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The Culdee Connection

Culdee Presbyterian Church

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2018 SESSION

Moderator

Rev. David Hudson

June Stewart...Clerk of Session

Class of 2018

Elaina Aponte...Christian Education

Robin McKenzie...Congregational Care

Mark Seawell...Outreach

Don Williamson...Outreach

Class of 2019

Ryan Bailey...Building and Grounds

Jim Dalton...Finance

Amber Clayton...Christian Education

Janie Taylor...Worship

Class of 2020

Mark Cole...Finance

Johnie Marion...Worship

Rick Mathews... Building and Grounds

Karon McKenzie...Congregational Care





Dulcimer Strummers Hit the Road

The dulcimer ensemble was honored to be able to play for Mrs. Peggy Gibbs and Mr. Pete Bullard on July 3rd. It was such a blessing to visit and play for these members of Culdee. It was a super hot afternoon but the welcome into both of their homes was warm and sweet. Thank you, Pete and Peggy, for allowing us to invade your home with all of our "musical stuff". It was such a great afternoon for us to get to share our love of dulcimers with you in your homes. May God bless you both! Thanks again for the lovely opportunity to share our music with you.





Baby Birds take over the fellowship hall!

It has been a very busy spring for a little sparrow family at Culdee.



There have been 3 sets of birds hatching outside the fellowship doors under the shelter. These little birds have managed to hatch 12 little baby birds and build 3 nests to make it happen. It has been a wonder to watch nature take its

course through the windows in the fellowship hall. The mother is very protective of her babies, but not as protective as Edith and Jewel. These ladies have got that mama's back! The feathered family is lucky to have the Culdee women looking after their "bird nursery". It has been a real interesting and educational series of events this spring/summer season. Please stop by and give this family a genuine Culdee welcome through the window inside the door. But please remember not to touch. There is work in progress.

Congregational Care

Wow, time flies! The Culdee Harvest Festival will be here before we know it! It is time to start thinking and working on craft items, Country Store items, baked goods and items for our Auction. We also need everyone to start thinking where they will be helping out (kitchen, auction, "setting up tables, etc).

Congregational Care will be meeting on August 5th, at 4:30 p.m. Karon and I hope to have a big "turn out with everyone bringing old and new ideas for the Festival.

Love and GOD'S Blessings to all,
 Robin McKenzie, Congregational Chair
 Karon McKenzie, Congregational Co-Chair



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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Sadie Cuff	01	Ray Barber	13	Jackson Aldridge	23
Eileen Spatz	01	Tony Rouse	15	Nancy Howle	25
Tracy Vest	09	Peyton Martin	15	Norman Harris	25
Eli Black	09	Eve Williamson	18	Dana Vest	26
Tammy Parsons	11	Andrew Craven	19	Skylar Lilly	26
Wayne Vest	11	Lisa Campbell	20	Jed Black	30
Zach Marks	11	Grace Bowen	22	Sharon Cuff	30
Nelson Blue	12	Deelie Whitesell	23	Lisa Huffines	30

Haiti Help and Hope

Making a difference to the lost and broken in Haiti



Fundraiser

*for the Children at
Lahai Roi School
in Haiti*

Featuring
The Sand Band



**Food & Drink Available
for Purchase...
Bring a lawn chair
or blanket!**

September 9, 2018

4 PM - 7 PM

RUBICON
a historic farm with rustic charm

Rubicon Farm



**Rain Date
Sept. 30, 2018**

**564 Rubicon Road, West End, NC
(off NC Hwy. 73)**

Advanced Tickets \$20.00

♥ **Children 12 & under FREE**

**Family Event -
No Alcohol
Please!**

Tickets available at -

First Bank at Pinecrest Plaza

Kalawi/Ben's Ice Cream • Highlander Farm

or Call Sylvia Pusser (910) 639-7733 • Nancy Howle (910) 947-2306

All Proceeds will go to feeding & educating the children
at Lahai Roi School in Haiti

Haiti Help and Hope is a 501(c) (3) Non-Profit Organization

Ariana Maness Benefit Golf Tournament

Whispering Pines Country Club

Saturday, August 18, 2018

1:00 Shotgun



Captains Choice Tournament

Longest Drive • Closest To Pin

Entry Fee \$60.00 per person

1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Prizes

**Contact info: Chris Dupree
910-585-0034 or 910-947-9477**

4-MAN CAPTAIN'S CHOICE TEAM

1. _____

3. _____

2. _____

4. _____

Brief Notes From the Stated Session Meeting of

July 8, 2018



The meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. in Room A of the Fellowship Hall building with a quorum of Elders in attendance.

Active Membership Roll: 277

On June 19 a poll of the Session was conducted to present a request from the Doris Moore Scholarship Committee, via the Congregational Care Ministry, to set the amount for the 2018 scholarships at \$400.00 per recipient. The request was approved. The recipients are Josh Carrico and Taylor Seawell.

Session gave approval for Noah Ridge, Tom and Joan Garner's grandson, to do a media presentation on his recent college trip to Israel. The presentation will be held in the fellowship hall during the Sunday School period on July 29.

Session approved an agreement for a Stated Supply Relationship with Rev. Jim Morgan for the purpose of providing pastoral services for a period beginning Sunday, September 2 and ending on December 31, 2018. The agreement is for an estimated 10 hours per week, including time to prepare his sermons. He will be available on Sundays, after the worship services, to do visiting as needed. His salary will be \$1,000.00 per month. The Interim Pastor Search Committee will continue its search for an interim pastor during this period.

Rev. Jim Morgan was approved by the Session to be our Revival Speaker in September.

Session approved the purchase of a set of 4th Octave Hand bells at a cost of \$4100.00, and the purchase of 8 dulcimer stands @ \$40 per stand. Ministry Reports were given. The next Stated Session meeting is scheduled for Sunday, August 12, 2018

Culdee Finance Ministry News

August 2018

If you are like a lot of us, you are saying, “Wow!!!! August 2018”. Here we are with another year passing by very quickly. And now we are already at that time of the year when you are going to start hearing about the budget for 2019 being created. The process usually starts in August and takes us into December. Preparing the budget this year will be very challenging. The good news is that our expenses have been incredibly positive due mostly to the unfortunate fact that we have not had a full time Pastor this year. The other news is that our tithing continues to fall well below where we really need to be in order to meet our current budget.

Culdee’s budget is managed by your chosen Ministries who are tasked with monitoring expenses and keeping them within their particular budgets. These ministries continue to do an outstanding job of managing their individual budgets. We ask again that you keep everyone involved in the budget process in your prayers.

The monies in our regular designated funds and our Vanguard investments continue to be monitored and adjustments made as needed. Specifics regarding these monies can be found on the monthly finance insert in the bulletin.



Would you like to make a difference? Attend one of our meetings or even join our Ministry.

If you have any comments, questions, or concerns, please feel free to direct them to a Finance Ministry member. Finance Ministry members are as follows: Mark Cole Chairman, Jim Dalton, Vice-Chairman, Tim Lea, Jene Bowen, Art McKenzie, Mark Thompson, Ann Savage, Jim Stewart, and Danny Aldridge.

The next Finance Ministry meeting will be held on Sunday, August 12, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

Presbyterian Men’s August 23rd Fellowship 7:00



Come join us for an informative meeting and amazing meal prepared by our amazing Culdee cooks.

CULDEE ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE NEWS

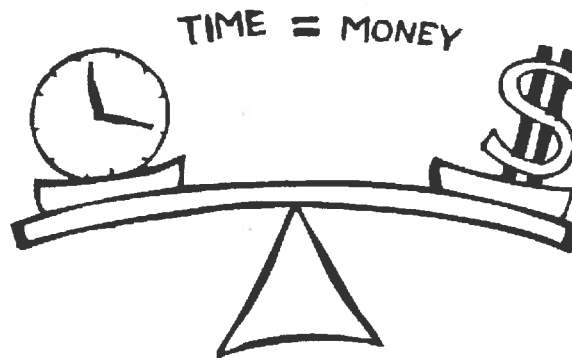
The Endowment Fund Committee held its quarterly meeting on Sunday, July 8, 2018

Vanguard monies are invested conservatively in different accounts including markets such as treasuries, and the Wellington and Wellesley Funds. The Vanguard accounts are 'growth' accounts, whereas traditional certificates of deposit (CD's) and savings accounts used primarily in our designated funds, accrue interest. The Vanguard Funds are easily accessible as needed. Over the last several months, the Endowment Committee's research has indicated that certificates of deposit are continuing to yield higher gains than in some of the Vanguard accounts. The committee has made additional withdrawals accordingly from our Vanguard accounts and placed these monies into corresponding certificates of deposit with Live Oak Bank. This is in keeping with the Endowment Committee's commitment to invest and manage Culdee's assets in a manner that will maximize the safety and long-term value of the assets and the income generated by these assets. In keeping with our conservative approach, the Certificates of deposit are for a one year term and such that we can have access to these monies very quickly. The Endowment Committee continues to examine and welcome ideas for all avenues of investment.

The Doris Moore Scholarship Fund under its designated funds, was used to pay two scholarships, of \$400.00 to each recipient. No monies needed to be transferred from Vanguard to award the scholarships. We are very grateful for the generosity of the Doris Moore family and donations to this worthwhile cause.

The next tentative quarterly Endowment Fund Committee meeting will be held on Sunday, October 14, 2018 at 3:30 p.m.

Questions, comments, or information on opportunities for investment may be addressed by contacting any of the Endowment Fund Committee Members: Chairman Mark Cole, Vice-chair Jim Dalton, Danny Aldridge, Teresa Cole, Dannie Jackson, Tim Lea, Ann Savage, Mark Thompson, and Diane Aldridge.



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September 2018

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jul 29	30	31	Aug 1	2	3	4
8:20am Reach Service 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship 4:30pm Cong. Care 6:00pm Youth meet	9:00am Knitting	6:00pm Dulcimers 7:00pm Handbells	6:30pm Choir Practice	9:00am Quilting		
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