



The Communicator

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MINISTER'S CORNER

Who Can See the Wind?

The word for spirit in the Bible is *pneuma* in the Greek and *ruach* in the Hebrew. Both mean wind or breath. Think about all the different types of breath: blowing candles out on a birthday cake; warming our hands or cooling our soup; the slow, steady rhythm of a baby's breath while sleeping; the labored breathing of a woman giving birth or a father chasing after fly balls. What about the wind? You can imagine everything from a gentle breeze that barely moves the willows to the terrifying wind of a tornado.

What an appropriate image for God's spirit! It is an image that cannot be put into a box but has so many possibilities. Some people feel the spirit moving in very gentle ways and sometimes we get a very clear and powerful vision. We have seen God's spirit at work as people pull together in Nashville and as we all go to Karns Dollar Store to buy those little cans of ham to put in Food Buckets for Africa.

This Sunday, along with Christians everywhere, we celebrate Pentecost which is the day the Holy Spirit came 'as tongues of fire' and rested on the disciples. Peter gave his speech to all who were gathered and thus began the Church. John's gospel tells a gentler story about Jesus gently breathing the Holy Spirit into the disciples.

Thank goodness there is more than one way to receive God's spirit. As disciples, we must be open to the spirit however God chooses to reveal Godself to us. The spirit comes to individuals, but on Pentecost we celebrate how the spirit comes to a community that we now call the Church. We celebrate the past event of Pentecost, but also believe that God's Spirit continues to move through the church.

I am thankful for the good spirit at Beaver Ridge. I sense that people are expectant and hopeful. I see that you are willing to commit and work together for God's kingdom. There is evidence of the Spirit in so many places. When Glenna and I hear people saying things such as, 'How can I help?' or 'Is it okay if we?' or 'We need more chairs.....' or 'I feel God is leading me to', we know that there is spiritual growth going on in our church.

We cannot see the wind, but we do see the Spirit working in this Church!

Praise God for the Church! Praise God for you!

Catherine



Fifty Days
How have YOU been blessed?
Remember to bring your
"Fifty Day" Offering
to church this Sunday!!!

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OUR VISION STATEMENT

"That we come together as one body in Christ, loving one another, supporting one another, uplifting and encouraging one another; that we lead souls to Christ, make disciples and glorify God."

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WORSHIP

Sunday Attendance

May 16, 2010
Sunday School.....138
9:00 am Service.....127
11:00 am Service.....114

Sunday Worship

Acts 2:1-21
"Fire and Wind -- Be Careful!"
Rev. Nance

MISSION INVOLVEMENT

Annual Conference “Hands On Mission” Collection

Holston Conference is giving its members an opportunity to do mission...actually put our hands on items to send to needy people. This year the churches in Oak Ridge District are asked to fill food buckets for Liberia. Look in the hallway outside the church office for buckets and a list of needed items. Collect any or all of the items or make a donation and the missions team will purchase items for you. We hope individuals, classes and small groups will participate.

Did you know?

- ⇒ 1 in 6 East Tennesseans will go hungry tonight?
- ⇒ Over 70,000 people in Knox county alone are served by the Second Harvest Food Bank of East TN?
- ⇒ The number of people asking for help has increased 28% this year?
- ⇒ Second Harvest FB of East TN serves 18 counties surrounding Knox Co?

The numbers are staggering when you look at them. Over 245,000 people in East TN are daily at risk of going hungry. Almost 60,000 of them are children, more than 36,000 are seniors. The largest portion of them are termed "the working poor": those who struggle from week to week to support their families and try to get food on their tables. Most have jobs, but receive no benefits. This means they have to pay for health care and medical expenses, balancing those costs with the daily expenses of gas and food. It is a difficult time for them, and also those who have been recently laid off from their jobs.

Second Harvest Food Bank of East TN supports not only many church Food Pantries (including our own), but also helps out organizations such as KARM, FISH, The Love Kitchen and Salvation Army. The Food Truck the BRUMC purchased and handed out last Saturday helped those in our immediate area combat the need.

Your question of the week:

How does the Second Harvest Food Bank of East Tennessee relate to the rest of the United States?

ANSWER: This organization is part of a national network of food banks called Feeding America. Altogether, they are helping to serve EVERY county in America

Holston’s RESPONSE to the TN Flood

Bishop James Swanson has called on Holston churches to collect cleaning buckets for flood victims. A list of needed items and buckets are available on the table outside the church office. The list is also available on our website.

FOOD PANTRY NEWS – Next Altar Call

In June we are scheduled to receive our annual food distribution from FEMA. In order to give out this food, we are required to match it with very specific donations. Therefore, our collection emphasis for May will be to receive these items. Please look at the list below and supply as many items as possible in the next few weeks. You can leave them in the basket outside the office or bring them to the altar on May 30.

Chicken Noodle Soup
Macaroni & Cheese
Saltine Crackers

Tomato Soup
Cornbread Mix
Whole Grain Cereal

LEARNING ABOUT THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

United Methodism 101

Would you like to know more about the United Methodist denomination, but do not have time to go to a class but you have access to a computer? “United Methodism 101” (UM101) is a free, basic online course designed for new United Methodists and anyone wanting to know more about the denomination, as well as long-time United Methodists who want to check their basic knowledge of the church. Each of the four modules in this course contains many interactive features and takes about one hour to complete at the participant's leisure. Course dates are: June 2-July 14; Aug. 4-Sept. 15; Oct. 6-Nov. 17; Dec. 1-Jan.12, 2011. To register, go to moodle.umcom.org and select "United Methodism 101." If you have difficulties, call 888-278-4862 or send an email to training@umcom.

PENTECOST



For our Jewish brothers and sisters, Pentecost was an agricultural celebration where believers brought their first fruits of the harvest to the Temple. There are seven full weeks from the second day of Passover to the day before Shavuot – the day to bring your offerings. The fiftieth day is Pentecost (pente means fifty). In Judaism, this day became connected to God giving Moses the Law at Mount Sinai.

It was on this day that the disciples were “filled with the Holy Spirit” and Peter gave his speech in Jerusalem (Acts 2:1-11) which gave birth to the Church.

Red is the liturgical color for Pentecost because of the “tongues of fire” that descended on the disciples.

Pentecost is the day we celebrate the third person of the Trinity: the Holy Spirit.

The liturgical season after Pentecost is referred to as “Ordinary Time” meaning we order the Sundays – First Sunday after Pentecost, Second Sunday after Pentecost, etc. But there is nothing ordinary about the Holy Spirit!

Peter quotes scripture from the Hebrew Bible. Look up Acts 2:1-22 and discover which prophet he quotes. Catherine will give you chocolate if you can answer this!

JUST FOR WOMEN



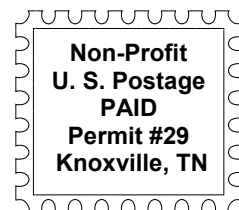
Schools out – but we’re not! We love to get together for study and fellowship and we will continue through the summer months. Our newest class starts on **Tuesday, June 1 OR Wednesday, June 2** from 1:30 – 2:30 in the church library (same class material both days – pick the day that is best for you). For the summer we will be studying different Psalms. Each lesson will be independent of the others, so if you have to miss a class you will not be behind. Women--mark your calendars and come to as many sessions as possible.



All ladies are invited to the Family Life Center immediately following the 11:00 worship service **this Sunday, May 23rd**, for a United Methodist Women’s Unit Meeting and Luncheon. The luncheon is hosted by members of Sarah Circle.



**BEAVER RIDGE UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**
7753 Oak Ridge Highway
Knoxville, TN 37931



on
Pentecost Sunday,
May 23

DEVOTION TIME

Weekly Scripture and Prayer

It is Pentecost! Pentecost is the fiftieth day of Easter. The earliest church has moved from the empty tomb through forty days of ongoing teaching from the Risen Lord and then a ten-day prayer vigil following his ascension. On this day, the church began to move out in and by the power of the Holy Spirit. The readings from this week's lectionary are as follows:

Acts 2:1-21 – The Story for Pentecost...YOU look it up and practice reading those names aloud! Be ready this Sunday!

Psalms 104:24-34, 35b – Praise to God for the vast variety of all creatures, a parallel of praise for people of all nations who are re-gathered in Christ at Pentecost.

Romans 8:14-17 – The Holy Spirit bears witness with our spirits that we are free, adopted as God's own children, and heirs of God's promises as we suffer with Christ as his body.

John 14:8-17 (25-27) – In the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth, disciples of Jesus will continue the works of Jesus and even greater works than these.

Prayer

O Holy Spirit, Love of God, infuse your grace, and descend plentifully into my heart.

Enlighten the dark corners of this neglected dwelling, and scatter there your cheerful beams;

Dwell in that soul that longs to be your temple;

water that barren soil, overrun with weeds and briars, and lost for want of cultivating,

and make it fruitful with your dew from heaven.

O Come, as the refreshment of those that languish and faint.

Come, and like a star, guide those that sail the tempestuous sea of the world.

You are the only haven of the tossed and shipwrecked.

Come glory and crown of the living,

only safeguard of the dying.

Come, Holy Spirit, in much mercy,

and make us fit to receive you. Amen.

St. Augustine of Hippo, 354-430; adapted. Copyright © 1993, 2000 Order of Saint Luke Publications.

KID'S STUFF!

Children's Rotation Sunday School "Christian Living" – 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

May 23: K & 1st Grades – VIDEO

2nd & 3rd Grades – DRAMA

4th Grade – COOKING 5th Grade – COMPUTER

FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS

Vacation Bible School

Can you believe it is only four weeks until we celebrate Vacation Bible School? The dates are June 21 – June 24 and our theme is "He's Got the Whole World In His Hands." From 5:45 – 8:15 each evening the children will participate in games, mission moments, storytelling, arts and crafts and music. Adults have an opportunity to help with VBS or attend an adult Bible study with Rev. Nance.

In order to help us in our planning for this event, we will start doing pre-registration on Sunday, May 23. (Pre-registration is not required, but requested.) Registration cards will be available in the children's Sunday school classes, in the narthex (sanctuary lobby), by the church office and on our website (www.beaverrideumc.com). Invite your friends, neighbors, and grandchildren to this wonderful event.



**Saturday from
10:00 am - 2:00 pm.
Church Parking Lot**

Be sure to come by the church this Saturday from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. and get your car washed! Proceeds for this summer's Youth Mission Trip.

CALENDAR DATES

SUNDAY, MAY 23: Pentecost: Wear red!!

Mission Awareness Sunday—Second quarter Coffee Hour donations will be sent to Harry Howe, Director of Project Crossroads in Marion, VA.

9 am	Contemporary Worship
10 am	Sunday School
11 am	Traditional Worship
12 noon	UMW Unit Mtg./Luncheon (FLC Lobby)
5:30-7 pm	GAP – “Sundae” Night!
6-8 pm	Alpha Omega Youth – Birthday Party

MONDAY, MAY 24:

No Line Dancing

TUESDAY, MAY 25:

10 am	Morning Craft Group (Library)
5:45 pm	Aerobics
7 pm	Boy Sc.; Cub Sc.; Church Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26:

6:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Send-Off Party for Gillian Westerman
7:30 pm	Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAY 27:

5:45 pm	Aerobics
7-9 pm	Adult Open Gym

FRIDAY, MAY 28:

6:30-8 pm	Girl Scouts (Ed. Bldg.)
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MEMORIAL GIFTS

In Memory Of: *John Manning* (Robin Manning's father)

Given By: Harold & Linda Absher, Jim & B.J. Cox

In Memory Of: *Margaret Finley* (Judy Graham's mother)

Given By: Margaret Barnett (to FLC)

In Memory Of: *Kay Peplinski* (Joy Plunk's sister)

Given By: Harold & Linda Absher

In Memory Of: *Barbara Hammer*

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SERVING THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, MAY 23:

Ushers, 9:00 a.m. – Lorie Briegel, Elise Myers, Lori Hopper
Ushers, 11:00 a.m. – Tim Brown, Betty Lois Williams, Walter Easterday, Joe Stewart, Maggie Bloomer

Acolyte, 11:00 a.m. – Kallie Leach

Audio/Visual Team – Gene Rayburn, Charlie Hill, Ron Johnson

MONDAY, MAY 24:

Food Pantry Servers – Don Davis, Gladyce Cody, Violet Ison

MAY:

Coffee Hour Providers – Good Samaritan SS Class

Sign Coordinator – Charlie Hill, 947-4913

YOUTH NEWS



CAR WASH – Saturday, May 22, 10 am-2 pm. Wash some cars, have some fun and help raise money for our Summer Mission Trip.



IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY!! — May 23 is Pentecost...the birthday of the Church...and we will be celebrating EVERYONE'S birthday with cake and ice cream, games and more!

Rev. Nance needs a baby picture AND a picture from your favorite birthday party! You may email pix or drop them in her mailbox (be sure your name is on back).

SCHOOL'S OUT POOL PARTY — Sunday, May 30 at the Johnson's, 7341 Glastonbury Road. Hoagies, salad, drinks and homemade ice cream will be provided. Boys - Bring a bag of chips; Girls – Bring a dessert.



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* **Family Promise at Ebenezer UMC & Ice Cream Outing** - Wednesday, June 9

* **Rent-a-Space Rummage Sale and Car Wash** - Saturday, June 12

- * **Dads vs. Youth Softball Game** - Sunday, June 20
- * **Help with Vacation Bible School** - June 21 - 24
- * **Mission Trip to Noah's Ark in Panama City Beach, FL** - June 27 - July 2. Haven't signed up yet? It's not too late! Call Lori at 556-6459 or Catherine for more info
- * **Jr. High & Sr. High Assembly** - July 5 - 9
- * **YOUTH WEEK** - July 18 - 24
- * **PLUS --** Smokies Baseball, Lake Winnie, Biking on the Virginia Creeper Trail, Pool Parties and more! Keep watching for more info!

PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAY FOR:

Church Family—Louise Atwood, Janice Dunn, Bill Hawkins, Craig Hawley, Wally Ratliff, Chris Shoupe, Deborah Stansberry, Unspoken **Family**—Virginia Absher (Harold Absher's stepmother), Jim & Glenda Cagle (brother & sister of Charles Cagle), Allen Case (Marty Dailey's brother), Cliff Cook (Phyllis Martinelli's brother), Matt Cowser (Shirley Ashe's grandson), Arthur Creswell (Randy Creswell's father), Hunter Graham (Doug & Courtney Graham's grandson), Andy Hamilton, Sandra Harding (Ann Shugarts' cousin), Haywood Harris (Jimmy Harris' father), Greg Henley (Betty Bunner's son), Howard Jackson (Ron Johnson's cousin), Kelli Kirby (Georgia Lee's

granddaughter), Daniel Kitts (Kay Harris' nephew), Juanita Murrey (Jones Arnold's sister), Charles Robinson (Ann Shugart's father), Tony Shults (Debbie Blazier's brother), Don Stansberry (Deborah Stansberry's brother), Ed Sternberg (Maggie Smalley's father), Becky Takano (Leslie Little's sister), Jason Teliszczak (Pam Crane's son), Mary Thompson (Julie Moorefield's mother), Anne Tilley (Glenn Stewart's mother), Bob Tucker (Pam Crane's father), Fran Weeren (Leslie Little's mother), **Friends**—Darrell Baker, John Caulder, David Cobbold, Andy Hamilton, Dr. Chris Harris, Tammy Knight, Jeffrey Richards, Vicky Stephens, Brian Stucky, Harlan Vix, Dana Yeatman

Military—1st Lt. Jake Ankrom, Jr., Joel Bomgaars-Air Force (Eleanor Bomgaars' grandson), Denim Beeler, Airman Chase Brown, Brian Culberson-MP, Sgt. 1st Class Jimmy Harris, Scott Henley (Betty Bunner's son), Phillip Jordan, Brandon Kahm, Bryant Knickerbocker-Military PVT Police, Aaron Mooneyhan, Keith Primavera, Jonathan Rau (Army), Chuck Stewart, Zachary Stewart (USMC), Joe Williams

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