



The Scroll

Mallard Creek
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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From Pastor Rob

July is midsummer.

How has it been so far? I know it got hotter quicker than usual this year. I know that didn't keep folks from taking vacations, heading to the coast or the mountains, or somewhere far afield. I know the younger folks are enjoying their summer break from school—and I know a lot of teachers who are, as well!

Some of us slow down a lot in the summer. The heat and humidity lead us straight to a pool, perched under an umbrella, reading a new favorite book, then enjoying a refreshing splash to cool off. Some of the rest of us get busy with gardens, hauling in all manner of fruits and vegetables, praying for rain, keeping out the bugs and weeds, but enjoying the warm productivity of simple plants.

Some of us have even realized the year is half over. Time is passing. Soon enough, fall will arrive and with it, the resumption of the business of the school year. Then—in a blink—it will be the end of the year.

Ecclesiastes is a good book for a summer Bible study. It takes in all the normalcy of life and realizes so much of it is just being busy. It notes how there is a season for most everything. There are wonderful times, and, of course, some not so wonderful times. There are cloudy days, but also days of sparkling blue skies. Whatever we experience right now will soon enough morph into something else, bringing a whole new way of being and seeing. It also remembers one sure and certain constant—the presence of God. God is always there, with all the gifts of grace God bestows on us. That will never change.

So, enjoy the summer. Enjoy the changes it brings. Enjoy the wonder of watermelon and melting ice cream. Enjoy movement that is a little slower. Enjoy warm mornings and cool evenings. Enjoy it all, for it is indeed confirmation that God is good and grace abounds.





We just finished three weeks of summer camps so now, our summer break begins! Woohoo!!! We had a wonderful year and cannot thank everyone enough for your continued prayers and encouraging words throughout this past school year! We are so blessed to have the continued support of our wonderful church family! It means a lot to all of us! Thank you!

MCPCP is HIRING! We have openings for an **Office Manager** and **Assistant Teachers** for the upcoming school year. If you LOVE working with children and would like to work part-time, Monday through Thursday, from 8:30 to 1:30, we have a spot for you. Please send your resume to Kristy at kristym@mallardcreekchurch.org or call 704-549-9741.

We will also need substitute teachers for the upcoming school year. If you would like to be on our Substitute List, please call our office at the number above or email Kristy at the above email address.

Our summer office hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8:30 to 12:30 through the month of August.

We hope you and your family have a blessed July 4th celebration and a wonderful summer!

“Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed.”





REMINDER FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Summer is in full bloom all around us. People are shifting gears from the busy-ness of the school year into more relaxed routines. Folks are headed out camping, or going to the beach, or heading into the mountains in search of some cooler temperatures. Our minds are focusing on other things than the normal routines.

But the church continues to be the church. Our work and ministry is different in the summer, but it never really slows down. Worship still happens every week with our two services at 830 and 1030. That early service has moved to a new location, too, spending time in our wonderful chapel. Sunday School continues all year round. VBS comes and goes. Our young people are heading out to Marysville TN and Montreat for the annual youth conferences. Our service to our neighbors in need does not take a summer break. Our building is still being used nearly every day.

That means there are still power and water bills to be paid. There is curriculum to be ordered. There is paper for bulletins, newsletters, and mail that needs to be bought.

And, of course, there are staff to be paid to keep us functioning and engaged in all the work of the church that needs doing.

You can probably see where this is going—please enjoy your summer and wherever it takes you, but don't forget the church. We need your help and support as always. This might be a good time to explore our online giving portal—it keeps up when we get busy with other things, making sure our contributions continue even when we forget.

We thank you for everything you do to support our life together here at Mallard Creek, and are completely grateful for all the ways you participate in our ministry. Mallard Creek Church is truly its people.

15-Jun-24	
Financial Position	
Year To Date Income	
SUNDAY SCHOOL	\$846.00
WORSHIP OFFERING	\$125,352.95
ONLINE GIVING	\$59,248.56
CELL TOWER INCOME	\$16,153.90
ONCE A YEAR CONTRIB	\$23,313.75
TOTAL	\$224,915.16
YTD INCOME	\$224,915.16
YTD EXPENSES	\$272,606.46
Reserves Spent	(\$47,691.30)
Contributions	
January	\$27,665.50
February	\$32,286.00
March	\$66,374.06
April	\$42,196.75
May	\$23,407.50
June (1/2 a month)	\$16,831.45
Total Contributions	\$208,761.26

UPCOMING EVENTS

You're Invited
FRIDAY NIGHT RECESS
Mallard Creek Presbyterian

July 12 7-9pm

Fellowship Hall
1600 Mallard Creek Church Rd

 **Open Gym**
Basketball, Dodge Ball, Kick Ball

 **Game Night**
Board Games and Puzzles

Open to Young Adults 18+
for more info contact Phil Ashley
philashley94@gmail.com 704-773-8464

SUNDAY, JULY 7
11:30

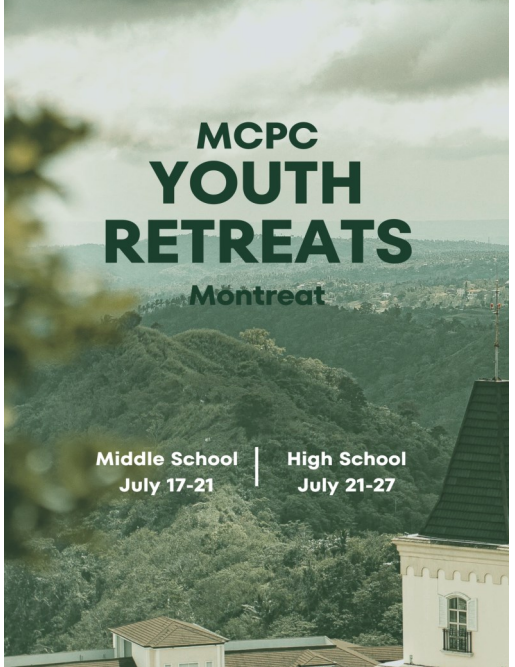


You could be someone's missing piece
SAVE LIVES AS AN ORGAN DONOR

JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL PROGRAM WITH HUNTER RODDEY
IN THE DINING HALL FOLLOWING THE 10:30 SERVICE

MCPC YOUTH RETREATS
Montreat

Middle School | High School
July 17-21 | July 21-27



MCPC/Mission Committee Group Volunteer Day!



nourish up
Lifting our community through food.

(formerly Loaves & Fishes/Friendship Trays)

901 Carrier Drive, Charlotte, NC 28216

Come help sort food at their warehouse!

Saturday, September 21, 2024 from 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Two Ways to Sign Up:

-sign up sheet in the gathering space OR

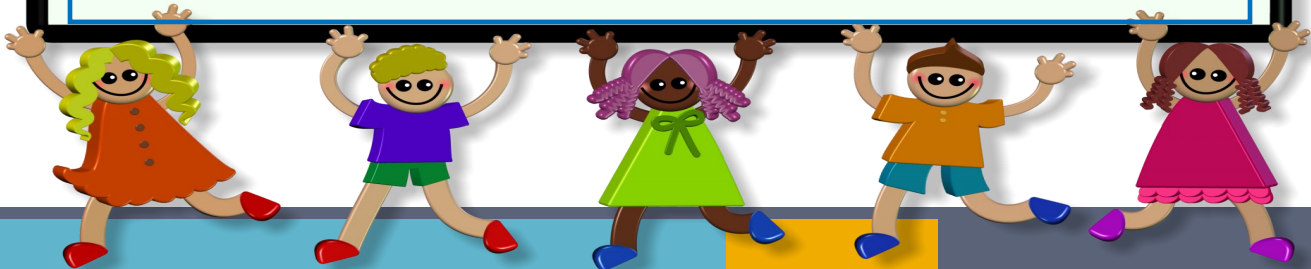
-call/email Terri in the church office at 704-547-0038 terris@mallardcreekchurch.org

minimum age to sign up is 14

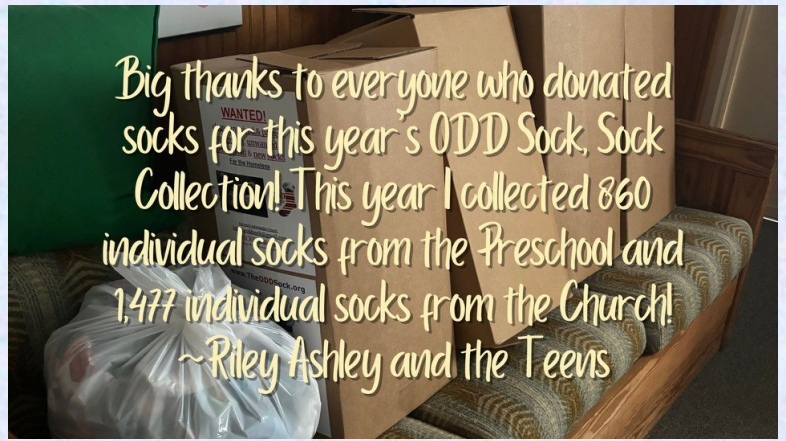
*We will have an activity for those under 14 to complete in Sunday School and/or Youth Club



Vacation Bible School



Thank you!



Big thanks to everyone who donated socks for this year's ODD Sock, Sock Collection! This year I collected 860 individual socks from the Preschool and 1,477 individual socks from the Church!
~Riley Ashley and the Teens

Thanks for Bonclarken

Thank you everyone who made our recent annual Bonclarken retreat such a great time filled w/ much fun, food, + fellowship. A special appreciation for Margaret Hutton - leader + coordinator, Harvey Alexander - bus driver + joke (story) teller, + Pastor Hunter for braving the tornadoes on drive to Flat Rock. Next year's Bonclarken trip is already being scheduled for May, + hope to see you there.

Thanks to Older Adult Ministry,
Bonnie

To the Prayer Quilt Ministry,
What a special blessing (and surprise) it was when I received the Prayer Quilt from your wonderful ministry. It meant so much to me to know caring people, who I don't even know, were praying for me to get well. Thank you so much for showing God's love in a real way + love my prayer quilt and I will treasure it forever!

In Christ's love,
Hannette McLean

P.S. I am feeling so much better and I am completely off of oxygen!

To the Prayer Quilt Ministry:
Thank you so much for the beautiful prayer quilt. It was such a lovely surprise and comfort during my surgery and recovery. The green + blue are just gorgeous. I ask for your continued prayers and thank you again for the thoughtful + generous gift. Sincerely, Kate Haigh

THANK YOU

TO EVERYONE WHO BOUGHT BBQ AND HELPED ME RAISE MONEY FOR MY TEENS WESTWARD BOUND TRIP
~RILEY ASHLEY

PRAYER LIST



JW and Vivian Avant	Shirley Hunter	Donna Seaford
Linda Benfield	Phyllis Jones	Carolyn Sheehan
Jackie Brand	Lynn Kelley	Mary Snow
Ann Brown	Betsy Killian	Lois Spradley
Bobby Brown	Elizabeth & Merle King	Nicole Stillman
Donnie Brown	Roy Kinnamon	Earl Thomas
Ken and Suggie Christenbury	Cecil & Beth Massey	Tracy Tucker
David Clemmer, Jr.	Dale & Lucy McLaughlin	Juanita Untz
Ruby Downing	Pam Melton—Linda Wallace's sister	Caroline Williams
Brenda Garrison	Rob Moore	
Eddie Garrison	Donnie Oehler	
Jean Helms	Christine Pirotin	
Carlita Hunter	Judith Rankin	

August Birthdays 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Gary Rose	2	3 Ken Christenbury Carl Spradley
4	5 Trevor Barret	6 Janet Hunter Tracy Tucker Jonathan Kiser	7 Dave Good Tammy Sheehan Sharon Kimrey	8 Lois Treadway Mark Johnson	9 Jean Thomas	10 Clyde Benfield Monie Alexander
11 Riley Ashley	12 Bobby Benton	13 Zoey Garrison Grey Hansen	14 Bob Oehler Stephen Lisi Katelyn Kiser	15 Lynette Gullede	16 David Stephens	17
18	19	20 Dale McLaughlin Kolton Kiser Camryn Powell	21 Carolyn Sheehan	22 Cristina Moore Sylvia Snyder	23 Polly Walker	24 Tom Fuller Joey Brown Owen Stiffel
25	26 Susie Oehler	27 Joe Oehler Perry Deaton	28	29 Tommy Oehler Barbara Oehler Joey Crapster	30 Haiden Gullede	31 James Crenshaw

OFFICERS ON DUTY IN JULY

ELDERS: Mack Downing, Alan Garrison, Bob Oehler

DEACONS: Sue Bishop, Jane Geracimos, Susan Mach, Chris Mingus, Julie Mingus

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The Rev. Rob Watkins

The Rev. Hunter Roddey

Ms. Amanda Booth

Mr. David Barnaba

Mrs. Kristy Maddux

Senior Pastor

Transitional Associate Pastor

Financial Manager

Director of Music

Preschool Director