

The Belmont Christian

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Upcoming Calendar

- Sunday, June 20, Father's Day, No Friendship Time, spend with your family, 10:00 am Church Reaching out Class # 3
- Tuesday, June 22, 7:00 pm 3rd. Study of Esther @ Church with Pastor Elaine
- Thursday, June 24, NO Knitting, 7:00 pm Choir

This Needs Your Attention Now

Have you made your reservations for the Senior Dinner and Hoe-Down here at Belmont Christian Church this coming Friday Night? See article on bottom of the front page.

Remember our sick and shut-ins. It means a lot to them!

Don't forget this Sunday is Father's Day. Give them a special hug and let them know you love them! And don't forget your Heavenly Father. He is Awesome!

Reminder Ladies: There is NO Knitting Thursday, June 24 or July 1st. We will start back on Thursday, July 8th.

Remember to mark your calendars for the Seventh Annual Car Show here at Belmont on September 25 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Ladies mark your calendars for September 24 for CWU Fall Forum meeting.

Pastor's Pen Summer - time

With the passing of last Friday, all of our youth are now in the process of celebrating that annual event called "Summer Vacation". At least those who did not graduate from College this year, for those, this begins that passage of age into the workforce and the finding of that first fulltime job. We wish all of those the best of luck and pray God's blessings on them.

For the rest of our youth, this time means long days of play. Well, maybe for those of you who will be able to awake from last night's sleep sometime before noon! There will be days at the parks with the required time of swimming and riding down the long water tubes. Baseball games, video games and other activities will

begin to take up their time. For some there will be the family trip to see relatives or some famous spot. Then there will be time to watch the sun slowly set in the western

enjoy some of the things that bring fun back into our lives. However, for many of us, we pile so much into our vacation time that we need a vacation from our vacation.



skies and the slow reveling of the nighttime sky with all of the stars of heaven.

We more mature people also await the coming of summer. Most of us have scheduled our yearly weeks of vacation from work. This time of vacation is the time when we separate ourselves from the daily call of the work places and take some time to

In the life of the church and that of the congregation, summertime is the time when we try not to take some time off or a vacation. We actually try to put more onto our calendars and try to be more active in our outreach to others. Summer is the time when we put together our Vacation Bible School to bring youth and adults from both inside and outside the church in for fun and some learning about God and Jesus. Our youth will be attending Camps that are being offered by the Virginia Region and they will be having a good time while again learning about Jesus.

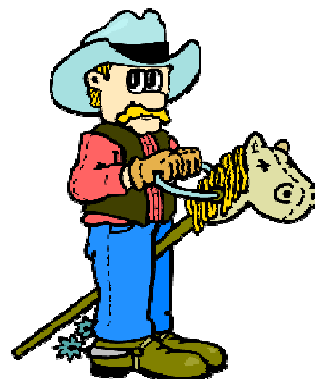
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Seniors' Prom and Dinner

It's time! It's time! Ham or Chicken and all the fixings. Sit down to a wonderful country dinner and unforgettable desserts!

After you get your tummy full you can dance it off. Swing your partner round and round at this old fashioned Hoe-Down. Sound like fun?? You bet it's going to be fun!

Put on your jeans, plaid shirts, boots or whatever and come on down.



The place is Belmont Christian Church on Friday, June 18th at 6:00 pm for Dinner. Dancing starts at 7:00 pm and goes until 10:00 pm. Reservations and advance payment were to be in by June 11, tickets at \$7.00 per person. If you failed to do this but would really like to come, call the church office immediately at 343-7502 and let them know.

The church growth department has worked very hard to make this Special and Fun! Come Enjoy!

News From Around the Church

Party Veggie Sandwich

(By Request)

From the Kitchen of Nellie Moore

- 3 grated carrots
- 1 cup minced green pepper
- 1 cup minced onion
- 1 cup chopped cucumbers
- 1 cup chopped celery

Then combine the following together:

- 4 eight oz. packs of cream cheese
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1/2 cup lemon juice
- 6 tbs. mayo

Fold in the veggies
mix with electric mixer
until fluffy
Chill

This makes enough for 4 loaves of bread.
Cut the bread with a 2 inch biscuit cutter
and add the veggie spread.



Pastor's Pen *(cont'd from page 1)*

What the summertime is not is a time to stop working in the body of the church. While the bible talks about a



is exactly what the church is called into being, passing on the faith to those who need to hear it. We are only given so many times that we can change the life of someone. How can we pass this up?

The Church does not take the summer off. The Church continues to do the work that it was called to do. The Church does not wait until September and the beginning of the school years to begin again. We never take time off. If we truly believe in the growth of the church, whether it is for Belmont or any other congregation, we will work constantly for the growth that God brings to us.

time of rest as early as the Book of Genesis, it is highly understood that this type of rest was connected with more time of spending with God and the church. People who took this time of rest, the Sabbath, spent it with more time reading of the Bible and time in prayer. This is a far cry for those of us who disengage ourselves from all connections with the church and God until around the first week of September.

How will you spend this summer?
Will you spend your time sitting on the



God's people know that there is no connection between our secular world of work and the work of the church. We look forward to the coming of this time with excitement. This time gives us the many opportunities to tell the

side waiting for something to happen or will you help bring those who need to hear about God's love and hope into the folds of a loving congregation. Will you help build the congregation of Belmont?

Praying for you as I hope you are praying for me

Craig



story of the love of Jesus and how much God is important in our own personal lives and therefore in theirs. This

Attendance Figures:

- Sunday School: 69
- Worship Attendance: 107
- Memorials for:
In Honor of Eloise Wright
In Memory of Donald Stanley Sr.



Prayer Cues for Belmonters

As you go to God in prayer this week, consider including the following prayer cue in your devotions.

We have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.
1 John 2:1

Thank You Father,
Amen



Thank You

The Stanley family is most grateful to the Parish Life Committee as well as the ladies of the church for the delicious meal on May 26th. We truly appreciate all that you did to honor our loved one, Donald Stanley, Sr.



We love you all for your generosity and caring!

Sincerely,

The Stanley Family

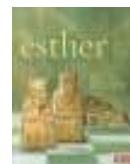
Church Night at the Ballgame

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, August 10th. We will have a night at the Salem Red Sox game for the entire church. We are collecting either Kraft cheese wrappers or receipts from donations to the Goodwill stores for a buy one, get one free ticket.



Watch the newsletter for more details and give your items to Pastor Elaine.

Attention Ladies



The study of the book of Esther is taught each Tuesday here at the church with Pastor Elaine at 7:00 pm. The third class will take place on Tuesday, June 23rd. This is a six week study. Come on out and learn with us how difficult it is being a woman.

New Class Is Going Well

Pastor Craig's 8 week class is going well. It's not too late to join us in the "Reaching Out Class" that meets in the Parlor each Sunday morning at 10:00 for 6 more weeks. Come join us!

Please Note



Because of the Esther Study on Tuesday nights, Pastor Elaine is switching her day off to Thursdays for the summer.

Remember



Vacation Bible School is not just for kids. There will be an adult class this year as well.

Pastor Craig will be teaching a study on India. So plan to come, July 12-16 from 5:30-8:00 pm.

Keep the Food Coming

The Presbyterian Center appreciates your donations so much. The need is so great right now and increasing every day.



We thank you for your giving spirit!

The Belmont Kids Connection

Vacation Bible School



For the next three weeks we will be taking registrations for our week of Vacation Bible School. Please fill out the form that will be in the newsletter or call the church office to register. Our week promises to be a fun week of learning and sharing in the mission work that takes place in India on behalf of our denomination.

Vacation Bible School is a great time to invite neighbors and friends who need a church home. It is a great outreach to our neighborhood as well as our community. Remember there will be classes for everyone, age 3 to 193, but we need a count so we will have enough supplies for all who attend. Remember, July 12-16, from 5:30-8:00 p.m. A light meal will be served each night. So "Come and See."

CYF Plans

The CYF youth group (grades 7-12) is enjoying some fun and fellowship this summer. We have been to Thunder Valley this week and we plan on having a movie and pizza night on Wednesday, July 23rd. We will meet from 6:00-8:30. Everyone is asked to bring \$4 to cover the cost of pizza and drinks. Also, we will be discussing



plans for a car wash, lock-in, and other fun things. Remember July 29th is the date that we go to the Rescue Mission to serve dinner.

If you haven't tried the CYF youth group, and you have just completed grades seven through twelve, please come and join us. The summer promises to be a great time!!!



Kids' Korner



It is that time of year again when we celebrate milestones and accomplishments with our young people. This week we congratulate **Mallory Austin**. Mallory just finished her fifth grade year at Cave Spring Elementary School. She was recognized for receiving straight A's for the whole year. Mallory also received two other awards, the "President's Education Award for outstanding academic excellence" and the "Principal's Award for continuous display of strong character." Mallory is the daughter of Bill and Elaine Austin. Congratulations Mallory on a job well done.

Please share with us any good news about our young people so we can continue to fill our Kids Korner.

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Service Times:

Sunday School: 9: 45 AM
Sunday Worship: 11:00 AM
Wednesday Family Night: 6:00 PM

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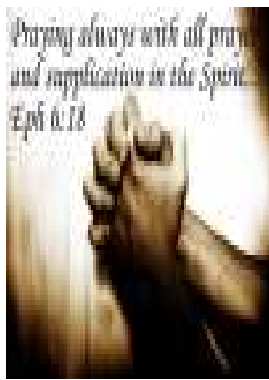
For Your Information

News You Can Use

Prayer List:

Our Church Family: Elaine Austin, & family, Corey Bailey, Jennifer & Joseph Bailey & family, Gordon Blair, Ina Bobbitt, Clark Davis, Robert Early, Cathy Ferguson, Larry & Shirley Fullp, Debbie

& Deb Hannabass, Sonia Morris, Sue Mustard, Kent & Sandy Shriver, Rev. John Wallace, Mary Alice Walton
(If you know of any updates to this list, please let the Church office know.)



C r o m w e l l Heck, Letha Holland, Roger Law, Nancy Lucado, Vicki Newburn, Joan Sands, Mary Spradlin & sisters, Family of Donald Stanley Sr., Loni Stoneman, Jane Taylor, Nancy Thompson, Sylvia Tinsley, Lena Wells

Our Extended Church Family: Kayla Aliff, Rev. John Atkins, Melissa & Glorea Booker in the loss of their mother, Mr. & Mrs. Harry Goggin, Eddy



"My Daddy"

I'm so glad to have a Daddy....

*That loves his family....
Lives a clean life before us....
For all the world to see....
I'm so glad he walks with Jesus
Each and every day....
With my Mom right beside him....
As God leads them on their way....
It hasn't always been like this....
As children Mom took us to Church....
Daddy accepted Christ later in life....
Thank you Heavenly Father so much!*

*I'm so glad to have a Daddy....
Taught the difference between wrong and right....
How to love and respect each other....
As we travel the road of life....
I'm so glad to have a Daddy....
That taught the joy of simple pleasures....
Not money or worldly possessions....
All of these things I treasure!*

*By: Pat Lumsden
June 4, 2003*

*This is my 1st Father's Day
without my Dad and I miss him very
much! Remember to honor your
Dad today and remember your Father
in Heaven who has made all this possible
and loves you very much!!*

