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Rally Day August 21st



Rally Day is *the* day
to hear about all the wonderful opportunities
CNC offers for you to
serve and grow in your life of faith.

During **Worship** we are going to...

- Celebrate the ways we serve God by serving others
- Publicize the great stuff we will be doing this coming year
- Dedicate ourselves afresh to learning, serving, and growing in faith

After **Worship** we are going to have a **Mission Fair**

- Enjoy some light refreshments, and
- Get a closer look at all these opportunities and the people who make them happen

It is also a great day to **invite someone to visit**
and get a firsthand look at
all the great things we do together!

Bring a neighbor!

Be there!

Invite a friend!

September 11th Commemoration
From Horror to Hope



Banksy

**Sunday, September 11th, 2011
11:00 am**

A special worship service
seeking God's solace, healing and guidance

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the September 11th attacks. This event has significantly altered the worldview of people the world over. For many of us the memory of the destruction and the loss of life is still jarring.

September 11th is a Sunday this year. Our worship service that day will be a special observance in which we will acknowledge the magnitude of the tragedy, share some of the ways it has shaped our lives, and appeal to God for healing and for the renewal of a vision for a world at peace.

I invite you to help create this service:

If you have a significant memory about that day or its aftermath, perhaps you could share it with the congregation. If you have some ideas about scriptures, hymns, prayers, etc, please let me know.

Please invite neighbors, friends, co-workers and others to this service. We all need to hear a reassuring word from God and the touch of God's healing grace.

In Christ,
Rick Neale

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Newsletter Submissions

New Covenant News is a monthly publication printed by Church of the New Covenant, PC U.S.A, Doraville, Georgia. If you have news you would like to share of upcoming events, please email or call the church office: newcovenantpcusa@bellsouth.net 770-455-8117. The deadline for monthly submissions is the **third Wednesday of the month.**

This Month at CNC



**Lectionary
Readings**

August 7	Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b Romans 10:5-15 Matthew 14:22-33
August 14	Genesis 45:1-15 Psalm 133 Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 Matthew 15:(10-20) 21-28
August 21	Exodus 1:8-2:10 Psalm 124 Romans 12:1-8 Matthew 16:13-20
August 28	Exodus 3:1-15 Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c Romans 12:9-21 Matthew 16:21-28

**A Weekday Prayer Service
is held every Wednesday
at noon in the parlor.**



**CHURCH OF THE NEW COVENANT
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH U.S.A.**

Mission Statement

Adopted by the Session of Church of the New Covenant, February 28, 2009

*The Church of the New Covenant exists to continue the earthly ministry of Jesus Christ: **servng God by servng others**, wherever and whoever you are. We do this by inviting people to join us in pursuing a deeper relationship with God, involving ourselves in the community, and investing our time, talent and treasure in this ministry.*

PCUSA Adopts a New form of Government



A new Form of Government for the PC(USA) was approved by the 219th General Assembly (2010) and ratified by a majority of presbyteries. It became effective on July 10th of this year. It has been published in the new 2011/2013 edition of the Book of Order. It incorporates significant changes, including the new ordination standards (known this past year as Amendment 10-A).

The Form of Government spells out the constitutional framework for government of the PC(USA) as it seeks to respond to God's call to life in mission.

The new Form of Government contains:

Foundations of Presbyterian Polity — lays out the principles that are foundational to government, worship, and discipline for the PC(USA).

Form of Government — spells out the constitutional framework for government of the PC(USA) as it seeks to respond to God's call to life in mission.

Advisory Handbook for Councils for the Development of Policies and Procedures Required by the Form of Government — an aid to councils (governing bodies) of the church for developing the policies and procedures to carry out their mission.

Among the changes is a return to the terms "Teaching Elder" and "Ruling Elder". A Teaching elder is a Minister of Word and Sacrament. A Ruling Elder is what we have been commonly referring to simply as "elder". Ruling Elders are the people we elect to Session for the leadership, care and governance of a congregation.

The new Form of Government continues the same basic polity that has defined the core work of the councils (governing bodies such as the Session). This revision is not so much about the "what" that councils do – our essential polity – as it is about the "who" and the "how." Increased flexibility in structures and procedures in a less regulatory environment is the major change that has occurred. The new Form of Government allows councils to increase their focus on God's work and how the church can most effectively participate in that work in each situation, rather than being focused on an increasingly lengthy and burdensome list of requirements.

What this means for us is that your Session will be examining its bylaws and creating a policy manual for its essential functions. They will keep you informed as they learn more about it.

For more information and for answers to "Frequently Asked Questions" please see the PCUSA's website: <http://oga.pcusa.org/formofgovernment/>

Speaking of Structure...



Our Team Structure for Mission is in transition as the Session considers the best means for CNC to fulfill its mission: **Serving God by serving others** – Inviting, Involving, Investing. Here is how we are currently organized:

Team	Coordinator(s)
Hospitality Team	Scott Johnson
Evangelism Team	Mina Grier
Involving Team (Mission)	<i>[Your name here!]</i>
Worship Team	Marcia Jacobsen, Marcia Morley
Fellowship Team	Nancy Meinersmann
Operations Team	Stephe Koontz
Spiritual Growth Team	Danielle Washburn
Presbyterian Women	Judy Cook

CNC Gives...

The CNC Community recently lost a very special member of our family—Brenda Dryman. Brenda's husband Marc has asked that memorial gifts in her name be made to The Six Star Refugee Partnership. While CNC is no longer able to help with this very vital mission, Marc is still an active member of the Board of Directors.

Memorial Gifts may be sent to: Six Star Refugee Partnership, Inc.
2200 Century Parkway, Suite 260
Atlanta, GA 30345



The mission of Six Star is to provide housing and supportive services to refugee families during their transition to self-reliance and to advocate on behalf of the refugee community.



Save the Date!

33rd Annual Welcome Reception for International Students

Hosted by AMIS, Inc and Metro Atlanta Kiwanis Clubs
Featuring the Atlanta Symphony Youth Orchestra
Saturday, October 22, 2011

3:00 pm—Concert at Symphony Hall—Woodruff Arts Center Peachtree and 15th Streets
4:00 pm—Reception and fellowship at First Presbyterian Church, 16th and Peachtree Streets

All international student and the metro Atlanta Community are welcome to attend this event.

Contact the AMIS office (404-846-4396 or amis@peachtreepres.org) for more information.

Hosts for international students are needed for Thanksgiving. See more information on the bulletin board in the pass-through.

The Clifton Night Hospitality volunteers for August are:

August 20: Bob & Pauline Weaver,
Jan Kecip & Sandy Bond



CNC volunteers at the shelter on 3rd Saturdays of even months and all 5th Saturdays. Please contact Bob Weaver at 770-938-1334 to learn more about how you can help at Clifton.

If you are interested in helping to make sandwiches for the men at Clifton Shelter, please contact Pat Bower at 770-242-8249.



The **Doraville Kiwanis Club** meets on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesday evenings each month 6:30—7:30 pm in the large classroom at CNC.

We are always looking for new members to join us.

Interested? Contact Cindy Williams (770-457-1225) or Stephe Koontz (770-734-0409).

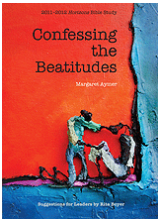
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Presbyterian Women

Confessing the Beatitudes PW Bible Study for 2011-2012

All women of the church are Presbyterian Women. We meet on the 2nd Tuesdays of each month, September—May, for Bible Study and fellowship. We look forward to our study of the Beatitudes this year and hope you will consider joining us. For more information, please contact anyone on the Coordinating Team, listed in the box below.

More about our study...



The Beatitudes are some of the most beloved teachings of Jesus, yet they may well be some of the most pointed. We may miss their point, however, if we do not study them within their literary, historical, and cultural contexts.

In this study, Margaret Aymer invites us to consider the Beatitudes as they might have been heard when Jesus spoke them — during the time of the Roman Empire. While great in many respects, Rome was a cruel and brutal regime that did not stop short of executing anyone who challenged its authority. As you study the Beatitudes, it will be important to remember this context.

Confessing the Beatitudes is aptly named, as we are invited at the end of each lesson to enter into a process of confession. The ancient practice of confession marks Christians as a people who recognize the truth, learn about the truth, and speak the truth — both about God and about ourselves. Through reading the Accra Confession of 2004, and creating our own confessions, we live out our trust in the grace of God through Jesus Christ. Confession in this heartfelt manner is a concrete way for us to make the Beatitudes part of our journey of discipleship as we move from confession to action.

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2011-2012 PW Coordinating Team



- Moderator.....Judy Cook
- Secretary.....Marty Riviere
- Treasurer.....Milly Ball
- Diane Lindsay Circle Leader.....Kim Wright
- Louise Holladay Circle LeaderDonna Altman
- Morning Circle Bible LeaderRosemary Glenn
- Mission/Spiritual Growth.....Helen Palmour
- Historian.....Pauline Weaver
- Nominating Committee.....Jan Kepic & Eugenia Powell



Looking Ahead:

- August 14 Following Worship ~ CT Meeting
- September 13 10:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. ~ Circle Meetings

See PW Bulletin Board for more information.



Our Gifts at Work in the World



Thank You! Your gift is for Heifer International's work to help hungry people feed themselves. Gifts are used as designated until a project's needs are met. Additional gifts are then used where most needed.

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Dear Friends:

Thank you for supporting the recent matching gift challenge. Your contribution was received and will be matched dollar-for-dollar by a very generous donor who has volunteered to fund half of three important new Heifer International projects in Honduras.

That outpouring of support has been tremendous, and I am pleased to report that we are now very near the total needed to fully fund all three projects. What wonderful news that is for all the families who will soon get an opportunity to use their Heifer animals and training, along with their own energy, to move them from poverty to prosperity!

On behalf of the people your gift will empower—thank you for being so generous.

With heartfelt gratitude,
Pierre U Ferrari
Chief Executive Officer
Heifer International
www.heifer.org



Date Received: 7/27/2011

Amount: \$879.00

Purpose: General Funds for Animals, Honduras/Honduras Matching Gift Campaign Umbrella
Chicks (60.00), Ducks (40.00), Fish (20.00), Goat (240.00), Pig (120.00), Rabbits (120.00)

Heifer International provides livestock and training so that families can improve nutrition and earn income for health care, shelter and education for children. Each gift multiplies because every family that receives a Heifer animal promises to Pass on the Gift by giving one or more of their animal's offspring and knowledge to another family in need.

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Let's Get Together!

When & Where?	What?	Who's Invited?	What do I bring?
<p>Every Tuesday 7:00 pm</p> <p>Mellow Mushroom 1679 LaVista Road NE Atlanta</p> <p>Trivia starts at 7:30 pm</p>	<p>Pizza, fun, fellowship, and Team Trivia!</p>	<p>You!</p> <p>Bring a friend!</p>	<p>Cost of your meal</p> <p>Contact: Mandy Davis (404-556-9233) Ashley Pieper(4-519-1436) Scott Pieper (404-403-5352)</p>
<p>4th Thursday 6:30 pm</p> <p>Monterrey 5406 Buford Highway</p> <p>(August 25)</p>	<p>Dinner at Monterrey</p>	<p>You!</p> <p>Bring a Friend!</p>	<p>Cost of your meal</p> <p>Contact: Scott Johnson (770-923-5047) Gretchen Turner (770-414-8595)</p>



Senior Luncheon will begin again on the 3rd Thursday on September 15.
2nd Wednesday suppers and discussions will begin again on September 14.



Members of **The Blend** are having a great time doing Team Trivia at Mellow Mushroom on Tuesday nights. They are even winning sometimes and that means free food! There is always room for you to join!

No reservation required—just show up!
 See calendar above for details.

CNC Facebook Fans

Facebook is an important tool that we can use to easily reach out to huge numbers of friends, family and neighbors. CNC Facebook Fans invited over 200 people to Dog Dayz in a matter of seconds last summer!

Please comment to postings, RSVP to events and invite friends to our events through Facebook. We have fantastic community events, concerts and special services throughout the year. Help us to demonstrate the vibrancy and spirit of this congregation online!

If you have questions please contact Scott Pieper, Ellen Herbert or Mandy Davis.

CNC Gives...



CROSS-CULTURAL
MINISTRIES



The school supplies donated to Cross Cultural Ministries were delivered to CCM and were put in back packs so the children served by CCM had what they needed to start back to school this week.

When the supplies were delivered by pastoral intern Daniel Vanek, CCM Director Virginia Cosgrove expressed her gratitude, saying that our donations make a huge impact on the programs CCM is able to provide. She followed up with this message:

CNC is a small congregation with a great, big heart and making a big impact in the lives of children and their families in the area! I was impressed with the amount of assistance from the members of the church—we received checks from 6 members that were used to purchase supplies.

The need for these supplies is ongoing. There is a new box in the pass-through labeled “**CCM School Supplies**”. Any time you see a sale on supplies, please think of the children at CCM and buy a few extra things to put in the box. They will be delivered to CCM when the box is full.

Virginia says that they can use any and all school supplies, but there are some that are consumed more rapidly: wide-ruled filler/notebook paper, pencils, pencil top erasers, pink erasers, Crayola or Roseart washable markers (10-count) or colored pencils (12 count), and pencil sharpeners. Of course, crayons, supply boxes and pencil pouches, composition and spiral notebooks will also be used.

CCM will be collecting **brown paper grocery bags** for the children’s Christmas gifts, so start saving those!

Little things go a long way in supporting this important ministry and your help is deeply appreciated.

Questions about how you can help at CCM? Contact Gretchen Turner (gretcht@bellsouth.net) or Ellen Herbert (elherb@att.net).

Thank you!

August

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	1 9 am Aerobics 7:00 pm Clifton	2 1:00 pm Crochet 7pm The Blend	3 9 am Aerobics Noon Prayer	4 9 am Aerobics	5	6 8:30am—Noon PW Hosts Presbytery CT Team 9am—noon Work Day
7 After worship “Launch” n Learn	8 9 am Aerobics 7:00 pm Clifton	9 1:00 pm Crochet 6:30 pm Kiwanis 7pm The Blend	10 9 am Aerobics Noon Prayer	11 9 am Aerobics	12	13 8:30 am Generosity Workshop at Trinity PC 2:00 pm Russ Reception
14 After Worship PW CT Meeting Session Meeting	15 9 am Aerobics	16 1:00 pm Crochet 6:30 pm Kiwanis 7pm The Blend	17 9 am Aerobics Noon Prayer	18 9 am Aerobics	19	20  8:00 am –noon Dog Day Evening Host Clifton
21  Rally Day	22 9 am Aerobics 7:00 pm Clifton	23 1:00 pm Crochet 6:30 pm Kiwanis 7pm The Blend	24 9 am Aerobics Noon Prayer	25 9 am Aerobics 6:30 pm Monterrey	26	27
28	29 9 am Aerobics 7:00 pm Clifton	30 1:00 pm Crochet 7pm The Blend	31 9 am Aerobics Noon Prayer	Sunday Morning Schedule 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Coffee Fellowship 11:00 am Morning Worship After Worship Youth Sunday School		



August 6—Jacque Wedd
August 7—Sasha Washburn
August 8—Gretchen Turner
August 9—Ridhi Davis
August 10—Zoe Cook
August 12—Susan Johnson
August 13—Martha Clay
August 13—Marc Dryman

August 14—Curt Schroeder
August 20—Annabelle Cook
August 20—Chris Meinersmann
August 22—B.J. Jordan
August 22—Jessica Riviere
August 22—Jeanne Wright
August 25—Bennie Smith
August 27—Steven Holton