



South Winds



News from South Ashland UMC

Anchored to the Rock

Relevant to the Times

Reaching to the Future!

June 2006

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Leadership Notes

by Lance Campbell

"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven."

-Ecclesiastes 3:1

In the 1960's, a new kind of restaurant became very popular in America. It was a type of restaurant that for the first time in history sold food not on the basis of its quality, nor on the basis of its price. Instead it was sold on the basis of the speed in which it was served. We coined a phrase for this kind of eating establishment; we call them fast food restaurants. Not good food or even cheap food, but fast food. But even with fast food restaurants, you still have to park the car, go inside and order the food, sit down, eat, and throw the paper plates and plastic utensils away. All of that takes time. So, we invented drive-through lanes to enable families to eat in their vans and move even faster.

We live in a world that embraces almost anything that helps us to move faster, that helps us save time. What is it we do with all this time we have saved? Why do we speed through life? Why put more activities in our schedule, more things on our plate?

Janis and I went on vacation in Myrtle Beach last month. On the way to the beach we went through the mountains. On one particularly steep downhill stretch, a road sign advised, "Use Low Gear." I don't know about you, but I'm not used to driving in low gear. This time I tried it, and it worked. I didn't speed down the hill or even have to brake. It was actually kind of relaxing.

God has a way of slowing us down and getting us to relax if we allow him to; it is called summer. The Bible says, *There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven* (Ecclesiastes 3:1). Summer is a time in the church world when we pare down activities, cut back on meetings, and use the time to collectively refresh and restore ourselves. God wants us to do the same thing in our family life and personal life. This summer give it a try. Instead of doing more, try doing less. Instead of speeding through the season, relax, refresh and enjoy it!

"Come, follow me." Let's see where Jesus leads our church.

Blessings,

Lance

Honors and Memorials



Choir Fund:

**In Loving Memory of John Hitchcock.

Given by John & Jil McClanahan.

**In Loving Memory of Wayne Hughes.

Given by John & Jil McClanahan.

**In Loving Memory of Willene Jasper. Given by John & Jil McClanahan.

**In Loving Memory of Bill Johnson, Sr. Given by John & Jil McClanahan.

**In Loving Memory of Virginia Nolte. Given by John & Jil McClanahan.

**In Loving Memory of Dennie Skaggs. Given by John & Jil McClanahan.

Prayer Garden:

**In Loving Memory of our Grandpa, George Steele.

Given by Matthew, Christopher and Jordan Steele.

Puppet Special:

**In Loving Memory of Willene Jasper. Given by:

- Jr. & Anita Fitzpatrick
- Joe & Beth Schuler

Social Concerns:

**In Loving Memory of John Hitchcock. Given by Jerry & Joy Daniel

**In Loving Memory of Willene Jasper. Given by Jerry & Joy Daniel.

**In Loving Memory of Dennie Skaggs. Given by Jerry & Joy Daniel.



Deaths

Our most heartfelt sympathy is extended to:

- Joe & Carla Skaggs and family in the death of his father, Dennie Skaggs.
- Bonnie Thom and family in the death of her brother, Charles Pack.



Thank You

Thank you so much for the wonderful food you sent following Bruce's death. But most of all, thank you for your prayers and love before and after.

Joy & Johnathan Thielen

Thank you for the food and supplies. Your thoughtfulness was very much appreciated.

Lovingly,
Katie Botts

Thanks can't begin to cover the way we feel about the love that has been shown to our family during the illness and death of my Dad. The phone calls, visits and the wonderful meal after the funeral were so appreciated and greatly eased our burden of cares. We love you all and know that you truly show the love of Christ in your words and deeds.

Dana Hill
& The Hitchcock Family

Thank you so much for everything that you did for us during Mother's illness and recent passing. We truly appreciate all the thoughts and prayers that went out to us. Also, thanks for the donations made in Mother's memory, food, flowers, and cards that you sent to us. We are blessed to have such a caring and loving church family.

Shelly & Jerry Mounce and Kyle Hacker

Dear Friends,

How do you say "thank you" for the generous outpouring of love you have showered on our family this past week? We appreciate beyond words the visits from Lance; the food (prepared by many, I'm sure) brought by Gloria and Jil; all those who came to the visitation & funeral; the cards, calls, and contributions; the hugs, prayers, and kind words. Our cup runneth over! God's love is very evident here at SAUMC. We're so glad we're here with you.

Carla, Joe, and all the Skaggs family

South Ashland UMC Treasurer's Report April 2006

Current Month	Budget Items	Specials	Mortgage	Totals
Beginning Balance	\$ 75,030.44	\$28,853.19	\$ 0.00	\$103,883.63
Receipts	44,729.17	5,563.13	4,270.00	4,562.30
Disbursements	(32,286.54)	(2,174.11)	(3,799.63)	(38,260.28)
Transfer	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Closing Balance	\$ 87,473.07	\$32,242.21	\$ 470.37	\$120,185.65
Year-to-Date				
Balance 12/31/05	\$ 57,309.06	\$29,025.94	\$ 0.00	\$ 86,335.00
Receipts	162,369.56	25,155.43	12,656.00	200,180.99
Disbursements	(133,850.64)	(22,158.26)	(12,185.63)	(168,194.53)
Transfer	1,645.09	219.10	0.00	1,864.19
Closing Balance	\$ 87,473.07	\$32,242.21	\$ 470.37	\$120,185.65

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the warm welcome and the lovely reception. I can't believe it's already been a month since I started. We've got great plans for the children this summer, all of which include the willingness of the many volunteers of this church. But, this is not news to this congregation as I have witnessed the past few weeks. It is very apparent that children are valued and invested in here at South Ashland, in fact, I have been told by someone in the community that we are the only church reaching out to the children of our community at this time. With that in mind I am asking that everyone please continue to support the children's programs this summer so that we do not lose contact with our children but, also that we may provide some stability and structure where there may be none. Most importantly we may serve our Lord by role modeling for our children and providing an atmosphere where God may touch their lives. I believe God is pursuing these children and He wants their hearts. What a privilege to witness Him at work! Won't you join us this summer? I will make every effort to make your participation as easy as possible, with God leading the way of course. Here are some opportunities for you to put another jewel on your crown:

Wednesdays starting June 21st through July 26th for a total of 6 Wednesdays, we will be having a children's program (for children ages 5-11) during the day 10 am until 2 pm. We will need 6 women and 6 men (one man and one woman each time) to drive the van one time during the 6 weeks. We will need 4 people to hand out our already prepared lunches each Wednesday and 6 people to lead a group of children for a one hour bible lesson each Wednesday. I am flexible and will work with however many days a person can work. Also during those same six weeks I will be going to Debord Hill on Sunday evenings to play outside games and for a quick bible lesson with the children during the same time we have our youth meetings, 5:30 until 7:00 pm. It would be great if some of the parents of the youth would join me at Debord Hill on those evenings. Please think it over and continue to pray for the children and our program's and for God's calling you to help minister to our children.

Standing on God's Promises,
Maebelle Shepherd

P.S. If you don't call me, I'll call you! Ha! Ha!



Men's Breakfast

**Father's Day Sunday
June 18, 2006
10:15 – 11:00 A.M.**

To honor all the men and fathers of our church, we're serving you breakfast on the lawn during the Sunday school hour. Look for the white canopy outside, weather permitting. If not, we will serve breakfast inside the Family Life Center. Please join us!

Thank You

The Hospitality Committee would like to express our heartfelt thanks to some special ladies who prepared incredibly delicious meals for our Wednesday night at SAMSS these past fall, winter, and spring sessions. Jil, Darlene, Martha, Nobelita, Candy and all of their helpers gave their time and talents to serve our church family because of their love for our Lord and our church. Thank each of you for your willingness to serve in this very special way!

Our attendance (both adult and children) continued to climb throughout the year and these ladies met the challenge each week. We can't wait until this fall to see what they will cook up for us!

When you sign up for a class this fall, please include some time to join us for not only a fantastic meal at a great price, but also fun and warm fellowship with your church family.



VBS

Vacation Bible School Hospitality Room Needs Food and Drink Donations. Sign-up sheets will be placed in each Sunday School Room and in the Church Office. Please bring food to kitchen by 5:00 p.m. on your day.

Trek north with us to the Arctic Edge: Where Adventure Meets Courage. As we test our limits in the frozen frontier, we will gain courage to follow Jesus in the everyday challenges of our lives.

On this exciting adventure you will experience thrilling Bible stories, awesome crafts, motivating music, energizing snacks, and just plain fun. The adventure begins:

June 11, 2006 5:30 p.m.
South Ashland United Methodist Church
2203 29th Street

For more information, call: Maebelle Shepherd, 324-6961

Van Driver Rotation June 2006

June 4 th	Ed and Cheryl Spears
June 11 th	Jim and LuAnn Glockner
June 18 th	David and Rita Russell
June 25 th	Ken and Peg Williams

Breakfast Rotation June 2006

June 4 th	Mona Leibee & Charlene Cooper
June 11 th	Beth Schuler and Bonnie Thom
June 18 th	Ed and Cheryl Spears
June 25 th	Bill and Maebelle Shepherd



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Kid's Page



See if you can guess the familiar words from the way the letters are arranged in the word below.



Each of the mixed-up words below is the name of a disciple. Can you unscramble them?

1. waendr	4. stuhdaed
2. saejm	5. rteep
3. nsmio	6. twehatm



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: Knock - Knock.
: Who's There?
: Accordion.
: Accordion Who?
: Accordion to the Bible Jesus Loves
: me and you.
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**God is like.....Scotch Tape
You can't see Him, but you
know He's there!**

