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PASTOR'S PEN

Stump the Pastor

Have you ever wondered why the pastor always get to pick out the sermon passages? Do you have a favorite scripture or topic that you have always wanted to hear a sermon on? Is there a passage of scripture that you don't understand and would like to hear a sermon about? If you answered yes to any of the above questions, here is your chance to hear the sermon of your dreams.

On June 3rd and 10th you will be able to fill out a bulletin insert with your suggestions for sermon topics and scriptures. You may turn them into the offering plate or turn them into the office during the week. Starting on Sunday, July 8th I will preach on the topics and scriptures that you have given me. So put your thinking caps on and let's see if you can stump the pastor.

Romania *June 14th-26th*

It is hard to believe that my trip to Romania is finally just around the corner. I only have a few more things to purchase for the trip and then the packing begins. During our time in Romania we will be doing a variety of things. We will be putting a Vacation Bible School on for the younger children and taking the older children on some field trips including horse back riding. We will also be visiting a monastery and worshipping in an Orthodox Church. Finally, we will have an opportunity to tour part of Romania to get a better feel for the country. Growing up I always wanted to be an archeologist, so I am particularly excited about exploring an ancient Greek village.

While we are on our trip, I would appreciate your prayers. Some things that you could pray for: pray for safe travels, pray that we will be able to share the love of Christ with the Romanian orphans, pray that we will be able to minister through the language barriers, and pray that we will be able to learn new things about Christ and the Church through our Romanian friends.

Thank you for your prayers and support for my trip to Romania. I look forward to sharing my Romanian experience with you when I return.

Many Blessings,

Pastor Jennifer

Session Actions

STATED MEETING OF THE SESSION OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BORGER, TEXAS APRIL 19, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m. by The Moderator, Rev. Jennifer Santer. Rev. Jennifer Santer led the group in prayer. The meeting, was held in the Miller Board Room of the First Presbyterian Church, Borger, Texas. Session members present were: June Voigt, Margaret Edgington, Phyllis Harmony. Clerk of Session Julia Kasch was also present.

Rev. Santer gave the devotional centering on the scripture of the Road of Emmaus.

Clerk's Report:

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as presented. (Elder Edgington motion, Elder Harmony second). There were no communications presented other than a proxy request from Edward Jones Investments. Rev. Santer will complete the proxy request online. Members instructed her to vote with the management on all questions.

Treasurer's Report:

Was accepted as printed. (Motion Elder Edgington, second Elder Harmony).

Pastor's Report:

The Pastor reported that several copies of previous church yearly reports had been given for the historical file of the church. The collection is enhanced by these additions.

The Pastor visited with both Virginia and Tom Edmonds in Amarillo.

The Pastor officiated at Tom Edmonds Funeral on April 12, 2010.

The World Religion class has been cancelled for the remainder of the year, due to low attendance figures.

The Pastor attended the meeting of the Presbyterian Women's Circle.

The Pastor will be out of the office on these Thursday dates: May 24, June 7, July 12. The Session agreed that the church will contact her if needed.

Session members were reminded that the Evelyn Graham Memorial Service will be on May 18, 2012.

Committee Reports:

Worship Committee: Reported that the Gideons will participate in the Sunday service on June 10th, 2012.

Special Dates:

Communion on Mother's Day May 13, 2012 (regular). The Church office will be closed on May 28th, Memorial Day. Pulpit supply for June is: Nancy Ruff on June 17, and David Hoy on June 24, 2012.

Items for Discussion:

The sealant for the new fence cost of \$300.00 will be taken from the maintenance fund of the church. (Motion Elder Voigt, second Elder Edgington).

The Session discussed the bid for carpet cleaning and tabled a decision until the next meeting of the Session.

The Pastor e mailed the company that installed the new speaker system to remind the company that they are to replace the black speakers with the white ones which the church had ordered.

The group discussed purchasing a timer for the outside light that illuminates the Rose Window and decided to add the responsibility for seeing that it is turned off to the Elder on duty for that day.

Our contribution to the One Great Hour Of Sharing was \$100.00.

Fellowship Committee:

The group discussed several social occasions as possibilities: a hamburger cookout, the regular ice cream social and a going away party for the family of the previous Clerk of the Session. This will be continued at the next Session meeting.

The Graduation Luncheon for Shawna Lusk is scheduled for May 20, 2012. Elder Edgington will discuss menu for the day with the honoree.

Elder Edgington reported that Don Reno has moved to be closer to his family while he has medical treatment. Silvia Rivera is recovering from emergency surgery and is back at work.

New Business:

The Session voted to provide "sick leave"(her regular salary) for Silvia Rivera, for the days that she was absent due to surgery.(Elder Edgington, Elder Harmony).

Meeting adjourned: 12:59 p.m.

Submitted: Julia Ann Kasch

The Treasurer reported the following figures for April:

Total Income	\$ 8,418.23
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 7,244.64</u>
Total	\$ 1,173.59
Year to Date	
Total Income	\$ 41,566.21
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 55,446.05</u>
Total	\$(13,879.84)



Matthew 17:20 *He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith like a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move, and nothing will be impossible for you."* (Jesus Speaking)



Care of Member and Friends

Malnor Arthur
Pat Harvey
Larry Nelson
Virginia Edmonds
Don Reno
Hal & Virginia Hebermehl
First Presbyterian Church
of Dumas, our prayer
partner.

DUTY ELDER FOR JUNE

PHYLLIS HARMONY
AND
SUE HOOTEN

SESSION MEETING

August 18, 2011



P. W. NEWS



We may be an aging congregation but we are active. P W was unable to meet last month because of travel plans for some of the regulars. We postponed the last lesson in our series on the Beatitudes until June 7. Unfortunately Dr. Santer will be unable to meet with us at this time, but we will carry on and look forward to September when we begin another series of studies. I have been remiss in finding out what to do with our soup labels and perhaps we can find someplace to send them as we meet June 7.

Phyllis Harmony

God guides us through life's storms, and the psalmist calls us to "extol him in the congregation of the people" (Psalm 107:32, NRSV). We praise you, God, for being our safe haven.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1st: Robert Winegar
2nd: Virginia Hebermehl
3rd: Sally Thompson
8th: Justin Lusk
9th: Jerry Pool
18th: Sue Hooten
20th: Toni Pool
25th: C.J. Nelson



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

12th: Gary and June Voigt
27th: Harold and Virginia Hebermehl



CHURCH NEWS:



Session Connection:

Julia Kasch	Clerk Of Session
June Voigt	Property
Margaret Edgington	Fellowship
Sue Hooten	Christian Education
Pat Petty	Worship/Liaison between Congregation, Session and Pastor
Phyllis Harmony	Stewardship/Administration



HI-PLAINS HELPING HANDS DONATION:

Items needed for May, **Food:** Canned Meats, Ramen Noodles, Tuna, Tuna Helper, Crackers.

Non-Food Items: Laundry detergent, Combs, Bar Soap, Shampoo, Dishwashing Soap.



Pastor Jennifer will be out of the office on Thursdays until June 28th. She will be available by phone on most days except for June 14 -26 when she will be on her Romania Mission Trip.



There will be a going away reception for Hal and Virginia Hebermehl on June 10th following worship. Jerry will be cooking Burgers for everyone.



Called Session Meeting on June 10th following Hal's Reception in the Board Room.



Special Dates

Trinity Sunday, June 3, 2012

Flag Day, June 14, 2012

Father's Day, June 17, 2012

First Day of Summer, June 20, 2012



Notes from the Music



Department

It is summer time (or pretty close) and the choir will not be holding choir practice for the month of June, July, or August. We will start back our practice in September (the first Wednesday in September).

The Opening Response and Closing Response for June will be listed in the bulletin. Just watch the bulletin each week. I promise I will not have too many surprises for everyone!

We will have most of our choir members in and out for the summer. I pray that God watches over each of you and brings you back in September. We will need all of you when we begin to learn some new music. It won't be very much new music. Just enough to keep us on our toes!

God be with you until we meet again.

Love and Grace - Pat Petty and Choir

Are we there yet?



This age-old refrain of young travelers is followed by a second question: "How much longer?" How similar those queries are to the psalmist's oft-repeated cry, "How long, O LORD, how long?" (Psalm 6:3b, NIV).

Patience is an uncommon virtue these days. We're anxious to get where we're going or to get what we want. But think how much we miss while wishing we were elsewhere! In our rush to reach a destination, we fail to grasp lessons that can be learned only along the way. What blessings might you be overlooking in the here-and-now and the right-where-you-are?

—Kari Myers

The locked Car Door

A woman was at work when she received a phone call that her daughter was very sick with a fever. She left her work and stopped by the pharmacy to get some medication. She got back to her car and found that she had locked her keys in the car.

She didn't know what to do, so she called home and told the baby sitter what had happened. The baby sitter told her that the fever was getting worse. She said, "You might find a coat hanger and use that to open the door."

The woman looked around and found an old rusty coat hanger that had been thrown down on the ground, possibly by someone else who at some time or other had locked their keys in their car. Then she looked at the hanger and said, "I don't know how to use this."

So she bowed her head and asked God to send her some help. Within five minutes an old rusty car pulled up, with a dirty, greasy, bearded man who was wearing an old biker skull rag on his head. The woman thought, "This is what you sent to help me?" But, she was desperate, so she was also very thankful.

The man got out of his car and asked her if he could help. She said, "Yes, my daughter is very sick. I stopped to get her some medication and I locked my keys in my car. I must get home to her. Please, can you use this hanger to unlock my car?"

He said, "Sure". He walked over to the car, and immediately the car was opened. She hugged the man and through her tears she said, "Thank You So Much! You are a very nice man."

The man replied, "Lady, I am not a nice man. I just got out of prison today. I was in prison for car theft and have only been out for about an hour."

The woman hugged the man again and with sobbing tears cried out loud, "Oh, Thank you God! You even sent me a Professional!"

The umbrella of marriage

Lighting a unity candle, a common wedding ritual, symbolizes the bride and groom becoming one. The "I, me, mine" of each individual doesn't disappear entirely, but the two are drawn under the umbrella of "we, us, ours." When troubles inevitably come, the partners can take shelter together.

Many years into marriage, a wife underwent medical tests for troubling symptoms. Her husband accompanied her to the follow-up consultation. Later, when a friend asked how the appointment went, the husband replied, "We have multiple sclerosis."

There was no slow, careful word-choosing. After years under the umbrella of marriage, the man's pronoun selection was automatic: "We have multiple sclerosis."

His wife smiled, even as a tear fell. She would be neither under the umbrella alone nor left out in the rain. They would weather this storm together.

—Heidi Mann



June 2012 Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals

Trinity Sunday—June 3

Isa. 6:1–8

Ps. 29

Rom. 8:12–17

John 3:1–17

2nd Sunday after Pentecost—June 10 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sam. 8:4-11 (12-15) 16-20 (11:14-15)

Ps. 138

2 Cor. 4:13—5:1

Mark 3:20-35

3rd Sunday after Pentecost—June 17 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sam. 15:34–16:13

Ps. 20

2 Cor. 5:6–10 (11–13) 14–17

Mark 4:26–34

4th Sunday after Pentecost—June 24 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sam. 17:(1a, 4–11, 19–23) 32–49

Ps. 9:9–20

or 1 Sam. 17:57–18:5, 10–16

Ps. 133

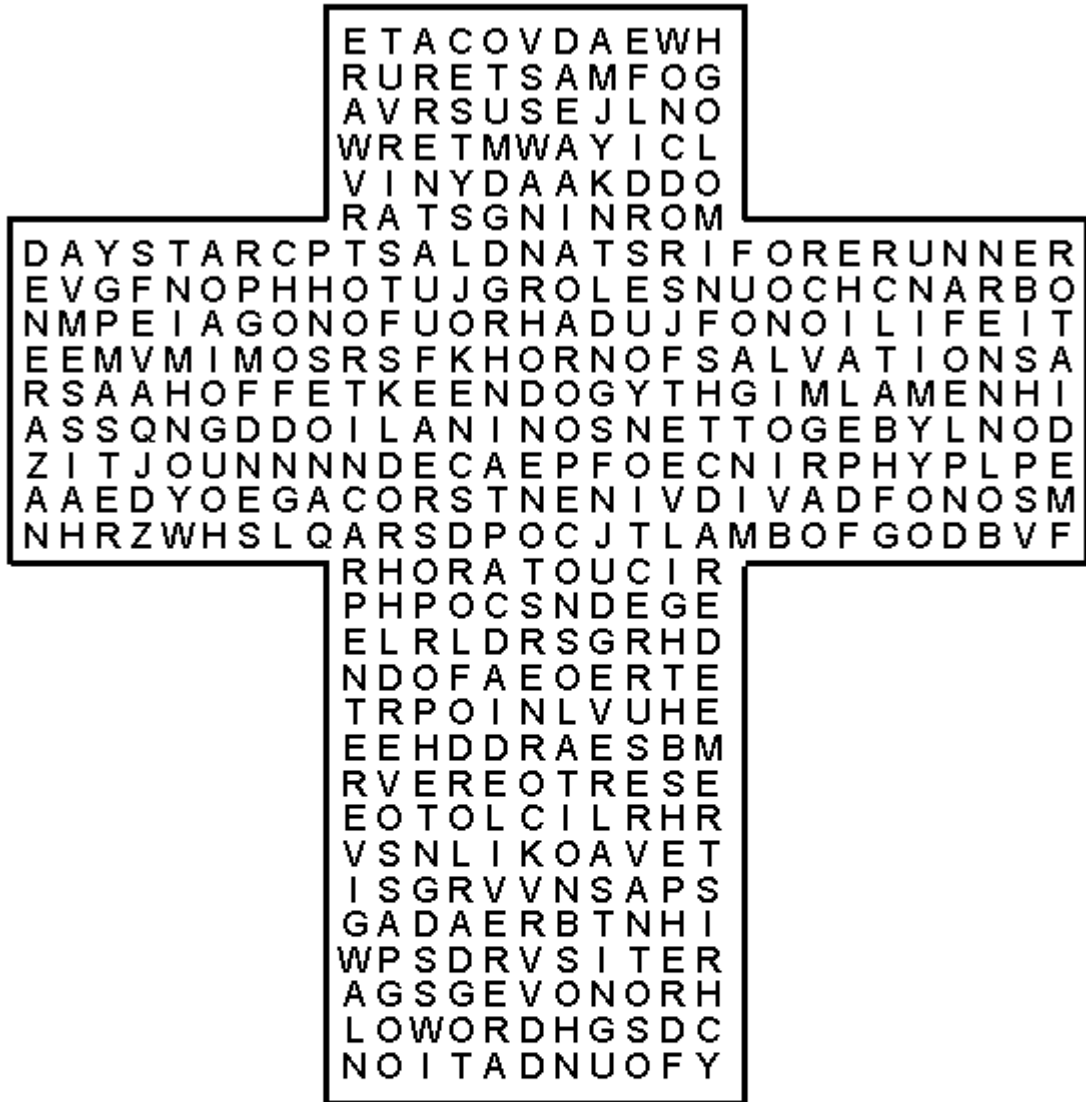
2 Cor. 6:1–13

Mark 4:35–41

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But Whom Do You Say That I AM?



Advocate
 Almighty
 Alpha and Omega
 Amen
 Apostle
 Beloved Son
 Bishop
 Branch
 Bread
 Captain
 Carpenter
 Chosen
 Christ
 Consolation
 Cornerstone
 Counselor
 Day Star
 Deliverer

Door
 Emmanuel
 Everlasting
 Faithful and True
 First and Last
 Forerunner
 Foundation
 Governor
 Head
 High Priest
 Holy and Just One
 Horn of Salvation
 I AM
 Jesus
 Judge
 King
 King of Kings
 Lamb of God

Lawgiver
 Life
 Light
 Lion of Judah
 Lord
 Lord of Lords
 Master
 Master
 Mediator
 Messiah
 Mighty God
 Morning Star
 Nazarene
 Only Begotten Son
 Passover
 Priest
 Prince of Peace
 Prophet

Redeemer
 Resurrection
 Rock
 Savior
 Servant
 Shepherd
 Son of David
 Son of God
 Son of Man
 Vine
 Way
 Wonderful
 Word