Hebron News

Hebron Presbyterian Church, Manakin-Sabot, VA Our Mission is to "Spread the Word of God".

From the pastor's desk..

July-August, 2017



Pickett's Charge

Do We Really Need Another One?

by Pastor Allen

The Presbyterian Church has ten confessions which are essentially commentaries on the Bible. I have been reading an article in Theology Matters by Richard Burnett who states, "Confessions arise as a result of a crisis in the church that requires a decision to be made." One of our Confessions is The Second Helvetic Confession. Did you ever wonder what happened to the first? I learned that there never was a confession called "First", but the first confession in the 1500's was The Heidelberg Confession. This confession was considered by Lutherans to be too reformed in spirit and demanded that the writer be convicted of heresy. Heinrich Bullinger wrote The Second Helvetic Confession in 1561 as a defense of the Heidelberg and it exonerated the author.

Of course, confessions go back the creation of the <u>Apostle's and Nicene Creeds</u>. These were written by the early church fathers in 2nd and 4th centuries respectively, to combat heretical views that were arising in the early church. Burnett goes on to say that the Creed came about because the history of dogma suggests that every line of these Creeds have been contested at one time or another.

Writers of The Confessions confessed not because they wanted to say more than what the Bible says, but



because they did not want to say less. Martin Luther and Philip Melanchthon wrote only seven confessions for the Lutheran Church while other reformers like Ulrich Zwingli, Jean Calvin and others wrote nearly one hundred in the first one hundred years of the reformation. These reformers believed that the work of Biblical interpretation was not finished and they, I believe, gave us permission to continue writing to address issues of our day.

This year is the 500th anniversary of Luther nailing his 95 Theses to the door of the Wittenberg Church. He did not do this to protest against the Catholic church, but the Latin word, *protesari*, means to publicly declare, testify, profess, or confess. He was trying to save his beloved church from deviating from the true meaning of Scripture.

Many believe the PCUSA is deviating from Biblical principles, therefore the Session compiled the statistics and articles in the booklet, <u>Being a Biblical Church</u> to address what we see as inconsistencies and inaccuracies. It's a document written by humans and therefore fallible and open to correction but in the spirit of the reformers, we desperately want Hebron to be aligned with Scripture rather than the prevailing views of culture.

Burnett concludes his article, "Why can't we just keep everything simple? Why can't we just have the Bible? You can. So long as you don't ask too many questions about the Bible. So long as you are not really interested in talking with people who do. So long as you think your church has never gone wrong and you believe everything that comes out of the mouths of preachers or other leaders....you can. Yet, tell me, where do you think we would be today, where would the church be today, if Martin Luther and his friends had not confessed their faith 500 years ago?"

For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

Hebrews 4:12

Session Notes

At the June 29th meeting:

- 1. A wonderful letter from Caroline and Finley Fitzgerald (relatives of Rossi Fisher) was read pointing out how wonderful their experience has been at Hebron. Finley (6 years old) remarked at how special this church is.
- 2. The June 25th Forum discussion of "The Fellowship Community" and the "Biblical Church" document were evaluated. We hoped that promoting open communication will continue to build trust with the congregation.
- 3. Looking forward to a boost to the Shepherding program at Hebron through some creative presentations by outside speakers. Brochure produced by Nancy Parrish was presented and approved.
- 4. Allen's contract as Interim pastor was renewed for the next year while the PNC continues their work looking for a permanent pastor. The contract is always negotiable depending upon either of our situations changing.
- 5. Our next meeting will be August 10th at 7:00 pm.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Kathy Tyler
Polly Anderson
T. C. & Diane Anderson
Bibby Raines
Sandy & Rossie Fisher
Stanley Bright, Craig & Ann Bright's grandson
Virginia Parrish, Sandra Parrish's mother-in-law
Emmett Morgan, Brenda Morgan's husband
Rob Pickett, Pastor Allen's brother
Ceil Bare, Scott Parks' sister
Michael Babb, long-time friend of Robin &
Cricket Williams

The Atkinson Family,

friends of Dan & Martha Rogers

Denny Rudzinki, friend of Jamie Kistler Ted Phillips, Barb Young's brother Ben Watkins, Tricia Miller's brother Mia Barksdale, Paula Curle's sister Tristen Edwin Jenkins, Shirley Bonovitch's

great nephew

Barbara Kaplan, Alison Raines' mother Karen Ball, Patsy Rice's daughter Steve Cobb, former Student Minister at Hebron Tee Thackston, Fayette Thackston's brother Glenn Parrish, Sandra Parrish's husband Danny Mizelle and Our Military Personnel PASTORAL CARE

The committee consists of Martha Rogers (784-5768), Nancy Parrish (402-4864) & Lindy Thackston (784-3586). Share any births, deaths, illness or other concerns with one of these ladies.

If you would like to pray with someone...

Prayer is available in Allen's office immediately following the worship service. An Elder and Deacon would like to pray with anyone who has a need or as a follow-up to the worship service.

Please call the church office if there are any changes to be made to the Prayer List.

Passport to Peru VBS was an amazing adventure!

We had 81 kids singing praise to God and experiencing the Word of God through hands-on activities - all led by 43 amazing volunteers!

Thanks to everyone who prayed for us and gave items, money and energy to make this a VBS to remember. We loved learning about God's good gifts while experiencing the culture of Peru.













Youth Mission Trip - Syracuse, New York

Thank you for supporting the 2017 youth mission trip to Syracuse, New York. We had an amazing week ministering to the poor and homeless at the Syracuse Rescue Mission. We helped to prepare and serve lunch, sorted and organized clothing and sorted 7,800 pairs of shoes! We made incredible new friends and enjoyed serving the people of Syracuse.















Summer Family Fun

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Sunday, July 16 6:30-8:30pm in Holman Hall

We'll watch Disney's *Zootopia* (rated PG) while munching on popcorn and popsicles. Invite a friend and bring a blanket to lounge on the floor.

FAITH NIGHT AT THE DIAMOND Thursday, August 10 - Game Time 6:35pm

Purchase your General Admission tickets at the gate (\$9) and meet in section 215 along the third base line. PLUS stay for fireworks after the game!

Hebron Kids For Christ

[tweens in grades 4-6]

Family Movie Night, Sunday, July 16 - 6:30-8:30pm

Bring some friends for *Zootopia*, popsicles and popcorn.

Tweens Only: Lunch and Bowling, Sunday, July 30 - 11:30am-2:00pm

We'll grab lunch after church then go bowling at King Pin Lanes. Bring money for lunch, but bowling will be FREE for the first 5 tweens who sign up! Email Lori to sign up ASAP.

Flying Squirrels Faith Night, Thursday, August 10 - Game Time 6:35pm

Meet in section 215 along the third base line. General admission: \$9 at the gate.

Hebron Youth [Grades 7-12]

Sunday, July 9 Lunch and Ray's Italian Ice 11:30am-1:30pm

We'll go out to lunch after church, then grab some cool treats at Ray's! Bring money for both.

Sunday, July 16 Family Movie Night 6:30-8:30pm

We're hosting a family movie night with popcorn and popsicles! Bring your friends and family and a blanket or pillow to watch *Zootopia* in the fellowship hall.

Sunday, July 23 You Got Game 11:30am-1:00pm

Meet at the Parrish House for lunch and a game tournament.

Sunday, August 6 Three Lakes Park 11:30am-1:30pm

Pack your lunch for a picnic at the park. We'll take a leisurely walk around the lakes and check out the nature center.

Thursday, August 10 Faith Night at the Diamond Game Time 6:35pm Bring money for your game ticket (\$9) and snacks if you want them. Meet in section 215.

Sunday, August 20 Back to School Bash 11:30am-1:30pm

More info coming soon!

Operation Christmas Child

In July and August please shop for:

- Crayons, markers and colored pencils
- Pens and pencils
- Pencil sharpeners and small notebooks



Also, please look for:

- Reusable shopping bags from grocery, discount and hardware stores
- Free items from sporting events and conferences (stadium cups, pens)
- Free toothbrushes from your dentist
- Small purses from cosmetic companies



No time to shop? We welcome donations! Put your Christmas gifts in the green plastic tub outside Holman Hall.

Summer Adult Bible Studies

Seeking a Word from the Lord

Sundays 9:00am, Ralph Fields Room

- Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference?

Sundays 9:00am, Holman Hall

July and August Volunteer Schedules			
		<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Nursery</u>
July July July July July	2 9 16 23 30	Youth Mission Team John & Karen Bullard Jonathan & Kelli Eastwood Dan & Martha Rogers Everett & Bruce Mish	Veronique Ferrandini Paula Curle Tanya Powers Veronique Ferrandini Tanya Powers
August August August August	13 20	Craig & Ann Bright Jim & Rachel Parker Cricket & Robin Williams Jamie & Tracy Kistler	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Tanya Powers Veronique Ferrandini

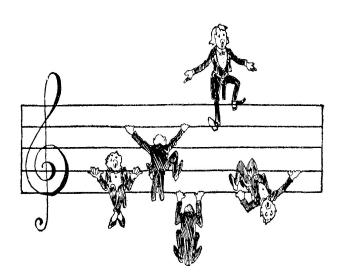
July

Hebron Summer Music Worship Schedule July-August-September 2017

341y 7/2	Hebron Summer Choir	
7/9	Carol Dunlap, piano	
7/16	Mark Holt, cello	
7/23 Deborah Huish & Markus Compton, piano 4-hands		
7/30	Glennroy Bailey, flute	
August 8/6 8/13 8/20	Debbie Thompson, piano Connie Tuttle, piano	

Hebron Summer Choir &

Françoise Moquin, violin



September

8/27

9/3 Hebron Summer Choir

Sing with the Hebron Summer Choir!!

Come join the summer music at Hebron and be a part of the Hebron Summer Choir! We will meet at 9am to learn an anthem for our 10am worship service.

*All youth to adult ages are encouraged to sing, former choir members, college age, and those

who want to make a joyful noise and contribution to worship!

Contact Markus Compton for more information,

784-4018 or markuscompton@aol.com

HEBRON NEWS JULY CALENDAR

Sunday, July 2

Adult Bible Study 9:00am

Seeking a Word from the Lord, Ralph Fields Room Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference? Holman Hall

Worship 10:00am - Led by Youth Mission Team

Communion

Prayer available in Pastor's office

Tuesday, July 4 & Friday, July 7

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House

Thursday, July 6

Boys BFS 1:00-4:00pm

Sunday, July 9

Adult Bible Study 9:00am

Seeking a Word from the Lord, Ralph Fields Room

Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference? Holman Hall

Worship 10:00am

Prayer available in Pastor's office

Youth: Lunch & Ray's Italian Ice 11:30am-1:30pm

Tuesday, July 11 & Friday, July 14

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House

Thursday, July 13

Boys BFS 1:00-4:00pm

Sunday, July 16

Adult Bible Study 9:00am

Seeking a Word from the Lord, Ralph Fields Room

Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference? Holman Hall

Worship 10:00am

Prayer available in Pastor's office

Family Movie Night: Zootopia, 6:30-8:30pm in

Holman Hall

Tuesday, July 18 & Friday, July 21

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House

Thursday, July 20

Boys BFS 1:00-4:00pm

Sunday, July 23

Adult Bible Study 9:00am

Seeking a Word from the Lord, Ralph Fields Room

Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference? Holman Hall

Worship 10:00am

Prayer available in Pastor's office

Youth: Lunch and game tournament 11:30am-1:00pm

Parrish House

Tuesday, July 25 & Friday, July 28

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House

Thursday, July 27

Boys BFS 1:00-4:00pm

Grace Alford leaves for Belize Mission Trip

Sunday, July 30

Adult Bible Study 9:00am

Seeking a Word from the Lord, Ralph Fields Room

Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference? Holman Hall

Worship 10:00am

Prayer available in Pastor's office

Tweens: Lunch & Bowling 11:30am-2:00pm

AUGUST CALENDAR

Tuesday, August 1 & Friday, August 4

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House

Thursday, August 3

Boys BFS 1:00-4:00pm

Sunday, August 6

Adult Bible Study 9:00am

Seeking a Word from the Lord, Ralph Fields Room

Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference? Holman Hall

Worship 10:00am - Led by Youth Mission Team

Communion

Prayer available in Pastor's office

Youth: Picnic at Three Lakes Parks 11:30am-1:30pm

Tuesday, August 8 & Friday, August 11

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House

Thursday, August 10

Boys BFS 1:00-4:00pm

Faith Night at the Diamond, Game time: 6:35 pm

Session 7:00pm

Sunday, August 13

Adult Bible Study 9:00am

Seeking a Word from the Lord, Ralph Fields Room

Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference? Holman Hall

Worship 10:00am

Prayer available in Pastor's office

Tuesday, August 15 & Friday, August 18

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House

Thursday, August 16

Boys BFS 1:00-4:00pm

Sunday, August 20

Adult Bible Study 9:00am

Seeking a Word from the Lord, Ralph Fields Room

Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference? Holman Hall

Worship 10:00am

Prayer available in Pastor's office

Youth: Back to School Bash 11:30am-1:30pm

Tuesday, August 22 & Friday, August 25

AA Meeting 7:00-8:00am Parrish House

Sunday, August 27

Adult Bible Study 9:00am

Seeking a Word from the Lord, Ralph Fields Room

Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference? Holman Hall

Worship 10:00am

FLOWERS FOR JULY

Cheryl Nuckols & Louisa Preston

FLOWERS FOR AUGUST

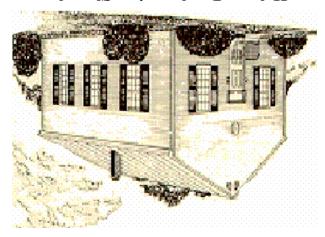
Peggy Henley & Trudie Long

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"A Historic Church with a Living Mission"

Our Mission is to Spread the Word of God

Hebron Presbyterian Church Founded 1843



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You are invited to join us for our 10:00am Worship Service