

**AUGUST RESPONSIBILITIES**

	<u>1st</u>	<u>8th</u>
Infant Nursery SS Worship Children Worship K-2 Preschool Children's Hour Flowers	W. & H. Shelton S. Denny  E. Couch S. Best & J. Andrews Bells Open	M. Kiger & D. Dougherty D. & S. Davis  R. & C. Swink A. Cardwell & C. Winfrey Youth Open
Infant Nursery SS Worship Children Worship K-2 Preschool Children's Hour Flowers	<u>15th</u> B. & K. Beardsley A. Stewart & E. Beeson  L. Redmond M. Kiger Children Sing Open	<u>22nd</u> M. Hunter & L. Allred I. Winebarger & N. Lemons  K. Middleton & M. Williamson S. & D. Pappalardo K. Swaim E. & Judy Wall
Infant Nursery SS Worship Children Worship K-2 Preschool Children's Hour Flowers	<u>29th</u> R. Walker & K. Beardsley I. Winebarger & N. Lemons  J. Estep T. & M. Butler J. Estep Open	

**Acolytes:** Rachel Kiger, Kelby Lemons, Matthew Love, Tanner Moore, Hadley Swink, William Swink

**Safe Sanctuary Monitoring:** Carolyn Cooke, Maxine Kiger, Mike Stone, Pat Stone, Davis Thompson

**Wild Cards:** Marie Horn

**Luke's Group:** Bernie Carpenter

**Ushers:** Wayne Shelton captain, Jack Cooke, Harry Grubbs, Brian Hansel, Mark Moorefield, Lee Ratcliff, Bob Verdinek

**Bereavement:** Juanita Pardue chair, Michelle Boak, Susan Denny, Barbara Grubbs, Dee Hutchinson, Mary Franklin Blackburn, Nancy Plunkett, Laura Warren

**Crisis Control Gift for August;**  
Cooking Oil

**Samaritan Ministries Gift for August;**  
Cold Breakfast Cereal;  
Toothbrushes & Toothpaste (sample size)

*Please place items on the table downstairs.*

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Return Services Requested



# The Messenger

## August, 2010

## Camp Meeting Month

August is Camp Meeting Month, it will be an exciting month. Each Sunday will be special. We are going to sing our Hymns for the month from the old "Cokesbury" Hymnal. We hope that on one Sunday we have an all men's chorus and another Sunday we are going to have an all women's chorus. Rev. John Aldrich, a Wesleyan Minister who visited with us before, will be back on the 8<sup>th</sup> to lead us in special singing. He has taken a church in Virginia but graciously will be with us on that day.

On the 15<sup>th</sup> we have a returning son of the church; Carolyn and Jack Cooks' son, Chad, will be visiting home and he will preach on this Sunday. We look forward to one of our young people who is in ministry returning to lead us in worship.

The 22 is Promotion Sunday and Teacher Appreciation Sunday. Teachers will be recognized for their hard work during this past year.

Then on the 29<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate Homecoming. The Rev. Bill Medlin, our current District Superintendent, will be with us to bring the message and we will conclude the day with a covered dish luncheon in the fellowship hall. Please remember to bring a covered dish on this day.

August is Camp Meeting Month and exciting time at Kingswood UMC.

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## Conference News

August 21<sup>st</sup> 10am at Lake Junaluska a called session of the Western North Carolina Conference. The work of Annual Conference was very difficult this past June. The time of the conference was cut by one day. So business sessions were long and drawn out. We took all afternoon discussing moving the Annual Conference to Greensboro NC. This would have been a one time happening as we would have to vote the next year where to meet. Again on Saturday afternoon this discussion was on-going. The Annual Conference voted to stay at Lake Junaluska. This left us little time to discuss the budget of the Annual Conference. The Council of Finance had proposed a Budget which did not include the cost of staying at Lake Junaluska since it cost more to stay than it did to move. The CFA also took out scholarship to Methodist related colleges and Universities and the Children's Home. The Annual Conference voted to put back into the Budget some of these items and that was done but the total Budget was not voted on since we ran out of time. So we will go back to Lake Junaluska and finish the work of the Annual Conference.

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*When she moved to Winston-Salem in January 2008, my mother, Becky Austin, had become a widow less than a month before after over 63 years of marriage. She left a little house in Marshville, where she and my dad had raised four children, after having lived there for over 56 years. A double amputee, she arrived in W-S determined to accept these many changes in her life with grace and God's guidance. Many members of Kingswood immediately welcomed her to this community by visiting, sending cards, leaving gifts, flowers and seasonal items from the children of Kingswood. Pastor Sid included her in his visits and became, in her words, "my pastor." She so appreciated his taking Communion to her on a regular basis. In my mind, each of you "entertained an angel" (Hebrews 13:2) when you took time to encourage her with your presence or your prayers and I will always be grateful for your gestures of love.*

Love, Trudy Cox

## August Calendar

Sundays	9:45 am Sunday School weekly 11:00 am Worship weekly 6:00 pm Youth
Mondays	7:00 pm Boy/Cub Scouts
Tuesday, 3	11:30 am Senior Citizens 7:00 pm Church Council
Saturday, 14	Life Screening
Thursday, 19	Messenger Deadline
Sunday, 29	10:00 am Homecoming No Sunday School Covered Dish Lunch
Tuesday, 31	10:00 am Circle Meeting

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### **A Gathering of the Laity**

August 13-15

Lake Junaluska

Guest speakers include Bishop Larry Goodpaster, Violet Fisher and Ray Buckley  
Special Singing and Music will be provided by the Sons of Thunder Quartet and  
The Junaluska Singers

Please see Robin Walker for registration information.

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### **August Birthdays**

1 Ella Southard	8 Bob Verdinek	14 Joe Paschal	23 Art Nachand
1 LuAnn Winfrey	8 Diann Holland	15 Yumiko Virant	23 Jeff Kiser
1 Reid Couch	8 Matthew Estep	15 Scott Gentry	24 Tim Brown
2 Mame Verdinek	9 Wayne Shelton	17 John Kogas	23 Hadley Swink
2 Judy Wall	9 Rekiko Foust	17 Wade Gentry	25 Meredith Beeson
2 Jerry Holcomb	9 Debbie Cromer	18 Josh Best	26 Johnsie McBride
3 Matthew Winfrey	9 Heather Thomas	19 Christy Long	28 Ray Chandler
5 Jesse Marsden	10 Barry Kiser	19 Katherine Hale	28 Ryan Rogers
7 Ben Hansel	10 Allison Lanier	20 Bernie Carpenter	31 Sharon Gentry
7 Lori Jee	13 Mary Lou Kogas	22 Patty Adams	

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## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

August it seems is always a slow time. It is also the time for Camp Meeting Month so we want you to please check out the article for Camp Meeting Month. SO as we approach the month of August let us go on an adventure. We used to tell our daughter on some days we would get in the car and go on an Adventure. Sometimes on the blue ridge parkway or to some other place, but always an adventure.

The time of the year prompted me to think some random thoughts, which my wife said is always easy for me. So here goes. There is some help from Fredrick Buechner. Magic is saying Abracadabra and pulling the rabbit out of the hat, is stepping on a crack to break your mother's back, is a dashboard Jesus to prevent smash-ups. Magic is going to church so you will get to heaven. Magic is using Listerine so everybody will love you. Magic is the technique of controlling unseen powers and will always work if you do it by the book. Magic is manipulation and says, My will be done. Religion is propitiation and says, Thy Will be done.

Religion is praying, and maybe the prayer will be answered and maybe it will not, at least not the way you want or when you want and maybe not at all. Even if you do it by the book, religion does not always work, as Jesus pointed out in one of his more somber utterances when he said, "not everyone who says, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of Heaven. Matthew 7:21, the corollary to which would appear to be, "not everyone who wouldn't be caught dead saying, 'Lord, Lord' shall be blackballed from the kingdom of Heaven. He softened the blow somewhat then by adding that the way to enter the kingdom of Heaven is to do the will of his Father in Heaven, but when religion claims that it is always sure what the will is, it is only bluffing. Magic is always sure.

If security's what you are after, try magic. If adventure is what you are after, try religion. The line between them is notoriously fuzzy. See you at the adventure place in August.

His Servant,  
*Pastor Sid*

## Please Keep In Your Prayers

Howard Benfield – Janice Wall's brother-in-law

Mae Hardy

Mildred Ingram

Eva Kiger

Helen Lanier – Pastor Sid's mother

Tina Leehr – Redmond family friend

Debbie Moore – PlaySchool Mom

Mitch Venable – Cheryl Venable, PlaySchool teacher's, husband

Cheryle Swink – Rob Swink's step-mother

Carol Whitaker

Rosemary White

Our deepest Christian sympathy to the family of Meredith Warren Axisa upon the death of her husband, Jonathan. Following is Meredith's address:

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