



SteepleTalk

*Find out what's going on and what's coming up
in the life and ministry at John Knox Presbyterian Church.*

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This Sunday's Worship:

Scripture Lessons

[Acts 4:32-37](#)

"Great Power and Great Grace"

Gordon Turnbull

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WNL Programs:

On April 27, we will have our last WNL for the Spring! There will be an intergenerational program with activities for all ages. Ice cream will be served.

Menu for April 27: Roast Pork, Potatoes, Veggies, Salad Bar, Rolls

Dinner begins at 5:45 and is served until 6:15. Everyone planning to eat needs to make

a reservation by calling or emailing the church office by 4pm on Tuesday or filling out a blue reservation card located in the church pew and placing it in the offering plate.

Greenville Area Relay for Life – Join our Team!

When: Friday, April 29, 2016 at 7:00 PM

Where: Conestee Park (840 Mauldin Rd.)

Greenville

Paint the Park Purple! The time is fast approaching - we need your participation in the 2016 *Relay For Life*. Sign up online at

www.RelayForLife.org/greenville or see

Georgia Cloer for more information. Our JKPC

team now has 18 members and has raised \$7,923

(as of 4/13/16) towards our \$15,000 goal.



Relay For Life is a life-changing event that brings together more than 3.5 million people to: *Celebrate* the lives of those who have battled cancer. The strength of survivors inspires others to continue to fight.

Remember loved ones lost to the disease. At Relay, people who have walked alongside people battling cancer can grieve and find healing.

Fight Back. We Relay because we have been touched by cancer and desperately want to put an end to the disease.



Dear GAIHN Congregational Coordinators and Friends,

As a supporter of United Ministries and/or the Greenville Area Interfaith Hospitality Network (GAIHN) you have been a vital part of the life-changing work we have accomplished in our community. Together we have developed and implemented programs that equip and encourage those striving to achieve financial stability and self-sufficiency. We are very grateful for your support over the years and thus want you to be one of the first to know about an exciting new chapter in our ongoing mission. We are celebrating the expansion of these programs to impact more lives as GAIHN and United Ministries officially join our two organizations together!

The boards of directors of our agencies have voted to approve the merger and we expect the consolidation to be finalized by July 1, 2016. By coming together to work on issues related to poverty

and homelessness in Greenville, the combined organization will expand the programs, reach and capabilities of GAIHN and United Ministries. Operating as one organization is also expected to allow for greater program integrations and increase accessibility for those served.

Our organizations share many of the same goals so formally teaming up is a natural step forward that will only strengthen our efforts. Enclosed you will find more details related to the blending of our agencies. If you have any additional questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Together, we will transform more lives as we serve and empower those on their journey to self-sufficiency. Your donations of time and your financial contributions will become even more vital as our programs expand. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Tony McDade
Executive Director, GAIHN

Ethan Friddle
Interim Executive Director, United Ministries



Third Student Named to Summer College Internship

Brennon Adams of the African American congregation, Salem Presbyterian, joins the Summer College Pilot Project, "Speak Lord, Your Servant is Listening." Brennon is a graduate of Trinity Christian Educational School of Anderson and a graphic communications major at Clemson University. He has recently discovered a passion for football and expects to try out this fall as a walk-on at Clemson.

Brennon looks forward to his internship in the Salem congregation and being mentored by his co-pastors Mashon and Rose Nance. *Brennon expects to be involved this summer in some aspect of the work made possible by the DREAM Grant recently received by Salem. The Developmental, Risky, Experimental, Adaptive Mission (DREAM) Grant is offered by the Presbyterian Mission Agency.*

Salem is working on developing a ministry for the whole person- and adapting to a changing multi-ethnic neighborhood in an urban setting. The 40-member congregation has strong relationships with four key partners in the neighborhood, who are,

- Working on the construction of a holistic home ownership program
- Providing services for ex-felons, health care; day care, library, and more,
- Developing relationships and trust between citizens and law enforcement
- Educating children at In His Image, an alternative K-12 school
- Providing summer camp and after school programs.

We are grateful to have Brennon, the Nances and the Salem Church as partners in the Summer College Internship program directed by Joseph Gaston.

YOUTH NEWS



MISSION TRIP

Youth Trips

We're making final plans for our summer youth trips for our Senior Highs. See your youth newsletter for the latest details. Remember that payments for our Jacksonville Mission Trip and our Montreat Youth Conference are due by May 1!! Any questions, contact Susan Felton at sfelton@johnknoxpres.org or 244-0453.



Graduation Sunday is May 15. We will recognize all of our high school and college graduates that day. Please make sure you have turned in your information about any graduates you may have graduating this year. (Name, school, college or graduation/work plans, awards and honors, school and church activities) Please email information and a picture to Susan Felton at sfelton@johnknoxpres.org. Thank you!

Attention parents of Junior and Senior Highs! We will have a regular youth group meeting at the church on Sunday, April 24. Same time, same place - with dinner! Then on Sunday, May 1, we will celebrate our last Sunday night youth group meeting with a trip to the bowling alley! We will meet at AMS Star Lanes (740 S. Pleasantburg Drive), and then go eat pizza afterwards. Look for details in your "JK News That Rox" newsletter next week!

KIDS NEWS



Kids' Club Sunday School

Our elementary children have one more Sunday in their study of Pentecost. This month, the children have made birthday cards for the church, they have acted out the story of Pentecost, and they have played a game that showed them how the early Christians had secret symbols in order to worship Jesus when it was not safe to do so. Our scripture reading will be Acts 2: 1-11, and the memory verse comes from Acts 1: 8. Ask your children about their experiences. We've had a great month. A big thank you to our April teachers: Leslie Weikle and Caroline and Charles Robertson!!



Vacation Bible School

Catch the Wave of God's Amazing Love!! Vacation Bible School registration begins this Sunday, April 24!! Look for registration forms on the bulletin boards on the Kindergarten hallway and on the Kids' Club Hall. Forms will also be available in the church office. Registrations will be due by Sunday, May 22, so get them in as soon as you can. You can turn your forms in to the church office. Look for the VBS mailbox!! Remember, VBS starts on Sunday afternoon, June 12 from 3:00 – 6:00, with a family dinner to follow. Then we will gather each morning from 9:00 – 12:15 Monday through Wednesday, June 13-15. We cannot wait to share these awesome Bible stories and exciting activities with you!

Children's Choir

All of our children ages K3 – 5th grade are invited to sing with the children's choir on Sunday, May 8, which is Mother's Day. Children will be singing at both services. Stay tuned for more details!

PDO & Kindergarten News

Summer Program registration has started! Once again, we will have our summer program for ages infant through about 3rd grade. The dates of operation are June 20- July 28. The program runs Mondays through Thursdays, with basic hours being 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Early drop off at 8:00 a.m. or extended day hours until 5:00

p.m. are available for extra charges. The rates are \$20 per day, per child for the 9 to 1 period if your child is signed up for 11 or more days. If they are registered for 10 or less days, the charge is \$28 per day. Early and extended hours are \$5 per hour, per day. For registration information, class availability, etc. please call 322-0045.

The annual Kindergarten classes spring musical is scheduled for Thursday evening, May 5, at 6:30 p.m. Anyone is welcome! We will also be displaying art canvases that the children have painted in Ms. Sharp's art class over the past several months. Artwork will be for sale after the musical part of the program.



Registration for 2016-2017 school year is still in progress. We continue to have space in some of our classes for the upcoming fall. If you would like information, or to come in for a tour, please call Laurie at 322-0045.



Lost & Found

Please stop by the church office through the month of May to check our lost and found. Many umbrellas, jackets, and miscellaneous items have accumulated. At the end of May, we plan to donate those items that have not been claimed. Thank you!

Pray for One Another

AT HOME

- John Jolly

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

- Tristin-Jade Lloyd
- Jennifer Hardee
- Dorothy Baird Benedict
- Diane McLean
- Jim Kotti
- Joseph Feleen



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

April

22 - Sheila White

23 - Ann Grayson, Karen Young

25 - LaRue Wait, Melinda Zietz, Austin Graham

26 - Scott Keeler, Chris Garrett, Amelia Pelletier

27 - Shannon Pratt, Martha Wright

By the Numbers

Attendance on April 17

8:45 - 56

11:00 - 207



FINANCIAL UPDATE: 4/17/16

Weekly Expense Budget: \$17,827.00

Weekly Offering Received: \$20,408.25

Expense Budget YTD: \$285,232.00

Offering Received YTD: \$256,911.03

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