

# Springwood Baptist Church

## Newsletter October & November, 2016



### **PARSON TO PERSON**

It's been awhile since I last wrote an article in the newsletter. Let's catch up. It's now fall, my favorite season of the year. Football has started back and so has English league soccer both of which I enjoy. My daughter is getting married in about three months. We had a great Sunday recently when we celebrated our 184th Homecoming. Robert and Kristen Smith did an awesome job of leading us in worship and providing special music. We also recently had a really great baptism service at the river for Garrett Aaron and Tommy Ayers. Beth and I are looking forward to an upcoming trip to Tennessee for a college reunion and to visit with all 3 kids. (Yes, we already count Hogan as one of us!)

Today as I write this I see on social media that today is Peace and Love day. I'm not real sure who comes up with all these days. There is some kind of special day, every day of the year now it seems to me. One of my friends on Facebook said about Peace and Love Day: "sure doesn't seem to be a lot of peace and love in the world today". I agree. Also, as I write this, on the radio are news reports of more violence, riots and looting. And that's on SPORTS radio. Not to mention all of the divisive political rhetoric that is out there today too. I have also been praying for some ministry friends who have some divisive things going on in their churches.

So there are lots of good things going on in my personal life and yet I am greatly concerned about our country, our society, our culture, our world, our churches. Many of these issues facing our country are large, complicated issues that don't have easy answers. I try to remain open minded about all of these issues and put myself in the place of others. I pray about things a lot. Because, scripture urges us to lay our burdens on Jesus and because I trust in Him when I don't have the answers.

Here is what I have to wonder about though on Peace and Love day. My thoughts turn to Matthew 5:3-10, commonly called the Beatitudes. Verse 9 says: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." Verse 7 says: "Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy." Verses 4 and 5 say: "Blessed are those who mourn for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth." Verse 6 also says, might I add: "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness...".

I know I mourn over some of the things I see, I hope and pray for comfort. Am I a peacemaker? Am I merciful? Am I meek? Do I seek righteousness? What would happen if all Christians sought to change the world through our peacemaking and our mercy? I believe this is what Christ call us to be. We are called to be salt and light (change agents) through our peace and mercy and love. I challenge you to go read the rest of the Sermon on the Mount found in Matthew 5 - 7. Some of the things Jesus says there are hard but they are a message we need to hear and put into practice today, on Peace and Love Day, and every day as we seek to follow Him as our Lord and Savior.

See you Sunday,  
Brian

## Happy October & November Birthday!

HELEN	COFFEY	3-Oct
VICTORIA	DUNBAR	3-Oct
ROSE	BARGER	5-Oct
KAREN	PEERY	5-Oct
APRIL	JOHNSON	7-Oct
EASTON	GALANES	8-Oct
PATRICIA	BROOKS	10-Oct
CONNIE	CLINGENPEEL	11-Oct
ANN	AUSTIN	15-Oct
KAITLYN	BARGER	16-Oct
on	FERGUSON	20-Oct
TOMMY	AYERS	21-Oct
GARY	SMITH	21-Oct
HUNTER	THRASHER	21-Oct
THOMAS	AYERS	26-Oct
STEPHEN	HICKOK	26-Oct
JERRY	MUNDY	26-Oct
PEGGY	WELCH	26-Oct
SAMANTHA	CLARK	29-Oct
ABIGALE	SIMMONS	10-Nov
ELBERT	DAGE	14-Nov
EMMY	SMITH	18-Nov
GARRETT	AARON	20-Nov
ALTON	HYLTON	21-Nov
ALAN	BURCH	22-Nov
ALEX	BREEDEN	25-Nov
JENNIFER	WHITMER	27-Nov
STACEY	CLARK	30-Nov

*Don't see your birthday on the list?  
Please let us know and we will add it!*

## Springwood in Service October & November

<b>Oct Deacon of the Month:</b> Thelma Kuykendall
<b>Nov Deacon of the Month:</b> David Clark
<b>Children's Church Oct:</b> Linda Johnson
<b>Children's Church Nov:</b> Stacey Clark
<b>Oct Ushers:</b> Youth
<b>Nov Ushers:</b> Jerry Wilcher & Bobby Aaron
<b>October &amp; November Nursery Workers:</b>
<b>Oct 2:</b> Ann & Barbara
<b>Oct 9:</b> Amanda & Amy
<b>Oct 16:</b> Steve & Mary Ellen
<b>Oct 23:</b> Sandra & Jenny
<b>Oct 30:</b> Anita & Hope
<b>Nov 6:</b> Ann & Barbara
<b>Nov 13:</b> Amanda & Amy
<b>Nov 20:</b> Steve & Mary Ellen
<b>Nov 27:</b> Sandra & Jenny
<b>October &amp; November Food Pick-Up</b>
<b>Oct 1:</b> Butch & Jeanne Peery
<b>Oct 8:</b> Don Barger & Bobby Aaron
<b>Oct 15:</b> Linda & Rick Johnson
<b>Oct 22:</b> Shirley Stinnett & Joyce Thrasher
<b>Oct 29:</b> Helen Coffey
<b>Nov 5:</b> Freddie & Becky Ballard
<b>Nov 12:</b> David & Stacey Clark
<b>Nov 19:</b> Sloan & Thelma Kuykendall
<b>Nov 26:</b> Jo & Larry Eggers
<b>October &amp; November Offertory Prayer</b>
<b>Oct 2:</b> Gary Peery
<b>Oct 9:</b> Linda Johnson
<b>Oct 16:</b> Stacey Clark
<b>Oct 23:</b> Brian Clingenpeel
<b>Oct 30:</b> Alan Burch
<b>Nov 6:</b> Helen Coffey
<b>Nov 13:</b> Sloan Kuykendall
<b>Nov 20:</b> Beth Clingenpeel
<b>Nov 27:</b> Amy Ferguson

## Springwood on Mission

### October & November: Operation Christmas Child

It is now time to begin shopping for and packing boxes for Operation Christmas Child! Pre-printed boxes will be available at the church beginning the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in October. Thanks to the youth for putting those together for us! You can also use a wrapped shoebox as well. Please also include \$7 to help cover the cost of shipping the boxes.

Please read below for the experience of a child who received a box:

*"My name is Sveta, and I am nine-years-old. I have dreamed all my life about having a doll with long black hair. We knew that someone was going to bring presents to our orphanage, but I could not even begin to think that in that present I would see what I wanted! I prayed and said, 'Lord, all that will be there I will accept with great joy and excitement and be thankful and will try not to sneak a peek early.' And then, when I opened my gift box, I saw a doll. Can you believe that she had long black hair?! I believe that I was at that moment the happiest person in the world. I am so thankful to God that he loves me so much and takes care of me." - Shoebox Recipient in Russia*

Boxes are due back to church by Sunday, November 13.

Suggested items to include are:

- Toys (stuffed animal, ball, yo-yo, jump rope, cars, doll, etc)
- Hard candy – no chocolate, please
- School Supplies (crayons, markers, notepads, solar calculators, books)
- Non-liquid hygiene items (toothpaste, toothbrush, bar soap, washcloth)
- Accessories (t-shirt, socks, jewelry, hair clips, sunglasses)
- A personal note and photo of yourself & family

## Wonderful "Waffle Wouth"

**Wednesday Bible Studies:** 10/12, 10/26, 11/2, 11/16, 11/30 @ 7 pm

**October 16:** Youth to Layman Farm Corn Maze

**October 30:** Youth Parent's Winter Fusion meeting after church

**November 5:** Youth working at Solomon's Closet

**November 6:** \$40 deposit for Winter Fusion due

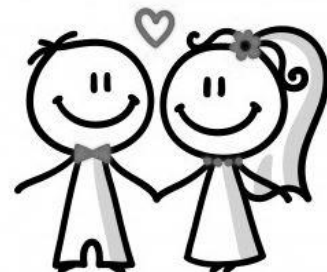
**November 13:** Youth graffiti wall work – bring lunch, plan for your square, and painting clothes

**November 27:** Youth teaching children's Sunday School

## Luncheon & Bridal Shower

The Young Adult Sunday School class is sponsoring a lunch and bridal shower for Rachel Clingenpeel and Hogan Brock on Sunday, October 23, after the morning worship service. Fried chicken, dessert, and drinks will be provided by the young adults, and church members are asked to provide side dishes for the meal. Everyone is invited to attend as we celebrate the upcoming marriage of Rachel and Hogan.

Rachel and Hogan are registered at Bed, Bath, & Beyond and Target.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2 • Communion • Alma Hunt State Offering	3	4	5 • Food Pantry, 10a • Business Mtg, 7p • Choir, 7:30p	6	7	8 • Church BBQ, 5p-7p
9 Normal Activities	10	11	12 • Deacons, 6p • Youth, 7p-8p • Prayer Mtg, 7p • Choir, 7:30p	13	14	15
16 • Bucket Change ends • Youth to Layman Farms	17 • Elaine Hancock Circle, 2p	18	19 • Food Pantry, 10a • Prayer Mtg, 7p • Choir, 7:30p	20	21	22
23 • Luncheon & Bridal Shower after worship for Rachel & Hogan	24 • Church Council, 7p <i>*note different night</i>	25 • RVBA Meeting @ North Roanoke Baptist	26 • Youth, 7p-8p • Prayer Mtg, 7p • Choir, 7:30p	27	28	29
30 • Youth Parent's Winter Fusion meeting	31		<b>Normal Sunday Activities:</b> Deacon's Prayer, 9:30 am Sunday School, 9:45 am Worship, 11:00 am			

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6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communion</li> <li>• Winter Fusion deposit due -\$40</li> </ul>	7	8	9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business Mtg, 7p</li> <li>• Choir, 7:30p</li> </ul>	10	11	12
13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OCC Shoeboxes due</li> <li>• Youth Graffiti wall</li> </ul>	14	15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Church Council, 7p</li> </ul>	16 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food Pantry, 10a</li> <li>• Deacons, 6p</li> <li>• Youth, 7p-8p</li> <li>• Prayer Mtg, 7p</li> <li>• Choir, 7:30p</li> </ul>	17	18	19
20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thanksgiving lunch</li> <li>• Community Thanksgiving Service @ Springwood, 7p</li> </ul>	21	22	23 <p style="text-align: center;">No Activities</p>	24 <p style="text-align: center;">Happy Thanksgiving</p>	25	26
27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent</li> </ul>	28	29	30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Youth, 7p-8p</li> <li>• Prayer Mtg, 7p</li> <li>• Choir, 7:30p</li> </ul>	<b>Normal Sunday Activities:</b> Deacon's Prayer, 9:30 am Sunday School, 9:45 am Worship, 11:00 am		

## Church BBQ

The church BBQ will be Saturday, October 8 from 5 pm – 7 pm. Chuck Aaron will be providing the barbeque; you provide the desserts! Each plate is \$6 and includes 2 sandwiches, beans, slaw, & a drink. Proceeds will go to the Scholarship Fund and the Community Emergency Relief fund. Invite your friends and neighbors! See Shelby to get tickets to sell. Volunteers are needed before, during, and after! To sign up, see Shelby Gore or Beth Clingenpeel!



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