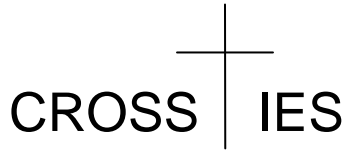


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SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Sat	3	LABOR DAY WEEKEND No Soccer	
Sun	4	Church School Worship Service SASTO NA Group	9:45 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm
M	5	Church Office Closed	
W	7	Circle Meeting	10:00 am
Sat	10	Soccer	9:30 am
Sun	11	Church School – CHILDREN, TOO! Worship Service B4 Academy Open House Church Cookout SASTO NA Group	9:45 am 11:00 am 3:00-5:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm
W	14	Adult Choir Practice Session Meeting	6:30 pm 7:00 pm
Sat	17	Soccer	9:30 am
Sun	18	Church School Worship Service SASTO NA Group	9:45 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm
M	19	Renaissance Community Co-op	7:00 pm
Tu	20	Crossties Deadline	
W	21	Adult Choir Practice	6:30 pm
Th	22	AUTUMN BEGINS	
Sat	24	Soccer	9:30 am
Sun	25	SHARING SUNDAY Church School Worship Service SASTO NA Group	9:45 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm
W	28	Adult Choir Practice	6:30 pm

SHOWING KINDNESS TO STRANGERS

I have committed to memory a powerful scripture in Hebrews 13:2 – “Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.” It speaks volumes to our world today and I wish it were the watchword for our nation and our world.

Recently, I encountered such a person. I was the stranger in the Boston Airport, my flight had been canceled and I was searching for alternatives to return home and he went out of his way to help me find transportation. It amazed me since every other person before had been a challenge, saying, “No! No way!” I was overwhelmed with thanks. Later I tried to find his name and had no luck.

It doesn’t cost us anything to be kind to another person, even someone we don’t know and will probably never meet again.

What if we taught our children more kindness and respect? Not to simply brush off people because we don’t know them or they are different. What if we lived by a code of hospitality and kindness?

Sure, some of us will give the excuse that others will walk all over you. Yes, that is a possibility. But there is also the possibility that your act of kindness may make a difference and change that person’s life. It is just one element of the Great Commandment of Jesus that “we should love one another.”

~ Gray Clark

We want your children!! Our children’s Sunday School class resumes meeting weekly on Sunday, September 11, at 9:45 am. Please bring them and invite others. Lots of fun and activities are planned!



We want each one of you to come to our annual church cookout and to bring family and friends also! It will be on **Sunday, September 11, at 6:00 pm** in the fellowship hall and courtyard. We'll have hot dogs, hamburgers and all the fixings.

DON'T MISS IT!

GRIEF

People normally gather around after someone's life ends. Kind words and deeds follow, but they soon diminish and life goes on at its normal pace. The pain is not gone. The loss is still there and will continue for an undetermined time.

How can you help? Be present. Listen. Ask if you can help. Look for ways to help. Simply surprise them with acts of kindness.

Remember the words of the apostle Paul: "Nothing, not even death can separate us from the love of God."

MUSIC NOTES

During the summer, our adult choir takes it easy and only practices once a month; but following Labor Day (September 14 to be exact), the choir picks up the pace and returns to weekly practice each Wednesday at 6:30 – 7:30 pm. Work begins on more arrangements for Sunday worship, stewardship season, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. The choir, under the direction of Mr. John Huskey, invites anyone in high school and older to come help us make a joyful noise – and sometimes music!! All that is required is a love of music and a little time on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings. There's plenty of room in the choir loft and it's always fun!

THANK YOU!

Dear Friends,

Allison, Lee, and all of the family join me in expressing our heartfelt gratitude to each of you for all you have done to help and support us during Jerry's hospitalization and passing. Your prayers, cards, kind words, hugs, donations, covering for me in the church office, being patient when no one was there - you've just been so wonderful to us and my heart is overflowing with love and appreciation. I have truly felt the touch of God in your love and care.

Thank you again.

*Love,
Merrie Shelton*



Academy of Music & the Arts

Started in 2013 by PCC and local musicians as an effort to provide music and dance lessons to children age 5-14 who are unable to afford the normal cost of lessons and in memory of Charles "Leebo" Butler, the B Natural Academy is beginning its fourth year of classes, meeting in the lower level of the church education wing. Classes in piano, guitar, percussion (drums), dance and voice will begin September 6 and 7, currently meeting on Tuesdays or Wednesdays between 4:30-7:00 pm. Additional days/times for classes may be offered if registration warrants it. Tuition is affordable and an additional discount is offered for those receiving some form of government assistance. Full scholarships are also available. Call 336-274-0703 or email bnatural@triad.twcba.com for more information.

Come check us out at **OPEN HOUSE** on Sunday, September 11, from 3:00-5:00 pm. Registration ends September 21.

NOTE: Check out WFMY's video of two of B Natural's teachers and one of our students on either B Natural's facebook page or that of Presbyterian Church of the Cross.

PCC PEOPLE

Please remember in prayer:

Margaret Fox Guero, James Zeitler, Elaine Buie, Ruth Ozment (Sharon's mother), Ruth Phillips (Janet Clark's mother), and Robin Clark (Gray's brother), Verdora Locklear. All are going through health issues as are numerous others.

Also remember Merrie Shelton (loss of her husband, Jerry), Jeff Patton (loss of his mother, Bernice Patton), and Irene Wright (loss of her brother, Billy Ray Simmons).

CDL LICENSE?

Do you have a CDL driver's license? If so, we have access to a bus that we could use to pick up people for church activities. Contact Gray or the church office if you are interested in helping.

ATTENTION CHURCH OFFICERS!

The Session and **ALL** committees will meet on Wednesday, September 14, at 7:00 pm. Plans for the busy seasons of fall and winter (Stewardship, Thanksgiving, and Christmas) will be on the agenda.