Adelphi Presbyterian Church News



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June 2009

Minister: Every member of Adelphi Presbyterian Church

The Session (July 2009 – June 2011)

<u>Class of 2009</u>: Janet Dolen, Eric Yemoh, Bettye Miller <u>Class of 2010</u>: Jerome Farley, Kathie James, Priscilla Lancaster <u>Class of 2011</u>: Jake Masters, Rose Tangham, Joan Tembunde

Interim Pastor: Rev. Karen Doty Clerk of Session: Janet Dolen Treasurers: Charles Yancey, Jake Masters Clerk of Session: Janet Dolen Treasurer: Charles Yancey Assistant Treasurer: Jake Masters

God calls us at Adelphi Presbyterian Church to be a Christ-centered community of people experiencing spiritual awakening by praying, caring, welcoming, sharing the Word, and forming relationships with one another.
At Adelphi Presbyterian Church, we are called to use our gifts and talents to serve God with energy and love. ~ Our Vision Statement adopted by Session, September 2007 ~



Belonging to God: A First Catechism

Approved by the 210th General Assembly (1998) of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Question 1. Who are you?

I am a child of God. Question 2. What does it mean to be a child of God? That I belong to God, who loves me. Question 3. What makes you a child of God? Grace -- God's free gift of love that I do not deserve and cannot earn. Question 4. Don't you have to be good for God to love you? No. God loves me in spite of all I do wrong. Question 5. How do you thank God for this gift of love? I promise to love and trust God with all my heart. **Question 6.** How do you love God? By worshipping God, by loving others, and by respecting what God has created. **Question 7.** What did God create? God created all that is, seen and unseen. **Question 8.** What is special about human beings? God made us, male and female, in the image of God. Question 9. What does it mean that we are made in God's image?

It means we are made to reflect God's goodness, wisdom and love.

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At the May Session meeting, the Elders received reports from the various committees.

--Funds expended for the playpens for the nursery were put in the correct category (facilities).

--Adelphi is still holding its own financially.

--Despite the weather, there was a good turnout for the Crop Walk.

--Work is progressing on an English as a Second Language course.

-- There are volunteers to cover the nursery through July, but help is needed so please volunteer one Sunday so we can continue this important effort.

--The Session discussed some recent requests for using the church late at night and a motion was made that only religious functions could be held at Adelphi after 10 p.m.

-- The Session went through a long list of major and minor repairs that need to be done at the Church. -- From the nominating committee: one more person is needed to fill an Elder slot and one more person is needed for the Pastor Nominating Committee. These positions are very important and very rewarding. If you haven't been contacted and would like to join us, please contact either me or Bettye Miller.

Also important dates to remember: June 21st is Youth Sunday and Vacation Bible School is the week of July 20th.



At our last Session meeting on May 31st, it was decided that there were numerous projects at Adelphi should be addressed over the next several months while the weather is warm. We want to schedule a work day to complete as many as possible. This would not necessarily be for clean up, but just to correct facilities areas that need attention. Projects we are looking to complete:

- 1. Repaint the storage room off the Fellowship Hall due to moisture damage.
- 2. Replace missing base trim in the Fellowship Hall and nursery.
- 3. Repaint the nursery and replace the carpet
- 4. Replace the four security light bulbs on the front right of the church sanctuary.
- 5. Repair the pole light in the parking lot
- 6. Repair the lights at the Riggs road church sign
- 7. Patch or pave the parking lot and re-stripe as necessary.
- 8. Heavy up the electrical circuit in the kitchen/fellowship hall to allow for use of multiple appliances at functions.
- 9. Replace/repair locks for church office, classrooms and hallway.
- Strip and refinish floors in the hallways, kitchen and classrooms as was done in the Fellowship Hall
- 11. Service or replace the A/C-heating units in the front left classroom and nursery and large back meeting room.
- 12. Set up front classroom as a lounge/library/small meeting room
- 13. Repair/caulk gutter area above pastor's office to stop leaks and clean church gutters.
- 14. Patch Sanctuary roof where needed with rubberized roof patch.

Two major projects that are being addressed are replacement of the entire window units on the Buck Lodge Road side of the church addition, since they are in extremely poor condition and are rotting out and waterproofing the Fellowship Hall wall on the Sanctuary entrance side of the church. Both are major expenditures, but need to be addressed as our finances will allow.

We ask for you to get in touch with anyone from Session or myself to let us know if you can assist in any of these projects. We are particularly looking for those who may have special skills, major or minor, in electrical, plumbing, and painting and carpentry. Thank you in advance for any support you can lend.



Things to Pray For --

Vision to see Faith to believe Courage to achieve



The creation is God's gift to humankind. Such a precious gift is surely worthy of our protection and care.

Please share with your Adelphi Church family anything that may have spoken to your heart.

You may call me here at Adelphi on Tuesdays or Thursdays, 9:00AM – 2:00PM, or other times leave me a message, and I will be glad to write down your note for you. You may send me an email at: www.adelphipc@yahoo.com. Your name will be kept private if you so request. Elaine



Youth Sunday – June 21 by Kathie James

Save the date and mark your calendars! On Sunday, June 21, we will celebrate the youth of our church as they take part in the worship service. We will worship God with prayers, Scripture readings, music, and more on that Sunday. Be sure to come and be rejuvenated as our young people lead us in the service.



"The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective." –James 5:16

During the past several months, we have enjoyed numerous activities that have included an appeal for prayers from our members. In February, on Youth Emphasis Sunday (YES), we posted the names of about 40 children who have attended our Sunday School and asked our adults to take the names of one or two children for whom you would pray regularly through the rest of the Sunday School year (June). All the names were taken, and we would like to know about the conversations everyone has had with God concerning our children. Please share the fruits of your prayers with a member of the Christian Education Committee (Candace, Bettye, Rose, Kathie) or leave a note in the Christian Education mailbox downstairs. We see that God is at work with our young ones, and we want to share what He is doing!

Also, at the conclusion of our "Perspectives in Prayer" series during Lent, those who were present were paired as Prayer Partners. We committed to praying with and for each other through June. Again, please share the power of your prayers (if not too personal) with someone on the C.E. Committee or via the mailbox. God is at work among us! Let's let one another know what He is doing in our lives.



Annual Yard Sale

Thanks everybody for a good yard sale! After some concerns, we were fortunate to have a few hours between the rain to welcome neighbors and friends to our sale. We appreciate all your hard work!! We took

in over \$600 to support Adelphi's programs. by Cherry Smith



ATTENTION ADULT GROUP from Cherry Smith

We know that summer is a busy time for all of us, but we want to keep our fellowship going in our Adult Group. Please call Cherry Smith (301-384-0775) or Kathie James (301-434-6614). Let us know if you want to get together for bowling or movies or to plan another activity. Suggestions for something **you** want to do are greatly appreciated.



Help us keep Adelphi Church litter free and take responsibility for our trash. There is a recycling bin at the outer door by the church office for bottles and cans. There is paper recycling in the office. Please place empties and paper refuse in the bins. Thank you.



Sunday

Please bring your donations to Help-by-Phone on the 4th Sunday and bring forth your offerings during worship! Thanks.

Please continue to choose from the list here to share your food item with your designated pantry. All foods must be canned or dried and in sealed containers to meet health department requirements.

| Beef Stew Macaroni & Cheese Spaghetti Pork & Beans Dried Beans | Soups Tuna Peanut Butter Baby food | Dry Milk Coffee Tea Cocoa | Red, Green & Yellow Vegetables Fruit Apple sauce |
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| Pasta Rice | Cold Cereals Grits Oatmeal | Pancake mix Pancake Syrup Jelly | Jell-o Pudding |

Help by Phone is a tax-exempt agency under Section 501 C (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, for those of you who contribute financially to it. For questions call Lois -301-699-9009



June 8 Duane and Mary Wattay June 26 Tad and Atiya Jembere



June 8 Ndema Ojong June 15 Verna Agyei-Obese June 16 Gabriella Takang June 17 Randy Rodman June 21 Marianne Donaldson June 22 June Nordeen June 26 Ruby Guild



SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES! Sundays, <u>10:00-12:15</u> *Nursery for infants and toddlers Sundays, <u>10:00-10:45 a.m.</u>: *Class for "juniors" – older elementary children and teens *Adult education class taught by Rev. Doty Sundays, during worship service *Class for younger elementary children (ages 5-8) (Children leave the worship service after the Time with Children) SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE! COME

AND BRING OTHERS!



June 7 Sunday 10:00 AM - Sunday school (see below) 11:00 AM – Worship with Communion June 14 Sunday 10:00 AM - Sunday school (see below) 11:00 AM – Worship June 21 Sunday Youth Sunday - Fathers Day 9:45AM Bible Breakfast Club 10:00AM – Sunday school (see below) 11:00AM – Worship and Session Meeting June 28 Sunday 10:00AM – Sunday school (see below) 11:00AM – Worship Newsletter Deadline



Lectionary Reading 2009

June 6 (Eve of Trinity Sunday)

Ecclesiasticus 42:15-25 or Isaiah 6:1-8 Ephesians 3:14-21 Evening: Psalm 90:1-17

June 7 (Trinity Sunday)

Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 29:1-11 Romans 8:12-17 John 3:1-17

June 14 (11th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13 Psalm 20:1-9 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 (11-13) 14-17 Mark 4:26-34

June 21 (12th Sunday in Ordinary Time) 1 Samuel 17:32-49 Psalm 9:9-20 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 Mark 4:35-41

June 28 (13th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 Psalm 130:1-8 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Mark 5:21-43

SUNDAY SERVANTS

| Date | Greeters | Ushers | Liturgist |
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| JUNE 7 | The Milligans | Paul Tembunde Chester Guild | Ndema Ojong |
| JUNE 14 | Gail Rodman | Janet Dolen Ndema Ojong | Evelyn Jones |
| JUNE 21 | The Lancasters | Jerome Farley Tad Jembere | Abigail Jembere |
| JUNE 28 | Vida Agyei-Obese | Jake Masters Gail Rodman | Larry James |

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