

Hunter's Horn

Hunter Presbyterian Church
109 Rosemont Garden
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PASTOR'S PEN

Dear Friends,

Around this time every year I find myself waiting for things to slow down just a bit, now that we're past the busy season in the life of the church. But every year things just keep going. Lent rolls right into Easter, Easter rolls right into Pentecost, and Pentecost rolls right into end-of-the-year activities, vacation Bible school, and early planning for fall—not to mention personal travel plans, summertime home improvement projects, and more frequent houseguests.

If I need a little downtime, I guess I'll have to make it myself; which is more difficult to put into practice than it is to assert in theory. We all tell each other, and ourselves, that we need downtime, and that it's important. But we don't always carry through. We worry that if we don't stay busy, we're actually being lazy. We wonder if taking a break to do nothing means that we lack the spiritual discipline to keep on going.

It's easy to assume that the more energy we put into spiritual disciplines, the more our spiritual lives will blossom. The more we schedule ourselves to do church work, charity service, caring for others, volunteer hours, pastoral visits, and paperwork, the more we will grow as individuals. But it's not always true. Sometimes our disciplines and our work can devolve into routines that just aren't life-giving anymore.

Henri Nouwen, the Christian spirituality writer, noted that when this happens, we are like "a piece of driftwood on still water." By that he means that we can come to a point when we are exhausted, when we are no longer inspired or moved by the work that we do, and when we drift along with very little sense of meaning.

So what can we do? Well, we can just keep on going as we always have and hope that we'll have a better day tomorrow. Or we could try something more radical. We could disengage and give ourselves a break by doing absolutely nothing. Even if it's only for a day, an hour, or a few minutes.

Work—even the work we do to grow as Christians—isn't sacrosanct. But the bodies God gave us are. And as people of God, we need to honor the gifts of our lives by occasionally taking a Sabbath and enjoying some downtime. We need to remember that our spiritual lives are just as enriched by leisure as they are by work. And we need to stop for just a moment, every now and then, to make room for the joy and peace that fuel us for the journeys that lie ahead.

Together we serve,
JASON

Saying Goodbye to Ed Clark, Church Sexton

Many of you have probably had the opportunity to notice how wonderfully pristine our church building and grounds are kept. The freshly swept floors, the tables and chairs set up the way we need them, the grass cut, and on and on. All this and more have been done at the hands of Ed Clark. Ed has served Hunter as Church Sexton for almost 8 years and will certainly be missed by us all. We wish him all the best for a happy, relaxing retirement. Ed's last day at Hunter was Thursday, April 29th. If you would like to send Ed a message or a token of your esteem feel free to call the church office for his contact information. Also, be sure to welcome our new Sexton, Kevin Eddy; Kevin has been training with Ed for three weeks and will take over officially as Church Sexton on Monday, May 3rd.



Nursery Volunteers for May are:

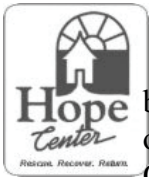


- May 2 Daisy Rhau
- May 9 Tami Daniel
- May 16 Carol Hulse
- May 23 Tery Ackerman
- May 30 **Volunteer NEEDED!!**

Worship and Wonder Greeters are:



- May 2 Melinda Ashworth-French
- May 9 Trisha Bernard
- May 16 Kriis Zeps
- May 23 Emese Gal
- May 30 Ann Freytag



Hope Center

The middle and high school youth will be serving breakfast at the Hope Center on Sunday, June 13th. Meet at the Hope Center at 7:45 a.m. or in the Hunter parking lot at 7:30 a.m. Please let James Bush or Kelly Telech know if you'll be coming to the church so they can wait for you.

The Alternatives Class



In honor of Earth Day, the Alternatives Class will be using the book, "No Impact Man" and a video of the same name for the next several weeks. It is the honest, and sometimes hilarious, autobiography of Colin Beavan, his wife and baby daughter, in their attempt to answer the questions: What would it be like to live a no-impact lifestyle? Is it possible? Could it catch on? Would living this way be more fun or less fun? More satisfying or less satisfying? Harder or easier? Worthwhile or senseless?



Please join us on Sunday mornings at 9:30 in the Lounge!

***The Theology Seminar Class:
Sunday Mornings at 9:30 am***

May 2. Crusading: Holy Duty or "War from Hell."



Five Finger Prayer

First, put your hands with palms together in front of you as if you are praying. Keep your eyes open so that you can see your hands. You will notice that the closest finger to you is the thumb. Since it is the closest to you, the thumb reminds you to pray for those that are closest to you. Maybe you can pray for your parents and your brothers or sisters.

The next finger is called your index finger. It is used for pointing. Let this finger remind you to pray for those that point you in the right direction. Pray for your teachers at school, your parents, adults at church, and our pastor.

The next finger is the tallest finger. This finger reminds us to pray for our leaders – the president, leaders in our town, police, firefighters, etc.

The fourth finger is called the ring finger. Did you know that this is the weakest of all the fingers? Just ask anyone who plays the piano and they will tell you that is true. Let this finger remind you to pray for those who are weak because they are sick. Do you know anyone who is sick?

The next finger is the smallest and the last finger. In the Bible, Jesus told us to put others first and put ourselves last. Let the little, last finger remind you to pray for yourself.

Children's Rotation Sunday School

We thank Jeanne Ocampo, Emily Warren, Joyce Abbott, and Emese Gal for teaching on "Walk to Emmaus" and "Doubting Thomas" in April. Keep an eye out on our church landscaping in the coming weeks as we add stepping stones the children made while studying the encounter with Jesus on the "Walk to Emmaus". We invite children who are in 1st through 5th grade to join us on Sunday's at 9:30.

Vacation Bible School Is Coming!

SAVE THE DATE!!



Vacation Bible School will take place at Hunter on the evenings of Sunday, July 25—Wednesday, July 28, 6:00—8:15pm. Mark your calendars and watch the Horn for more details coming soon!



IMPORTANT ODDS & ENDS

BURNAMWOOD
CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER



Burnamwood summer camps. It is time to start thinking about summer camps at Burnamwood. There is something for everyone from 1st grade to 12th grade. In addition to the traditional camps known as conferences, there is a pioneer camp for those who like to rough it, a music, art, and drama camp for those who enjoy the arts, and a night owl camp for those that like to stay up late and sleep in. New this year is a two day mother and daughter camp. Additional information is available online at www.burnamwood.net/summer.htm and at Hunter. The registration deadline is two weeks prior to the start of the desired camp. To register you may download and print a registration form from the Burnamwood website and mail it in, or you may register online through the Burnamwood website. Registration forms will also be available at Hunter.

Burnamwood Summer 2010 Dates and Rates

Summer Program	Dates	Rate
CIT/Spiritual Leadership Training	June 4-6	\$85
3rd - 6th Grade Conferences	June 7-11	\$240
7th and 8th Grade Conference	June 14-19	\$240
Senior High Wet and Wild Camp	June 14-19	\$400
Senior High Summer Conference	June 21-26	\$240
3rd - 6th Grade MADD Camps	July 5-9	\$240
Mother/Daughter Camp	July 10-11	\$40/per person
7th and 8th Grade Night Owl Camp	July 12-17	\$240
1st and 2nd Grade Mini Camp	July 19-21	\$120
5th and 6th Grade Pioneer Camp	July 19-21	\$120

In support of our Burnamwood campers (and their parents), Hunter will pay 30% of the Burnamwood tuition, excluding t-shirt and e-camp costs, for each Hunter student attending camp this summer. Simply turn in proof of registration to the church office for reimbursement. Need-based scholarships to cover the remaining amount are also available through Hunter and/or Burnamwood. Contact Tami Daniel (tjdaniel2@gmail.com, 296-9521) with questions or concerns.

NORMAL OFFICE HOURS RESUMING!!

Beginning on Monday, May 10th, the Church Office hours will be returning to a normal schedule. The hours listed below will be in effect throughout the Summer. Please make note of this change in case you need to call or stop by the office during the week.

Regular Office Hours
Monday—Friday 9:00—3:00



The Flower Guild

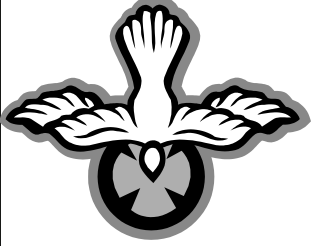


The Flower Guild is a volunteer group which takes responsibility for Sunday's Sanctuary flowers and small arrangements that are sent out each Monday to Sunday's visitors and our homebound church members. Volunteers of the Flower Guild make the arrangements and write cards to accompany them. Then a group of wonderfully faithful volunteers deliver them on Mondays. We have no regular source of income but depend on gifts of flowers, memorials, and occasional donations and the profit from the sale of the Christmas and Easter flowers, which have been used to decorate the church. These funds are used to purchase the flowers for our arrangements.

The Flower Guild needs your help in three ways:

1. We need new volunteers to be able to continue our work. We meet on Mondays at 9:30 am. No experience is necessary.
2. We would appreciate any donations of blossoming shrubs, trees, or flowers that you have in your yard and that you could share with us to be used in our arrangements. (If you have such a donation, you can drop it off at the church during normal office hours.)
3. Cash donations are always welcome.

Mission & Outreach



PENTECOST OFFERING FOR YOUTH WORKERS AND CHILDREN AT RISK

Pentecost is May 23rd. On that day a special offering provides a way to contribute toward Presbyterian programs to meet the needs of children at risk, youth, and young adults. There will be inserts in the bulletin to give more details about some of these programs.

The Pentecost Offering supports a new generation of leadership for the church through the Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) program. YAVs spend a year in service either here or abroad. They raise funds for their own support during that year, but the Pentecost Offering funds training programs and pays travel expenses for their year of mission involvement. These Young Adult Volunteers serve in communities of need and explore their call to the work of Jesus Christ. Many go on to become pastors or mission workers.

The offering also supports General Assembly ministries with youth through Presbyterian youth workers. It also funds advocacy on issues of child poverty and health and education.

Forty percent of the Pentecost Offering can be designated by Hunter to local programs for children at risk. Past offerings have been shared with Bellewood and with Kids Café. Last year, the flooding in Jackson and Breathitt Counties created urgent need. Hunter's Pentecost Offering was used by the Interfaith Alliance in Jackson to provide things needed by the children whose lives were disrupted by the flooding.

Project C.U.R.E. Assists in Haiti

One of the first ships to unload in Haiti after the earthquake had a shipment of Project C.U.R.E. medical supplies. Our store room continues to fill up with donations. To learn more about Project C.U.R.E. go to www.projectcure.org. If you would like to receive email updates about Project C.U.R.E. activities at Hunter, send an email to suzikifer@insightbb.com.

New Church Directory!

Believe it or not, it's time to publish a new Hunter directory! Dates for photos will be June 10th, 11th, and 12th in the Hunter Fellowship Hall. You will need to sign up for a time slot; sign-up sheets can be found in the Fellowship Hall beginning Sunday, May 16th.

Our goal is to have everyone's photo included. Please help us make the directory complete by signing up for a photo time.

"SAY CHEESE!"



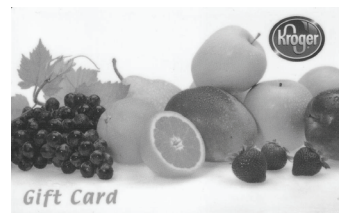
Did you know **Kroger** gives **4 cents** of every dollar to **Hunter** if you have a Kroger gift card?

Here's how:

- 1) You **MUST** buy a \$5 Kroger gift card from **Ashley** (in the church office) or from a Stewardship member on Sundays.
- 2) It works like a **debit** card, even the \$5 initial fee is **spendable**.
- 3) **Load** the card with your desired amount of money when you **enter** Kroger at the **customer counter** (for **small** orders). For **large** orders, load the card **before** the clerk rings up your groceries at the register.

From one family who spends \$100 a week for a year, Hunter gets \$208. We ALL eat, what an easy way to benefit the church!

Direct questions to Ashley, in the church office, or any Stewardship member: Andrew Bernard (chair), Dick Covert, David Hulse, Cindy Mitchell, or Howard Moffett.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Bulletin items are due each Wednesday afternoon for Sunday bulletins!!</p>						
<p>2 8:45 am Early Worship 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 am Worship</p>	<p>3 Flower Guild, 9:30 am Co-op Quilters, 6:30 pm, UC</p>	<p>4 Girl Scouts, 6 pm, Rm. 23 Worship & Music, 7 pm</p>	<p>5 Garden Club, 1:30 pm, UC Outreach, 5:15 pm, Library Pack Backpacks, 5:30pm Wednesday Dinner & Program, 6:00 pm, FH Adult Choir, 7:30 pm</p>	<p>6 Thursday Group, 6 pm, FH Alateen, 7:30 pm, Library NA, 7:30 pm, UC Al-Anon, 7:30 pm, Lounge</p>	<p>7 Wheeler Dealer Square Dancers, 7:30 pm, FH</p>	<p>8 NA, 7:30 pm, UC</p>
<p>9 Happy Mother's Day 8:45 Early Worship 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Worship</p>	<p>10 Flower Guild, 9:30 am Co-op Quilters, 6:30 pm, UC</p>	<p>11 Night Circle, 7 pm, UC (Pack Backpacks)</p>	<p>12 Wednesday Dinner & Program, 6:00 pm, FH Adult Choir, 7:30 pm</p>	<p>13 Deborah Circle, 10 am, UC Alateen, 7:30 pm, Library NA, 7:30 pm, UC Al-Anon, 7:30 pm, Lounge</p>	<p>14 Wheeler Dealer Square Dancers, 7:30 pm, FH</p>	<p>15 PWOH Spring Gathering, 10 am, UC NA, 7:30 pm, UC</p>
<p>16 8:45 Early Worship 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 12:30 Burnamwood Fundraiser Spaghetti Dinner, FH 7:00 Session Meeting, FH</p>	<p>17 Flower Guild, 9:30 am Co-op Quilters, 6:30 pm, UC ARC of Central KY, 7 pm, FH</p>	<p>18 Girl Scouts, 6 pm, Rm. 23</p>	<p>19 Pack Backpacks, 5:30pm Wednesday Dinner & Program, 6:00 pm, FH Adult Choir, 7:30 pm</p>	<p>20 Stitch N' Listen, 10 am, UC Stewardship, 4:30 pm Alateen, 7:30 pm, Library NA, 7:30 pm, UC Al-Anon, 7:30 pm, Lounge</p>	<p>21 Wheeler Dealer Square Dancers, 7:30 pm, FH</p>	<p>22 NA, 7:30 pm, UC</p>
<p>23 8:45 Early Worship 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Worship</p>	<p>24 Flower Guild, 9:30 am Co-op Quilters, 6:30 pm, UC</p>	<p>25 KY Mountain Club, 6:30 pm, FH</p>	<p>26 Pack Backpacks, 5:30pm Wednesday Dinner & Program, 6:00 pm, FH Adult Choir, 7:30 pm</p>	<p>27 Alateen, 7:30 pm, Library NA, 7:30 pm, UC Al-Anon, 7:30 pm, Lounge</p>	<p>28 Wheeler Dealer Square Dancers, 7:30 pm, FH</p>	<p>29 NA, 7:30 pm, UC</p>
<p>30 8:45 Early Worship 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Worship</p>	<p>31 Memorial Day OFFICE CLOSED Flower Guild, 9:30 am Co-op Quilters, 6:30 pm, UC</p>	<p><i>Hunter's Horn articles are due Monday, May 24!</i></p>				


Stitch 'N Listen

Will be meeting on Thursday,
May 20th at 10 am in the
Undercroft.

The Lunch Bunch

Tuesday, May 18th, 11:30am at Woodland's
Julep Cup Restaurant (111 Woodland Ave.:
parking available at rear of building.). To
carpool, meet at the church parking lot at
11:00am. For reservations, call Betty Scott at
272-2800 or Polly Martin at 266-1734.

Look Who's Having a Birthday in May!

1 Tery Ackerman		16 Joel Uwabandi
3 Glen Herron		18 Scott Campbell
4 Kay Albright		20 Charlotte Randall
5 Jacob Abbott		25 Ian Campbell
10 Sally Kirkpatrick		26 Richard Covert
13 Elizabeth Scott		29 Jeff Tipton
15 Phyllis Hanna		30 Cody Ackerman
		31 Matthew Durant

Night Circle will meet at Hunter Presbyterian
Church this month on Tuesday, May 11th at
7:00 pm in the Undercroft. We will be helping
with the Blessings in a Backpack Program. Our
Devotional will be lead by Daisy Rhau.



Deborah Circle will meet on
Thursday, May 13th at 10:00 am
in the Undercroft. We will **not** be
loading backpacks this month as
the Night Circle has agreed to
help with this project this month.



Garden Club will meet on Wednesday,
May 5th at 1:30 pm in the Undercroft.
Please come and join us on the 5th!

**Hunter's Horn Articles will be due by
Monday, May 24th. ~Thank You!**

PWOH Spring Gathering

All women of Hunter are invited to the
PWOH Spring Gathering on Saturday, May
15 at 10:00 a.m. in the Undercroft.

Activities will include: a master gardener
guest speaker, Beate Popkin; induction of
our own Evelyn Evans into the Honorary
Lifetime membership of Presbyterian
Women; our annual Presbyterian Women
birthday celebration and offering; and a
delicious brunch provided by the PWOH
Council. Child care will be provided.

Come join us in this springtime gathering
and celebration!



Presbyterian Women Triennial Gathering

June 3-5, 2010, will be a fabulous opportunity for all
women to participate with women from KY, TN, MS, and
AL at the triennial Presbyterian Women of the Synod of
Living Waters Gathering in Huntsville, Alabama. There
will be Bible study, keynoter Sylvia Washer (retired
executive Presbyter and church educator), workshops for
computer training, prayer, story-telling, church education,
connections and partnerships for women, and immigration
(led by Transylvania's Julia Thorne who works at PC
(USA) offices in Louisville). You don't have to be part of a
Presbyterian Women group to participate -- all women are
warmly welcomed. Cost is \$115 for registration and we
will stay at local hotels for discount rates. It will be the
final gathering for PWS Moderator, Mary Weber (from
United PC, Harrodsburg) who has ably served for the past
three years. There are nine scholarships available - for one
woman in each of our Presbytery's nine clusters (districts).
Applications for the scholarships and registration forms for
the Gathering can be found at:

[http://images.acswebnetworks.com/1/435/
Triennial_Gathering_2010.pdf](http://images.acswebnetworks.com/1/435/Triennial_Gathering_2010.pdf)

Clerk's Corner by Ruth Beattie, Clerk of Session

The most recent Stated Meetings of Session were held on Sunday March 28 and Sunday April 18, 2010.

At these meetings the Session:

- Reviewed the financial report for February.
- Approved the holding of a Burnamwood Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser (May 16th) to provide scholarships for children/youth to attend summer camp at Burnamwood.
- Approved the reimbursement of 30% of Burnamwood Camp fees, for all participants, from the Burnamwood Fund.
- Approved Donna Goodrich as chaperone/counselor for Burnamwood Camp.
- Approved not holding Sunday school during the summer weeks when only a 10am worship service is scheduled (4 weeks in July, 2 weeks in August).
- Granted permission for the youth to be involved in a *Clean Up America* project (organized by James Bush).
- Granted permission for Daisy Rhau to write educational curriculum for the older children (those too old for Worship and Wonder).
- At a Called Meeting of Session held Sunday, April 11, 2010, the Session approved the hiring of Kevin Michael Eddy as Sexton for Hunter Presbyterian Church. Motion passed.

Stewardship Report

March Report:

	<u>March</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>	YTD as % of amount <u>budgeted for 2010</u>
Pledges Received	\$13,421	\$50,821	23.9%
Total Receipts	\$19,672	\$64,465	24.5%
Total expenditures	\$25,010	\$70,235	23.4%

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Christian Education

No May Meeting, due to Mother's Day

Worship & Music

Tuesday, May 4 at 7:00 pm (Lounge)

Outreach

Wednesday, May 5 at 5:15 pm (Library)

Session: Sunday, May 16 at 7:00 pm (FH)

Evangelism

TBA

Property

TBA

Stewardship

Thursday, May 20 at 4:30 pm

COMING THIS FALL...

Does your third grader like to play video games during church services? Does your fourth grader bring books to read during the sermon? Worship can be a challenging time for families. Children tend to fidget, daydream, doodle on the backs of pew envelopes, and giggle with their friends. Adults tend to spend more time trying to parent children into behaving than actually worshipping. Worship can also be a wonderful time for families. Both children and adults long to be spiritually nourished. Encountering God together with our loved ones deepens our experiences of worship and these shared experiences can resonate for the rest of our lives. In fall 2010, the Hunter Christian Ed Committee will present WORSHIP IN PRACTICE, a new worship practicum for 3rd through 5th graders to be held every Sunday from August through May during the 11am service. Children will have the opportunity to learn how to worship, how to pray, how to become attuned to their spiritual lives. They will also learn the elements of liturgy, practice listening to sermons, and participate in the liturgy of the 11am service. It is our hope that this class will ultimately bring families together in worship, by giving children the skills and knowledge they need to do more than "just sit still." Look for more details and announcements in upcoming issues of *The Horn*.

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Wednesdays at Hunter

Childcare is provided at our Wednesday Night Dinner & Program, so bring the whole family and enjoy some good food and fellowship!!

- **Wednesday, May 5th, 6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall**
Dinner: Tomato & Chicken casserole & rice, cucumber & tomato salad, nann, ice cream with mango sauce.
Program: Genevieve Patterson will talk about "Hooking."
- **Wednesday, May 12th, 6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall**
Dinner: Pepper steak with rice, salad, rolls, and dessert.
Program: Alan Lytle will discuss "Setting Priorities in Public Radio."
- **Wednesday, May 19th, 6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall**
Dinner: Ham, Harvard beets, scalloped potatoes, beans, apple crisp with ice cream.
Program: Dick Covert will give a presentation entitled, "Nancy's Story."
- **Wednesday, May 26th, 6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall**
Dinner: Mystery Meal.
Program: Don Chesnut will talk about "Burma."