

## “Summer Opportunities For Ordinary Care”

Summer greetings, Centennial! Not only has the season officially changed but the flow of our church family has, too. I’m sure you’ve felt it in one of two ways (or both!). Do any of these thoughts fit your own?

*It’s so good to be back for a Sunday! I haven’t been here in two weeks, and I’m missing next Sunday because of our next beach trip.*

*Where is everybody? It seems like we’re missing half our people!*

*I hope Centennial’s service is going okay. Now where is my camper? I need to make sure he’s doing okay.*

*Thirty-four people at Bonclarken this Sunday? Wow!*

Now here are the two ways you might resonate with those thoughts: 1) you’re at church when others are not and 2) you’re not at church while others are. Simply put, it is a reality of the summer months that our church family is more transient. There are denominational summer camps that we take a heavy part in, vacations that are planned, and other opportunities for travel that the other months don’t afford as easily. Now I would like to encourage y’all to take advantage of an excellent opportunity (that will seem obvious). I call it ordinary Christian care. Let me explain.

I divide Christian care into two camps: crisis care and ordinary care. Crisis care is when you go to the hospital to visit someone who just had emergency surgery. Ordinary care is when you write someone a letter of friendship. In the summer months, a wonderful opportunity pops up for ordinary Christian care within our church family: phone calls! Haven’t seen Bill in a couple weeks? Check in on him! He might say, *Oh! I’m at the beach with my family, but thanks for the call!* Even if that’s the full extent of the conversation, what an excellent opportunity to show we care—to show we miss our people!

If you don’t have phone numbers, don’t worry! You can find members’ phone numbers on our website within the password protected portion of it, which is simply found by going to our website and clicking on the “member resources” tab (and then following the instructions).

Here’s the ask: will you help me ordinarily care for our church family? It’s this connectedness, this seemingly silly and simple method, that will help us to grow deeper and deeper as a true representation of the body of Jesus Christ. Summer is fun, and summer is crazy. Summer can leave us feeling a little disjointed by the end of it. Let’s not let that happen at Centennial Church! May God bless all our summer endeavors—both near and far! May your sunburns be few, your rainclouds give you rainbows, and your connectedness to your church grow even now. Blessings to you all,

Jeremiah



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# Announcements

## Dinner and a Movie

Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, July 18th** for our Dinner and a Movie Night! Pizza will be served at 5:15 and our movie. "Let There be Light", will start promptly at 5:30 PM. This is a eat-while-you-watch night! Movie candy for dessert! Come in out of the heat and cool off with Centennial's famous food and fellowship!

## Thrilling Thursdays! And Dates To Remember in August

Ok, everybody, we only have TWO more chances for y'all to come on out for some fun, food and fellowship! Both of these events are for the entire family! On **Thursday, August 2nd** we will have a pool and pizza party at the home of Kara and David Stevens from 9:30 AM until 11:30 AM. Wear your bathing suits and floaties and bring your sunscreen and towels! We're going swimming! We will have pizza around 11:30 and then head home. Fliers will go out soon so that we can get a head count of those attending. *There will be some indoor space that we can use as well in case you'd like to come and fellowship out of the sun!*

Get ready to **GLOW with the Fireflies on Thursday, August 9th** starting at 7:05 PM! We will be reserving some seats for our church family and any friends/neighbors that can join us. We will be asking for specific numbers as we get closer to the time, so be thinking now who will be attending from your family. Look for fliers soon!

There will be no Thrilling Thursdays planned for July as a good number of our congregation will be at Bonclarken off and on during the month. If you find yourself missing fellowship with your church family, reach out! Plan a meal together, go see a movie, go get a slushie or something else fun. The possibilities are endless!

Additional mark your calendars dates in August include **Promotion Sunday** (August 26th) and our annual **Ice Cream Social** (August 29th). You won't want to miss the ice cream this year...there will be a sub sandwich supper followed by The Newlywed (and not so newlywed) Game!

**July Family Gathering Watchword:** *For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and His ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil. 1 Peter: 3:12*

## Thank You

....from Carolyn Campbell. Thanks to my church family for the prayers, cards and phone calls to me during my time of illness. They were truly uplifting and Ed and I are thankful for your kindness. Blessings to you all!

## Centennial's Hospitality Committee

One of Centennial's biggest strengths is our hospitality! We would love to have you join our Hospitality Committee. The Hospitality Committee helps set up and clean up when we host a covered dish luncheon. Would you like to help? If so, email Melissa Davis at [melissa@centennialarp.org](mailto:melissa@centennialarp.org). Many hands make light work!

Speaking of hospitality, did you pick up the **12 Day Hospitality Challenge** from the bulletin boards? If you did, let us know what you think. If you didn't go get one! See Melissa if you'd like to read **The Turquoise Table**...and look for one soon on the playground!

## Family Prayer Calendars

The July edition of the "Jesus Calling" family prayer calendar can be found on the bulletin boards. Have you picked yours up yet? Each day has a question or statement for you to think about and space to not only record your prayer requests, but to write down what you're thankful for. If you have the "Jesus Calling" devotion book, make sure to read the corresponding day's devotion, then look at your prayer calendar. This can be a personal calendar for just you or it can be used as a family activity to encourage prayer. Get yours today!

### Intercessory Prayer List

Shut-Ins	
Our military troops	
National & State leaders	
World Witness staff & missionaries	
Ricky Harrison	
Steve & Allison Harrison	Continued strength
Joey & Fay Robertson	
Sam Garrick	Health issues
Tom Bostick (Betsy Grant's brother)	Prostate Cancer
Jessica Cole (friend of the Moody family)	Hodgkin lymphoma
Laura Latimer (C. Finethy's mom)	
Charles & Evelyn Faulk (Elisa Vincent's grandparents)	Health issues
Joyce McCarty Brown (S. McCarty's sister)	Pancreatitis
Stacy Paul-Burns (Laura Nimmons' friend)	Health issues
Mike Evans (Arsenal Hill)	Health issues
Bob Finethy	Health issues
Christine Setzer	Health issues
Mitzie Renwick (A Whitfield's best friend)	Treatments for cancer
Jean Edwins (Melissa Davis' mom)	Health issues
Music Conference	
Camp Bonclarken 1	

## Memorials

In Memory Of	Given By	Fund
Mrs. Evelyn Geddings	Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Cone	Undesignated
Mrs. Evelyn Geddings	Mr. & Mrs. Mike Harmon	Undesignated
Mr. John Doudoukjian	Mrs. Judy Doudoukjian	Music Endowment

### Bulletin Boards

What's going on with our bulletin boards this summer?!?! Our summertime message can be found on the bulletin board outside the Fellowship Hall, courtesy of all our children on the 3rd floor. We hope you like it. If you look closely, you will find some new things on the other bulletin boards around the church. New this summer is the Summer Scripture Challenge. Do you have a copy yet? Be sure to pick up one. You can also find a Jesus Calling Family Prayer Calendar for the month of July in one of our new 'pockets' on the bulletin boards. We will continue to share these as long as they are available. We also have a third 'pocket' that holds the "12 Day Hospitality Challenge" that will help us be better 'neighbors' to those around us. If you are a fan of social media, you can find both these resources on the "Jesus Calling" page on Facebook as well as the Centennial ARP Church page on Facebook. As always, you can find the current month's calendar and nursery schedules posted on the bulletin boards. If you have anything else you would like to see posted let us know!

*Children remember to grab your sermon notes sheets and well as a red bag full of pencils and crayons to use during Rev. Thomas' sermon! All supplies are located in the vestibule.*

### Operation Christmas Child Boxes

July is here and our collection basket for OCC items is back in the hall outside the choir room. This month, we will be collecting school supplies. LOTS of places are having great sales now on everything you might need for school (Staples, Office Depot, Walmart, etc.). Small coloring books would be good for the younger group and manual pencil sharpeners are a great item to include as well. Look for solar powered calculators for the older kids.

In August we will be collecting clothing items such as socks, underwear, bandannas (we hope to have enough to line each box with one), drawstring bags, small backpacks flip flops, etc.

In September it will be toy time! Small handheld games, bouncy balls, sports balls (remember to include a pump if needed), play jewelry, small etch-a-sketches and frisbees, slinkyeyes, cars, puppets, etc. During September our young people will be making friendship bracelets to include in each box.

In October, our Wednesday night classes will be writing notes of encouragement, sharing Jesus. Notes will be placed in the boxes in November during packing. If you would like a list of items that we can and cannot pack, please visit [www.samaritanspurse.com](http://www.samaritanspurse.com).

Here are some things that we cannot pack: candy, toothpaste, gum, used items, war-related items, food, snacks, drink mixes, liquids or lotions, medications/vitamins, anything glass, aerosol cans.

### Upcoming Events & Opportunities Week of July 15

#### Sunday, July 15, 2018

8:45 AM - Deacons Meeting  
9:30 AM - Family Gathering Time  
10:00 AM - Sunday School  
10:45 AM - Session meets for prayer  
11:00 AM - Morning Worship Service  
Camp Bonclarken 1

#### Tuesday, July 17

7:00 AM - Men's Bible Study

#### Wednesday, July 18

5:15 PM - Movie Night (Pizza Supper)

#### Saturday, July 21

9:30 AM - Soup Kitchen

### Duties and Responsibilities July 15, 2018

**Deacons Duty:** \*Will Stevens, Carol Finethy, David Wylie

**Guest Register:** Mike & Meg Duncan

**Nursery Helpers: Bed Babies:** Rebekah Thomas, Jennifer Wolff; **Toddlers:** Lois Lee, Lara Anderson;

**Sunday School: Babies:** Peggy Howard, Rebekah Thomas

**Outside Greeter:** Mike Duncan

**Elders on Duty:** Door 1 - Rex Casterline, Door 2 - Dan Felker; Worship Leader - Rick Bradley

**Soup Kitchen: July 14** Mike & Meg Duncan, Joe & Sara Mills, Dan Felker, Becky Stevens, Larry & Deborah Stokes **July 21** Forest Lake Presbyterian Church - Team 2

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## Upcoming Events & Opportunities

### Sunday, July 8, 2018

9:30 AM - Family Gathering Time  
10:00 AM - Sunday School  
10:45 AM - Session meets for prayer  
11:00 AM - Morning Worship Service  
Leave for Music Conference after Worship

### Tuesday, July 10

7:00 AM - Men's Bible Study

### Wednesday, July 11

No Supper or Programs

### Friday, July 13

7:00 PM - Music Conference Concert  
(Bonclarken)

### Saturday, July 14

9:30 AM - Soup Kitchen

### Intercessory Prayer

#### July 8

Rebecca Nesbit  
Brady & Laura Nimmons  
Jan, Constance & Helen Nobles  
Family Gathering Time

#### July 15

Kennedy, Cathy & Morgan Parnell  
Francie Perdue  
Dot Nimmons  
CARPY

### Duties and Responsibilities July 8, 2018

**Deacons Duty:** \*Kara Stevens, Henry Jarman, Jimmy Stevens

**Guest Register:** Mike & Meg Duncan

**Nursery Helpers:** Bed **Babies:** Jan Nobles, Beth Shine; **Toddlers:** Delaine Bradley, Jack Roddey; **Sunday School:** **Babies:** Jan Nobles, JeeJee Richardson

**Outside Greeter:** Mike Duncan

**Elders on Duty:** Door 1 - Larry Stokes, Door 2 - Bill Posey; Worship Leader - Dan Felker

**Soup Kitchen:** **July 7** Seven Oaks Presbyterian Church **July 14** Mike & Meg Duncan, Joe & Sara Mills, Dan Felker, Becky Stevens, Larry & Debo-