

Welcome to Worship at Sycamore Tree

Sunday, May 20

Welcome Guests!

We have been expecting you! Please help us get to know you by filling out the Guest Information portion and place it in the offering basket later in the service. We are glad you are here!

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2012 Theme for Sycamore Tree



UP IN OUT AROUND

The Habitat Home our church helped build with New Providence and college students, was dedicated last Wednesday. The family (who moved here from Sudan) was thrilled with your support.



Kayak/Canoe trip for men.
Join Gary Milton for a day paddle down the cold and beautiful Clinch River. Saturday, June 16. No canoe...no problem! See Gary to sign-up!

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FAMILY PROMISE FUND RAISER

Family Promise is having their annual Pig Roast on Sunday, June 3 from noon-3:00. The ladies of our church are putting together a basket for the silent auction which will contain NEW BABY ITEMS such as burp cloths, onsies, socks, pacifiers, blankets, bibs, booties, diapers, wipes, sippy cups, etc. by Wednesday the 30th. See Ruth Ann for details. Everyone is invited to the dinner at Green Meadow UMC that Sunday. Live music, carnival games, inflatables and more. \$7 per person or \$25 for family of four.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday at 7:15

Five important items are on the agenda. If you are on the Council please be present.

Congratulations

Yesterday our church family celebrated two weddings! Congratulations are in order for Jacob and Stephanie Veal and Tyler and Nicole Bailes. We wish both couples the best!

How can I find out more?

Visit our website www.thesycamoretree.org

GUEST INFORMATION REQUEST

_____ (Name)
_____ (Phone)
_____ (Email)

- _____ Want to join the church
 - _____ Wish to speak with the Pastor
 - _____ Want to become a Christian
 - _____ Would like to be baptized
- (Tear off & place in the offering basket later in the service. We are glad you are here!)

What is the prayer everyone says together?

In Matthew 6 Jesus taught his disciples how to pray with this “model” prayer:

*“Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it
is in heaven.*

*Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our
trespasses and we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For
thine is the kingdom, and the power and the
glory forever. Amen.”*

Why do people put money in the baskets?

We believe everything we have comes from God and we want to honor Him with “first fruits” of our labor. We follow a teaching in the Bible called “tithing”. Jesus and other leaders taught that people should give cheerfully what God puts on their hearts to give. Many in our church, give a tenth of their income – *a tithe* - so the church can provide for ministries of outreach, pastoral leadership, education, missions, upkeep of the building and all that is “church.” Without this the church would not be able to do as much as we are called to do.

Baptism Day

We are going to the river for a baptism service on May 27 at 2:00. If you would like to receive baptism, see Pastor Jeff today.

Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast is June 2 at Chili's. Tickets are \$5. See Donna Fields to purchase your tickets!

Summer Camp Leadership

Lindsey Gilbert will be serving on staff at Wilderness Ranch Young Life Camp in Colorado this summer. Brandon Wadley will be serving on staff at Wesley Woods Camp in Townsend. Keep both of these young adults in your prayers as they minister to lots of children and youth.

Congratulations to Donna Fields who made the Deans List with a 4.0 GPA at King College this semester. Good job!

Did you know? Tim and Jenni (Thompson) Jarvis will be moving to Kenya in July as missionaries? They are in training currently.

Message Take-aways

Whoever claims to be in Him,
must walk as Jesus walked! (1 John 2:6)

2012 Financial Update

Special offerings have been tremendous! \$1200 for a seminary student, \$2500 for Habitat, over \$4500 for renovation, \$1000 for worship sound equipment, \$180 for Holston Home, and more! We have a very generous congregation! Our church even sends a tithe of our offerings to support ministries all over the world! Our general fund however is behind where it needs to be. Please consider the impact this church is making in your life, in the community, and world as you give your tithe and offering. Lets keep it up! We are a somewhat behind in our giving so we need to make up a small deficit. Give as the Lord directs. You are a BLESSING!

IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES

May 21 – BSA Court of Honor
May 30 – Youth Mission Trip meeting at 7:30
Youth movie nights begin at 8:00
June 3 – Youth mission trip fees are due!
June 11 – Brock Rowell Eagle Court of Honor
June 10-15 – Jeff is the Minister -in-Residence
at Wesley Woods Camp this week
June 17 – 22 – Youth Mission Trip
July 8 week – Vacation Bible School (Camp
Eagles Nest)