

THE CROSSROADS

Minister: Dr. B. E. Pettit, Stated Supply

Minister's Minute

As I write this "Minister's Minute", I ask for your prayers and understanding. This is for the session, congregation, and me. The older you get you learn your limitations. God has blessed me with reasonably good health. Geneva's departure left a tremendous emptiness in our family. This emptiness of life's partner and the fall I had a few days before this happened has caused me to be limited in my capabilities. I have done what I could with preaching, the Sacraments, counseling and serving as Moderator of Session. This congregation has been and continues to be loving, supportive and thoughtful. Although I am a member of Presbytery, in my mind and heart I will always be a member of the Glenn Springs Presbyterian Church. You can't compare the building and paying for the Family Life Center to going to the Moon, but to me it is close, when this church with a small congregation completed this task. Similar to this is the erection of the beautiful Celtic Cross. Upon seeing the drawing of the cross, the contributor said, "Bob, we can do it." Each year the session is asked to extend a one-year call to a Stated Supply. I did this in 1999 when Mary John West and Patsy West ask me to come on Easter Sunday. That was almost 25 years ago. A large part of my 65 years of preaching has been in this church. The question has come from me to the session as to asking the congregation to elect a committee for calling a full-time ordained minister. The feeling is we need a person who will be gifted in preaching and

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working with youth. We are one in unity as to deciding the best interest of the church. We have discussed several possibilities. The congregation at the session's request can form a Pulpit Search Committee of 4 to 5 people. In the interim Kevin Horres has agreed to fill the pulpit. I will be considered partially retired serving at the Session's request such as, administering the Sacraments, and assisting Kevin when necessary. When the church calls a new minister, I will officially retire and only officiate when the session asks me. I will always be an ordained minister and plan to worship like all worshipers who sit in the pew. The Session will be meeting in January. Your prayers and faithful comments to the session will be greatly appreciated. My heart's desire is for this Lord's Church to grow in membership and most of all "in Spirit."

Blessings, Bob

	January 5	January 12	January 19	January 26
Ushers:	Kevin Horres	Robbie Pettit	Eddie Eubanks	Martin Morrow
	Frank Wilson	Mitchell Jenkins	Will Eubanks	Thomas Eubanks
Children's	Kevin Horres	Robbie Pettit	Barry Pettit	Chris Olson
Moment:				
Children's	Erin Rollins	Ashley West	Marlee Pettit	Chris Olson
Church:				
Nursery:	Taylor Thomas	Donna Thornton	Erin Rollins	Laura Olson
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January Birthdays

- 1 Frank Oglesby
- 8 Patsy West
- 11 Erin Rollins
- 12 Frank Wilson
- 13 Erin Olson
- 19 Terry Horres
- 20 Stephanie Daniels
- 20 Nick Olson
- 31 Mary Woods



Prayer Requests: Connie McNeely, Jacob Casey, Kay Kirby, Joyce

McDaniel, Shirley Barnett, Kay West, Lana Phillips, Ann Gill, Eddie Zimmerman, Gail & Sunny Vincent, Jeff Casey, Cheryl Smith, Barbara Eubanks, Katherine Smith, Daryl Smith, Gordon DePoint, Pat West, Carol Knox, Juanita Laughter, Annie Laura West, Jane Miller Waters, Bruce Sanders, Joyce McCain, Connie Jackson, Stephanie

Malone, Phil Cantrell, Scott Pitcher, Angel Flower,

Sharon Peck, Jan Vassey.

Homebound: Jerry Powell – RM Campbell Veterans Home,

Anderson, SC



"The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective."

James 5:16

Third Sunday Lunch

We started our Third Sunday Lunches again in January of 2024 and had a wonderful turnout each month. Thanks to all who helped setup, serve, and clean up afterwards in 2024. We can always use volunteers so if you are willing to help, please let Jim & Linda Powell know. Thanks for you support of this fellowship opportunity and we look forward to seeing you in 2025.



Next Third Sunday Lunch January 19, 2025

DONATIONS

We have four funds that you can donate to In Honor of or In Memory of someone special. Just mark your donation with which fund you want to apply it to. We have our *Building Fund* in which money donated goes to upgrades and future expansion projects related to our church buildings. We also have a *Cemetery Enhancement Fund* which will go towards future enhancements to our cemetery. And now we have a *Community Outreach Fund* that will support the projects undertaken by the Community Outreach Program and a *Kitchen Fund* that will help support the third Sunday Lunches.

Donations made In Honor Of or In Memory Of:

- The Daniels Family for use of the FLC
- Jim & Linda Powell in Memory of Joel Smith

General Donations:

Building Fund (BF), Cemetery Enhancement Fund (CEF), Community Outreach Fund (COF), Kitchen Fund (KF)

Bob Pettit (CEF), Bob Pettit (BF), Willis & Gail Vincent (KF), Timothy & Anne Bailey (CEF), Pamela Palmer (BF)

Donations that did not make this newsletter will be included in the February edition.

We raised \$12,975 for the Community Outreach Fund through the Unity Poinsettia contributions. Thank you to all who donated to this cause.

See list of names donated in Honor or Memory of at the end of the newsletter.

Watch our Sunday services live on YouTube Live

The best way to access the service on Sunday mornings is by going to our website, <u>www.glennspringspres.org</u> and clicking on the **Watch Our Service Live!** button at the top of the page.

The next Newsletter deadline is the last **Sunday of the month.** Please have all newsletter submissions turned in by this date.

Unity Poinsettia Contributions

The Unity Poinsettia you see in the sanctuary represents the unity of our lives in the Church Militant and our close unity with the Church Triumphant. As Christians we are united as the Body of the Living Christ. Thank you for the remembrances of those who have now entered the Church Triumphant and for those dear love ones whom you honor. We can rejoice because the Lord God Omnipotent Reigns!

Given by: Dr. Bobby Earl Pettit & Family

Given in Memory of: Mrs. Geneva Ann West Pettit Mr. & Mrs. Alfred J. West; Mr. & Mrs. John L. Pettit Mr. & Mrs. S. Curtis Pettit; Mr. & Mrs. Roy E. Pettit Mrs. Lukeva Pettit; Mr. & Mrs. Harold (Allie Pettit) Skinner

Mr. John Wayne Pettit; Mr. Atlee Strange Pettit

Given in Honor of: Mr. & Mrs. Bobby E. Pettit, Jr. (Anna Barry) Mr. & Mrs. John Barry Pettit (Marlee); Little Miss Lottie Lee Pettit

Mrs. Ann Pettit Sander;

Mr. & Mrs. Sterling Dailey (Ashley Ann)

Mr. Preston Davis Sander; Mrs. Mary Wilkes Pettit

Mrs. Sharon Gowan Pettit

Given by: The Morrow Family

Given in Memory of: Mr. & Mrs. Jones T. Morrow

Mr. John Wayne Pettit

Given by: Nelson & Myra Smith

Given in Honor of: Community Outreach Volunteers

Given by: Rita Eubanks

Given in Memory of: Chandler Alexander; Ruby Eubanks;

Charley Eubanks

Given by: Jim & Linda Powell

Given in Honor of: Third Sunday lunch helpers – Joan Atchley; Frank Wilson; Eubanks Family, Olson Family; Snelgrove Family

Given by: Bob & Donna Bodie

Given in Honor of: Danny West; Mr. & Mrs. Joe Ben Herlong **Given in Memory of:** Mr. & Mrs. S.L. Montgomery, Sr.

Mr. & Mrs. H.D. Bodie, Jr.

Given by: Eddie, Jennifer, Will & Thomas Eubanks

Given in Memory of: Johnny & Kyrene Hill; Namon & Jewell Duty; Edith

Thornton; Charlie & Ruby Eubanks

Given by: Faye & Richard Waters

Given in Memory of: Buster & Helen Thornton; Tom Waters

Given by: Danny C. West

Given in Memory of: Charles & Mary John West; Annie Mae Smith

Given by: Phil & Joan Atchley

Given in Memory of: Guy & Juanita Atchley

Given by: Robert & Shirley Barnett

Given in Honor of: Those who make church activities so special.

Given in Memory of: Claude Horton; Terry Hines

Given by: Joe & Martha Herlong

Given in Honor of: Bob & Donna Bodie

Given by: Martin & Allison Morrow

Given in Honor of: Our Parents and Grandparents

Given in Memory of: Papa Wayne Pettit

Tommy "Pop" Rogers

Given by: Frank & Susan Wilson

Given in Memory of: Mr. & Mrs. Frank Wilson, Jr.;

Mr. & Mrs. James C. Hill

Given by: Mike & Cynthia West

Given in Honor of: Our grandchildren – Hudson, Cooper, Olivia,

Charlotte & Caroline; Children – Clay & Tyler; Tom & Patsy West

Given in Memory of: Earl & Evelyn McArthur

Given by: Nancy Rogers

Given in Honor of: Marie, Jeff, Terry, Kevin, Austin, Allison, Martin

Given in Memory of: Tommy Rogers; Mr. & Mrs. Albert Taylor; Scott Taylor;

Margaret O. Rogers

Please Note: The names used are those which were placed on the forms in memory of or in honor of someone. Every effort was made to accurately interpret the form as it was filled out. Please forgive if you find that a mistake has been made. Thanks