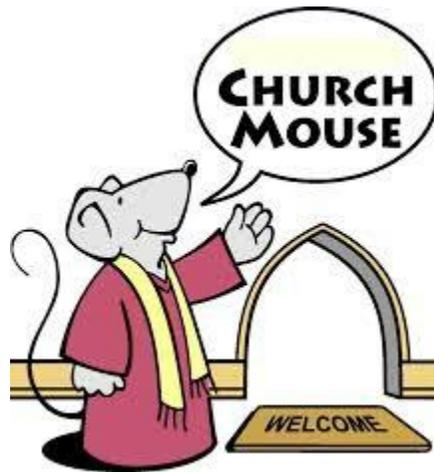


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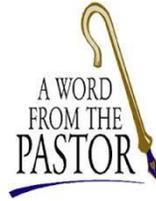


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**PASTOR'S PASSAGE – Garland Hart**

Dear Friends,

June 19, is Father's Day, a day we remember and give thanks to God for our fathers. We are who we are today because of our fathers. I will always remember my father who impacted my life more than I will ever realize. He died January 18, 2014, at the age of 94. He lived a life worthy of a saint. I never heard him say a bad word about anyone. He demonstrated a life he desired for his children. When I was growing up neither of my parents asked me what I wanted to be when I grew up. When I realized that omission from my parents, I wondered "why?". Weren't my parents interested in what I decided to do with my life? The more I thought about this I finally realized that their not asking me was for my own benefit. They didn't want to influence my decision. With Dad being a minister they probably thought I would assume they wanted me to be a minister too. They wanted me to decide for myself with God's guidance what I would do with my life. The more I thought of it that way, the more I appreciated them not asking me what I wanted to do with my life.

We will honor our fathers in church on June 19. Please come and worship with us to experience this celebration. I am reminded of the father in the Parable of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32). This father has two sons and the younger one requests from his father his own share of the estate. The father gives him his share. This son decides to leave home and go to a distant country. There he squanders all he has on wild living. The father loves his son but realizes he has a lot of growing up to do. He needs to discover for himself how well he has it at home. The son having spent all he has goes to work for a citizen of the country who sends him to feed his pigs. He longs to eat the food the pigs are eating. Finally, he comes to his senses and realizes his father's hired men have food to spare. So he returns home to ask his father to hire him. The father upon seeing his son approaching is overjoyed. He calls for a feast to celebrate the return of his son. This father is wise in letting his son leave home so he could discover for himself how good he has it at home.

## **PASTOR'S PASSAGE continued**

I encourage each member and friend of the church to remember a special moment with your father which had an impact upon your life. Write it on paper or record it on your computer and submit it to me. I would like to make a collection of these stories to be available for our members and friends. This is a great way to remember and honor our fathers on Father's Day. Thanks for sharing these special moments with us.

God's blessing upon you,

Garland



## **PRAYER LIST**

Prayer List: [Church Family]: Janet Sidwell, Frances Poole, Dave & Jeannine Malm, Aileen & Stan Broome, Bobby Hill, Hilda Spurlock, Toni Davis, Jimmy Jarrett, Martha Adams Waller.

[Friends]: D Ridley (friend of many of our EPC Family), Chipper & Allison Yates (family of Toni & Monty Davis), Glen Sisson (uncle of Dottie Alliston & Joyce Gunn), Harold Little (uncle of Joyce Gunn & Dottie Alliston), Chris Malm (son of Dave & Jeannine Malm), Kenneth Holmes (father-in-law of Christa Holmes), Dennis Ballou (friend of Dick & Doris Findlay), Joyce Spivey (mother of Sheridan Qualls), Katherine Hart (mother of Rev. Garland Hart), Ralph & Jane Carson (friends of Dave Thomas), Judy Knight, Loretta Meeks (friend of Jim & Madelyn Wharton), Prentiss Findlay (nephew of Dick Findlay), Martha Prater (friend of Cloteal Melder), Kristie Graffagnino (friend of Toni Davis), Jack Hawthorne (nephew of Cloteal Melder).



**TREASURER'S REPORT – Dottie Alliston**



	May 2016	YTD 2016
Income	\$10,827.96	\$50,269.97
Expenses	<u>\$15,095.49</u>	<u>\$65,970.68</u>
Surplus or (Deficit)	(\$4,267.53)	(\$15,700.71)

The church recently made a donation to Thornwell Home for Children.

A donation was received in memory of Will Durham from Arthur and Patricia Pashayan.

*I will love thee, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.*

-Psalm 18:1-2



**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN**

In loving memory of Louise Poole, three rose bushes have been planted along the walkway beside the sanctuary. The memorial was given by the Presbyterian Women's Circle. The Circle is most grateful to Fred and Sallie Floyd for "digging the holes" and planting the bushes.





## JUST FOR FUN

### UNANSWERED PRAYER

The preacher's 5-year old daughter noticed that her father always paused and bowed his head for a moment before starting his sermon. One day, she asked him why. "Well, honey," he began, proud that his daughter was so observant of his messages. "I'm asking the Lord to help me preach a good sermon." "How come He doesn't answer it?" she asked.

### BEING THANKFUL

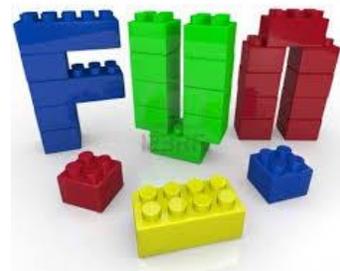
A Rabbi said to a precocious 6-year old boy, "So your mother says your prayers for you each night? That's very commendable. What does she say?" The little boy replied, "Thank God he's in bed!"

### ALL MEN / ALL GIRLS

When my daughter, Kelli, said her bedtime prayers, she would bless every family member, every friend and every animal (current and past). For several weeks, after we had finished the nightly prayer, Kelli would say, "And all girls." This soon became part of her nightly routine, to include this closing. My curiosity got the best of me and I asked her, "Kelli, why do you always add the part about all girls?" Her response, "Because everybody always finishes their prayers by saying 'All Men!'"

### SAY A PRAYER

Little Johnny and his family were having Sunday dinner at his grandmother's house. Everyone was seated around the table as the food was being served. When little Johnny received his plate, he started eating right away. "Johnny! Please wait until we say our prayer," said his mother. "I don't need to," the boy replied. "Of course, you do," his mother insisted. "We always say a prayer before eating at our house." "That's at our house," Johnny explained. "But this is Grandma's house and she knows how to cook."





# June 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			Session Meeting 9:00		Debbie Huff and Richard Huff	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
SS 9:45 Worship 11:00	Garland Hart			Monty & Toni Davis	Mouse Articles Due Dave Malm	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
SS 9:45 Worship 11:00 Billy Waller	Bible Study 4:00		Frank & Susan Barbato	Cloteal Melder	Ford & Susie G'Segner	John & Christa Holmes
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
SS 9:45 Worship 11:00	Bible Study 4:00		Donald Jarrett		Van Nesbit and Veta Powers Richard & Debbie Huff	
26	27	28	29	30		
SS 9:45 Worship 11:00	Bible Study 4:00		Ford G'Segner			
notes	Birthday Anniversary					





# July 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
						 Robert Thomas
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
SS 9:45 Worship 11:00	Bible Study 4:00		Session Meeting 9:00		 Chanin Gill	 Mal Mallinson
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
SS 9:45 Worship 11:00  Caroline Davis	Bible Study 4:00				Mouse Articles Due	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
SS 9:45 Worship 11:00	Bible Study 4:00			 Joshua & Cristina Burnett		 Jimmy & Doris Jarrett
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
SS 9:45 Worship 11:00	Bible Study 4:00	 Don & Celia Vincent				
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