME: TRANSPORTATION WILL BE FURNISHED WHEN WE LEAVE AT 9:45 A.M.
FROM WHPC

BE SURE TO INVITE YOUR FRIENDS TO THIS FUN AND INSPIRATIONAL
DAY! MORE INFORMATION WILL BE FORTHCOMING SOON

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WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

All scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness.

II Timothy 3:16

WHO: Women with a desire to study God's Word

WHAT: Ongoing weekly Bible Study;
Facilitator, Dannell Harb

WHEN: September 13 – November 8
Wednesday, 10:00 - Noon

WHERE: WHPC, Room 106



THE BOOK OF HEBREWS *The Nearness of King Jesus* A STUDY BY LISA HARPER

- Jesus is Supreme
- Jesus is Our High Priest

- Jesus is Approachable
- Jesus is Our Sufficiency



- Each class includes a video segment and a discussion time.
- A study book with questions may be purchased for \$13 at the first class.
- A signup sheet will be located in the foyer.
- Bring a friend! Visitors always welcome!
- For more information, call Suzanne Fowler (584-2483) or Dannell Harb (584-3554).

SESSION SUMMARY NEWS

The Session did not meet in June. In May, the Session recommended and approved the resumption of a Sunday evening worship service beginning July 9. We also received a report from Deacon David Zimmerman concerning the insurance benefit which will cover the cost of replacement of roofing damaged in a hail storm, and the church's deductible of \$990. The cost of the project is approximately \$220,000. We thanked the deacons for their diligence in getting this work planned, and as you can see from the materials in the parking lot and the equipment around the church, the work is getting underway. We also had a season of prayer and laying on of hands for two of our members who had requested special prayer. Your Session is also the West Hills Presbyterian Church Corporate Board of Directors. We convened as a Board of Directors and unanimously elected Mr. Gordon Rhyne as Corporate Treasurer, succeeding Mr. Jack Brakebill who has served us faithfully for many years. The Session also welcomes Ron Overton, Jama Overton and Harriott Mitchell to the Foreign Missions Committee. Mrs. Sharon Bowles and Mrs. Harriott Mitchell were elected by the committee to serve as co-chairpersons for the Foreign Missions conference in February, 2018.



CHURCH-WIDE PICNIC ON- THE -GROUNDS

WHEN: AUGUST 27

TIME: IMMEDIATELY AFTER CHURCH

WHERE: ON THE LAWN AND FACILITIES OF WHPC (TENTS WILL BE SET UP)

MENU: FRIED CHICKEN, CHIPS AND DRINKS PROVIDED

THOSE ATTENDING ARE ASKED TO BRING:

LAST NAMES ENDING IN A-M BRING SALADS

LAST NAMES ENDING IN N-Z BRING DESSERTS

THERE WILL BE GAMES FOR EVERYONE AFTER WE EAT SO DRESS COMFORTABLY THAT SUNDAY!!!!!!!

West Hills Presbyterian Church family,

Summer is almost over. As August approaches, we anticipate the youth and children returning to school and the return of our Wednesday evening programs. Many people are beginning to plan for their new routine. So, we would like to describe the new routine for Wednesday evenings at WHPC, and you can begin planning your new weekly schedule.

One important difference will be no meal being served on Wednesday nights. After much discussion and deliberation, the session chose not to have a Wednesday night meal. The session knows that the meal was a portion of the activities you enjoyed on Wednesday evenings. So, we labored over the decision and many factors led us to believe we are following the providential guidance of God.

Children's Ministry, will begin with "Let's Eat" at 6:00pm: (Bring your own meal or RSVP with the church office to purchase pizza) followed by music time and Bible classes from 6:30pm -7:30pm. The youth ministry will continue its Bible study and fellowship time following the same schedule as last year. The choir will continue its normally scheduled rehearsals.

One additional difference in our schedule starting in August will be the prayer meeting. The prayer meeting will be held in the FAC at 6:30PM. There will be a greeting and the singing of a song. That will be followed by a 15 minute devotional/lesson about prayer. Then, we will begin a 30 minute time of prayer. People will be in groups of 5-8 men at tables and groups of 5-8 women at tables. There will be prayer sheets provided and each group will be able to pray about the concerns of the congregation. At the end of 30 minutes, we will signal the end of our time with a tune from the piano and be dismissed. This new format will allow us to participate in the privilege of prayer together and foster fellowship with one another. As the same individuals pray together week after week, we will grow to know each other better as we grow in the image of Christ through prayer.

We are excited to follow the Lord's leading as we begin our Wednesday evening activities on August 9th. We encourage each of you to come as we grow in faith and obedience together as the body of Christ.

Much Love,
Pastor John

WHPC Staff/ Office Hours 9:00am- 5:00pm

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