

Triangle Presbyterian Tidings

Come to the church picnic!

When: August 14, after the single worship service ends.

Where: New Hope Camp and Conference Center

<http://www.newhopeccc.org/directions.shtml>

Meal: It's potluck, so bring a dish of your choice.

Drinks, paper products & sno-cones provided.



There is a playground and a huge field for volleyball, softball, kick ball or just running crazy. Bring any games you might want to play/share. There is also a swimming pool available (this will cost you \$3 per person).



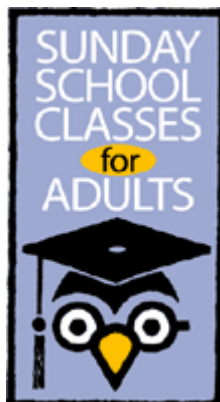
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Adult Education

Bible Study—Gospel of John Wednesdays 6:00PM, Room 206

We are continuing our study into this amazing book that introduces the reader to Jesus Christ. We meet for an hour each week, except when we have Ministry Team Nights. You're welcome to join anytime, all are welcome. Contact Casey for more information.

Sunday Morning Topical Classes



Reason for God

Facilitator: Casey Clark

Location: FLC

Following Timothy Keller's book and using his brief DVD sessions, this class will go through some of the major objections that people have to the Christian faith, and our response to them. Keller invites several non-believers to share their concerns and thoughts about Christianity and the viewer has the chance to see how those conversations go as Keller does his best to give an answer as to why we believe. Whether you have read his book or not, anyone is welcome to attend.

HomeBuilders

Facilitators: Jon & Amie P.

Location: Media center

With insight and wit, *The Birth Order Book* by Kevin Leman offers readers a fascinating and often funny look at how the birth order affects personality, marriage and relationships, parenting style, career and children.

Sunday Morning Fellowship Classes

FELLOWSHIP: Avoiding the Sin Word

Facilitator: Jeannie P.

Location: Fellowship Hall B

How do we deal with wrongdoing? We put criminals in prison, picket abortion clinics, and generally shake our heads at what we call the "ills of society." But have we forgotten that those ills are caused by people—by us? What has happened to the concept of sin? Why do we neglect to acknowledge our own personal faults? This study will examine these questions.

SALT (Single Adults in the Lord Together)

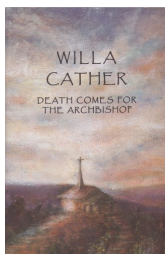
The Best Question Ever: Learning to Foolproof Your Life

Facilitator: Donna M.

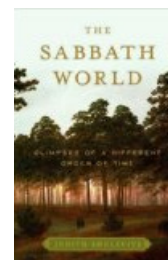
Location: Room 100

In this class, Andy Stanley introduces you to a single question that will revolutionize the way you make decisions, in a six session video series, "The Best Question Ever."

TPC Book Club—August 9 at 7:00PM in the Media Center



Join the TPC Book Club at the August meeting for Willa Cather’s classic of two missionaries sent to impose order on religious chaos in America’s new territory after the 1846 US-Mexico War: *Death Comes for the Archbishop*. Then plan ahead for the September 13 meeting to discuss *The Sabbath World*. Judith Schulevitz’s history of practices of the Sabbath will make you think differently about time, religion, your job and *embolden you* to unplug one day a week from an over-networked world. For book club information, contact the church office.



Small Groups

Young Adults & Families Fellowship

Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 20th at 11:00AM. Duke Gardens Picnic & Wiffle Ball fun! Pack a picnic and come out to Duke Gardens for a few hours of fellowship and fun. We’ll meet at Duke Gardens in the big field near the terraces. Bring a Frisbee, a ball or any other fun games you want. Contact Rachel or Casey Clark for more information.

Curriculum/Resources

Looking for curriculum recommendations? The small group ministry team would love to help you find something that interests your group. We can suggest Bible Study guides, topic-based guides and books on Christian living that will be helpful tools for your group to grow in your Christian walks. Let us know how we can help!

Here are a few suggestions that we recommend:

Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s *Life Together* – A short and challenging book on what Christian community looks like.

Unchristian by David Kinnaman and Gabe Lyons – This book looks at the negative perspective that those outside the Christian faith have of those “on the inside.” It offers a good reminder to be aware of the way that our lives witness to others.

John Ortberg’s *If You Want To Walk On Water, You’ve Got To Get Out Of The Boat* – This book explores ways that God may be challenging us to come out of our comfort zones and trust God to lead us in His way.

Look for more suggestions in upcoming newsletters or contact us for more information.



Small Groups

New Groups starting up this fall

Are you wondering about how to get involved in a small group? Are you looking for ways to go deeper in your relationship with God and fellow believers?

Sign up for a small group! We’d like to get you connected with other folks to study God’s word and fellowship together. We are hoping to get some new groups started in the fall and will also offer training and resources for those who’d like to lead a group. All you have to do is contact Rachel Clark or Warren Saunders and we’ll get you started .

Children's Ministries



Upward Basketball Camp

August 8-12

Register for Upwards Basketball Camp today! The deadline for team placement is Thursday, August 4. Help us spread the word to neighbors and friends. You may pick up registration forms at the church or download a PDF form from our website. Boys and girls who have completed first through fifth grades are eligible for camp. Kids who have completed kindergarten and 1st grades will meet from 6:00-7:15PM. Kids who have completed 2nd through 5th grades will meet from 7:15-8:45PM. Camp includes skill drills in basketball and faith development with great coaches and assistants. Registration fee of \$50 includes a basketball, t-shirt and water bottle.

Do You Like to Shop

Agape Corner School needs the following school supplies: Reams of copy paper, dry erase markers and erasers, subject dividers for 3 ring notebooks, #2 Ticonderoga pencils, X-Acto electric pencil sharpeners. Let's fill the bin in the Welcome Center to overflowing!



School Supplies

Upcoming Participation Opportunities

Volunteer Opportunities



Sunday Bible Club Teachers, Assistants and Apprentice Positions are Open! These were formerly called Sunday School Teachers. Job requirements include a

love for God's WORD, a desire to communicate with children (2 years through 5th grade) about your faith and how it makes a difference in your life and a willingness to learn alongside the children. Folks must be willing to work as part of a team, using our approved curriculum from Gospel Light Publications. You DO NOT have to be an experienced educator, simply a follower of Jesus and His WORD who is willing to mentor and be mentored. To investigate the available positions, please contact Nancy for an interview. You will be asked to complete a Ministry Application with references. We take the Christian education of our children very seriously. Our goals include providing our families with committed and enthusiastic teachers and assistants for their children's classes.

Vision Planning Meeting (with desserts provided!). Calling parents and those invested in helping children grow spiritually. We believe God has some important things to impress on us as we fellowship, pray and plan together. We have scheduled our meeting for Monday, August 15th in the Family Life Center at 6:30 pm. in order to offer the opportunity to attend to the maximum number of interested folks. We'll feature homemade desserts, including homemade ice cream, fellowship and options for participation. Attending the meeting does not obligate you to come to monthly ministry team meeting, but it does give us a chance to receive your input and your prayers. Call Nancy in the church office or email her nancyholton@trianglepc.org with questions or to RSVP.

Sunday Bible Clubs Teachers Planning Meeting: Monday, August 22nd from 7-8:30pm, child care provided. RSVP to Nancy please!

Super Sunday –August 28

Our Children’s Sunday Bible Club classes will inaugurate a new school year! Friendly faces, old and new, and new lesson materials will mark the beginning of a new Sunday Clubs year. On that day, children will move to their new age group or grade level. Each child will receive a personal note from one of their leaders, including the classroom location. Class locations will also be posted around the building. Other noteworthy activities include the following.

- *Newly promoted 2nd graders will each receive a copy of NIV (New International Version) Adventure Bible during the 8:45 service.
- *Sunday teachers, youth leaders and club leaders will be commissioned during the 11:15 service. Our children’s ministries teams are composed of 60 to 70 volunteers. Please pray for them as they mentor our children in faith development.

Your Sunday Clubs offering changes lives!

You may be asking, “Where does my child’s offering go?” The Children’s Ministries team and Session have approved the offering to support the ministry of Agape Corner in east Durham. Agape Corner is a Christian boarding school which operates as a faith ministry, providing housing and schooling for 30-40 disadvantaged kids. Our Sunday Clubs offering each week supports the children and staff at Agape Corner.



Volunteer for Wednesday Clubs!

Please don’t wait to be asked. There are lots of ways to get involved: Bible study leaders, memory verse coaches, props preparers, craft planners, recreation supervisors and meal planners. Our clubs for elementary kids will begin the fall session, Wednesday, September 21st. Call Nancy for more information.

Finance & Budget

Financial Report

June 2011

Pledges	Budget	Contributions	Expenses	Net Gain/Loss
\$81,590	\$91,576	\$82,430	\$77,482	\$4,948
Year to Date				
Pledges	Budget	Contributions	Expenses	Net Gain/Loss
\$489,540	\$549,453	\$519,631	\$482,481	\$37,150

Congregational Care

CHAPs August Potluck

CHAPs invites you to join them for the August Fellowship Pot Luck Dinner which will be held on Tuesday, August 16th at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Judy and Harry B. (call the church for location info).



This will be a "true" pot luck, where the participants will provide all the food and the host will provide the beverages. Sign-up sheets will soon be available on the boards upstairs and downstairs.

These summer meetings don't involve a program or business, but are a great time to fellowship together and get to know other members of TPC.

For those who aren't familiar with this ministry, CHAPs is a support group open to individuals of all ages who are either dealing with aging parents or other loved ones, or those who realize the need for a caring ministry to older adults in our church and community. To learn more about CHAPs, come to a meeting on the third Tuesday of each month or call the church office.

Fellowship

Pathways

Pathways: a Christian journey through life. Pathways is a place where anyone is welcome. Continue to look for specific information in the newsletter and weekly tidings. Coming up in August.

- 8/8 Adult Volleyball starting at 6:30PM in the FLC.
- 8/12 Game Night—will be cancelled this month
- 8/18 Adult Volleyball starting at 6:30PM in the FLC
- 8/21 Adult Volleyball starting at 1:30PM in the FLC
- 8/28 Sunday Brunch—meet at Rudino's after the late service (12:45PM)

If there are any questions or you would like to be added to the Pathways email list, please contact the church office at 544-2872.



Watch for our upcoming TPC Movie Night

Mark your calendar for Saturday, September 17th. We will gather in the FLC to watch a family friendly movie that will appeal to everyone! Watch upcoming tidings for more details.

Community Outreach

FOOD BANK - August Pantry Party

This August, the Community Outreach Ministry Team would like to invite the congregation to participate in an “empty your pantry party”. Never heard of it? Well rather than focusing on one item during the month of August, we’d like to invite everyone to bring any non-perishable extras you have in your pantry that you are willing to share with the FOOD BANK. Anything goes, but, of course, they really like peanut butter, tuna, macaroni and cheese and other staples. Please bring anything that you can to contribute starting August 1st. TPC’s contribution as of mid-June was 801lbs. Let’s break 1200lbs by the end of August! Challenge your neighbors and let’s see how much we can collect during the month of August. We’ll post the results on the Community Outreach bulletin board.



Housing for New Hope Bus Tour

Ever wonder what really goes on at Housing for New Hope? Heard of the Dove and Phoenix houses, but don’t really know what they do? Worried about the homeless in Durham? Then come out and join us for a bus tour with the staff of Housing for New Hope. They are excited to show us their work on behalf of the homeless in Durham and how they employ the financial support TPC offers. We have a bus tour scheduled for 1:30PM on August 21st. We also need a driver for the shuttle so let Dawn MacElroy know if you are interested in the trip or driving.

You’re Invited!

Because you have shared in our lives by your support, friendship, and love we invite you to join in our celebration of Caroline’s one year post stem cell transplant backyard party and food drive for the transplant unit at Duke Hospital.

Wednesday, August 10, 2011, 7-10pm
(rain date August 11, 2011)

The Daniels—4306 Thetford Road, Durham NC

cake * sno-cones * popcorn

Music and Dancing by Joe Bunn DJ Company

Non-Perishable Food Items Needed

individual serving packages of crackers, cookies, oatmeal, cereal bars, pop tarts, snack cakes, cereal, chips, soups, Easy Mac, etc

Please, reply by August 3rd if you will be joining us either by the church bulletin board sign-up, email or call Paige Daniels paige.daniels@sas.com, 919-358-4229.

Worship & Music

Why Haven't You Joined the Choir?

The summer break is almost over, and the TPC choir is welcoming new members! Rehearsals resume Wednesday, August 24th at 7:15PM in the choir room. All vocal parts are needed and no audition is required. Participating in the choir is a great way to make new friends and to use your voice to praise God. We provide cds for the anthems and the cantatas, and there are also Saturday morning rehearsals for those who can't make it on Wednesday evenings. (Saturday rehearsals begin on August 27 at 10AM.) If you would like to learn more about participating in the choir, come to one of the rehearsals or contact Beth Robbins at bethrobbins@trianglepc.org for more information.



Important News from the Office



From August 6-21, Matt and Nikki will both be in Kenya with Pastor Jeff. That means Teresa will be holding down the fort and doing everyone's jobs. So...first and foremost...be nice to her and be patient (which I know you will). If it can wait until we are back to full staff, then let it.

If you are sending an email.....now is the perfect time to start addressing them to office@trianglepc.org. That address goes to all 3 of us and we can easily back each other up and make sure the request is handled by the proper person. If you send something to Matt or Nikki and wonder why we aren't answering....well, sorry.

We need Meal Preparers (or buyers)

We have a great ministry here at TPC that provides meals to our congregational family when a need arises: illness, birth, hospitalizations. Our needs have been great and our list has grown smaller. Would you be willing to prepare a simple meal for someone in need. You can even purchase a meal (Foods to Go, Boston Market....you get the idea). To get on the list call the church office.



Roads to Faith Tour # 2—Savannah, Georgia—March 23-25, 2012

It's not too late to sign up for TPC's second Roads to Faith Tour. Get your deposit in today! This tour includes transportation, lodging, 4 meals, tours, shopping and lots of other fun events. To request your trip package, contact the church office.

August 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Communion 12:45PM SALT Brunch	8 6:30PM Adult Volleyball UpWard Basketball TPPK Summer Camp	9 7:00PM TPC Book Club 7:00PM Bridge Club UpWard Basketball TPPK Summer Camp	10 6:00PM Bible study UpWard Basketball TPPK Summer Camp	11 UpWard Basketball TPPK Summer Camp	12 9:00AM CMMO UpWard Basketball	13
14 10:30AM Single service TPC Picnic at Camp New Hope	15 6:30PM Children's Ministry Vision Dinner TPPK Summer Camp	16 6:30PM CHAP's Potluck TPPK Summer Camp	17 6:00PM Bible study TPPK Summer Camp	18 6:30PM Adult Volleyball 6:30PM Prayer Shawl TPPK Summer Camp	19 9:00AM CMMO	20 11:00AM Young Adults Picnic
21 Pennies for Hunger 1:30PM Adult Volleyball 1:30PM HFNH Bus Tour	22 7:00PM Sunday Bible Clubs Teacher Meeting TPPK Summer Camp	23 7:00PM Bridge Club TPPK Summer Camp	24 6:00PM Bible study 7:15PM Choir Rehearsal	25	26 9:00AM CMMO	27 10:00AM Choir Rehearsal
28 Super Sunday 12:45PM Adult Volleyball	29	30 7:00PM TPPK Orientation	31 TPPK Open House 6:00PM Bible study 7:15PM Choir Rehearsal			