

St. Giles Presbyterian Church

May 2008

St. Giles is committed to pursuing the **Heart of God** together by moving...
 ...**Upward** – Lifting up Word & Spirit in a life of whole-hearted worship
 ...**Inward** – Discovering who we are in Christ and who Christ is in us
 ...**Outward** – Recognizing our spiritual gifts & using them to reach our world for Jesus



CHURCH CALENDAR

- May 4 Everyone is invited to a Covered Dish (in the Gym after the service) to meet our **newest members**. Please bring a main dish and a side (vegetable, salad or dessert.) Drinks will be provided.
- May 18 King's Kids End-of-the-Year Movie & Dessert Night! Everyone is asked to bring their favorite ice cream topping.
- July 28 – August 1 SonWorld Adventure Park VBS – Mark your calendars and get ready for a thrilling ride with this year's Vacation Bible School!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

All Classes meet from: 9:30—10:15

- **Adult Bible Class:** (Fellowship Hall)
Teacher: Taylor Ince
Topic: Study on the book of Judges.
- **Life Matters** (Church Library) If you're married or single, young or not-so-young, a talker or a listener (or both!), we would love to have you join us. Contact Karen White at 803-802-0457 for more information.
- **Young Adults Class for ages 18-35** (Youth Building) Leaders: Rick & Karin Slate. We are providing Biblically based teaching each Sunday morning along with designated time for young adults to share with one another.
- **Young at Heart** (Fellowship Hall Class Room) for ages 55 and up.

FURY UPDATE

- Upcoming Dates for May:
 11: NO Sunday Night FURY (Mother's Day)
 25: NO Sunday Night FURY (Memorial Weekend)
- Birthdays in May
 10: Deanne Rodriguez (FURY Alum)
 11: Jason Barkey (FURY Alum)
 19: Kathryn Sheffield (FURY Alum)
 26: Efrain Ruz (FURY Alum)
 30: Deborah Johnson

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

- Our Christian sympathy is extended to:
- Julie Kovasckitz on the loss of her sister-in-law, Patricia New-Winfrey of Winston-Salem on March 26
 - Percy Burns on the loss of his uncle, Robert McFarland of Bay Springs, MS on March 31
 - April Satterfield on the loss of her grandmother, Macie Smith of Morehead City on April 1
 - Doris Poole on the loss of her sister, Elizabeth O'Berry of Mt. Olive on April 2
 - April Weber on the loss of her grandmother, Leeta Lyberger of Greenwood, SC on April 14
 - Phyllis Milligan on the loss of her sister, Peggy Brode of Albany, Georgia on April 22

Congratulations to Tip and Pat Johnson on receiving the Orella Croft award. This award is given to a member (or couple) in recognition of faithfulness to the Lord, love for God's word and compassion for the lost.

MISSIONARY NEWS

We are excited to report the following missionaries who are returning to the states for a short time:
Gail and Doni Lilo, serving in Albania, are staying at the Ken and Karen White's home until May 4.
Corey and Angelika Booher, serving in Poland, will be here from April 30 to May 30. They do need to borrow a car during the time they are in Charlotte. Please call the church office if you can help with this.
Rick and Lisa Watkins, serving in Poland, will be here from May 29 to June 29. They will also need to borrow a car.
John and Bonnie Price, serving in Papua, New Guinea arrive sometime this summer for a one year furlough.
Jessica Tabler, serving in Indonesia, will arrive in mid-June.

WOMEN OF ST. GILES

PRAY FOR OUR EXPECTING MOMS

Tiffany Sheffield, May 8
 Elizabeth Brown, May 17
 Jane Keller, May 18

April Weber, July 8
 Gail (Burger) Lilo, July 22
 Ashley Franklin, August 13

Gretchen Baldwin, August 22
 Jane Burns, August 25
 Christie Werner, October 6

Pastor

Steve Keller

Director of Hispanic Outreach:

Alejandro Ruz

Administrator: John Brown

Youth Director: Chris Houston

Children's Director: Sharon Seward

Administrative Associate:

Margie Gladden

Receptionist:

Pat Andrews

Elders

Jeff Barhite

Norman Kaneklides

Tim Burns

Bob Poole

Steve Gladden

Robert Whitlow

Deacons

Daniel Burns

Paul Farish

Jim Collins

Ron Hartman

David Evans

Steve Seward

Ken White

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m. Church Phone Number: 553-1977

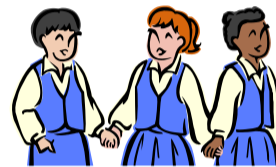
St. Giles website: www.stgilesep.org. Hispanic website: www.comunidaddelasnaciones.org

Newsletters, sermons and other teachings are available on the web sites.



Do you want to do something GREAT for the Kingdom of God? Jesus said, "Anyone who welcomes a little child like this on my behalf, welcomes Me..." Get ready for an awesome week of fun and ministry July 28 - August 1! There are lots of opportunities to get involved.

Call the church office if you would like to help. We need the following: Decorators, Greeters, Teachers, Snack preparers, Drama team, Craft leaders, and Memory Verse leaders. There's a place for everyone at...SONWORLD!



King's Kids Jr. Choir

The King's Kids Jr. Choir (Ages 4 years - 2nd grade) will sing during the morning worship service on Sunday, May 18th. They have been learning about "Spirituals" from Mrs. Vicky & Mr. Norman and are excited to present their latest selection. **All choir members are asked to meet in the King's Kids room at 10:00 a.m. on the 18th to practice.** Please wear your uniforms (white tops and navy bottoms).

LOAVES & FISHES REPORT

OPENING DOORS WITH BREAD

Bread is a great door opener for attracting people to St. Giles with our Loaves and Fishes food pantry. "Sometimes they are open for conversation and I am able to ask them questions about themselves, hear their story, and pray with them," said volunteer Susie Zeigler. She is at the pantry Wednesday afternoons and enjoys meeting a variety of new people each week.

In the past two years Susie has seen a mixture of clients coming to us for food: single mothers, pregnant mothers-to-be, people between jobs, others too injured or sick to work, and even teachers during summer break. "My goal is to make everyone feel welcome and valued," Susie said.

Our pantry is an emergency pantry to help people through a rough time, so often finding themselves on the receiving end at a food pantry is a very emotional situation for them, she added. "I try to demonstrate God's love with kindness and share Jesus whenever possible. Meeting their physical needs with food is important but our deepest need is for Jesus, the Bread of Life!"

Prayer for the St. Giles' pantry and the people who come on our campus every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday is Susie's top request. "Pray that the Lord's presence would greet each one and that they would know that our provision comes from Him."

OUTREACH

WHAT'S POSSIBLE?

What's possible when we use our spiritual gifts together (not only individually) in outreach? In May/ June we are having a fresh start with the Outreach Activation Team.

We Need Outreach Activation Team Members. Is This For You?

If you have energy for seeing us work together to give other people exposure to the love and power of God, and really believe that what we can accomplish together as a missional community is significant beyond what we can accomplish through our own personal outreach efforts, this may be the team for you. Is 62; 1 Peter 2

Expect to do some reading and learning and associating with others who are a bit ahead of us in this adventure. Expect to participate in about 8-10 team meetings per year, plus projects as they come up. This is a strategy and implementation team, and we involve volunteers from the congregation.

Also, through the Arise Shine project we are looking for "Connectors" – people whose passion is seeing others find the right place and fit of ministry for them, and to see that they grow and develop in it. Think spiritual gifts, mentoring, administration, volunteer coordination, etc. The "Connectors" we are looking for probably have the gift of encouragement and/ or administration. They may have a pastoral heart. Contact Anne Romanello for more information (544-9336) or Romanello@carolina.rr.com.