From Our Pastor

Graduation is upon us! Many of our loved ones are celebrating graduation from high school, college or graduate school. I thought you might be interested in why graduates do some of the things they do (as you might imagine, tradition plays a major role).

According to DePaul University's Department of Academic Affairs, "The roots of academic dress date back to the 12th and 13th centuries, when universities were first forming and almost everyone was clothed in long flowing robes. Medieval scholars studied and worked in unheated buildings, and wore long gowns, hoods and eventually skull caps. Universities came to assign colors to specific subject areas, and that practice was standardized in the United States in the late 19th century. Colors used in academic dress have significance to the degree earned, but not the academic major. The gown worn by a person earning a baccalaureate degree has long, pleated front panels and long, pointed sleeves, and is worn closed. The Masters gown has very long sleeves, closed at the bottom, and the arms of the wearer are placed through an opening in the front of the sleeves. Doctoral gowns may be worn open, and they are distinguished by velvet panels around the neck and down the front of the gown. The master's hood is a bit longer and the doctor's is the longest at four feet long. Often hoods are lined with the official color of the university. The velvet color on the hood corresponds to the graduate's discipline. Bachelor's caps include a mortarboard. The square mortarboard should be worn so that it sits parallel with ground, with the tassel hanging to the right. During some commencement ceremonies...the ceremony officiate directs all graduates to move their tassel from the right front side of their mortarboard to the left front side of their mortarboard as a mark of the official awarding of their degree. Masters and doctor's caps are velvet. These caps should be worn so that the attached tassel hangs to the left."

Throughout the years, schools have adopted their own specific traditions including honor cords and medallions and differing colors and styles of academic regalia.

Regardless of our graduate's academic traditions, we are very proud of each of their accomplishments and pray that God will glorify Himself in and through the lives of each one in the years to come.

Congratulations graduates!







Help Our Mission Team

You can help promote and support our church-wide mission trip to Massachusetts this summer by purchasing a T-shirt for \$12 for adult or youth sizes. See Allison or Hudson Peden on Wednesdays or Sundays. Get one for everyone in your family.

Church-wide Picnic

Wednesday, May 30 @ 5:30 @ Holmes Park Free but donations accepted. Bring a blanket or chairs. Call the office or fill in the form in your Sunday bulletin to sign up. Must sign up by Monday, May 28.

Let's Celebrate the New Baby

Ladies, you are invited to a baby shower honoring Kacie and Lee Coker this Sunday, May 20 from 3:00 - 5:00 in the Fellowship Hall. It's a boy and they are registered at Buy Buy Baby.



Women on Mission Meetings

Tuesday, April 24 @ 10 a.m. Thursday, April 26 @ 7 p.m.

A change has been made in the WMU group meetings. The evening group will now meet on the 4th Thursday at the home of Nancy Stephens. The morning group will remain the same. For more information call Nancy at 241-9949.

Basketball Camp 2012 June 11 - 15

for K5 through grade 10
Cost: \$60
Register before June 8
Registration forms are available
at the church or you can register online.

Summer Fun at Northgate

Wonderful Wednesdays

June 6-August 29 at 6:30 p.m. For age 3 - Grade 6 (completed)

Mollie's Magic Show
Fly Away dinner and VBS promotion
Gardening night
Balloon art and clowning
Herdklotz Park service project
VBS
Model airplane painting and flying
Puppet show
Water night
Animal night
Art night

Terrific Thursdays

For K5 - Grade 6 (completed)

Cost is \$40 for all 5 trips or \$10 for each individual trip. Meal provided.

Individual trip reservations must be received by the Monday of the week of the outing.

Permission form completed by a parent is required.

Back to school event

June 7	Bounce House @ the Pavilion	10:00 a.m.
June 28	Carl Sandburg Home (all day trip)	8:30 a.m.
July 12	Stevens Aviation	10:00 a.m.
July 26	Discovery Island Water Park	12:30 p.m.
August 2	Greenville Drive Game	6:00 p.m.

Attention All VBS Workers!

A meeting for <u>all</u> VBS workers is scheduled for Thursday, May 31 at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Team leaders, please make sure you have enlisted all your team members. Everyone is encouraged to attend! Let's commit to having the best VBS yet!



Our church family MATTERS

In Case of Emergency Call

Barry Jimmerson @ 609-1845 Ruth Harrison @ 380-7850 Blue Bryan @ 243-7377 Richard Hendricks @ 884-6912

Our Homebound Member of the Week

Albera Odom

109 Covington Road, Greenville SC 29617



Kelly Melton

Deacon: Steve Todd

Giving to the Lord

May 13

Budget Receipts \$ 7,064 Budget Required YTD \$214,480 Budget Received YTD \$169,874 Stage Renovation \$ 6,545 North American Missions \$ 4,485

Happy Birthday May 20 - 26

20: Carol Dill, Steve Poole, Justin Few

22: Jean Outz, Tammy Wallace

23: Sherilyn Ammons

24: Donna Williams

25: Heather Ellason

26: Hudson Peden

Happy Anniversary May 20 - 26

20: Glenn and Laverne Walls

The last Wednesday nighit supper will be a picnie at Holmes Park on May 30 @ 5:30. Meals will resume at the church after Labor Day.

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Ministers for the Week of May 20 - 26

Every member a minister

Deacons of the Month: Will Kirby, Barry Agnew, Porter Huskey **Preschool Worship:** Robby and Tiffany Bannister, Sarah Folk,

Dan and Bonnie Burgess, Danette Hunter

Children's Church: Cynthia Hudson, Tina Jimmerson Wednesday Night: Tiffany Bannister, Bonnie Burgess Preschool Sunday School: Janet Cartee, Joan Taylor Ushers: Michael Britt, Walt Green, Perry Folk, Ken Hall Sound/Video Projection: John Folk, Joey Hall, Kelsey Todd

Counter: Bonnie Arey

Fellowship Meal: Melissa Lawton, Peter Danciu, Ted Garner,

Carole Coker, Eunice Graham

Pastoral Staff

Pastor: Barry Jimmerson

Minister of Students and Education: Blue Bryan Minister of Children/Preschool: Ruth Harrison

Worship Leader: Richard Hendricks

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Congratulations

to our 2012 graduates

High School

Emily Jimmerson Wade Hampton

Riley Todd Pickens

Evangelical Institute

Francis Jonnalagadda

Moses Jonnalagadda Geovanny Reyes

College

McKenzie Merritt USC Upstate

Makenzie Moore Clemson

Higher Education Degree

nalagadda Blue Bryan

Southeastern Theological Seminary

USC School of Law Justin Few

> Queens University Haley McClure

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