

THE MESSENGER

LANT'S LINES

A Message from Our Pastor



Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.
1 Corinthians 13:4-8 (NRSV)

The passage quoted above, from the Apostle Paul's letter to the church in Corinth, comes from what is often referred to as the Hymn of Love, in which Paul describes what real sacrificial love looks like and does. Its moving expression and poetic rhythms make it a favorite for weddings, especially.

Over the last few weeks, you as a congregation have composed your own hymn of love in the way that you have ministered to Amanda and me in the runup to her surgery and in her recovery. We have felt supported and sustained by your prayers, beginning from the time we first became aware of her breast cancer diagnosis and continuing all the way through the surgery itself and even unto the current day, as we have received the follow-up pathology reports after surgery. You have ministered to us through your encouraging conversation and hopeful recounting of experiences of illness in your own lives that have turned out for the good. You have made allowances in my schedule that were necessary for me to care for Amanda, and you have graciously allowed others to cover for me as the need arose. You have fed us spiritually—and physically—as our refrigerator filled up with good things to eat. (Indeed, some of you have offered to bring food to us, and we have had to say that we were out of space in the refrigerator and freezer.) We have been buoyed as we have read the cards and notes and emails that you have sent, each one a tangible reminder of your concern. And the flowers you have sent remind us always of God's constant creativity and concern for life and beauty. We can see how God has clothed the lilies of the field, which neither toil nor spin, and we are assured that God cares for us, too. Thank you for loving us so tangibly—just as Paul described it.

Amanda did receive her pathology report this week, and on the whole, it was encouraging. We meet with the team of doctors next week to receive their advice concerning further recommended treatments, if any. Amanda continues to recover and heal well from her surgery, and her attitude is very positive. The fact that Spencer Bissell, our new part-time Director of Christian Education, began his work at the church this week is very encouraging to Amanda, as she now has someone to whom she can turn over many of the CE projects she has been carrying. We will keep you posted on her progress. Thanks be to God, from whom all blessings flow.

June 2019



And now these three remain:
faith, hope, and love. But the
greatest of these is love.
- 1 Corinthians 13:13

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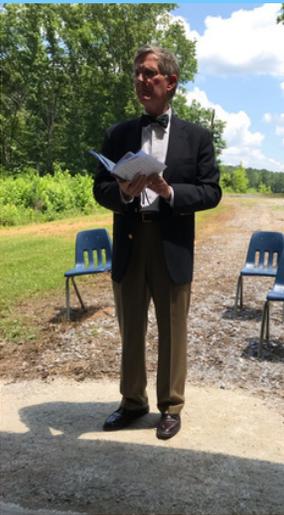
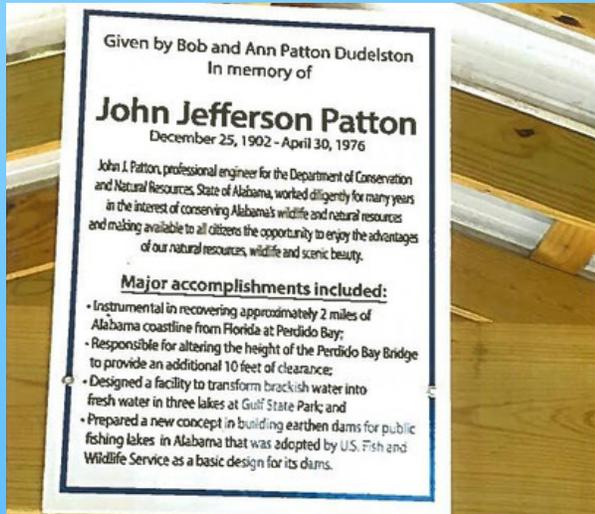
MBPC Calendar, Holidays in United States

Jun 2019 (Central Time - Chicago)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
9:30am - Sunday 10:15am - Chancel 11am - Worship 11:15am - Sunday	8am - Body Works 3	8am - Body Works 1pm - Worship Staff 6:30pm - Christian 4	7pm - Chancel Choir 5	8am - Body Works 10am - Bible Study 6	8am - Body Works 8am - Farmer's 7	8am - Farmer's 8
9:30am - Sunday 10:15am - Chancel 11am - Worship-- 11:15am - Sunday 12pm - Finance 5pm - Session	Set the air at 72 in 8am - Body Works 10	Milner Organ 8am - Body Works 1pm - Worship Staff 11	12	8am - Body Works 10am - Bible Study 13	8am - Body Works 14	Visiting Troop Using 8am - Farmer's 15
Father's Day 9:30am - Sunday 10:15am - Chancel 11am - Worship 11:15am - Sunday	8am - Body Works 17	8am - Body Works 9:30am - Prayer 1pm - Worship Staff 18	19	8am - Body Works 10am - Bible Study 20	8am - Body Works 21	8am - Farmer's 22
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The MBPC Mission and Outreach Committee invited the congregation to join them at Living River on May 17 at 11:00 am for the dedication of the Patton Picnic Pavilion in memory of Ann Dudelston's father, with a picnic that followed provided by Alan and Linda Speaker.



Pictured with Ann Dudelston are her sisters, Genie Folts & Robin Fanning

May 19 was Choir Appreciation Sunday. During the service we thanked the choir for their diligent efforts and for sharing their gift of music to enhance our worship. During the reception, we enjoyed some delicious cake, decorated to express our celebration and thanks.



PENTECOST
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS

Pentecost MBPC has a long tradition of participating in the denomination-wide Pentecost Offering. Of the amount that is collected, 60% goes to the denomination to support the Young Adult Volunteer program (25%), youth ministries (25%) and children-at-risk (10%). The remaining 40% is retained by MBPC and is used to develop and support programs for young people in our own church and community. The session this year has determined to contribute our "local" 40% to the Presbyterian Home for Children. We are pleased on Pentecost to welcome Doug Marshall, the executive director of the Presbyterian Home for Children to worship with us and present a Minute for Mission about the Home. Explanatory bulletin inserts and envelopes for your Pentecost Offerings will be available next week.

Join the us each Saturday!



Remember to wear red
Pentecost Sunday, June 9.

CALLING
ALL
ACOLYTES

IF YOU ARE 4TH GRADE THROUGH
HIGH SCHOOL, PLEASE CONSIDER
SERVING AS AN ACOLYTE FOR OUR
WORSHIP SERVICE AT MBPC.



BIBLE TIMES on BROOKWOOD 2019

Change of Dates and Times.....

~~Tuesday, May 28 – Friday, May 31; 9 a.m. – 12 noon~~

Ages 4-10 (with tribal helpers, assistants, and parents ages 9 and up)

.....New Dates and Times

Sunday, August 4 – Wednesday, August 7

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. (supper will be served)

KINGS DAVID AND SOLOMON: GLORY YEARS FOR ISRAEL

Please join us for our 2019 ancient-world adventure when children and adults will experience Hebrew tribal life and learn about events and characters of the Old Testament. In 2017, stories from the book of *Genesis* told about God's promises to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob - promises of many descendants and land. In 2018, our stories came from the books of *Exodus*, *Leviticus*, *Numbers*, *Deuteronomy*, and *Joshua*. We learned about how Moses and Joshua led the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt and back to the land God promised Abraham in Canaan. This year we'll experience adventures along with the Biblical hero, David, a shepherd boy from Bethlehem who becomes king and unites the tribes of Israel.

Registration forms: www.mbpcusa.org

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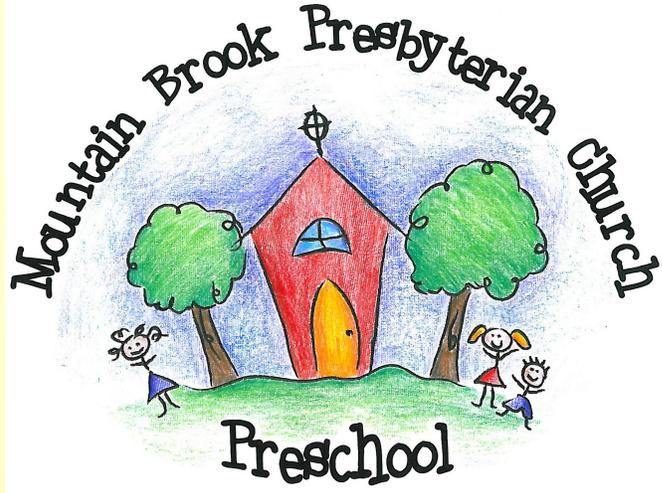
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or stop by the church office:

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MBPC Preschool had a blast celebrating their preschool graduates with water day, while everyone enjoys our brand new playground structure!



UPCOMING

EVENTS & DEADLINES

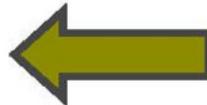
ENC COMMITTEE

Youth Council Applications

Deadline: April 30

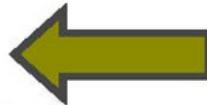
<http://pslpcusa.org/youth-council/>

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Living River Summer Camp Dates

<https://livingriver.campbrainregistration.com/>



June 9 – 14 Elementary, Senior High Work/Mission

June 16 – 21 Explore Elementary and Middle School

June 23 – 26 – Night Owl Middle and Senior High

June 26 – 28 – Mini Camp

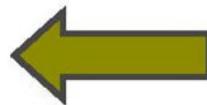
June 28 – 30 - You and Me

July 7 – 12 – Creative Elementary and Middle School

Camp Scholarships –

<http://pslpcusa.org/summer-camp/>

Phyllis Ward (334) 260-0567



YOUTH TRIENNIUM

– July 16 – 20 –

Registration Deadline:

May 31

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Presbytery registrar.

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